

Innovating for Climate Change

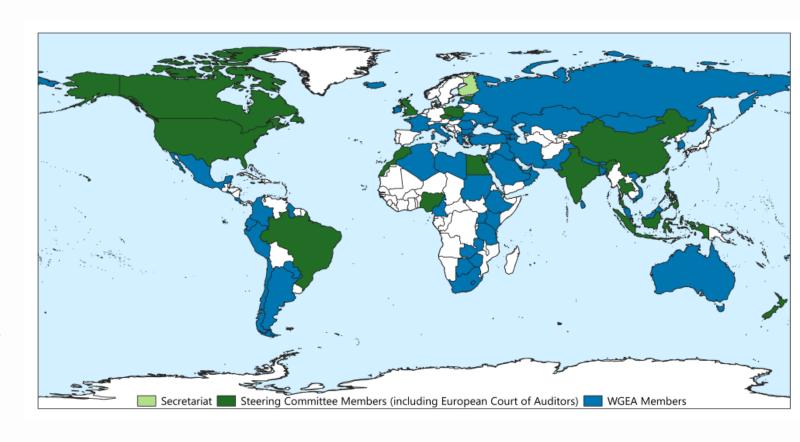
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Innovative environmental auditing since 1992

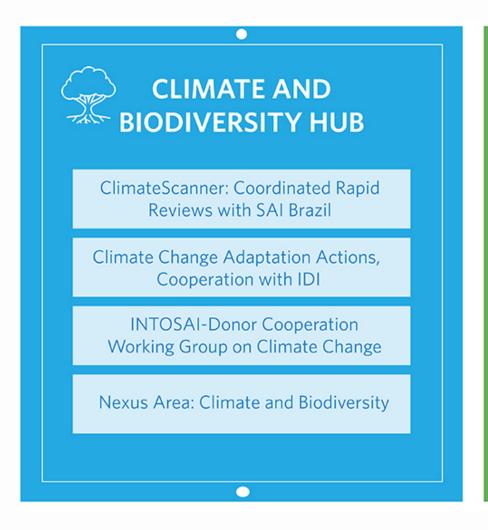
Resources: https://wgea.org/

- Guidance and studies: <u>Studies & Guidelines (wgea.org)</u>
- Compilations: <u>INTOSAI WGEA COP28 Bulletin: Impact for Climate Action</u>
- Audit database: <u>Audit Database (wgea.org)</u>
- Meetings and events: <u>News & Events (wgea.org)</u>
- Work Plan projects: <u>Projects (wgea.org)</u>

VISION

For a common sustainable future – innovative environmental auditing

INTOSAI WGEA Work Plan 2023-2025





Two large collaborative projects ongoing

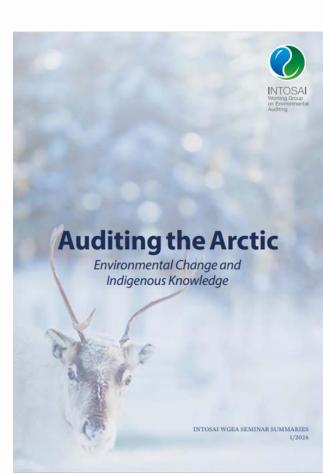




Assembly meetings with innovative topics

- 20th Online Assembly: Circular Economy
- 21st Ukulhas Assembly: Climate resilience
- 22nd Rovaniemi Assembly: Indigenous knowledge





INTOSAI WGEA Award: Inspiration in Environmental Auditing

- 1st Award: Best Visualization
- 2nd Award celebrated the 30th Anniversary: Your WGEA Story
- 3rd Award: Impactful Environmental Auditing

SAIs of Indonesia and Slovenia win the first INTOSAI WGEA Award for best visualisation

<u>Behind the Scenes: Selection process and winners of the third INTOSAI</u> WGEA Award





Enhanced Chairmanship

SAI Maldives invited as a Vice Chair in January 2024

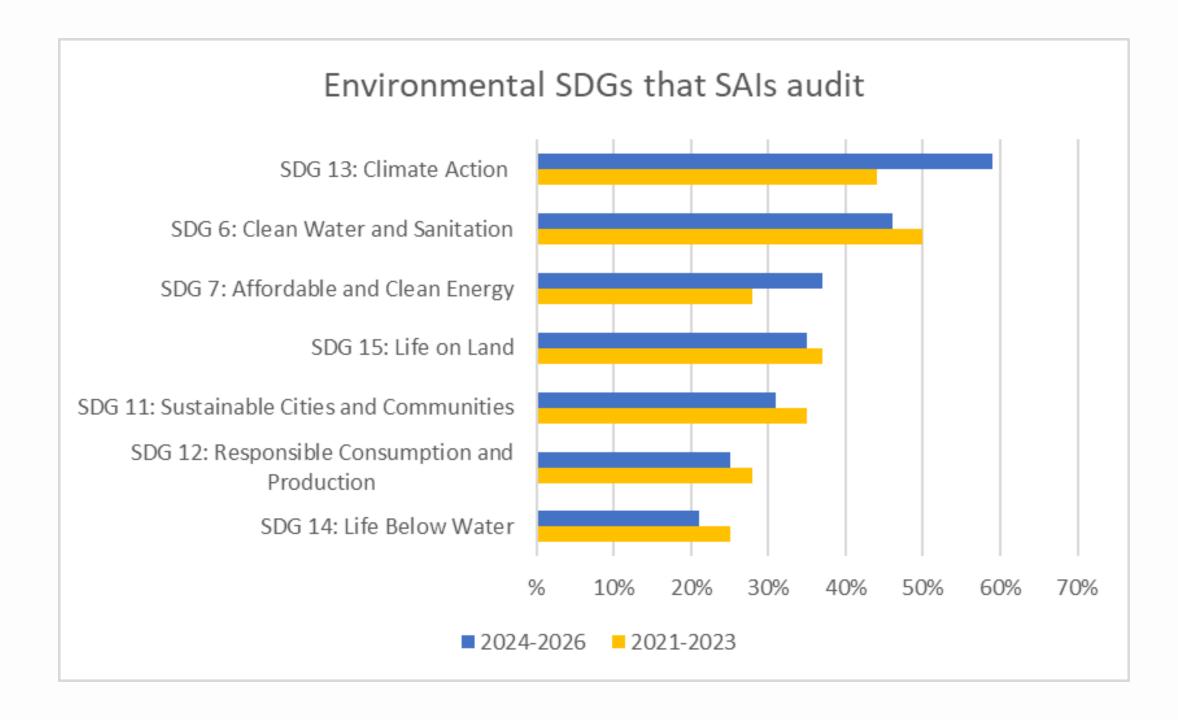


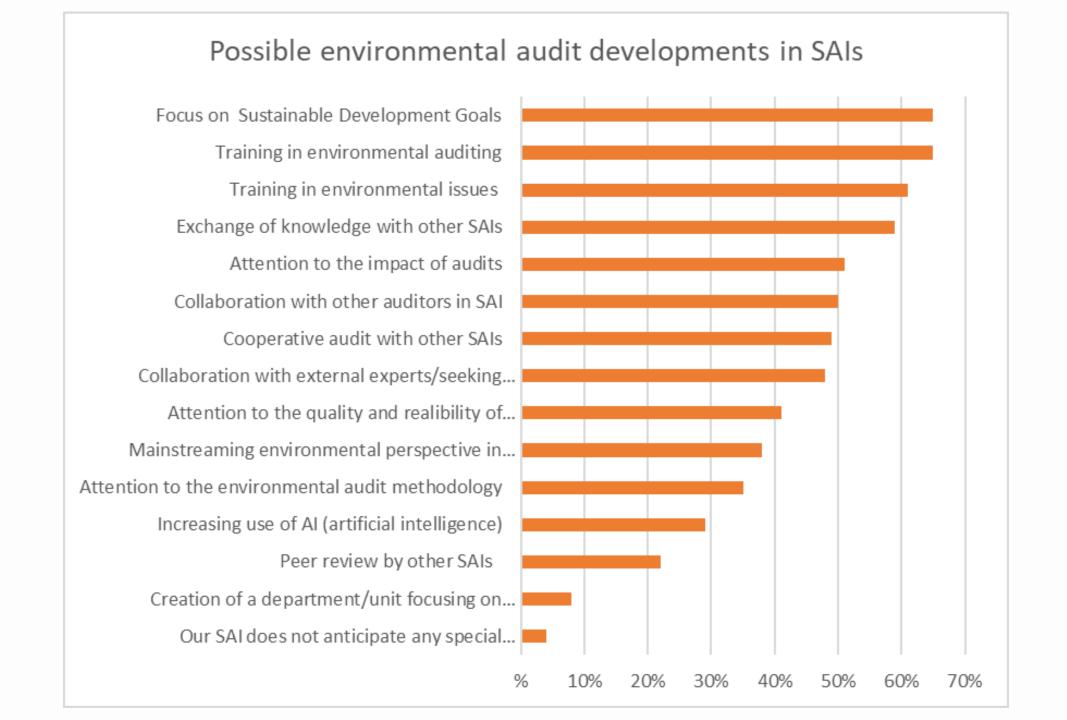
11th INTOSAI WGEA Survey:

Sneak Preview

What SAIs plan to audit 2024-2026: TOP TEN

- 1. Climate change adaptation
- 2. Climate change mitigation
- 3. Protected areas and natural parks
- 4. Drinking water: quality and supply
- 5. Renewable energy
- 6. Water quantity management/management of watersheds
- 7. Agriculture
- 8. Forestry and timber resources
- 9. Energy efficiency
- 10.Domestic environmental funds and subsidies





Ongoing audits at SAI Finland

Energy Subsidies to Support Green Transition

- Investment support for companies to promote new energy technologies, renewable energy production, and energy efficiency has increased
 - Over 5000 projects with 101-450 M€ year in 2021-2024
- Audit assesses whether different subsidies are organized in a manner that the set targets can be achieved efficiently
- The audit uses data analysis to assess all the applications and granting decisions

Knowledge Basis of Finnish Climate Policy

- Motivation: To reach the climate targets in a cost-efficient manner, first the cheapest (€/tCO2) climate actions should be made before moving to more expensive ones
- Audit: Does the administration provide adequate information of costs and emission reductions of various policy options for decisionmakers?
- Audit: Is the modeling of climate scenarios appropriate and transparent?

Thank you!

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