



MESSAGE FROM THE AUDITOR GENERAL OF PAKISTAN

It gives me pleasure to present Spring Issue of ECOSAI Circular 2021 being Secretary General of ECOSAI and Auditor General of Pakistan. This is first ECOSAI Circular which is published after my appointment as the Auditor General of Pakistan. ECOSAI Circular focuses on fostering knowledge sharing in the area of public auditing with the intent to promoting professional and technical cooperation among member SAIs.

The global crisis caused by COVID-19 has enhanced the need for accountability, transparency and integrity. The role of the Supreme Audit Institutions (SAIs) has been increased by examining the responses of the Government to Pandemic and responsibility of the SAIs to provide assurance for using emergency funds. Audit of the implementation of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) is also included in the domain of SAIs which require whole of government approach by leaving no one behind along with engagement of multi-stake holders. The capacity building of the SAIs is essential to carry out its mandate for accountability, transparency and service delivery to people. The professional development and capacity building of SAI is important to enhance the credibility of SAI. The collective contributions and efforts of the member SAIs can make this forum effective platform for sharing of ideas, experience and knowledge.

The ECOSAI Circular precisely targets the professional enrichment of member SAIs. I hope you will enjoy reading the current issue as much as I did. I take this opportunity to thank all the contributors for making contributions in the present issue and encourage ECOSAI members to become more proactive in contributing to the organization's initiatives for the benefit of all.

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