# Ongoing projects under auspices of **EUROSAI SG 1**





#### **EUROSAI databases**

EUROSAI database of audits contains more than 2000 audits. It was launched in 2015 and it includes audit materials from **30** EUROSAI SAIs and the European Court of Auditors. No registration is needed for the database. It is free and easy to use. You can browse through the database with the help of a number of search fields,



there are audit materials related to **33 different subject areas.** Among the **materials** you may find audit reports, annual reports, joint reports, press releases, summaries in a number of languages.

https://www.eurosai.org/en/databases/audits/

**EUROSAI database of products** includes **over 600 product materials** in a number of languages, ranging from **articles**, **presentations to guides and manuals** from INTOSAI, its regions, Working Groups, Task Forces, SAIs and other publicly accessible sources. Search fields in this database are not as extensive as in the database of audits but you can search through **all different subjects**, **EUROSAI languages and types of documents**.

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For any questions concerning the EUROSAI databases of audits and products, please contact the Czech Supreme Audit Office at this e-mail address: eurosai.sg1@nku.cz.

**EUROSAI database of surveys** contains basic information and links concerning surveys issued by EUROSAI structures, by INTOSAI or its Regional Organisations, by SAIs or other organisations. The database aims to disseminate the information about **surveys performed and about its results.**  https://www.eurosai.org/en/databases/surveys/ If you want to add any relevant survey, or in case of any questions or suggestions, please contact: eurosaisurveys@tcontas.pt

#### **Innovations in EUROSAI**

In the **"EUROSAI Innovations"** newsletter EUROSAI members share **innovative audit approaches**, **novel ways of engaging with stakeholders** or new **management concepts.** "Innovations in EUROSAI" is an ongoing project which aims to publish up to four newsletters per year.

The newsletters are published in the form of a PDF file. They are shared via e-mail and can also be downloaded on the EUROSAI website.

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**Benchmarking Information Exchange Project** (BIEP) – information exchange with relevant impact

Are you looking for inspiration and good practice for



your audit activities? Do you want to share ideas and experience with auditors from other SAIs? Would you appreciate easy and flexible communication?

Cooperation and communication have never been easier and are now taking place via the BIEP Portal (<u>https://biep.nku.cz/</u>). This platform is here for everyone working for SAIs so **feel free to** 

**register** and use it. BIEP allows you to define audit recommendations on the basis of good practice, get a new audit topic, or take over audit criteria from foreign colleagues. Thanks to international cooperation SAIs can provide relevant information, relevant recommendations and thereby achieve positive impact of their work.

#### Hackathon

International be organised The Hackathon will Audit bv the Supreme Office of the Czech Republic and will take place in Prague on 3-5 March 2020. It aims at finding solutions by, e.g. creating new applications or visualizations, improving



the effectiveness of processes carried out within SAIs while saving costs. making auditors' work easier (when identifying priority areas). and by reducing the administrative burden New tools for international comparisons of audit results will be created.

## Parallel audit Workforce 2030 -Challenges and Opportunities

Due to global, technological and demographic changes, in the coming decades the world will experience major transitions in the workforce. By 2030, 400-800 million individuals around the world could be displaced by automation. On the other hand, the global, technological and demographic changes create opportunities for new jobs.

It is crucial that countries strengthen the resilience and adaptability of labour markets with the least possible disruption, while maximising the potential benefits. By a coordinated parallel audit SAIs can learn how other countries address this issue; identify core issues; and coordinate audit plans, methodology and recommendations. The parallel audit will be conducted from autumn 2019 until spring 2021.

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## Follow-up of the implementation of audit recommendations

According to ISSAI 12 SAIs need to demonstrate their ongoing relevance to citizens, parliament and other stakeholders. They need to evaluate the impact of their audit activities to ensure that government and auditees respond to audit findings and recommendations. Therefore, ISSAI 300 and ISSAI 400 stipulate that the auditor should follow up previous audit findings and recommendations when appropriate. The follow-up activities should increase the value of the audit process, be it in a quantitative and/or qualitative manner.

The project group will explore various systems of follow-up of the implementation of audit recommendations, the reporting on the follow-up findings, the evaluation of the system and the use of the results as part of the SAI's monitoring system. The information will be gathered through a survey sent to the EUROSAI Members, and will result in a final report including exchanging good practices. The final report will be published in mid-2020.

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### Training

On the EUROSAI website, the Training section lists **EUROSAI training events**, **EUROSAI training experts**, and summaries of **training events** organised under the auspices of EUROSAI. In order to help with the organisation of training events, a practical guide for organising training events is also available on the EUROSAI website.

https://www.eurosai.org/en/training/

## Finished projects of SG 1

The SAIs of the Czech Republic and Germany performed a coordinated audit on E-commerce and published its report in 2019.

The SAI of the United Kingdom carried out a workshop on reactive and rapid audit reporting: using facts only reports to assist public accountability in November 2017.



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