



INTOSAI
Working Group
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Auditing

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Invitation to the INTOSAI WGEA for International Workshop on “Biodiversity”

Supreme Audit Institution of India has an International Centre for Environment Audit & Sustainable Development (iCED) for training staffs, mainly auditors on environment audit and sustainable development, at Jaipur, India. iCED is a Global Training Facility (GTF) of INTOSAI – Working Group on Environment Audit (WGEA).

2. Due to ongoing COVID-19 situation, it is not feasible to travel between countries. In this scenario, iCED has taken an initiative to host an International workshop on “Biodiversity” in two slots of five days’ duration (first slot scheduled from 22.02.2021 to 24.02.2021 [06:30 AM to 09:30 AM (UTC)] & second slot from 01.03.2021 to 03.03.2021 [11:30 AM to 02:30 PM (UTC)]).

3. Biodiversity is important to humans for many reasons. Biodiversity is also considered by many to have intrinsic value—that is, each species has a value and a right to exist.

4. During this workshop we aim to cover Global framework for biodiversity conservation; Audit of biodiversity conservation with special reference to use of Geo-informatics; Audit of conservation of aquatic and terrestrial biodiversity. It also has dedicated sessions for experience sharing. The objective of this workshop is to hold open discussions on these issues and sharing of experiences.

5. Schedule of the workshop is devised to ensure that participants from different time zones can participate in the event. SAIs which are ahead in the time zone with reference to India can participate from 22.02.2021 to 24.02.2021 and the SAIs which are behind the time zone vis a vis India can participate from 01.03.2021 to 03.03.2021.

6. On behalf of Chair of INTOSAI WGEA and SAI India, we invite SAIs to nominate participants to attend this International Workshop on “Biodiversity”.

7. The Nomination Form, iCED brochure and tentative schedule of the workshop are attached with this invitation letter.

Yours sincerely,

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