



## Strategic Response to Climate Change for SAIs – Context, Collaborators and Capacity Considerations

Dates: Tuesday 23 January – Thursday 25 January 2024

Venue: Santa's Hotel Santa Claus, Rovaniemi, Finland

### *Overview*

The topic of climate change is top of the agenda in many current global discussions. For global climate change goals to be achieved, it's necessary to look at world-wide, national and institutional responses to the topic.

In this workshop, SAIs will learn more about the global context, the players on the world stage, and the impact both have on national and SAI-level mandates to responding to climate change. The workshop will explore:

- linkages between climate change and international interventions on environmental development
- critical aspects under the existing regimes including effectiveness and volume of climate finance, effects on national legislation and policies
- vulnerabilities that climate change accelerates
- SAIs' key role in assessing the effectiveness of the national climate action and ensuring value of donor money
- the need for coordination across all layers of responsiveness

*The objectives of the workshop are to:*

- Increase understanding of why it's important for SAIs to focus on the area
- Provide insight into approaches SAIs could take
- Enable SAIs to identify the channels and opportunities present in-country through ongoing development programmes and international partners
- Allow identification of necessary capacities to do more environmental audits
- Give SAIs the tools to approach international partners to express needs for support.

Although the workshop is not a technical workshop on audit, it does discuss the context and necessary capacities that need to be in place for SAIs to increase their technical audit skills. It also includes an introduction to analysis of country context and mapping. Together, these elements feed into SAI's ability to communicate their needs for capacity building support to international partners.

The workshop is delivered by **Camilla Fredriksen**, Senior Manager in IDI, together with international experts as per the programme below. All training participants can attend the Wednesday afternoon environmental field trip.

**Day 1: Tuesday 23 January**

09.00-10.30	The importance of addressing climate change and climate change mitigation
	Climate finance effectiveness – Pekka Salminen (SAI Finland)
10.30-11.00	Coffee break
11.00-12.30	Identifying country-level interventions – Donor approaches
	Stakeholder mapping – facilitating
12.30-14.00	Lunch
14.00-15.30	Stakeholder mapping (cont.)
15:30-16:00	Coffee break
16.00-17.30	Panel Discussion with Workshop Leaders (Jointly with Assembly Programme)

**Day 2: Wednesday 24 January**

09.00-10.30	Climate change adaptation, nature-based solutions, and adverse climate effects – Shobha Maharaj
	IMF approach to climate change and SAIs – Alice French (IMF)
10.30-11.00	Coffee breaks
11.00-13.00	Identifying capacity needs - Problem analysis
13.00-14.00	Lunch
14.00-15.00	Preparing for the Environmental Field Trip
15:00-18:00	Environmental Field Trip: Impacts of the Climate Change in Reindeer Herding
18.00-21.00	Dinner hosted by National Audit Office of Finland

**Day 3: Thursday 25 January**

09.00-10.30	Developing a funding proposal
	Presentation of problem analysis and capacity needs
10.30-11.00	Coffee breaks
11.00-13.00	SAI's strategy to move forward – discussion
	Close of workshop
12.30-14.00	Lunch (and departure)