

Annex 3: Reporting Template

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Progress report of the EUROSAI Working Group on the Audit of Funds Allocated to Disasters and Catastrophes (WGAFADC) – June 2019 - November 2020



**Strategic Plan
2017-2023**

Executive Summary

As in the previous periods, during the period from June 2019-November 2020 the EUROSAI Working Group on the Audit of Funds Allocated to Disasters and Catastrophes (WGAFADC) continued its work in accordance with the WG's Strategic Activity Plan for 2017-2020 and the determined three Strategic Goals, namely:

1. Professional cooperation.
2. Professional development.
3. Contributing to achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Within the implementation of these Goals, in particular, for the purpose of studying issues related to natural and man-caused disasters, conducting relevant audits and providing recommendations for improving the efficiency of both government policy and the use of budgetary funds in this area, the activity of the Working Group was mainly focused on:

- Continuation of initiated International Coordinated Audits;
- Participation in the WG's Seminar, organized by the Accounting Chamber of Ukraine, with the support of the State Audit Institution of the

Republic of Serbia (30 October 2019, Belgrade, Serbia);

- Completion of the Good Practice Recommendations for Conducting Audits in the Field of Prevention and Consequences Elimination of Floods;
- Update of the WG’s webpage, etc.

It should be noted that on 31 March – 1 April 2020, in Bucharest, Romania, with the support of the Romanian Court of Accounts, the VI Meeting and the Seminar of the EUROSAI Working Group on the topic “Prevention man-made catastrophes: three steps in the future” were supposed to take place.

During the events it was planned to discuss and approve the Activity Report of the Working Group for 2017-2020, the draft Strategic Activity Plan of the Working Group for 2021-2024, to get acquainted with the results of the international parallel audits, to present and discuss their own developments in the field of prevention and consequences elimination of catastrophes, as well as to hear the reports of invited international experts.

However, given the COVID-19 pandemic and difficult epidemiological situation in both Romania and Europe in general, these events are planned to be held on 24-25 November 2020 via video connection.

Cross-cutting issues

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.	Initiating and conducting international coordinated/parallel audits on the most relevant topics within the scope of the Working Group’s activity	SAIs of Moldova, Serbia and Ukraine. Coordinator – SAI of Ukraine	International Coordinated Audit on Waste Management and Utilization. All national audits are already conducted. Joint Report is prepared.	Joint Report is expected to be signed remotely by each participating SAI in November 2020.
		SAIs of Poland, Slovakia and Ukraine. Coordinator – SAI of Poland	International coordinated audit on transboundary movements of wastes in the light of the Basel Convention provisions. All national audits are already conducted. Joint Report is being prepared.	Joint Report is expected to be signed remotely by each participating SAI in November-December 2020.

		SAIs of Belarus, Georgia, Poland, Serbia, Turkey, Ukraine and the European Court of Auditors. Coordinator – SAI of Ukraine	International Coordinated Audit on the Prevention and Consequences Elimination of Floods. All national audits are already conducted. Joint Report is prepared.	Joint Report is expected to be signed remotely by each participating SAI in November 2020.
1.2.	Knowledge sharing on the issues of conducting audits in the field of prevention and consequences elimination of disasters	SAIs of Serbia and Ukraine	On 30 October 2019, in Belgrade, Serbia, with the support of the State Audit Institution of Serbia, the Seminar on the topic “Contributing to achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals in the sphere of prevention and consequences elimination of disasters and catastrophes” was held.	The Seminar took place.
1.3.	Raising public awareness about the Working Group’s activities	SAI of Ukraine	New website of the Accounting Chamber of Ukraine with the new webportal of the Working Group was launched.	The Project was successfully finalised.
1.4.	The extension of contacts of the Working Group with the professional community within the scope of the working group’s activities	SAI of Ukraine	The Seminar on the topic “Contributing to achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals in the sphere of prevention and consequences elimination of disasters and catastrophes” (October 30, 2019, in Belgrade, Serbia) was attended by the international expert of the UNIDO project, an ecological auditor Ms. Olena Tkach (Ukraine).	The task was successfully completed.
2.1.	Raising awareness of the SAIs about the use and implementation of International Standards of	SAI of Ukraine	During the Seminar on the topic “Contributing to achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals in the sphere of prevention and consequences elimination of disasters and catastrophes”, the presentation on the topic “Methodological aspects of	The task was successfully completed.

	Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAI), particularly ISSAI 5500- 5599 “Guidelines for auditing disaster-related aid”		conducting environmental disaster audits to promote sustainable development goals at national, regional and international levels”, focused on the practical use of ISSAIs series 5500 and 5110-5140, methodological documents of INTOSAI on the topic of the seminar, was presented by the SAI of Ukraine	
2.2.	Collecting, analyzing and summarizing the good practices of auditing in the field of the Working Group’s activity	WGAFADC, SAI of Ukraine	“Good practice Recommendations for Conducting Audits in the Field of Prevention and Consequences Elimination of Floods” was prepared.	The task was successfully completed.
<p>Within the implementation of the WG’s Strategic Goal 3 “Contributing to achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals”, the Secretariat of the Working Group has prepared a survey, which will be disseminated among the WG’s members in November 2020, concerning topics for conducting the international audit on the implementation of the UN 2030 Agenda, as well as the countries’ efforts aimed at implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in in the field of the Working Group’s activities.</p>				
Expectations towards EUROSAI GB and other EUROSAI members			Issues for the discussion:	
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