



Turkish Court of Accounts

Activity: Meeting of the Forum of Jurisdictional Supreme Audit Institutions

Date: 11-12 July 2018

Place: Santiago, CHILE

Participant Countries & Organisations: Turkey, Algeria, Brazil, Burundi, Cameroun, Chile, Ecuador, France, Italy, Ivory Coast, Morocco, Peru, Portugal, Senegal, South Africa and Spain

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Summary:

The Forum of Jurisdictional Supreme Audit Institutions is a subgroup of the Working Group on Value and Benefit of Supreme Audit Institutions (WGVBS) of the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI). Initially, it has been established by Brazil, Chile, France, Italy, Morocco, Peru, Portugal, Spain, Tunisia and Turkey. The number of its members has reached 26 as of 1 January 2017. The Forum aims to be a space for reflection, collaboration, and exchange of good practices among SAIs with this type of organizational model.

During its first meeting in Paris on 13 November 2015, a paper (Paris Declaration), which lists the values of SAIs with jurisdictional functions and engages those SAIs to join the foreseen activities to promote this type of model was published. On the XXII INCOSAI, the members of the Forum, initials and newcomers, signed the Paris Declaration and adopted a work plan for the 2017/2019.

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One of the activities envisaged by Paris Declaration is to include the activities of the jurisdictional activities into the international standards of INTOSAI. For this purpose, a project has been submitted to the responsible department of INTOSAI, and the working group, including the Turkish Court of Accounts (TCA), carrying out this project has drafted a document titled “Principles of jurisdictional activities of SAIs.”

Co-chairs of the Forum are the SAIs of Chile and France. Although it is envisaged in the Paris Declaration that the next meeting of the Forum would be held in 2018 in Turkey, upon the demand of the SAI of Chile, it is decided that it would be gathered in Chile with a specific agenda on the document on “Principles of jurisdictional activities of SAIs.” According to the agenda, the content and place of the document in the hierarchy of the professional pronouncements of INTOSAI were discussed at the meeting.

In addition to this, during the meeting presentation on several subjects were made, namely, on Public Prosecutor's Offices network by SAI of France, on Task Force on Auditor Professionalization (TFIAP) by SAI of South Africa and on Task Force on Auditor of Jurisdictional SAIs Professionalization by SAI Senegal.

Task Force on Auditor Professionalization was set up by the former INTOSAI Finance and Administration Committee under the leadership of the INTOSAI Capacity Building Committee to explore the concept, feasibility and options for INTOSAI undertaking a process for the certification of auditors in February 2014.

“Competency Framework for Public Sector Audit Professionals” prepared by the TFIAP was adopted by the Governing Board at XXII INCOSAI in December 2016.

Based on commentary received during the first (2016) consultation process on the INTOSAI Competency Framework that indicated the need to consider the applicability of this framework to SAIs with jurisdictional powers and that suggested the need for specific guidance in this regard, a new project has been developed and the Task Force on Auditor of Jurisdictional SAIs Professionalization was set up in order to carry out the project. The Task Force is chaired by the SAI of Senegal. It is aimed that the updating process for the Competency Framework will be finalised by XXIII INCOSAI to be held in the Russian Federation in 2019 to address the additional requirements for SAIs with jurisdictional responsibilities.

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