Turkish Court of Accounts

Activity: The 5th Meeting of the Forum of Jurisdictional SAIs

Date: 19-20 October 2021

Place: Lisbon, Portugal

Participant Countries:

Angola, Brazil, Cabo Verde, Djibouti (online), East Timor, Ecuador, France, Greece, Guinea-Bissau, Italy, Ivory Coast, Latvia, Macao, Mauritania, Morocco, Mozambique, Philippines (online), Portugal, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, South Africa (online), Spain, Thailand (online), Togo, and Turkey

The German Institute for International Cooperation (GIZ), The Brazilian Rui Barbosa Institute (IRB), and Pro PALOP-TL SAI

Participant(s):

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Summary:

The Forum of Jurisdictional SAIs is a subgroup of the INTOSAI Working Group on Value and Benefits of SAIs (WGVBS). This Forum aims to be a space for reflection, collaboration, and exchange of good practices among Jurisdictional SAIs.

After the introductory speeches, the participants discussed the adoption of the Guide (*Guidance Pronouncement (GUID) applicable to the jurisdictional or contentious activities of the Supreme Audit Institutions*). This guide aims to frame the specific mandate of jurisdictional SAIs by precepts or recommendations exclusively applicable to the exercise of their contentious and/or jurisdictional functions, for each of the twelve principles of INTOSAI-P 50. Then, the discussions on the other subject, the Advocacy, which is about the advantages that jurisdictional SAIs can bring to society, were started. The advocacy is prepared as two versions: version for the political authorities and donor version.

In the 1st session of the Meeting, some of the SAIs made presentations on "Different Experiences of Supreme Audit Institutions (SAIs) with Jurisdiction". Presentations in this session are;

- **Presentation 1 -** The exercise of new attributions by a SAI newly endowed with jurisdictional powers.

- **Presentation 2 -** The takeover of jurisdictional responsibilities by a SAI already endowed with jurisdictional powers.

- **Presentation 3 -** The exercise of quasi-jurisdictional powers.

- **Presentation 4 -** The experience of the Contraloria General del Estado de Ecuador in the implementation of its jurisdictional functions.

- **Presentation 5 -** Presentation of a major jurisdictional decision in 2020/2021.

In the 2nd session of the Meeting, some of the SAIs made presentations on "Presentation of Recent Multilateral Anti-Corruption Events". Presentations in this session are;

- **Presentation 6 -** Presentation of the fight against transnational corruption of OLACEFS: In this context, the representatives of the SAI Ecuador made a presentation on "Advances

- **Presentation 7 -** Presentation of the role of the Cour des comptes France as part of the fight against corruption.

- In addition, in this session, the representative of the SAI Italy provided information about the "CATONE Project" (the abbreviation "CATONE" was formed with the first letters of the words in the phrase "Cooperation Agreements and Training on Objectives and New Experiences".).

Discussions on the Future Direction of the FORUM

As part of the discussions on the future direction of the Forum, in the continuity of the Lisbon 2021 agenda items, the issues that were offered and opened to discussion are below:

Until INCOSAI XXIV, which will be hosted by Brazil in 2022;

- Prepare the adoption of the Guide by INCOSAI in 2022,
- Work on advocacy communication,
- Study the possibility of recording the actions carried out by SAIs involved in the fight against Corruption (e.g. recording or studying data on SAI referrals to the judicial authority/criminal courts),

- Future institutional positioning of the Forum within INTOSAI,

- Construction of a Forum website and building a "library" of the main legislative and/or regulatory texts relating to the SAIs members of the Forum,

Beyond 2022;

- To promote and educate the INTOSAI P 50 and the Guide and to contribute to their influence,

- Building a statistical framework of the jurisdictional activity of the SAIs members of the Forum.

Photo(s) of the event: