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Tailored interventions to strengthen SAI performance in the Pacific

Auckland, New Zealand: The Pacific Association of Supreme Audit Institutions (PASAI) is continuing its programme of strengthening SAI performance with training tailored to the Congressional system of public auditing starting today.

Seventeen participants (seven female, 10 male) from seven SAIs (Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) National, FSM Chuuk, FSM Kosrae, FSM Pohnpei, FSM Yap, Guam, and Palau) will participate in three part-day online workshops from 28 to 30 September 2021.

This training is part of a broader programme aiming to improve the effectiveness and capabilities of 20 SAIs in PASAI's Polynesian, Melanesian and Micronesian subregional member groups, as evaluated by the six 'domains' of the SAI Performance Measurement Framework (PMF).

PASAI Director Practice Development, Sinaroseta Palamo-Iosefo, will facilitate the workshops covering the following four domains:

- B – Internal Governance and Ethics
- D – Financial Management, Assets and Support Services
- E – Human Resources and Training
- F – Communication and Stakeholder Engagement

Ms Palamo-Iosefo explained the need for the training, stating, "SAI PMF provides SAIs with an objective basis for demonstrating their ongoing relevance to citizens and other stakeholders and serves as an invaluable tool for obtaining and maintaining support for capacity development efforts".

Course participants have been able to access and complete pre-training activities on PASAI's Learning Platform since last Monday 20 September 2021 to prepare them for the live webinars.

PASAI will facilitate another set of tailored online workshops for 10 Pacific SAIs under the Parliamentary system (the Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Nauru, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, the Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu) from 27 to 29 October 2021.

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