



# Opportunity for strengthening SAIs independence

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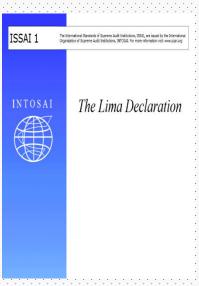
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- Lima declaration
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## Lime declaration

## <u>Independence</u>

- Independence of Supreme Audit Institutions
- Independence of the members and officials of Supreme Audit Institutions
- Financial independence of Supreme Audit Institutions



### Mexico Declaration on SAI Independence

#### Principle 1

The existence of an appropriate and effective constitutional/statutory/legal framework and of de facto application provisions of this framework

#### Principle 2

The independence of SAI heads and members (of collegial institutions), including security of tenure and legal

immunity in the normal discharge of their duties

#### Principle 3

A sufficiently broad mandate and full discretion, in the discharge of SAI functions

Principle 4

Unrestricted access to information.

Principle 5

The right and obligation to report on their work.

Principle 6

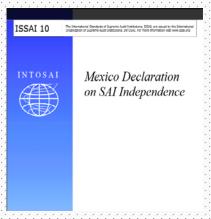
The freedom to decide the content and timing of audit reports and to publish and disseminate them

Principle 7

The existence of effective follow-up mechanisms on SAI recommendations .

Principle 8

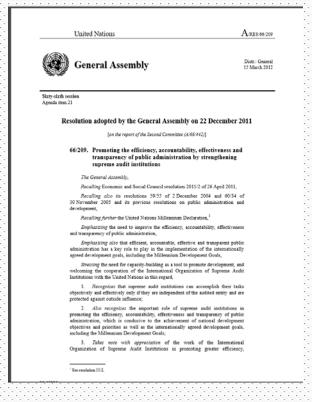
Financial and managerial/administrative autonomy and the availability of appropriate human, material, and monetary resources.



### The United Nations (UN) General Assembly Resolution

Promoting the efficiency, accountability, effectiveness and transparency of public administration by strengthening supreme audit institutions" (A/66/209).

Recognizes that supreme audit institutions can accomplish their tasks objectively and effectively only if they are independent of the audited entity and are protected against outside influence



### The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Target 16.6, aims to develop "effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels"



## **INTOSAI Strategic Plan for 2017–2022**

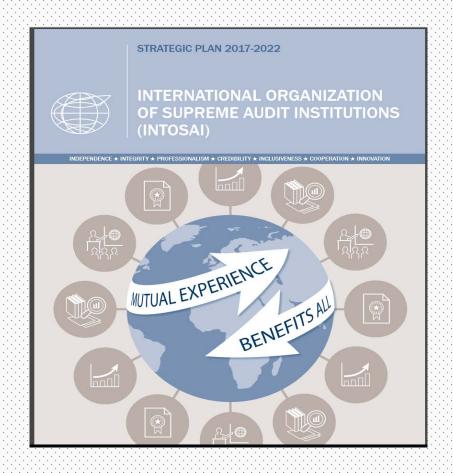
**GOAL 1: Professional Standards** 

**GOAL 2:** Capacity Development

**GOAL 3:** Knowledge Sharing and

**Knowledge Services** 

GOAL 4: Maximize the Value of INTOSAI as an International Organization



## **INTOSAl's Crosscutting Priorities**

Advocating for and supporting the independence of SAIs



INTOSAI's Crosscutting Priorities for Achieving its 2017–2022 Goals

In support of the four strategic goals under which INTOSAI broadly organizes its work, INTOSAI has identified five crosscutting priorities that provide the underpinning of how INTOSAI will focus its work to achieve its goals in the coming years.

Crosscutting Priority 1: Advocating for and supporting the independence of SAIs.

Crosscutting Priority 2: Contributing to the follow-up and review of the SDGs within the context of each nation's specific sustainable development efforts and SAls' individual mandates.

Crosscutting Priority 3: Ensuring effective development and coordination among standardssetting, capacity development, and knowledge sharing to support SAIs and improve their performance and effectiveness.

Crosscutting Priority 4: Creating a strategic and agile INTOSAI that is alert to and capable of responding to emerging international opportunities and risks.

Crosscutting Priority 5: Building upon, leveraging, and facilitating cooperation and professionalism among the regional organizations of INTOSAL

## INTOSAl's Policy, Finance and Administration Committee (PFAC)

 The PFAC is committed to monitoring and reporting on progress towards achieving the goals and cross-cutting priorities of the Strategic Plan, and, in doing so, furthering SAI independence.

## INTOSAl's Policy, Finance and Administration Committee (PFAC)

 The PFAC provides a strategic focus for donors and the SAI community to strengthen SAI capacity in developing countries and supports a variety of mechanisms facilitating donor funding and support in line with donor mandates.

## Thank you