

Conclusions drawn by FIPP as basis for the approval of

ISSAI 2000 Application of the financial audit standards (endorsement version)

Background

ISSAI 2000 incorporates the International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) into the financial audit standards as stipulated by ISSAI 100 - Fundamental Principles of Public Sector Auditing. ISSAI 2000 therefore outlines the special considerations in applying the requirements of the ISAs in the context of audits in accordance with the ISSAIs.

Since INTOSAI has adopted the ISAs as the financial audit ISSAIs, these requirements are also relevant for an auditor that intends to refer to an audit of financial statements as having been performed in accordance with the ISSAIs. INTOSAI develops and maintains its own quality control standard (ISSAI 140) and ethics standard (ISSAI 130) and INTOSAI expects auditors applying the ISSAIs to apply these standards. These standards can differ from the other ethics and quality control standards referred to in the ISAs. Proposed new ISSAI 2000 aims to clarify the quality control and ethics requirements for an ISSAI compliant financial audit.

This project is included within the INTOSAI Strategic Development Plan 2017– 2019. The following stages of the due process have been completed:

- November 2017: FIPP's approval of the project proposal;
- May 2020: exposure draft approved by FIPP;
- October 2020: endorsement version conditionally approved by FIPP.

FIPP conclusions

The pronouncement is included in the category of ISSAI as the **ISSAI 2000 Application of the financial audit standards**. During its October 2020 Web meetings FIPP discussed the proposed endorsement version of the ISSAI 2000 Application of the financial audit standards.

FIPP had previously considered (May 2020) that the exposure draft developed by the project group fulfilled the purpose of the project and could be submitted for public exposure. The resulting endorsement version was submitted by the PSC Chair for approval by FIPP in October 2020.

FIPP concludes that the comments provided in the exposure process are appropriately reflected in the endorsement version of the document (with minor editorial modifications provided by FIPP).

The document is approved by FIPP and can be forwarded to the INTOSAI Governing Board.