

5 / BIEP – Benchmarking Information Exchange Project

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Have you ever wondered how your country is performing in a certain area in comparison with the others? Are you eager to find out good practices or get inspired by different audit criteria? If the answer is yes, the BIEP workshop is the event to attend.

The Benchmarking Information Exchange Project (BIEP) promotes a flexible exchange of information and experience between SAIs. The benchmarking method allows **comparisons** between systems, processes, or indicators in various areas. The objective is to compare one country's performance to others in order to assess what countries have achieved and what needs to be changed in order for them to perform better. In order to achieve that, we tried to make **communication** and **cooperation** easier via our BIEP Portal (biep.nku.cz). BIEP can help you to define audit recommendations on the basis of good practice, get a new audit topic, or take over audit criteria from foreign audit partners. Moreover, in the GUID 5290 it is stated that "Experience in development of KNI systems can be shared within the Benchmarking International Exchange Project - BIEP (https://biep.nku.cz/). This tool may serve as a platform enabling easy cooperation and communication among auditors worldwide".

What will the workshop involve?

We will **discuss** outputs of SAIs as well as possibilities of their utilization by other SAIs. Together we will **select** most inspiring products and **identify** the reasons for selecting these products. The output of the workshop will be collectively defined criteria for a successful international cooperation.

Each delegate can contribute to this workshop!

- Has your SAI ever performed an audit which could be applicable for others as well?
- Has your SAI used a method easily transferable into different areas?
- Has your SAI defined audit recommendations or identified a good practice?
- Has your SAI carried out a comparison at the national or international level?

Please send us your products (e.g. audit reports, analyses, pre-studies, audit programmes and other methodologies, or any other outputs **that could be inspiring for others**) and we will put them in the workshop programme.

We believe that attending the workshop will be inspiring and beneficial.

Effective cooperation and sharing of audit experience has been promoted also in INTOSAI principles ISSAI-P 12 which states that "SAIs should strive to participate in INTOSAI activities and build networks with other SAIs and relevant institutions, to keep abreast of emerging issues and promote knowledge sharing to benefit other SAIs". In our workshop, we would like to enhance the importance of international cooperation and show you how BIEP can help you in that regard.