



Activities June 2008 – March 2009

Since the establishment of the EUROSAI Task Force on the Audit of Funds Allocated to Disasters and Catastrophes at VII EUROSAI Congress on June 5, 2008 in Krakow, Poland, the following activities were accomplished:

Task Force members

We have distributed official invitations to join the Task Force within the all EUROSAI community and collected the responses. Thus, **14 SAIs** expressed their intention to participate on the permanent basis and **3 SAIs** as observers.

Draft papers

Draft Terms of Reference and the Work Plan for 2009-2011 were elaborated and distributed for comments among the Task Force members.

Cooperation with stakeholders

- **October 2008** – Meeting of the EUROSAI Task Force Chair Dr. Valentyn Symonenko with Mr. Maarten Engwirda, the Chair of the INTOSAI Working Group on the Accountability for and the Audit of Disaster-related Aid. The parties discussed the cooperation framework and plans for the future in line with the Work Plans.
- **February 2009** – Meeting of the EUROSAI Task Force Co-ordinator Mr. Oleksandr Yaremenko with the World Bank experts where specific collaborative projects within the Task Force activities were discussed. In December 2008 the Accounting Chamber of Ukraine signed the Memorandum of Understanding with the World Bank that provides a framework for such cooperation. The discussion was followed by the formal letter to the Mr. Martin Raiser, Director for Ukraine, Belarus and Moldova, Europe and Central Asia.

Task Force web-page

We have designed a new EUROSAI Task Force web-page at web-site of the SAI of Ukraine (www.ac-rada.gov.ua) place all relevant TF-related information. There you can already find Draft Terms of Reference, 2009-2011 Work Plan, list of members and their contacts, information about the TF's Chair and Secretariat, I Meeting materials etc. that are available on three languages – English, Ukrainian and Russian.

Also you can reach the TF's webpage through the link on the EUROSAI web-site at www.euroesai.org and the EUROSAI WGEA web-site at www.riksrevisjonen.no.

The TF's Secretariat will keep you posted of all the updates on our web-page by separate e-mails.

Visual identity

We have designed a draft logo of the EUROSAI Task Force:

- a globe with the European continent painted red and the grey of the middle rim speak about alarming threat of disasters and catastrophes in Europe,
- a white outer rim together with a red European continent are referred to the common EUROSAI red and white colours,
- the azure of the globe and the dominant blue of the middle rim symbolize an ideal world without disasters and catastrophes.

Preparing for I Meeting

- The comments and proposals to the Draft Terms of Reference and 2009-2011 Work Plan kindly provided by our members and observers were collected, analyzed and considered while preparing final documents to be approved at I Meeting.
- The Draft Meeting Agenda, formal invitations and Registration Forms have been developed and distributed among our members and observers.
- Negotiations were held to involve external key-note speakers to I Meeting.
- Also we have elaborated a questionnaire on how to improve information exchange and communication within the Task Force to be distributed during I Meeting.

Information dissemination

Short notes about the Task Force establishment and its current activities were posted in the INTOSAI WGEA Greenlines No. 11 from September 2008, EUROSAI Newsletter No. 43 from December 2008, INTOSAI Journal for Governmental Auditing from January 2009 and EUROSAI web-site.

An article highlighting the first steps and a future agenda is being prepared to be posted in the EUROSAI Journal in April 2009.