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## **Quality Control and Assurance and Peer Review Training**

**Auckland, New Zealand**: The Pacific Association of Supreme Audit Institutions (PASAI) will be delivering live online training on Quality Control and Assurance on 22-24 March and 30 March 2021. PASAI recognizes the need to achieve sustainability by embedding good audit practice according to international audit standards. To assist SAIs to evaluate their audit work performance quality, PASAI has designed the "Enhancing Quality Control and Quality Assurance Systems" Programme – which comprises of two online workshops.

The initial online workshop on Quality Control and Assurance aims to build SAI capability on how to build a robust Quality Control and Assurance system, to enable SAIs to maintain a high degree of integrity, accountability, and competence. Nineteen participants (6 male, 13 female) from 10 public audit offices in the Pacific region are attending, including participants from SAIs Australia (Australian National Audit Office), French Polynesia, FSM National, Guam, Palau, Pohnpei, Solomon Islands, Tonga and Yap.

The second workshop focuses on the stages of the Peer Review process, its objectives, benefits and barriers and will be attended by 10 participants (2 male, 8 female) from 5 public audit offices in the Pacific region - participants from SAIs Fiji, FSM National, FSM Yap, Guam, and Vanuatu.

Training materials has been developed to meet the quality control and assurance requirements of SAI and its staff. The program's focus is applied or action-based. It is designed to equip participants with practical guidance to apply their learnings into their business-as-usual work immediately.

### **Facilitation team**

The facilitation team includes Tiofilusi Tiueti (Director Technical Support PASAI) and Gurdip Bhambra (Consultant).



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