## Dear Readers

joined ISACA® as chief executive officer (CEO) approximately four months ago. There has been much to absorb in that time, but what has stood out the most is this: The ISACA community is truly special. It is rare to find a group of people as connected, involved, passionate and dedicated as this one.

It has also been gratifying to see how much value our members find in ISACA. From a member who has found all of her jobs through her ISACA network to members whose credentials have helped them transform their careers. I have seen countless examples of how ISACA has been a valued career partner-and I am committed to continuing that important partnership.

ISACA was established in 1969, and the ISACA® Journal celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2022. There is much rich history in this organization—and there is also much to look forward to. This is a uniquely interesting time for ISACA professionals. Following the COVID-19 pandemic, organizations are grappling with remote, hybrid or in-person work and events, and the related technological challenges and solutions those decisions present. Artificial intelligence (AI), long talked about, has taken the world by storm this year with the rapid evolution of generative AI tools. Additionally, the tech workforce

continues to be in high demand, even as the job market cools for many other professions.

Our job at ISACA, and in this Journal, is to prepare you for these challenges and opportunities, to help both you and your organization thrive, and to be a valuable learning and career resource for you, regardless of how regulations, technologies or workforce needs change.

These pages of the ISACA Journal will help you stay abreast of operational imperatives. You will learn about resilience, key collaborations and accountability-things that are important for all organizations, in every industry around the world.

These first months have been a truly rewarding experience as I get to know ISACA members and the headquarters team, and as I better understand the future operational imperatives for our organization. I look forward to getting to know all of you better and to delivering the information, resources and tools you need to help you succeed today and in

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