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In just over a week, delegations from our member SAIs, partner institutions and valued stakeholders will gather in Banjul, The Gambia for the 2022 Strategic Review and 18th Governing Board meeting. Over a hundred delegates have already registered to attend in the event. In addition to an open meeting of the Capacity Building Subcommittee, participants will have the opportunity to deliberate on two key topics namely, increasing accountability and reducing corruption through government audits and strengthening SAI independence. This promises to be a very interactive meeting and an invaluable opportunity to reconnect in person for the first time since 2019.

Our next Bulletin will cover what happened at the meeting. In this issue, read more about capacity building interventions implemented for SAI Malawi, SAI Nigeria and SAI Uganda.

SAI Malawi takes action following IT Maturity Assessment

Between September and December 2021, SAI Malawi piloted the IT Maturity Assessment (ITMA) tool. The tool, which was developed by the GIZ, measures the degree of maturity in the use of information technology across five pillars and seven processes. It allows SAIs, development partners and other interested parties to technically support the best decision-making, to strategically strengthen the SAI's capacity in the use of ICT. The SAI ITMA encompasses both the SAI's internal ICT capabilities and administration as well as their capacities to conduct information systems audit in the public sector.

Together with the GIZ Good Financial Governance in Africa programme consultant, our AFROSAI-E trained IT Systems Assessment (ITSA) and IT Audit Systems Assessment (ITASA) moderators facilitated the pilot of the ITMA tool in Malawi. The assessment forms part of a wider project to implement the AFROSAI-E SAI Enhancement Audit Tool (A-SEAT) and other potential ICT projects the SAI Malawi plans to embark on.

After receiving the final assessment report, SAI Malawi developed a draft action plan to address the outcomes. In April of 2022, we supported the SAI with an in-country workshop to refine and finalise the action plan. During the workshop, implemented with the aid of a strategy consultant and the GIZ, the SAI drafted the terms of reference for the task force, who will implement the action plan.

The SAI task force will engage with parliamentarians and cooperating partners as part of the action plan implementation efforts to ensure ICT optimisation in the SAI.

SAVE THE DATE: 25 MAY 2022

WGISAM Knowledge Sharing Session

Topic	Journey to becoming a data driven SAI
Guest Speaker	SAI Norway
Hosted by	David Munyaka - Working Group on Information Systems Audit Management (WGISAM) Knowledge Sharing Chair Fredrick Bobo, AFROSAI-E Hanne Nordrehaug, SAI Norway
Date	25 May 2022
Time	09:30 – 11:00 (CAT)
Session goals:	Knowledge sharing from SAI Norway on: ○ Determining SAI data needs in terms of staff capacities, tools, infrastructure. ○ Strategy on how use data i.e. core data responsibilities ○ Plans to use the innovation hub and how to monitor possibilities/threats of new technologies and data sources. ○ Suggestions for SAIs that want to be more data driven. ○ Response or action on big data.

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Collaborating with SAI Uganda on their culture transformation journey

Last week we hosted a high-level delegation from SAI Uganda as part of the SAIs' culture transformation journey. During this working session, we introduced the team to our organisational and culture values assessment process, and had lively discussions on the importance of a healthy organisational culture, entropy levels and types of values.

A key goal for the week was to analyse the results of the culture values assessment that was implemented recently for the SAI. The team developed an action plan to address areas for improvement and will be presenting that to the SAIs' top management team. In addition, the team also worked on a process to develop and implement a recognition strategy for their

Special Performance Audit training for SAI Nigeria

During April, we supported the Office of the Auditor General for the Federation of Nigeria (OAuGF) with a Special Training Programme in Performance Audit. The facilitation team included trainers from Sierra Leone, Nigeria and the Secretariat. We trained 35 auditors from mainly the performance audit department, with others drawn from treasury audits and finance departments.

Following the two-week training programme, the SAI will now start with performance audits of 10 projects, focusing on the effective implementation of large infrastructure projects, as Nigeria has undertaken huge capital expenditures in recent times.

Auditor General for the Federation, Mr. Aghughu Adolphus Arhotomhenla requested the training. He stressed that performance audit is of interest and priority in selecting critical areas that will bring new insights on how to better the lives of the ordinary Nigerians.

With these effectiveness audits, the SAI hopes to answer the questions asked by the broader population, relating to the procurement, execution and project management of some of the country's largest expenditures post-COVID-19, amounting to billions of Nigerian Naira.

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