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"The European Union is made up of 27 Member States who have decided to gradually link together their know-how, resources and destinies. Together, during a period of enlargement of 50 years, they have built a zone of stability, democracy and sustainable development whilst maintaining cultural diversity, tolerance and individual freedoms.

The European Union is committed to sharing its achievements and its values with countries and peoples beyond its borders".

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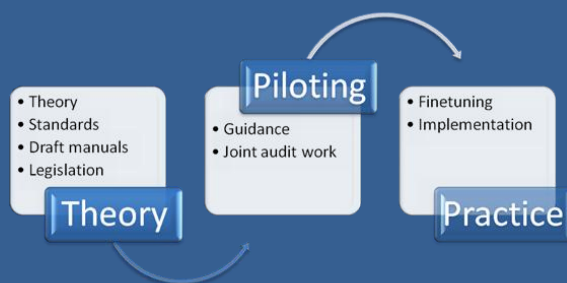


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Strengthening the State Audit Institution of Serbia



The concept



The concept for the project consists of the transfer of knowledge, experience and skills through the assistance of the colleagues from EU Member States Supreme Audit Institutions (SAIs) to their Serbian counterparts. Up to date theory and international standards will be brought into practice in good mutual understanding and teamwork. The expert support of the SAIs from the Netherlands, the United Kingdom and Slovenia will become accessible to the SAI of Serbia. The latest Standards for Public Sector Auditing that are issued by the UN recognized International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI) and additional guidance by its European branch (EUROSAI) will be used during the project implementation.

The objectives

1. To enhance accountability and effective management of public and EU funds in Serbia and strengthen the Serbian State Audit Institution.

“Serbian Public Funds should be spent in a legal, transparent way and the Government and its entities are accountable towards the tax-payers. Public expenditure also should always show value-for-money as a leading principle”.

2. To provide further support to the Serbian State Audit Institution in aligning its organizational structure, procedures, practice and the overall performance with international standards and EU best practice.

“The State Audit Institution aims to lead by example as an efficient, effective and modern audit organization”.

Project Components

The project components are inter-related and all components serve the whole of professional development of the SAI. The core of the project however will be the enhancement of the audit capacity and quality. This includes the development of the Financial and Compliance Audit within the SAI and the introduction of the new concept of Performance (Value-for-Money) Audit.

