

International Conference “Auditing the Financing of Political Parties and Electoral Campaigns,” organized by the Slovak Supreme Audit Institution

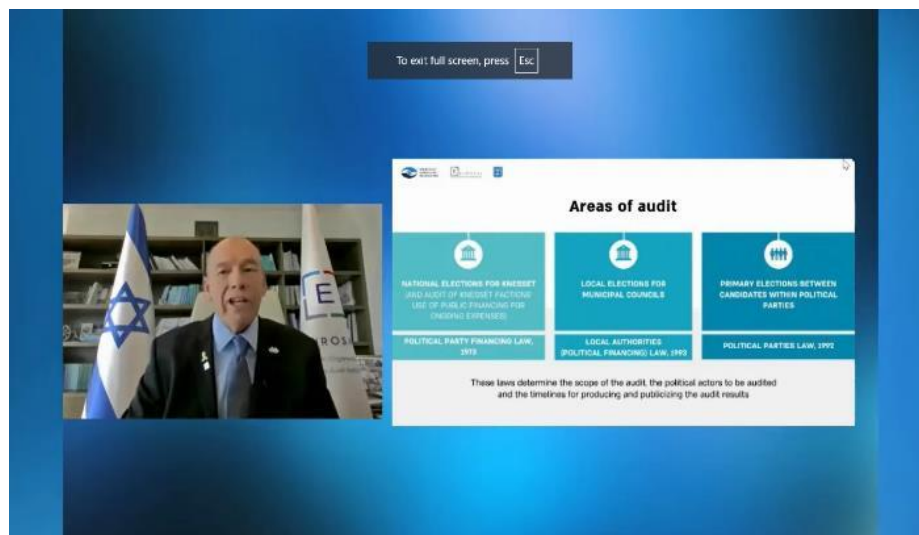
On 27 November 2024, the International Conference entitled “Auditing the Financing of Political Parties and Electoral Campaigns” was held in Bratislava. The conference was an initiative of the Supreme Audit Office of the Slovak Republic, organized in the context of its upcoming Presidency of the European organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (EUROSAI).



The conference was designed for a wide range of professionals, including representatives of government bodies, academia, political parties, non-profit organizations, and audit institutions. It highlighted the fact that differences in the respective legal frameworks of various countries create an essential need to harmonize audit approaches to the financing of political parties from public funds during electoral campaigns.

The conference was divided into two thematic blocks:

I. The first thematic block focused on the legislative framework governing the financing of political parties and electoral campaigns in the Slovak Republic, including a presentation on the situation in the Czech Republic.



II. The second thematic block provided an international perspective, with representatives from various countries sharing their experiences in overseeing the financing of political parties and electoral campaigns, including the

audits conducted and their results. Participants had the opportunity to compare different approaches and draw lessons from them.

The conference aimed to share information on existing systems for financing political parties and electoral campaigns, both in the Slovak Republic and across European countries, with particular emphasis on experiences from audits conducted and the conclusions drawn from them.

The conference was followed online via the YouTube platform provided by the organizers by Mr. Nertil Meta, auditor at the Department for the Audit of Central Government Institutions of the Albanian Supreme Audit Institution (ALSAI).