



The ISSAI Harmonisation Project

New fundamental auditing principles developed by the INTOSAI Professional Standards Committee (PSC)

ISSAI Harmonisation Project Group:

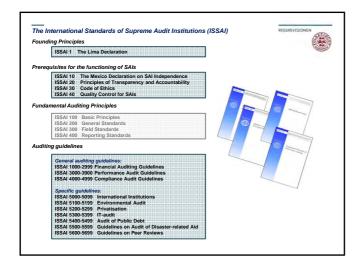
- Chaired by the PSC Secretariat (DK)
- Representatives mainly from the Financial, Performance and Compliance Subcommittees, but also ...
- Representatives from other key INTOSAI bodies
- SAl's of Austria, Brazil, China, Denmark, European Court of Auditors, India, Mexico, Norway, Slovakia, South Africa, Sweden, UK, USA
- Close coordination during the project between project group and the subcommittees (eg Performance Auditing Subcommittee, PAS)

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Why new Fundamental Auditing Principles?

- Harmonize the ISSAIs
- Ensure consistency in the ISSAI framework
- Provide a common definition of public-sector auditing
- Provide the foundation for the full system of guidelines in the ISSAI framework





Characteristics of the new fundamental auditing principles Cover all types of public-sector audits Provide the bedrock for ISSAI guidance on auditing Provide a common, globally recognized professional basis for the INTOSAI community Provide the core of the more detailed auditing guidelines at level 4 Clarify the authority of the ISSAIs and explain how SAIs can make

references to the ISSAIs



ISSAI 100 – Fundamental Principles of Public-Sector Auditing



- Purpose and authority of the ISSAIs
- Framework for Public-Sector Auditing
- Elements of Public Sector Auditing
- Principles of Public-Sector Auditing
 - Organisational requirements
 - · General principles
 - · Principles related to the audit process

PURPOSE AND AUTHORITY OF THE ISSAU

7. ISSAI 100 establishes fundamental principles engagements, irrespective of their form or or further develop the principles to be applied or orginate auditing respectively. They show prevent SAIs from carrying out investigat specifically covered by the existing ISSAI

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Framework for Public Sector Auditing

- Mandate constitution, legislation, strategic decisions
- Definition and objectives of public-sector auditing

"a systematic process of objectively obtaining and evaluating evidence to determine whether information or actual conditions conform to established criteria."

• Types of public-sector auditing – financial, performance, compliance

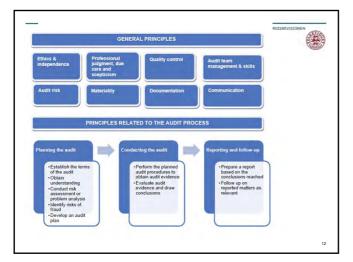
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Elements of Public-Sector Auditing

- The three parties (auditor, the responsible party, intended users)
- Subject matter, criteria and subject matter information
- Types of engagement (attestation, direct reporting)
- · Confidence and assurance

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ISSAI 200 Fundamental Principles of Financial Auditing

- Provide overview of nature, elements and principles of auditing financial statements. Consistent with the ISAs and the financial guidelines on level 4
- Purpose and authority of the fundamental principles for financial auditing
- Framework for financial auditing
- · Elements of financial auditing
- · Principles of financial auditing

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ISSAI 300 – Fundamental Principles of Performance Auditing

- Provides INTOSAIs principles for auditing economy, efficiency and effectiveness
- Purpose and authority of the principles of performance auditing
- Framework for performance auditing
- Elements of performance auditing
- · Principles for performance audit engagements

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ISSAI 400 – Fundamental Principles of Compliance Auditing

- Provides INTOSAIs principles of compliance auditing auditing of compliance with authories:
 - Laws and regulations and principles of sound public sector financial management and the conduct of public officials.
- Purpose and authority of the fundamental principles of compliance auditing
- Framework for compliance auditing
- · Elements of compliance auditing
- Principles of compliance auditing.

