



Main themes aroused in the discussion forum Which are the main issues to cover and solve through common guidelines to audit ethics?

Should we cover audit of compliance to ethical standards or limit the guidelines to the audit of systems to manage ethics/integrity.

#### How to deal with <u>Ethical breaches</u>

(Forensic Audits - investigative tasks?)

#### **DIFFERENT OPINIONS**

Embedding the audit of ethics approach in a long-term programme audit and follow-up

## Should we include guidance to support auditing of specific ethical issues ?

Integrity

**Conflicts of interests** 

Impartiality

Tone at the Top

**Public Procurement** 

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### It is accepted by all that we should include an introductory part. What issues may we address in this chapter?

| Concepts and definitions | Ethics – audit phases - ethical control system           |
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| Why to audit ethics      | Benefits that auditing ethic brings to public governance |
| Main audit references    | International documents<br>Related ISSAIs                |
| Mandate questions        | Particularities of SAIs<br>Is a legal mandate needed ?   |

# Should we include a chapter on the Audit planning and programming ?

| The importance of preliminary studies | pre-planning arrangements (survey of legal<br>requirements, regulatory framework of ethics or<br>ethics related issues in an audit entity or in a group<br>of institutions, control mechanisms established ) |
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| Giving audit<br>questions examples    |  |
| Tips on Audit<br>criteria             | Level of Ethics required (Maturity Model),<br>   |

#### Other issues to include in the guidelines

Checklists

**Questions to surveys** 

Measuring adherence to the Code of Ethics

Verification of the internal control System

How to report ? Preventing reputation risks