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## Invitation to the INTOSAI WGEA Global Training Facility course on Environment Auditing and International Workshop on "Sustainable Development: The Concept and Audit"

1. SAI-India's International Centre for Environment Audit & Sustainable Development (iCED), located near Jaipur, 250 kilometres from New Delhi has been recognised as a Global Training Facility (GTF) for environment auditing by INTOSAI – Working Group on Environment Audit (WGEA).

2. Since 2013, six International Training Programmes (ITPs) have been conducted at iCED in collaboration with INTOSAI WGEA. 126 participants from 39 countries across the world have participated in these training programmes. iCED has also hosted International Workshops on Audit of Water issues and Audit of Waste Management during 2018 and 2019 respectively.

3. Under the Work Plan 2017 – 19 of INTOSAI WGEA (Action point 2.3 (c) under Goal 3), iCED announces the 7<sup>th</sup> International Training Programme (ITP) on "Introduction to Environmental Auditing" and an International Workshop on "Sustainable Development: The Concept and Audit" for INTOSAI member countries from November 25<sup>th</sup> to December 07<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 respectively. On behalf of Chair WGEA and SAI India, we invite SAIs to send participants to attend these programmes. We also encourage SAIs to nominate resource persons to act as facilitators for these programmes.

4. Applicants for 7<sup>th</sup> ITP on "Introduction to Environmental Auditing" and International Workshop on "Sustainable Development: The Concept and Audit" need to send filled-in nomination forms duly endorsed by respective head of departments along with a copy of passport to Mr. Pushkar Kumar, Director (T&R), iCED at <u>iced@cag.gov.in</u> before 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 and 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2019 respectively. As not more than 35 participants will be considered for the training programme, the registration will be done on first come first serve basis.

5. The Nomination Form and brochure of iCED are attached with this invitation letter. Important details of the 7<sup>th</sup> International Training Programme (along with indicative course contents) and "International Workshop on Sustainable Development: The Concept and Audit" are attached as Annex 1 and Annex 2 respectively.

Yours sincerely,

me

(Moermahadi Soerja Djanegara) Chairman of the Audit Board of Indonesia

(Rajiv Mehrishi) Comptroller & Auditor General of India

Enclosed: As above.

## Details of the 7<sup>th</sup> International Training Programme on Environmental Auditing (25 November to 07 December 2019):

### 1. Language proficiency and experience:

The medium of instruction is English and workable fluency in English, both oral and written, is an essential prerequisite for the programme. Mid-level/senior professionals with at least 5 years' professional experience would have better prospects to be accepted for the training programme.

### 2. **Pre-requisites for the training programme:**

Registered applicants for the training will be expected to do pre-course reading and prepare a brief paper before the course which would include overview of performance audit process in their SAI, environmental challenges and government response in their country and a list of key Multilateral Environment Accords signed in the country.

### **3.** Registration and methodology for the training programme:

The participants are required to report at iCED, Jaipur for 7<sup>th</sup> global programme on "Introduction to Environmental Auditing" on <u>24<sup>th</sup> November, 2019</u> for registration. The training will involve practical exercises, with emphasis on conceptual clarity, field visits and sharing of relevant experiences. The training will be conducted by experienced faculty / resource persons who are experts in their respective fields.

### 4. Training / Participation costs:

The SAIs who send their participants to the course / workshop are expected to cover only the direct costs (meals, cost of stay, study tours and environmental excursion) at the rate of 125 USD per person per night, in addition to the travelling costs. The amount may be deposited in the iCED's bank account through electronic mode. US \$ 125 multiplied by the number of nights you are staying at iCED Jaipur is payable (excluding bank commission, if any) before reaching iCED Jaipur. Bank / Intermediary charges for electronic transfer of money shall be borne by respective SAI. The details for e-transfer are as follows:

Beneficiary Name: Office of the Principal Director I.C.E.D, Jaipur

Beneficiary Account No.: 33436985147

Beneficiary Bank Name & Branch: State Bank of India, New Central Revenue Building Branch, Jaipur, Rajasthan (INDIA) Beneficiary Address: Office of the Director General, International Centre for Environment Audit & Sustainable Development (iCED), Plot No. SP- 6 & 7, Kant – Kalwar, RIICO Industrial Area, Near Achrol, Jaipur, Rajasthan – 303 002.

SWIFT Code: SBININBB154

IFS Code: SBIN0006326

## If electronic mode of transfer of money is used, kindly send us a copy of the advice generated for the transfer of money for accounting purposes.

## 5. Contact details:

For further information regarding course registration, please contact Mr. Pushkar Kumar at email address <u>kumarp2@cag.gov.in</u> or <u>iced@cag.gov.in</u>.

## <u>7<sup>th</sup> International Training Programme on Introduction to Environmental</u> <u>Auditing (25 November to 07 December 2019)</u>

## **Indicative Course Contents**

SI. No.	Module	Key contents
1.	Environment Audit	Sustainable Development and Sustainable
		Development Goals
		Identifying issues related to environment and
		sustainable development
		Good environmental governance
		Market Based Instruments in Environmental
		Governance
		Basics of environmental and sustainable development
		audit
2.	Water	Global water challenges
		Overview of various methods used in water audits
		worldwide
		Practical application of audit methods
		Practical application of audit methods involving
		complex topics
3.	Biodiversity	Essence of biodiversity
		Selecting an audit topic in the area of biodiversity
		Designing audits of biodiversity
		Audits of biodiversity based on Multilateral
		Environment Accords (MEAs) and audit cooperation in
		biodiversity issues
4.	Waste	Overview of issues related to waste
		Good environmental management
		Audit criteria on the example of waste audits
		Designing audits of waste issues that involve MEAs
5.	Climate Change	Overview of issues related to air and climate change
		Forming audit questions
6.	Greening SAIs	Introduction
		Tools for greening SAIs
		Challenges in Greening SAIs
7.	Environment	Introduction
	Impact Assessment	Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process
		Challenges
8.	Renewable Energy	Introduction
	& Energy Efficiency	Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency and its Audit

# Details of the International Workshop on "Sustainable Development: The concept and Audit" (24 February to 28 February 2020):

## 1. Importance of capacity building for Sustainable Development: The concept and Audit:

In 2015, all the United Nations member states 'embarked on a great collective journey'. By adopting Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, they committed themselves to working on a better future for everyone and to 'leaving no one behind' by 2030. This global agenda comprises 17 sustainable development goals (SDGs) for stimulating government action in all UN countries during the period until 2030.

The 2030 Agenda also has a bearing on Supreme Audit Institutions (SAIs). In other words, SAIs can contribute to a successful SDG implementation by performing 'preparedness reviews'. In this way, SAIs can help their governments to identify whether they have established a sound basis for the successful implementation of the 2030 agenda, where good progress has been made, and where further efforts are still needed. SAIs can also review the process of implementation of SDGs as well audit outcomes of SDG implementation.

SAIs can, through their audits and consistent with their mandates and priorities, make valuable contributions to national efforts to track progress, monitor implementation and identify improvement opportunities across the full set of the SDGs. INTOSAI has decided to include SDGs quite centrally in its strategic plan 2017 -2022 as a cross cutting theme.

## 2. Language proficiency and experience:

The medium of interaction is English and workable fluency in English, both oral and written, is an essential prerequisite for the workshop. Mid-level/senior professionals with at least 10 years' professional experience would have better prospects to effectively contribute to the workshop.

### **3. Pre-requisites for the workshop:**

Registered applicants will be expected to present brief papers on audit of Sustainable Development issues in their respective countries which would include initiatives, achievements and challenges with respect to Audit of Sustainable Development Goals by their Supreme Audit Institutions (SAIs).

## 4. **Registration and methodology for the workshop:**

The participants are required to report at iCED, Jaipur on <u>23 February, 2020</u> for registration. The workshop will focus on strategic issues in planning audit in the Waste Management, sessions on important topics by experts working in the field, field visits and sharing of relevant experiences etc. The inputs from the workshop will enrich the expertise of audit managers in conducting audit of waste management issues in their respective SAI.

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