



# EUROSAI WGEA

## 2008 Activities and Achievements

## New Chair



The Office of the Auditor General of Norway officially took on the task of chairing the EUROSAI WGEA at the VII EUROSAI Congress in Krakow. Auditor General of Norway, Jorgen Kosmo, is the Chair.



The Secretariat has 3 staff members, and is headed by Mrs Herdis Laupsa. Mr Kjell Dorum and Ms Anne Hilde Torvik are the other staff members.

Meeting with the Supreme Chamber of Control of Poland for handover in July 2008.

# Activities



- The VII EUROSAI Congress in Krakow:
  - A posters' exhibition illustrating the European cooperative audits completed in the years 2005-08
  - Distribution of a booklet of the 2005-2008 Environmental Audits in Europe
  - The EUROSAI WGEA Special Subgroup on the Audit of Natural Man-Caused Disasters Consequences and Radioactive Waste Elimination, became the Task Force on the Audit of Funds Allocated to Disasters and Catastrophes
- Develop Work Plan 2008-2011
- Develop proposal for new organisational structure

## Activities cont.

- EUROSAI WGEA Newsletter
- News brief submitted to Greenlines
- Preparing for the VI EUROSAI WGEA Meeting in Kiev
- Mapping of ongoing and completed audits with response from more than 20 countries
- Meeting with the Supreme Chamber of Control of Poland regarding the European climate audit
- Preparing for a new webpage
- Questionnaire





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# Temporary webpage

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## EUROSAI WGEA



### WHAT´S NEW

Upcoming activity: The 6th EUROSAI WGEA Meeting will be held 7-9 October, 2008, in Kyiv Ukraine. [Documents and more information.](#)

[Newsletter no. 1/2008](#)

### THE LATEST ENVIRONMENTAL AUDITS

The Office of the Auditor General of Norway has finalised its investigation into the exercising of authority with a view to reducing nitrogen oxide emissions. The report was delivered to the parliament 22 April 2008.

[Press release](#)

Further information about [the 1999 Gothenburg Protocol to Abate Acidification, Eutrophication and Ground-level Ozone](#) (on United Nations Economic Commission for Europe website)

The Netherlands Court of Audit conducted an audit of the European CO2 emissions trading scheme and its implementation in the Netherlands. The report was published 1 November, 2007. The CO2 emissions trading scheme is a European instrument, and all European member states together determine the effectiveness and efficiency of the CO2 emissions trading scheme in the European Union.

[Full audit report](#)

Further information of [the European CO2 emissions trading scheme](#) (on the European Commission's Environment Directorate-General website)

## Concurrent and coordinated audits 2008

- Coordinated Audit of Air and Ozone Layer Protection and Implementation of Related International Agreements; project leader SAI of Slovak Republic,
- Implementation of the Bucharest Convention for Black Sea pollution, project leader Accounting Chamber of Ukraine
- Fisheries management and monitoring of the environmental impact on fish resources in the Baltic Sea. Parallel audit lead by SAI of Denmark. All SAIs around the Baltic Sea are participating.
- Structural Measures and Waste Water Treatment . The audit is carried out in Greece, Spain, Ireland and Portugal
- The sustainability and the Commission's management of the LIFE Nature projects.
- Implementation of the Natura 2000 Network – Parallel audit lead by SAI of France



# Training activities

Seminar on the European legislation on climate changes  
(March 2008, the European Academy of Law, Trier –  
Germany)



# Cooperation with INTOSAI WGEA

EUROSAI WGEA activities presented by the Group's Coordinator (Poland) at the INTOSAI WG's Steering Committee meeting in Tallin, Estonia, May 2008

The 2nd Partners Meeting for the INTOSAI WGEA Global Audit on Climate Change was held in Oslo, Norway 21-25 September with participation by the Supreme Chamber of Control of Poland who is coordinating the European climate change audit, the EUROSAI WGEA Secretariat and other European countries that are participating in the global climate audit.

The EUROSAI WGEA Secretariat has had a meeting with the INTOSAI WGEA Secretariat.



# Welcome to our new members

The Spanish Court of Audit

The Turkish Court of Accounts



New member SAI's are very welcome

# Members of EUROSAI WGEA



- 41 member SAIs
- 2 new members:  
Turkey and Spain

# Further plans for 2008

- Steering committee meeting in December
- Identify project leaders and subcommittees for new activities
- Start to make plans for seminars in the first half of 2009
- Make preliminary plans for the 7th annual meeting in 2009, to be approved by the steering committee in December
- Newsletter
- Prepare for the regional meeting in Qatar
- Prepare and distribute Workshop Report from this meeting

