



# Media release

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## PASAI's 35<sup>th</sup> Governing Board meeting

**Auckland, New Zealand:** The Pacific Association of Supreme Audit Institutions (PASAI) held its 35<sup>th</sup> Governing Board meeting online on 8 September 2023.

John Ryan, Secretary-General PASAI and Auditor-General of New Zealand, chaired the meeting attended by all board members, PASAI Secretariat staff and a representative from the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT).

The Governing Board endorsed the Annual Report and Financial Statements for presentation at the Annual General Meeting of PASAI Incorporated, held later that day. Staff from RSM New Zealand joined the meeting to explain to board members what they audited and to express their "unmodified" (clean) opinion of PASAI's accounts and performance reporting for the financial year ending 30 June 2023.

The Governing Board also received a presentation of the indicators against which PASAI measures its progress.

Work developing PASAI's next 10-year Strategic Plan continued, with board members providing feedback on draft strategic priorities. Esther Lameko-Poutoa, Chief Executive PASAI, provided members with a forecasted budget for this period.

A report of the independent evaluation undertaken by Tetra Tech International Development was tabled at the meeting. The findings and recommendations of the report informed the drafting of the future Strategic Plan.

The Secretariat expresses its gratitude to the Governing Board members for their ongoing assistance and acknowledges the support of its development partners, MFAT and the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT).

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