

Data Driven SAIs

Technical Conference – 5 November 2021

Session Objectives

- ☐ Recap on key message from the study into integrating big data in public audit
- ☐ Highlights from the guide on SAIs being data driven.



OBJECTIVES OF STUDY

Fundamentals needed for SAIs to integrate big data in public sector auditing.



Country Data



Big data understanding



People, process and technology



Country computerisation and data generation



Ability to get big data



Stakeholder identification



Opportunities to use big data in audit

Data Needs to be on Agenda

Strategy to become a more data driven

People, processes and technology

Assess internal capacities

Assess how to derive value from data analytics

Build partnerships to ensure access to relevant data Empower staff and have a plan for how to recruit for the future

Build capabilities and infrastructure

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Direction and impact

Integrating data analytics in audit

Desired impact

Identify risks
that must be
addressed in
order to achieve
goals

Becoming data driven SAI



OAG Kenya journey in data



UPCOMING EVENTS & UPDATES

- Revised champions program
- Guides cyber security
- WGISAM research, knowledge sharing sessions
- > A-SEAT
- > IT & IT Audit self assessments



Supreme Audit Institution Information Technology Maturity Assessment

SAI ITMA:

- Diagnostic assessment tool to holistically assess degree of SAI maturity regarding use of ICT in external control incl IT audits.
- It provides information on strengths & weaknesses to take strategic decisions on how to best make use of ICT to strengthen the SAI's performance.

2019 INCOSAI in Moscow:

- Promote principle of availability & **openness of data**, source code & algorithms
- Aim to make better use of **data analytics** in audits by planning for such audits
- Develop data analytical skills
- Introduce new techniques into the practice of public audit

Development of SAI ITMA

- 2019: GIZ study "Harnessing IT by SAIs" GIZ initiates development of SAI ITMA V1.0 Review by AFROSAI-E, IDI, EUROSAI ITWG
- 2020: three pilots (Colombia, Chile, Guatemala) in the OLACEFS region
- 2021: presentation of reports, stakeholder exchanges, revision of training and application documents

SAI ITMA in the AFROSAI-E Region

- Since August 2021: rollout with SAI Malawi; possible new rollout with SAI Mozambique; lessons learnt workshop planned
- 2022: two additional rollouts planned setting the baseline for the A-SEAT implementation











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