

# OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL OF PAKISTAN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND COORDINATION WING

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#### Subject: CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS TO SUPPORT THE QUALITY OF INTOSAI'S STANDARDS

The Chair of INTOSAI Professional Standard Committee (PSC) is looking for applicants from around the SAI community to join Forum for Professional Pronouncements (FIPP) from early 2024, for a three-year period (renewable).

- 2. Being a FIPP member is a demanding role which requires a significant work commitment of around 300 hours annually, as well as participation, in regular in-person and online meetings. It suits candidates with skills and knowledge in applying audit standards in practice, a capacity-building mindset, a strong understanding of English and a drive to contribute to improvement for the benefit of the whole public audit community.
- Invitation letter, Nomination form and Annexures I & II are attached for information.
- Interested PA&AS officers of BS-19 & 20 may send their applications to IR&C Wing latest by June 25, 2023.

(Ahmar Elahi)

Deputy Auditor General (A & C)

Encl: As above

#### Copy for Information:

- i. The Additional Auditor General (HQ & Operation), Local
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Date: 04.05.2023

To: All Heads of SAIs and the head of IDI

Subject: Call for volunteers to support the quality of INTOSAI's standards

Dear colleague,

Standard setting is one of INTOSAl's most strategically important and visible activities, and the Forum for Professional Pronouncements (FIPP) plays a key role in the process of ensuring the quality of this key output. FIPP comprises 16 volunteer members with an interest in ensuring clear, relevant, and robust standards. More information on how FIPP operates can be found in Annex I.

Due to the departure of three of its members, we are now looking for applicants from around the SAI community to join FIPP from early 2024, for a three-year period (renewable). Being a FIPP member is a demanding role which requires a significant work commitment of around 300 hours annually, as well as participation in regular in-person and online meetings. It suits candidates with skills and knowledge in applying audit standards in practice, a capacity-building mindset, a strong understanding of English and a drive to contribute to improvement for the benefit of the whole public audit community.

We interview the most suitable candidates to learn about, and discuss, their experience, knowledge, and motivation. In selecting the successful candidates, we aim to ensure that FIPP has the best balance of knowledge, skills and expertise, as well as be broadly representative of the INTOSAI community. Not every candidate will be successful, but it is possible to apply to subsequent calls. Further details on the application process are given in Annex II.

We aim to receive applications from the widest possible range of candidates, and for this round we are particularly keen on welcoming applicants with experience in jurisdictional SAIs. The deadline for submissions is 30 June 2023.

Should you or your team have any questions on either the role or the selection process, then please do not hesitate to contact the PSC secretariat (ECA-PSC@eca.europa.eu) or the FIPP Chair, Ms Åse-Kristin Hemsen (ase-kristin.hemsen@riksrevisjonen.no).

We look forward to hearing from you.

Ms Iliana IVANOVA

Chair of the PSC

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ANNEXI

#### Background information on FIPP and its role, organisation and members' duties

The Forum for INTOSAI Professional Pronouncements (FIPP) was created as a permanent INTOSAI body in December 2016. FIPP supports INTOSAI in its standard-setting activities, helping drive the development of clear, relevant and robust standards for public-sector auditing in the interests of all INTOSAI members.

FIPP is composed of up to 16 volunteer experts in public audit standards from around the INTOSAL community and is headed by a chairperson (currently Ms Åse Kristin Hemsen from SAL Norway).

FIPP members are appointed by INTOSAI's goal chairs based on an application procedure, which includes an interview (see annex II for more information). The mandate is for a period of three years, which may be renewed for a further two mandates following a positive assessment by the FIPP chair.

FIPP helps ensure there is:

- a single point of entry into the IFPP Framework (www.issai.org);
- a uniform approval process for the ISSAIs and other pronouncements; and
- sufficiently high quality, through clarity, consistency, relevance and practical utility of INTOSAI's professional pronouncements.

The main duty of FIPP is to review, comment on and, when satisfied, approve the different steps in standard setting projects. Each project is allocated a FIPP liaison officer, who is responsible for leading FIPP's involvement, including communicating with the project team charged with preparing the document. All FIPP members take part in the decision-making on all projects.

FIPP members are expected to attend in-person or online meetings, held as a minimum two times per year and at any other time as FIPP's role and responsibilities require. Each FIPP member can be accompanied by a technical assistant of their choice, who may support them in anyaspects of the work. In addition to attending the meetings, which can be intensive in nature, and require thorough preparation, FIPP members are required to work on projects between meetings as necessary.

The total time commitment for each member is around 300 hours per annum but can vary in practice. The employing SAI should be prepared to give the necessary time availability, as well as support the travel and subsistence costs involved, although limited help from INTOSAI may be available on request depending on individual circumstances.

More information can be found in the <u>FIPP terms of reference</u>, the <u>Governance of the FIPP</u>, and the <u>PSC Terms of Reference</u>.

The technical nature of the task, and the need to take part in technical decision making, mean being a FIPP member is a demanding but rewarding role. It suits candidates with extensive practical experience in audit, sound technical knowledge of auditing standards (particularly the IFPP and ISAs), an understanding of clear drafting and presentation, the ability and commitment to drive quality and improvement in the IFPP framework and who can demonstrate a standard-setting mindset.

## Application process - guide for candidates

To apply, candidates must submit the following documents to the Professional Standards Committee Secretariat at ECA-PSC@eca.europa.eu before the date set out in the cover letter:

- 1. Nomination form (template attached), duly signed by you (the candidate) and the official representative of the SAI / employing organisation.
- 2. Motivation letter explaining the main reasons why you want to be a FIPP member and how your education, professional experience and specific skills can contribute to the work of FIPP (no more than 400 words).

Following an examination of the application documentation, you may be interviewed by representatives of the Goal Chairs. Interviews will provisionally take place in the week of 17 July 2023 via Teams, or similar media. The successful candidates will be selected by the Goal Chairs based on the outcome of the interview process and taking account of other issues such as the need to ensure a balance in FIPP expertise and broad representativity of INTOSAI as a whole. The appointment of the new members will then be formally approved in November 2023 by the INTOSAI Governing Board, and you will be invited to the next scheduled FIPP meeting in 2024 to start your duties.

If you have any questions in relation to the nomination of FIPP members or on the attached documents, please contact the PSC secretariat at ECA-PSC@eca.europa.eu or the FIPP Chair, Ms Åse Kristin Hemsen at <a href="mailto:ase-kristin.hemsen@riksrevisjonen.no">ase-kristin.hemsen@riksrevisjonen.no</a>.

### **NOMINATION FORM**

# Forum for INTOSAI Professional Pronouncements (FIPP)

Note: when preparing your motivation letter and any written submission, it is preferable to provide your thoughts in your own words, rather than simply to copy material from existing sources. This will allow us to better assess your suitability as a candidate.

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Previous experience of INTOSAI bodies: Click to	write			
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Performance audit		Click to write
Compliance audit		Click to write
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Development of competency framework/certification processes		Click to write
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Signature of official representative of the SAI / employing organisation authorising the candidate's application to become a FIPP member, and acknowledging the time and financial commitments this involves:	Signed by: (candidate)	
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