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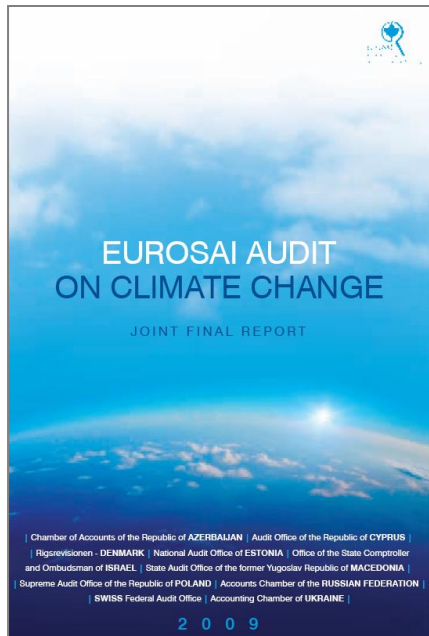
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# EUROSAI WGEA Progress Report October 2010 - October 2011

The 9<sup>th</sup> EUROSAI WGEA Annual meeting,  
Stockholm, October, 2011



# Environmental audits 2008-2011



- 264 national audits
  - 2008 - 76
  - 2009 - 76
  - 2010 - 74
  - 2011 - 38 (preliminary)
- 18 cooperative audits

# The EUROSAI WGEA Annual Meetings



Meeting materials and report from the *8<sup>th</sup> annual meeting* and the *Sustainable energy seminar* at:

[www.eurosaiwgea.org](http://www.eurosaiwgea.org)



Prepared for 9<sup>th</sup> EUROSAI WGEA meeting and developed a one-day seminar on *Best practice in relation to the ISSAIs*

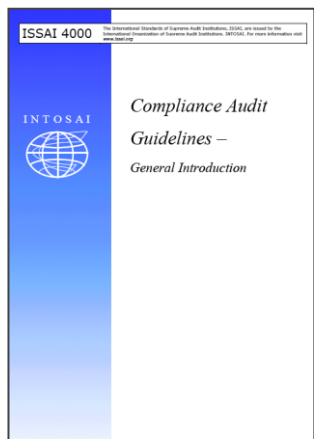
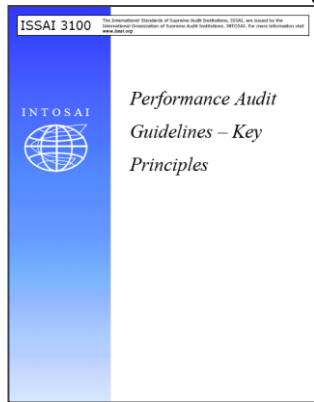
# Best practice in environmental auditing and the ISSAIs

## • Background

- Facilitation of knowledge and experience sharing
- Follow up on expectations from INCOSAI

## Aim

- Sharing experiences on and discussion of how: audit criteria and audit evidence are applied in environmental audits - What is good practice?
- Awareness-raising on ISSAIs



# Cooperative audit on Adaptation to Climate Change



- Kick-off meeting in February and teleconference in June
- 9 partner SAIs and one observer
- Design matrix and project framework prepared
- Completion by end of 2012
- Next meeting, Cyprus, December 2011



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# Participants at the adaptation meeting



# Waste seminar, May 2011

## External keynote speakers



- Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
- European Commission - DG Environment
- The Bellona Foundation

## SAls activities

- Promotion of the INTOSAI WGEA activities
  - Relevant information from the INTOSAI WGEA Guidance on Fraud and Corruption
  - Towards auditing waste management
- Paper on auditing waste management in Europe

## Workshops

- Hazardous/radioactive/medical waste
- General waste management





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# Participants at the waste seminar





# Paper on auditing waste management in Europe



- Provides updated knowledge on auditing waste management in Europe

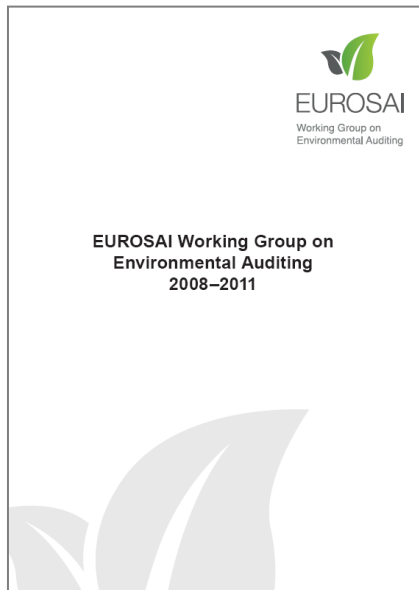


- Facilitates sharing knowledge and experiences

# The VII EUROSAI CONGRESS



- The EUROSAI WGEA Chair reported on EUROSAI WGEA activities for the period 2008-2011
- Booklet on activities carried out in the region



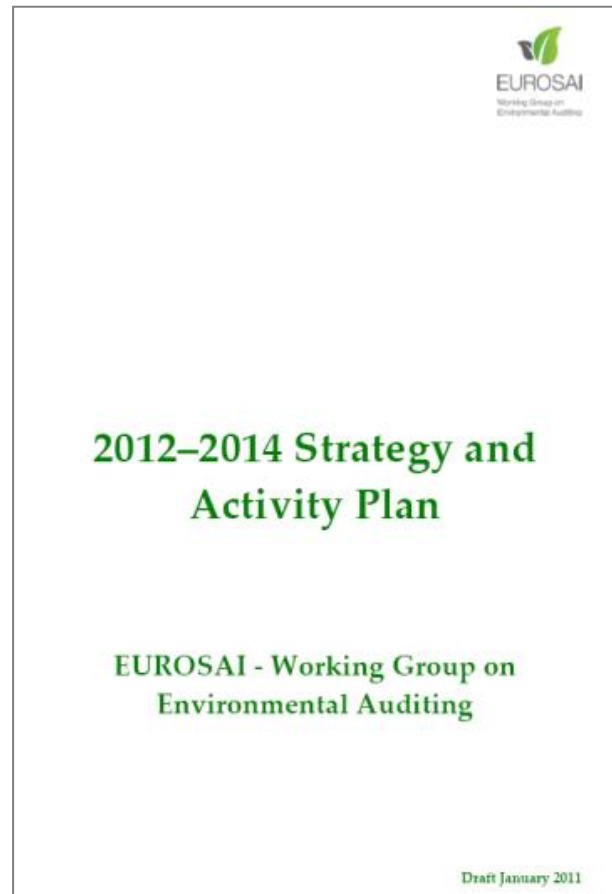


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# EUROSAI WGEA

## Strategy and activity plan 2012-2014





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# EUROSAI WGEA *External Activities*



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- Contributed to Mr Kosmo's, AG and chair of EUROSAI WGEA, preparations for INCOSAI
- Reported to the EUROSAI Governing Board
- European Court of Auditors
- EUROSAI Task Force on the Audit of Funds Allocated to Disasters and Catastrophes
- EUROSAI Training Committee
- Dissemination
  - Contributed with articles and news briefs in relevant newsletter and magazines



# EUROSAI WGEA *Internal* *Activities*

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#### MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



Dear Colleagues,

3 - 4 May 51 participants representing 25 SAs convened in Oslo for the EUROSAI WGEA seminar "Auditing Waste Management". The subject had been selected based on the results from a survey among the WGEA-members. Waste is a transboundary issue, relevant to most countries. In addition to contributions from participating SAs, representatives from the EU and OECD also added to the awareness raising and competence building.

In May-June the tri-annual EUROSAI Congress was organised in Lisbon. The EUROSAI WGEA had prepared a report containing chapters on the working group's performance 2008-2011, on climate change auditing, on environmental auditing in Europe 2003-2010 and on cooperative audits in Europe 2008 - 2011. The report demonstrated that the EUROSAI WGEA has succeeded in delivering on all its strategic goals.

I am happy to be shown confidence for the next three years to continue as Chair for the working group and thus take responsibility for its secretariat.

The working group's ability to deliver is due to the fact that its members support and contribute to the work. I would therefore like to thank all of you for the interest you take in the working group's work, hoping that your efforts are rewarded by the results.

I wish you all a happy summer and will be looking forward to seeing you in Stockholm in

October for the annual EUROSAI WGEA meeting where we, amongst others, will be enlightened on auditing in relation to transport and environmental issues and the three Es.

Sincerely yours,

Jørgen Kosmo  
Chair of EUROSAI WGEA  
Auditor General of Norway

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

*The 9<sup>th</sup> annual EUROSAI WGEA meeting in Stockholm, Sweden.*

The annual meeting will be held 11-13 October 2011. The main topics of the meeting are transport related environmental issues and auditing of the 3 Es (Economy, Efficiency and Effectiveness). Experts from the European Environment Agency, the European NGO Transport & Environment, the University of Gothenburg and the European Court of Auditors have confirmed their participation as keynote speakers.

Prior to the annual meeting, on 10 October, a training seminar on best practice in environmental auditing will be organised. The aim of the seminar is to address and share

- Sub target groups' activities
- EUROSAI WGEA SC meeting
- INTOSAI WGEA
- EUROSAI WGEA Newsletter and Webpage
- Surveys



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**Thank you for your attention !**