

Relations with non-SAI external stakeholders

The Netherlands Court of Audit, as a Governing Board member, holds the strategic portfolio relations with non-SAI external stakeholders since the Xth EUROSAI Congress in Istanbul in May 2017.

The objective of the portfolio is to provide EUROSAI as an organisation as well as its members with an external network that can assist in improving audit work and increasing the impact of SAI institutions.

The portfolio focuses mainly on Strategic goal (1): *Supporting effective, innovative and relevant audits by promoting and brokering professional cooperation.*

The portfolio also contributes to the Strategic Goal (2): *helping SAIs deal with new opportunities and challenges by supporting and facilitating their institutional capacity development.*

The portfolio also supports promoting and positioning EUROSAI and its external orientation.

The aim of the portfolio is to:

1. Identify relevant strategic themes for EUROSAI as an organisation and for EUROSAI members for possible cooperation with non-SAI stakeholders;
2. Identify relevant non-SAI stakeholders; and
3. Provide an agile framework for possible cooperation with non-SAI stakeholders

Cross-cutting issues:

As the portfolio will firstly be developed organisation-wide there will be cross-cutting issues with all EUROSAI Working Groups, all other EUROSAI portfolios and Young EUROSAI. The portfolio deliberately seeks synergies and cooperation to receive input from all these representatives. This will be mainly done by the portfolio holder :

- a. asking for input on relevant strategic themes on both an organisational level and a member level;
- b. asking for input on relevant non-SAI stakeholders;
- c. asking for advice and cooperating on the development of an agile and responsive framework;
- d. sharing information on relevant non-SAI stakeholders

What the portfolio holder will not do is manage all contacts with non-SAI stakeholders of EUROSAI. This was and is a task of working groups and project groups for specific audit themes or the Secretariat in case of an institutional relationship for EUROSAI.

Key planned activities (2017 – 2020):

- Analysing and identifying possible strategic themes for relations with non-SAI stakeholders, in close cooperation with other portfolio holders and working groups. Sources include the EUROSAI self-assessment as well as interviews with some known non-SAI stakeholders.
- Identify possible non-SAI stakeholder organisations.
- Approach stakeholders to build a relationship of mutual benefit.
- Develop an agile framework for cooperation (on different levels) with possible non-SAI stakeholders
- Organise exchange of information and at least one joint EUROSAI & non-SAI stakeholders meeting, depending on the need from both sides.
- Provide inspiration to the Governing Board with external stakeholder driven strategic input.