

Charles River Associates Enhances Financial Economics Consulting Practice

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New consultant team elevates CRA's profile in risk management and regulatory compliance

BOSTON--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Aug. 15, 2018-- [CRA International, Inc.](#) (NASDAQ: CRAI), a worldwide leader in providing [economic, financial, and management consulting services](#), today announced the addition of two new colleagues to [CRA's Financial Economics Practice](#). [Raman Mandapaka](#) and [Muhammad Younis](#) join CRA with deep expertise in credit and market risk management and are based in Washington, DC and New York, respectively.

"We are excited to welcome Raman and Muhammad to CRA," said [Paul Maleh](#), CRA's President and Chief Executive Officer. "Their expertise in risk management, regulatory compliance, and valuation complements CRA's service offerings in the Financial Economics Practice. The team also will enable CRA to strengthen our capabilities in credit, markets and various types of financial modeling."

[Dr. Mandapaka](#) combines comprehensive knowledge of data governance, modeling, financial products and project management to provide cutting-edge services to financial institutions. He was previously Managing Director at Navigant Consulting and held senior positions at Deloitte & Touche and PricewaterhouseCoopers. He has extensive expertise in assisting banks, finance companies, Government Sponsored Enterprises (GSEs), and FinTech companies on risk management issues and regulatory compliance. He advises clients on gap assessments, data quality, model validation and development for compliance with Supervisory Guidance on Model Risk Management (SR 11-7), Comprehensive Capital Analysis and Review (CCAR), Dodd-Frank Act Stress Testing (DFAST), Basel III, Fundamental Review of Trading Book (FRTB), Bank Secrecy Act (BSA) and Anti-Money Laundering (AML), and Risk Data Aggregation (BCBS 239). He is a frequent speaker at conferences and has authored several articles. He has a PhD in Economics from University of Stony Brook, New York.

[Mr. Younis](#) most recently was Senior Consultant Risk Management with HSBC Global Banking and Markets. He has more than 16 years of experience in designing and implementing enterprise, liquidity, operational and credit risk management frameworks. He has designed, developed, implemented and supported analytical models, including BSA / AML, Allowance for Loan and Lease Losses (ALLL) and Current Expected Credit Losses (CECL) models. Mr. Younis also has experience with stress testing, scorecard implementation and validation, compliance/regulatory oversight, and regression modeling. He has enhanced various analytics models, including sensitivity analysis, value-at-risk, and scenario testing with industry best practices for portfolio analytics. Mr. Younis has a degree from the London School of Economics and Political Science.

About CRA's [Financial Economics Practice](#)

The CRA Financial Economics Practice provides analytical expertise and advisory services in financial economics, risk management, consumer markets, and capital markets to financial institutions, legal teams and regulators. The Practice's advisors and experts are experienced economists, statisticians, bankers, and accountants as well as prominent academic experts who present regularly to government, regulatory and industry groups.

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