

INTOSAI WGEA Project: Greening of Supreme Audit Institutions (training tool)

Project plan (2.3 e)

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What is this „greening“?

- Strategic commitment
- Structured way to deal with your office's environmental impacts and to improve working environment
- Involvement and awareness rising
- Not reinventing the wheel – using the methodologies and experience of others
- Demonstrating to the public the achievements

Why this project?



- INTOSAI Strategic Plan 2017-2022, crosscutting priority 2

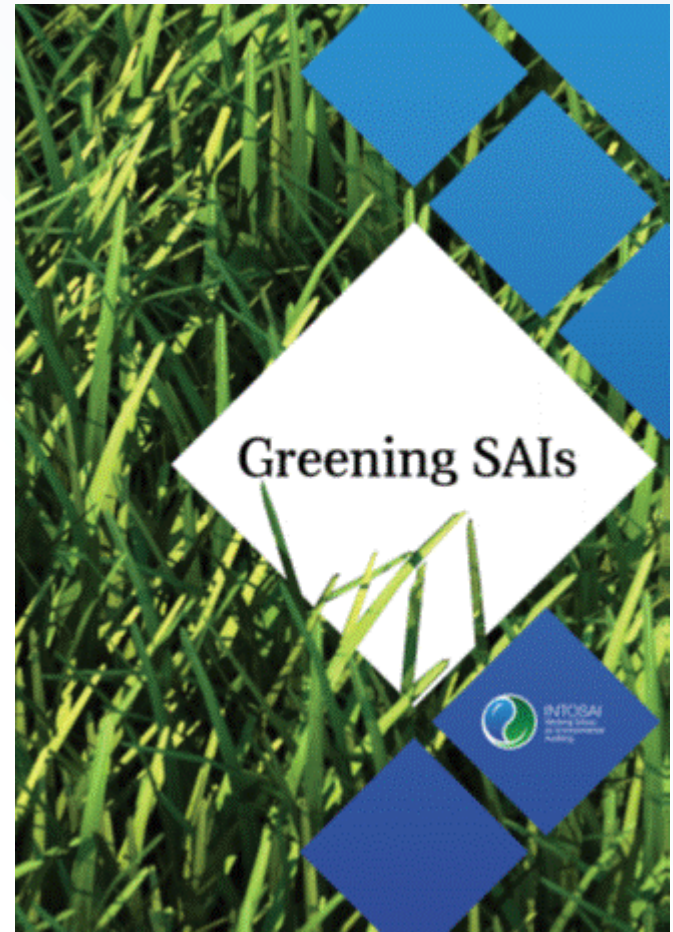
“Contributing to the follow-up and review of the SDGs within the context of each nation’s specific sustainable development efforts”

- Four broad approaches:

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Auditing preparedness and national systems of follow-up	Performance audits on programmes that contribute to SDGs	Assessing and supporting SDG 16	Being model of transparency and accountability

- SAIs represent an example with their public declaration of good practice

- INTOSAI WGEA work plan for 2017-19 committed to developing a training project on Greening of SAIs
- Research paper “Greening SAIs” (2016) is a good basis for developing practical training from “words to action” for SAIs
 - Lead by SAI India



Participants / Responsibilities

- Project leaders:
 - the European Court of Auditors (ECA) and the National Audit Office (NAO) of Estonia



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- Subcommittee members:
 - SAIs of Cameroon and India
- WGEA Steering Committee members
- RWGEAs, members of INTOSAI WGEA

Project objective and outcome

- to develop a **training Toolkit** that provides a conceptual framework for the SAls based on general greening principles of offices
- interactive **training session** with corresponding materials on greening concepts and measures:
 - greening activities at the **office level**
 - **easy** and common greening activities to implement
- on-line **templates** will be provided to support the implementation of greening activities:
 - mapping office's environmental aspects (**review**)
 - set of performance indicators (**reporting**)

Project scope

- To address SAI's own management and performance related measures to reduce the negative impact of their own activities (everyday activities at office level)
- How to start? How to build up the „system“?
- To provide good practices and tips
- in the future, reporting on greening exercises may be conducted regularly on the basis of SAI's feedback and self-assessments

Planned methodology and key milestones

- Research on most recent “greening” developments and practices across the world
- Brainstorming session at the EUROSAI WGEA meeting in October 2017
- Explore the potential training topics at the WGEA Assembly in spring 2018
- Deliver pilot training on greening to the representatives of the RWGEA at the Steering Committee meeting in November 2018, or at iCED around the end of 2018
- To identify easy-to-implement solutions throughout the various methods, and include them in the training toolkit

What have we done in NAO of Estonia

- Office: one site (2500 m2), new office building (renovated heritage building from 19th century), approx. 90 employees
- Green Office principles (www.eugreenoffice.eu)
- BEFORE and AFTER evaluation
- NAOs Green Week 2017 (18-22 Sept)



Thank you!

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