

23RD INTOSAI WGEA ASSEMBLY MALTA 2025

Auditing Our Blue Planet



23rd INTOSAI WGEA Assembly 1 – 3 July 2025

Venue of the meeting: Poseidon Hall at AX ODYCY

Monday 30 June, Welcome reception

Time	Programme
17:00-19:00	Registration
19:00	Welcome reception hosted by CIPFA

Tuesday 1 July, Auditing our Blue Planet

08:00-09:00	Registration continues
09:00-10:30	Opening of the Assembly Chair of INTOSAI WGEA, Auditor General Sami Yläoutinen, SAI Finland Host of the 23 rd Assembly, Auditor General Charles Deguara, SAI Malta Chair of the INTOSAI, Minister Vital do Rêgo, President of SAI Brazil The Minister for the Environment, Energy and Public Cleansing, the Hon. Miriam Dalli, Malta Keynote presentation from Malta
10:30-11:00	Group photo and coffee break
11:00-12:30	First main session on marine environment Status of the marine environment globally Sustainable Mediterranean region, Dr Robin Degron, Director of Plan Bleu, UNEP/Mediterranean Action Plan Economics of Water, Senior Advisor Xavier Leflaive, OECD Environment Directorate, Global Commission on Economics of Water (online) Panel discussion Q & A

12:30-14:00	<p>Lunch Young environmental auditors' working lunch</p>
14:00-15:30	<p>Second main session on drinking water, droughts and desertification</p> <p>President Tarja Halonen, Drylands' Ambassador for the UN Convention on Desertification (video)</p> <p>Head of Office, Dr Animesh Kumar, United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction</p> <p>Water Stress in Africa</p> <p>Panel discussion Q & A</p>
15:30-16:00	<p>Coffee break</p>
16:00-17:30	<p>From compliance to impact: Scrutiny over environmental expenditure</p> <p>Simon Upton, Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment, New Zealand</p> <p>Panel discussion Q & A</p> <p>Closing remarks from the first day</p>

Wednesday 2 July, Parallel sessions

09:00-10:30

1 Water stream (based on call for audit cases)	2 Water stream (based on call for audit cases)	3 Nexus stream: CCAA workshop	4 Capacity building stream with CIPFA: Workshop on CIPFA's performance audit certification
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Coffee break

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12:30-14:00

Lunch

14:00-15:30

1 Water stream (based on call for audit cases)	X Workshop on Handbook on Environmental Auditing	3 Nexus stream: Nexus between WGEA hubs of biodiversity & climate and green economy	4 Capacity building stream: Workshop on the future of the ClimateScanner
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15:30-16:00	Coffee break
16:00-17:30	Concluding panel in plenary with the stream rapporteurs
19:00	Official dinner hosted by SAI Finland <i>Dress code: Ocean-themed outfit (best dress will be awarded)</i>

Thursday 3 July, Business meeting

09:00-10:30	INTOSAI WGEA Business meeting: 2023-2025 Activities Secretariat Progress Report Environmental Guidance project Panel on regional activities Panel of 2023-2025 project results with project leaders Adoption of projects <i>Moderator: SAI Finland</i>
10:30-11:00	Coffee break
11:00-12:30	INTOSAI WGEA Business Meeting continues: Activities for the 2026-2028 Keynote speech (online): Exploring the Future of Environmental Challenges: Current Trends and Emerging Issues , <i>Dr Andrea Hinwood, the Chief Scientist of the UNEP</i> Presentation and adoption of the Work Plan 2026-2028 <i>Moderator: SAI Thailand</i>
12:30-13:30	Lunch
13:30	INTOSAI WGEA Award and the New Chair Inspiration in Environmental Auditing: INTOSAI WGEA Award Ceremony Handing over of the Chairmanship (SAI Finland & SAI Thailand) <i>Moderator: SAI Maldives</i>
approx. 15:00	Closing of the Assembly
17:00	Departure to the environmental excursion hosted by SAI Malta

Friday 4 July, Additional Steering Committee Meeting (by a separate invitation) 09:00-12:30
