

Auditors – A Species at Risk?



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Species at Risk



Aulonocara auditor

- * Any plant or animal in danger of extinction or of disappearing, generally due to issues caused by human activities.
- * These species are recognized and deemed a Species at Risk when they start to get less and less in number.



The Typical Auditor



The typical auditor is a [person] past middle age, spare, wrinkled, intelligent, cold, passive, non-committal, with eyes like a codfish, polite in contact, but at the same time unresponsive, calm and damnably composed as a concrete post or a plaster of paris cast: a human petrification with a heart of feldspar and without charm of the friendly germ, minus bowels, passion or a sense of humour, happily, they never reproduce and all of them finally go to hell.” (Elbert Hubbard)



Why do species become 'At Risk'

Because their value is not
recognized...

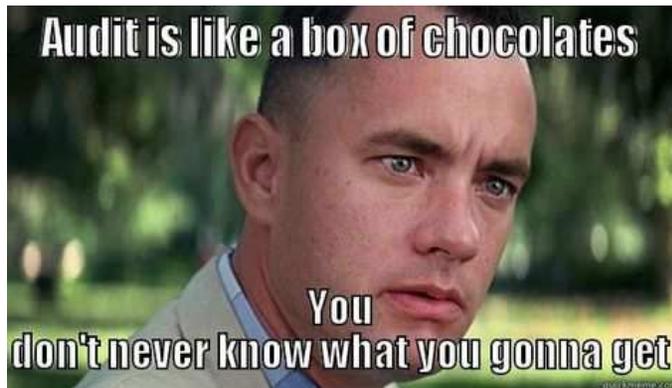


Recognition
and
Demand

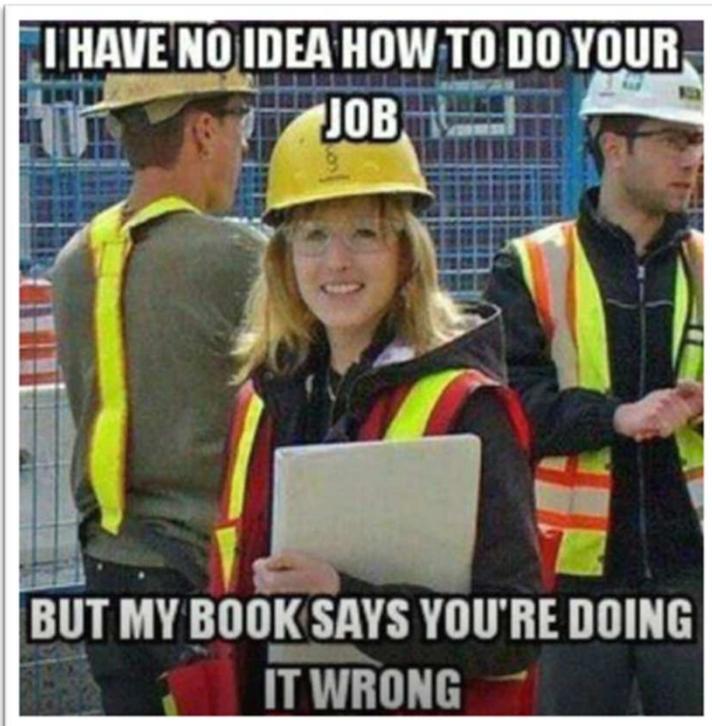
Supply –
Ability to Meet Demand



Why?



Why?



- * Not a recognized career by students
- * Experience/opportunity paradox
- * Age of auditors currently practicing
- * Perceived value of audit by client



Call to Action/What's Next



Outreach



Student Envoy

In accordance with our mandate to support students entering into the environment and health and safety audit profession, the Auditing Association of Canada has decided to create a student envoy position on our Board.

Qualification Criteria/Requirements and Expectations:

- AAC student member in good standing.
- Undergraduate or graduate active student in a relevant field of study.
- Active participation on board – same as other board members.
- Represent the student/youth perspective.



Opportunity

In 2014, the AAC Board formally recognized the need for and our obligation to assist in the development of the next generation of environment and health and safety auditors by endorsing the use of trainee auditors.

Endorsement



Competence/Certification

The need for highly qualified professionals due to

- Increasing risks to business the associated costs
- Increasing liability of corporate directors and senior company management
- Mounting legislative obligations for all employers,
- Increasing costs associated with environmental and health and safety incidents.



Initiatives



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Questions?

