

Minutes of the 19th ECOSAI Governing Board Meeting

October 27, 2014

Lahore, Pakistan

The 19th ECOSAI Governing Board Meeting was held on October 27, 2014 in Lahore, Pakistan. The following members attended the meeting as Heads of delegations.

- Dr. Recai Akyel, President of the Turkish Court of Accounts and President of the ECOSAI
- Mr. Muhammad Akhtar Buland Rana, the Auditor-General of Pakistan and Secretary General of the ECOSAI
- Mr. Amin Hossein Rahimi, the Senior President of the Supreme Audit Court of the Islamic Republic of Iran
- Mr. Kuchakshoev Akramkhon, Chief Auditor, the Accounts Chamber of Tajikistan

The complete list of participants is at Annexure-I.

1. Opening of the Meeting

Dr. Recai Akyel, President of the Turkish Court of Accounts and President of the ECOSAI welcomed the delegates and thanked Mr. Muhammad Akhtar Buland Rana, Auditor-General of Pakistan / Secretary General of the ECOSAI and host of the 19th ECOSAI Governing Board Meeting (GBM) for making excellent arrangements for the GBM meeting and making it a success. Thereafter, the President invited the Heads of the delegations of the SAI Iran and SAI Tajikistan, who thanked the host and organizers for holding the successful event in their opening remarks. Afterwards, the ECOSAI

President delivered the opening speech and inaugurated the meeting. The opening speech of the President of the ECOSAI is placed at Annex-II.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The proposed agenda (Annex-III) for the 19th Governing Board Meeting was unanimously adopted.

3. Activity Report by the Secretary General

Mr. Muhammad Akhtar Buland Rana/ Secretary General of the ECOSAI/ the Auditor General of Pakistan presented the activity report (Annex-IV) of the ECOSAI for the last year. He informed the participants about the progress made on the implementation of the ECOSAI Training Plan and expressed his concern over the lack of interest shown on the training course arranged by the SAI Iran in September 2014. Regarding publishing of the 15th issue of the ECOSAI Circular by the SAI Pakistan, he appreciated and informed the members of the GBM that this year the Secretariat had received more contributions from some of the SAIs, resultantly the volume and the quality of the Circular has also improved in comparison to the last year's Circular. However, he urged all the remaining member SAIs to regularly contribute to the Circular, which would help the Secretariat to further improve the quality of the Circular. The Secretary General's report is placed at Annex IV.

4. Presentation of the Annual Accounts of ECOSAI for the year ended 31 December 2013 by the Secretariat

Dr. Naveeda Salam, Director General (IR&C), SAI Pakistan presented the accounts of the ECOSAI for the year ending December 31, 2013. The accounts were unanimously approved by the Governing Board for presenting before the 7th Assembly.

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5. Presentation of the Training Committee Report

Dr. Naveeda Salam, Director General (IR&C), SAI Pakistan presented the report of the 14th ECOSAI Training Committee Meeting (TCM) held on October 27, 2014 at Lahore, Pakistan. The 14th Training Committee report was discussed at some length and the participants took active participation in the discussion held on various recommendations. She informed the Board of Governors (BoG) that the members of the TCM had agreed on the new calendar of courses to be organized by the ECOSAI as per the ECOSAI Training Plan 2014-17. The TCM also recommended for approval of the BoG the provision of Economy class return airfare paid out from the ECOSAI Fund to two participants from each member SAI attending the courses offered under the ECOSAI Training Plan 2014-17. On this recommendation, Dr. Recai Akyel, the President of the Turkish Court Accounts and President of the ECOSAI, mentioned that the ECOSAI Funds were not good enough to bear the cost of return airfare. He asked other members of the BoG for their comments on the issue. The other present members of the BoG, the SAIs of Pakistan, Iran and Tajikistan, however, agreed to the proposal of the TCM. Accordingly, the 19th BoG adopted the recommendations of the 14th Training Committee Meeting. The Report is placed at Annex-V.

6. Report on the Publication of the ECOSAI Circular by SAI Pakistan

The Secretariat informed the meeting that the 14th issue of the ECOSAI Circular has been published and will be placed on the ECOSAI website. The Secretariat apprised the GB that the ECOSAI Circular 2014 includes sections on News, Research Articles, International Events and Activities of various ECOSAI member SAIs. The Research Articles were contributed by SAIs of Afghanistan, Iran, Pakistan and Turkey. The Senior President of the SAI Iran suggested that the frequency of the Circular should be increased from annually to biannually. While appreciating the idea of the Senior President of the SAI Iran, the Secretary General ECOSAI /Auditor General of Pakistan stated that frequency could be increased but it required more contributions from the member SAIs, which at the moment were enough for only annual publication. The Secretariat also suggested that the member SAIs to regularly contribute to the Circular

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which would help to further improve the quality of the Circular. The President ECOSAI appreciated the efforts of the Secretariat.

7. Discussion on presentation of the ECOSAI report in the meeting of the Governing Board of the ASOSAI, on the pattern the ASEANSAI presents its report in the ASOSAI GBM.

The President of the ECOSAI invited Mr. Amin Hossein Rahimi, the Senior President of the Supreme Audit Court of the Islamic Republic of Iran to brief the BOG on this agenda item. Mr. Rahimi, highlighted the importance of showcasing the activities of the ECOSAI at regional professional bodies like the ASOSAI. He also informed that ASEANSAI presents its report at the ASOSAI to show its activities. He underscored the importance of presenting report of the ECOSAI at the Meetings and Assembly of the ASOSAI. The BoG appreciated the idea of the SAI Iran and approved the proposal that the ECOSAI Secretariat would take up this issue with the ASOSAI Secretariat to allow the ECOSAI to present its activity report at ASOSAI Meetings.

8. Discussion on the importance of capacity building in ECOSAI member countries: Encouragement of member SAIs to join INTOSAI Capacity Building Committee

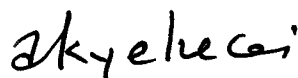
The President of the ECOSAI requested Mr. Amin Hossein Rahimi, the Senior President of the Supreme Audit Court of the Islamic Republic of Iran to apprise the BoG on this agenda item. Mr. Morteza Asadi, the Head of International Relations Department informed the BoG that the INTOSAI Capacity Building Committee (CBC) is playing a very active role in the capacity building of the member SAIs. He stated that the SAIs of Iran, Pakistan and Kazakhstan were members of the INTOSAI CBC. Owing to the possible benefits that would accrue to the members of the CBC, he urged other ECOSAI member SAIs to join as well. He also urged the member SAIs to improve capacity of their SAIs at individual, bilateral and multilateral levels. The BoG thanked Mr. Asadi for his presentation and valuable suggestions.

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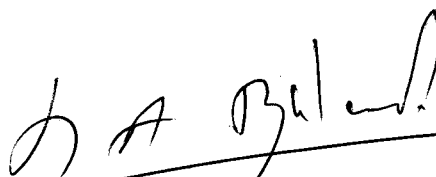
9. Other matters

Since there were no other matters to be discussed by the members of the GB, the President of the ECOSAI in his closing address thanked all delegates for their active participation in the 19th ECOSAI BOG meeting and congratulated all the colleagues for successful outcome of the meeting.

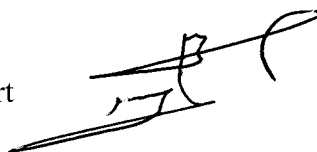
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List of Participants

S. No	Name of SAI	Name of Delegate	Designation
1.	Iran	Mr. Amin Hossein Rahimi, Mr. Alireza Davarpanah Mr. Morteza Asadi	Senior President Deputy Senior President Head of International Relations Department
2.	Pakistan	Mr. Muhammad Akhtar Buland Rana Malik Khadim Hussain Mr. Manak Sher Idrees Tarar Mr. Mazhar Hussain Zaki Syed Imtiaz Hussain Bokhari Mr. Irshad Ahmed Kaleemi Ms. Rubina Faisal Dr. Naveeda Salam Syed Umar Ali Shah Banoori Dr. Shams ud Din	Auditor General of Pakistan Additional Auditor General Additional Auditor General Deputy Auditor General Deputy Auditor General Deputy Auditor General Director General Director General Director Deputy Director
3.	Tajikistan	Mr. Kuchakshoev Akramkhon	Chief Auditor
4.	Turkey	Assoc. Prof. Dr. Recai Akyel, Mr. Yusuf Ziya Ada Mr. Ahmet Topkaya	President Principal Auditor Senior Auditor

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Agenda for the 19th ECOSAI Governing Board

1. Opening speech by Dr. Recai Akyel, President of the Turkish Court of Accounts
2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Activity report by the Secretary General ECOSAI
4. Presentation of the Annual Accounts of ECOSAI for the year ended 31 December 2013 by the Secretariat.
5. Presentation of the 14th ECOSAI Training Committee report
6. Report on the publication of the ECOSAI Circular by the SAI Pakistan
7. Discussion on presentation of the ECOSAI Report in the meeting of the Governing Board of the ASOSAI, on the pattern the ASEANSAI presents its report in the ASOSAI GBM.
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