

The Role of the Supreme Audit Institutions in Enhancing Accountability, Transparency and Integrity in the Public Sector

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Programme

- 9:00 – 9:30** Transfer from the hotels to the National Palace of Culture / Registration
- 9:30 – 9:35** **Opening speech by Tzvetan Tzvetkov**, President of the Bulgarian National Audit Office
- 9:35 – 9:40** **Welcome speech by Lilyana Pavlova**, Minister for the Bulgarian Presidency of the EU Council 2018
- 9:40 – 9:45** **Welcome speech by Menda Stoyanova**, Chairperson of the Committee on Budget and Finance of the National Assembly of the Republic of Bulgaria
- 9:45 – 10:05** **Keynote speech by Klaus – Heiner Lehne**, President of the European Court of Auditors
- 10:05 – 11:05** **Panel I: Institutional Independence – Key Factor for SAI Effectiveness**

Speeches:

- Good practices and achievements – **Wolfgang Wiklicky**, Director General, Austrian Court of Audit (20 minutes)
- Challenges – **Bujar Leskaj**, Chairman of the Supreme Audit Institution of Albania (20 minutes)

Discussions (20 minutes)

11:05 – 11:15 **Group photo**

11:15 – 11:30 **Coffee break**

11:30 – 12:30 **Panel II: On the Road to Value-Driven Audits**

Speeches:

- Good practices and achievements – **Miloslav Kala**, President of the Supreme Audit Office of the Czech Republic (20 minutes)
- Challenges – **Dusko Pejovic**, President/Auditor General of the State Audit Institution of Serbia (20 minutes)

Discussions (20 minutes)

12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch break**

13:30 – 14:30 **Discussion forum: The SAI – Being a Model Organization for Good Governance**

Participants:

- **Tytti Yli-Viikari**, Auditor General of Finland
- **Seyit Ahmet Bas**, President of the Turkish Court of Accounts
- **Tomaz Vesel**, President of the Slovenian Court of Audit
- **Besnik Osmani**, Auditor General of Kosovo

14:30 – 14:45 **Coffee break**

14:45 – 15:45 Panel III: Administrative Capacity Modernization of SAIs – Example of Good Governance in the Public Sector

Speeches:

- Good practices and achievements – **Krzysztof Kwiatkowski**, President of the Supreme Audit Office of Poland (20 minutes)
- Challenges – **Naser Ademi**, Deputy Auditor General of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (20 minutes)

Discussions (20 minutes)

15:45 – 16:45 Panel IV: Communication with Stakeholders and Increasing the Trust of the Citizens

Speeches:

- Good practices and achievements – **Peter Kinsley**, Deputy Director of Audit, Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General of Ireland (20 minutes)
- Good practices and achievements – **Hayo van der Wal**, Senior International Advisor, The Netherlands Court of Audit (20 minutes)
- Challenges – **Milan Dabovic**, President of the State Audit Institution of Montenegro (20 minutes)

16:45 – 17:30 Discussions and closing remarks