Annex 3: Reporting Template

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Progress report of SAI Estonia

**Strategic Plan
2017-2023**

Executive Summary

The EUROSAI IT Working Group was established in 2002 at the V EUROSAI Congress in Moscow, Russia. SAI Estonia took over the chairmanship of IT Working Group from SAI Poland in 30 June 2020, according to EUROSAI Governing Board decision from 3 June 2020.

Presently, the IT Working Group has 41 members.

As agreed at the X EUROSAI IT Working Group's meeting in May 2017 in Istanbul and then approved at the EUROSAI Congress, the group's activities are being carried out in accordance with the five primary objectives:

1) Enhance IT potential of SAIs

2) Support to the IT standards

3) Facilitate the exchange of practical experience, expertise and good practices

4) Promote cooperation in the design of IT related audits

5) Promote parallel, joint or coordinated audits

The ITWG activities are in line with the Strategic Goals from EUROSAI Strategic Plan 2017-2023:

I.   Supporting effective, innovative and relevant audits by promoting and brokering professional cooperation
II.   Helping SAIs deal with new opportunities and challenges by supporting and facilitating their institutional capacity development

The aim of this report is to present the activity of the EUROSAI IT Working Group since June 2019 to November 2020 and planned activities in the forthcoming year.

Cross-cutting issues

Due to COVID19 crisis, the annual meeting of IT Working Group planned in Tbilisi, Georgia in April 2020, was cancelled. Therefore previous secretariat's report for 2017-2020 and Work Plan for the period 2021-2024 was circulated among members electronically and approved without any comments.

Objective(s)	Project/Initiative (June 2019-November 2020)	Responsible parties	Results and outcomes achieved so far and foreseen until November 2020	Overall status of the project/initiative
1.1 To promote audit-related cooperation by acting as a broker between members	Coordinated audits and BIEP	SAI Chech Republic SAI Estonia	The new secretariat of ITWG has negotiated with SAI Chech Republic to use BIEP portal as a central gateway to exchange ideas about potential coordinated audits. Secretariat invited members interested in contributing to the design of future ITWG activities(and aslo coordinated audits) to take part in forming a discussion group which would advise the ITWG Secretariat, online meeting was held in september 2020.	The project is constant and will be continued in the future.

1.3. To facilitate the sharing of knowledge and experience within EUROSAI and with external stakeholders and partners	The CUBE and IT Audit Active Manual	SAI Poland	Both tools: the CUBE and Active IT Audit Manual are fully operable, maintanance is provided in case if issues appear.	This project is constant and will be continued in the future.
	Sharing experience and knowledge in INTOSAI framework	SAI Estonia	ITWG has applied for observer status in INTOSAI WGITA, WGBD and WGISTA in order to facilitate cooperation and exchange information about inititatives. Secretariat has taken part in all the 3 group meetings.	This initiative is constant/horizontal and will be continued in the future.
2.1. To facilitate and support needs-driven institutional capacity development initiatives	Professional Training: 1. The CUBE's Workshop 2. The IT Audit Active Manual Workshop 3. The ITSA/ITASA Workshop 4. Research and Training Hub	SAI Poland, SAI Switzerland, SAI Estonia	The workshop on the development and use of the CUBE and IT Audit Active Manual was carried out in October 2019 in Bratislava, Slovakia with participation of 13 ITWG member states. Meeting on IT(A)SA was carried out in March 2020. In the framework of Research and Training Hub, a virtual meeting will be held on 12 November 2020 to map the strategic IT auditing competencies needed for both, IT and non-IT auditors.	This project is constant and will be continued in the future.
	Sharing knowledge and best practices via the CUBE - Control Space for e-Government	SAI Poland	Several reports have been shared in the CUBE	This project is constant and will be continued in the future.
2.2. To promote and encourage institutional	IT Self-assessment (ITSA)	SAI Switzerland	16 EUROSAI members have conducted the IT Self-assessment (ITSA) and the IT Audit Self-assessment (ITASA) and 14 members had	This project is constant and will be continued in the future.

			performed an IntoSAINT assessment. - Since June 2017, three ITSAs workshops were carried out: at ECA (November 2017) at the SAI Macedonia (October 2018) and SAI Serbia (May 2019). The subgroup's yearly meetings in early March in 2018, 2019 and 2020 were used to update the planning of future ITSAs, update the pool of moderators, share experience and discuss various topics/issues.	
	IT Audit Self-Assessment (ITASA)	SAI Switzerland	Since June 2017, 6 ITASA workshops have been carried out: at ECA (November 2018), SAI France (October 2018), SAI Turkey (November 2019), SAI North Macedonia (May 2019), SAI the Netherlands (May 2019), SAI Austria (February 2020), and SAI Denmark (August 2020). The subgroup's yearly meetings in early March in 2018, 2019 and 2020 were used to update the planning of future ITSAs, update the pool of moderators, share experience and discuss various topics/issues. Regular execution of ITASA are promoted with EUROSAI members. SAI Switzerland (project leader) is currently investigating to further automate the ITASA process.	Increasing the number of ITASA is the ongoing initiative.
	Rollout of ITSAs and ITASAs into other regions	SAI Switzerland	In 2019, the subgroup decided to start collaboration with AFROSAI-E with the intent of sharing resources, knowledge, comparing experience and standardizing practices in the framework of self-assessments (ITSA and ITASA). The first practical exchange was initiated with the ITASA conducted in Turkey in Nov. 2019.	This project is constant and will be continued in the future.
2.3. To promote	Support IT	SAI Estonia	EUROSAI ITWG and INTOSAI WGITA have	This project is constant and will be

and facilitate the implementation of INTOSAI's Framework of Professional Pronouncements (IFPP) and contribute to its future development	related Standards and Guidelines		agreed to collaborate on the topic and exchange views. First virtual meeting was in September 2020 and the next one is planned for November to discuss IT Audit Handbook revision process in cooperation with GAO.	continued in the future.

Expectations towards EUROSAI GB and other EUROSAI members	**Issues for the discussion:**
IT Working Group Workplan for 2021 – 2024 is to be confirmed by the Governing Board (see annex 1).	

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Annex 1: IT Working Group Workplan for 2021 – 2024