

# AFROSAI-WGEA Activities

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# Outline

- Capacity building programmes
- Meetings
- Cooperation with other international organisations
- Other activities
- Resolutions – 2<sup>nd</sup> annual AFROSAI-WGEA meeting

# Capacity Building

- Advanced course in Environmental Audit. A task force was formulated during the second AFROSAI-WGEA in Yaoundé, the team is responsible for liaising with INTOSAI–IDI, and other stakeholders in order to develop a trainers course.
  - outcome of this course is the formation of a **team of experts** in the region who will be conducting **training to other SAIs** in the region
- Training Course in **Forest Audit** – 6 SAIs from African countries in different dimensions have participated in this course which was delivered by INTOSAI-WGEA and IDI.
- A call was made for SAIs to follow an **online course on auditing Climate Change** in WGEA website

# Meetings

- First Annual AFROSAI-WGEA Meeting was held in **Arusha**, Tanzania from 03 – 07 October 2011.
- Second Annual AFROSAI-WGEA Meeting was held in Yaoundé, Cameroon from 2nd -6th, July 2012

# Cooperation with other International Organisations

- AFROSAI-WGEA invited cooperation from various international organisations.
- So far representative of the World Bank, UNFCCC, IFAD, GIZ, UNEP, ADB, etc. have participated in AFROSAI-WGEA meetings
- Areas of cooperation include: sharing of experiences, financing agreements
  - UNEP financed publishing of guidelines on audit of multilateral environmental agreements.
  - GIZ funds some activities in the joint audit on Lake Chad.

# Other Key Activities Conducted/Planned to be done up to June, 2013

- **Election of New Chair of AFROSAI- WGEA**
  - SAI of Tanzania has been a chair of AFROSAI WGEA since 2007, its term ends in 2013.
  - During the second annual WGEA the nomination was done in order to look for the heir.
  - SAI of Cameroon was unanimously nominated for position and will assume the Chairmanship of the AFROSAI WGEA effective from June 2013 for a period of three years renewable.
- **The third annual AFROSAI-WGEA meeting**
  - The third annual AFROSAI-WGEA is scheduled to be held in Egypt in April / May 2013.
- **AFROSAI –WGEA webpage**
  - In order to facilitate **sharing of knowledge and experience on environmental issues** within the AFROSAI region, AFROSAI-WGEA intends to post its information on the AFROSAI website.

# Resolutions of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of AFROSAI-WGEA

- SAI of **Cameroon will assume the Chairmanship** of the AFROSAI WGEA effective from June 2013 for a period of three years renewable.
- The third AFROSAI WGEA meeting will be held in Egypt in April / May 2013
- There is an urgent need to undertake **joint environmental audit of Lake Chad**:
  - the outcome of the audit should be dealt with by individual Governments and the Lake Chad Basin Commission should make it an AU agenda given the potential consequences to the African continent should the Lake disappear.

# Resolutions (cont'd)

- SAls are encouraged to **use external expertise** in their environmental audit undertakings as part of enhancing the quality of their work; without necessarily surrendering ownership and responsibility for such audits; in accordance with existing ISSAIs
- Government strategies should address and include environmental and other **sustainable development issues**. SAls should undertake audits of such strategies.
- Environmental issues do not recognise political or geographical boundaries therefore, SAls are encouraged to **undertake joint or parallel environmental audits** as part of their joint efforts to fight environmental problems facing the world. Joint or parallel audits will facilitate experience-sharing by learning; leading to capacity building, networking, and identification of best practices.



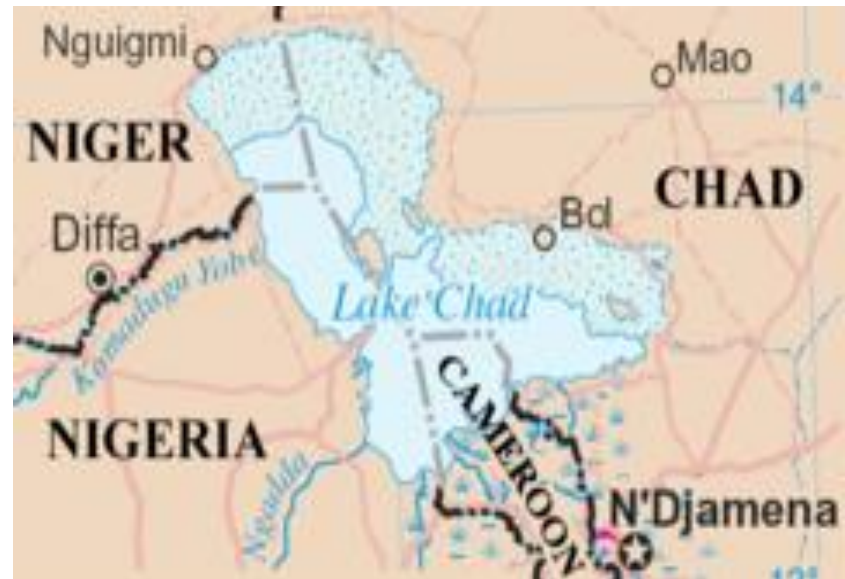
# Resolutions (cont'd)

## Joint audits



**Lake Victoria**

**Lake Chad**



## Resolutions (cont'd)

- SAIs should be encouraged to undertake environmental audits based on the existing legislations which allow carrying out financial, compliance and performance audits
- SAIs are encouraged to use **participatory audit approach** and conduct sensitization of stakeholders through workshops / training to create awareness on environmental audit issues.
- SAIs are encouraged to establish sustainable **environmental audit units** which should spearhead environmental audit issues in the SAI of their respective countries.

# Welcome to Tanzania



**Mt. Kilimanjaro**



**Serengeti National Park**



**Ngorongoro Crater**



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