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## Training to enhance the compliance audit capability of public sector auditors

**Auckland, New Zealand:** The Pacific Association of Supreme Audit Institutions (PASAI) will be delivering training on compliance auditing from 20 to 23 April 2021.

Fifty-two participants (26 female, 26 male) from supreme audit institutions (SAIs) in Fiji, the Federated States of Micronesia (National), Palau, Papua New Guinea, Pohnpei, Samoa, Tuvalu and Yap State will participate in this online capability development training. It includes eight modules spread across four part-days of workshops.

The training will be facilitated by Sinaroseta Palamo-Iosefo (Director Practice Development, PASAI) and Tiofilusi Tiueti (Director Technical Support, PASAI).

Ms Palamo-Iosefo stressed the importance of the training in stating, "The outcome of a SAI conducting a compliance audit in accordance with international best practices is strengthened accountability, transparency and integrity in government".

The workshops cover the main concepts of compliance auditing, how to identify potential audit topics and the different phases of the audit process from planning, gathering and evaluating evidence, forming conclusions, reporting findings and following up the implementation of audit observations.

The training highlights the value of understanding a country's governance ecosystem in identifying potential areas for a compliance audit as well as factors that ensure a quality audit is conducted effectively and efficiently.

It includes practical examples in the public sector to illustrate key concepts and the different phases of the compliance audit process as prescribed by the International Standards of Supreme Audit Institutions (ISSAIs).

PASAI developed this training to enable SAIs to increase their coverage and quality of compliance audit activities. The likely result of conducting compliance audits to meet ISSAIs 400 and 4000 is enhanced conformity with government laws, regulations, executive directives, policies and procedures across public sector and government entities.

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