

The extraordinary 60th EUROSAI Governing Board meeting was held on-line on 19th April 2024: Summary of Agreements

The online extraordinary 60th meeting of the EUROSAI Governing Board (GB) was held on 19th April 2024, chaired by the SAI of the Czech Republic (EUROSAI Presidency), and also attended by the rest of members of the EUROSAI GB (SAIs of Israel, Poland, Spain - EUROSAI Secretariat-, Latvia, Lithuania, Türkiye, and United Kingdom).

Agenda items 1, 2 and 3.

As a result of the analysis of the first three items of the agenda, the 60th Governing Board adopted the following decision:



- Approval of the agenda of the meeting.
- Agreement to take the minutes of the 58th and 59th GB meetings to the 61st GB for approval.
- Approval of the list of observers for the XII EUROSAI Congress.

Agenda item 4: Global Assessment by the GB of Candidacies to Membership of the GB.

In connection with the election of two new GB members by the XII EUROSAI Congress (Art. 10b EUROSAI Statutes), the Secretariat received the candidature of five SAIs- Hungary, Italy, Portugal, Sweden, and Ukraine. In this context, the Secretariat had triggered the GB's assessment of the candidatures in relation to the applicable protocols in force. This assessment was reflected in the Global Assessment report on the candidacies for GB membership, submitted to the 60th GB meeting for approval.



- The Global Assessment by the GB of Candidacies to membership of the GB was approved.

Agenda item 5: Draft EUROSAI Strategic Plan 2024-2030

The SAI of Israel, as leader of the PG on the New Strategic Plan 2024-2030, sent the final draft of the new Strategic Plan 2024-2030 to the GB for adoption before its subsequent presentation to the XII EUROSAI Congress for approval.



- The GB adopted the draft EUROSAI Strategic Plan 2024-2030

Agenda item 6: Support for the request of the EUROSAI Task Force on Municipality Audit to the Congress to be transformed into EUROSAI Working Group

The SAIs of Lithuania as current leader of the TFMA, and Latvia, as next leader after the XII Congress, asked for the support of the GB to a draft resolution to propose to the Congress the change of the status of the EUROSAI Task Force on Municipality Audit to a Working Group on Municipality Audit (WGMA).



- The GB supported the draft Resolution on changing the status of the EUROSAI TFMA from the Task Force on Municipality Audit to the Working Group on Municipality Audit (WGMA).

Agenda item 7: Adoption of the draft proposal to the XII Congress of amendment of the EUROSAI Statutes

In compliance with the mandate of the 58th GB to the PG on Regulations, the Secretariat, as leader of the PG, presented the draft proposal of Amendments to the EUROSAI Statutes. The EUROSAI Secretariat, in view of the importance of the decisions to be taken, and their possible consequences for the organisation and its future, considered the debate on the modification of the statutes a delicate matter that requires a work of sharing among the members. Therefore, it is preferable to conduct the debate for the adoption of the draft proposal in a face-to-face GB meeting. Subsequently, the agreed draft proposal would be submitted by the GB to an in-person Congress for approval.

The Presidency endorsed the Secretariat's suggestion to postpone the adoption of the final wording of the Draft proposal of amendment of EUROSAI Statutes to an in-person GB and put it to vote: all votes in favour.



- The GB approved to postpone the adoption of the final wording of the Draft proposal of amendment of EUROSAI Statutes to a face-to-face GB meeting.

Agenda item 8: Discussion and approval on the Draft proposal to the XII Congress of the EUROSAI Statement on Ukraine

The GB considered that the Congress should be informed about the 56th GB Statement on the situation in Ukraine. Nevertheless, the proposal to the Congress about a EUROSAI Statement in this regard should not be debated in an online Congress since it is a very sensitive decision. The GB decided the following:



- That the GB's Statement on Ukraine approved during its 56th extraordinary meeting, would be submitted to the XII Congress only for informative and taking-note purposes as a specific item in the agenda.
- To postpone the adoption of the Draft Proposal of *"Statement of the XII EUROSAI Congress on the Situation in Ukraine"* to the next GB in-person meeting for its subsequent approval in the next face-to-face Congress meeting.

Agenda item 9: Project Group on Regulation's draft proposal of the EUROSAI Standard Procedures – next steps

The SAI of Israel proposed to submit only section 2 of the Draft Proposal EUROSAI Standard Procedures for approval at the 61st GB meeting, and not to consider and discuss section 1 of it, and added that, in any case, a face-to-face GB would be advisable for the discussion of the Draft Proposal.

Then, the President clarified that this item in the agenda was not intended to approve the PG's draft proposal, but if the complete document should be submitted to vote to the 61st GB meeting, or if, as requested by SAI Israel, Section 1 should be excluded. The President put to vote this issue in the following way:

- **1st voting:**
 - Who is in favour to exclude the draft proposal of Standard Procedures of the voting process at the 61st GB? 1 vote in favour to exclude it.
 - Who is against? 6 votes against to exclude it.
 - Who abstains... who is against? 5 votes

The presidency did not inform about the results, and asked if there were any doubts. Two of the SAIs were not clear on whether they were voting on excluding section 1 or to move to the 61st GB. The Secretary General said that everything was clear but doubtful about the vote of one SAI. It was suggested that this confusion illustrated that this topic could maybe better dealt with at an in-person meeting.

- **2nd voting:**
 - Mr Kala said now that there were two proposals, the 1st one, to present the complete draft at the 61st GB meeting, and the 2nd one, to present it at the 63rd GB in-person meeting. Then, the President put to vote only the 2nd proposal and 5 votes were in favour of it.

The President declared as approved that the draft Standard Procedures would be discussed as a whole document at the 63rd GB's in-person meeting.



- The GB approved that the PG's Draft proposal of EUROSAI Standard Procedures would be discussed as a whole in the 63rd GB meeting in London.

