

10th Meeting of the EUROSAI Working Group on the Audit of Funds Allocated to Disasters and Catastrophes (WGAFADC)

Warsaw, 22–23 April 2024



The 10th Meeting of the EUROSAI Working Group on the Audit of Funds Allocated to Disasters and Catastrophes (WGAFADC) was held in Warsaw on 22–23 April 2024.

The meeting brought together representatives of the Supreme Audit Institutions that are members of the Working Group, including Ukraine, Poland, Georgia, Albania, Bulgaria, Estonia, Serbia, Moldova, Italy, Romania, and Slovakia, as well as representatives of the European Court of Auditors.

The theme of the meeting, which also marked the 10th anniversary of the establishment of the Working Group, was: “10 Years of WGAFADC: Achievements, Challenges and Prospects.”

At the opening of the meeting, Mr. Piotr Miklis, Vice-President of the Supreme Audit Office of the Republic of Poland, highlighted the importance of the Working Group’s activities and expressed support for Ukraine in its fight against Russian aggression.

In her remarks, Ms. Olha Pishchanska, Chair of the SAI of Ukraine, thanked all the Supreme Audit Institutions that are members of the Working Group for their fruitful cooperation over the past ten years.

Mr. Viktor Bohun, from the SAI of Ukraine, presented the WGAFADC Progress Report for the period 2021–2024, noting that economic crises and armed conflicts in different parts of the world create new risks to stability and security.

In his remarks, he emphasized that these crises affect migration flows, cause social instability and undermine efforts towards sustainable development. In response to these challenges, the Working Group should actively develop and implement innovative approaches and recommendations for governments aimed at improving disaster prevention and response systems.

During the two-day meeting, following presentations on audits conducted by the SAIs in relation to natural disasters, the EUROSAI Working Group on the Audit of Funds Allocated to Disasters and Catastrophes approved: (i) the draft Resolution extending the mandate of the Working Group until 2027, while also supporting the extension of the SAI of Ukraine's chairmanship for the next three-year period; and (ii) the draft Strategic Plan of the Working Group for 2024–2027.

At the end of May 2024, the documents will be submitted for approval to the EUROSAI Governing Board and Congress.

The Albanian Supreme Audit Institution (ALSAI) was represented at the meeting by Mr. Aldo Kume and Ms. Joniada Goçaj, auditors from the Central Institutions Audit Department.