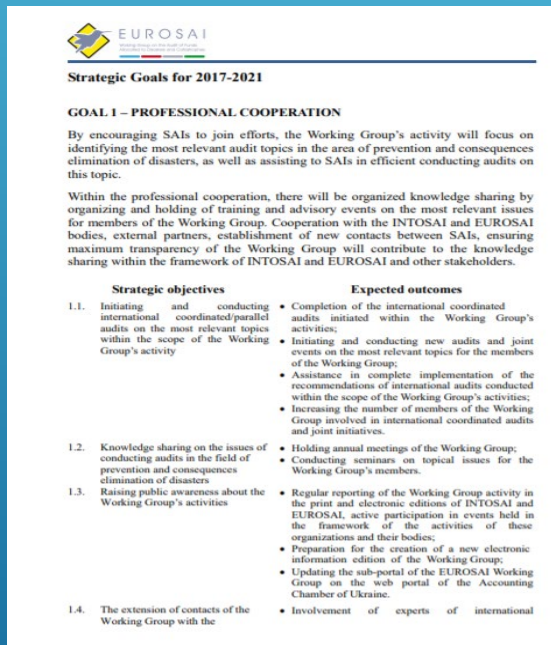


JOINT REPORT ON THE RESULTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL COORDINATED AUDIT ON THE PREVENTION AND CONSEQUENCES ELIMINATION OF FLOODS



BACKGROUND



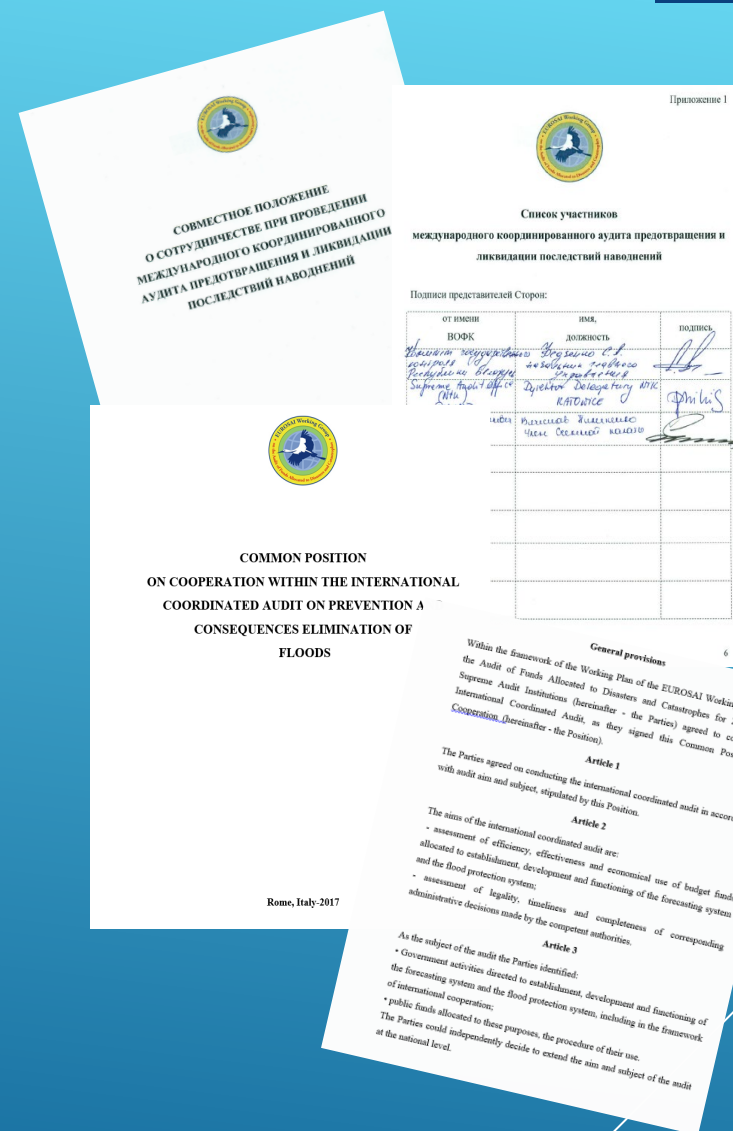
SURVEY of SAIs- members of WG AFADC

STRATEGIC ACTIVITY PLAN of the EUROSAI Working Group on the Audit of Funds Allocated to Disasters and Catastrophes for 2017-2020 (Strategic Goal 1 «Professional Cooperation»)

COMMON POSITION on COOPERATION within the International Coordinated Audit on Prevention and Consequences Elimination of Floods

IIIrd Meeting of WGAFADC, Rome, Italy, 2017

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AUDIT AIM:

evaluation of

- ✓ productivity, efficiency and economy of the use of budgetary funds aimed at the creation, development and operation of flood forecasting and protection systems;

and

- ✓ legality, timeliness and completeness of appropriate management decisions taken by the competent authorities

AUDIT SUBJECT:

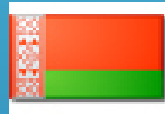
SUBJECT KNOWLEDGE AUDIT

- ✓ Government's activities directed to establishment, development and functioning of the forecasting system and the flood protection system, including in the framework of international cooperation; and
- ✓ public funds allocated to these purposes, the procedure of their use

SAIs-AUDIT PARTICIPANTS

SIGNED the COMMON POSITION SAIS of :

✓ **REPUBLIC OF BELARUS**



✓ **REPUBLIC OF ПОЛЬША**



✓ **UKRAINE**

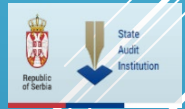


Also PARTICIPATED in the JOINT AUDIT REPORT SAIs of:

✓ **GEORGIA**



✓ **REPUBLIC of SERBIA**



✓ **REPUBLIC of TURKEY**



✓ **EUROPEAN COURT of AUDITORS**



WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE INTERNATIONAL COORDINATED AUDIT:



- ✓ **key audit results** of 7 SAIs were accumulated
- ✓ **common problematic issues** in the field of flood protection were defined
- ✓ a number of **common key recommendations** to the governments and authorized bodies were formulated

JOINT CONCLUSIONS:

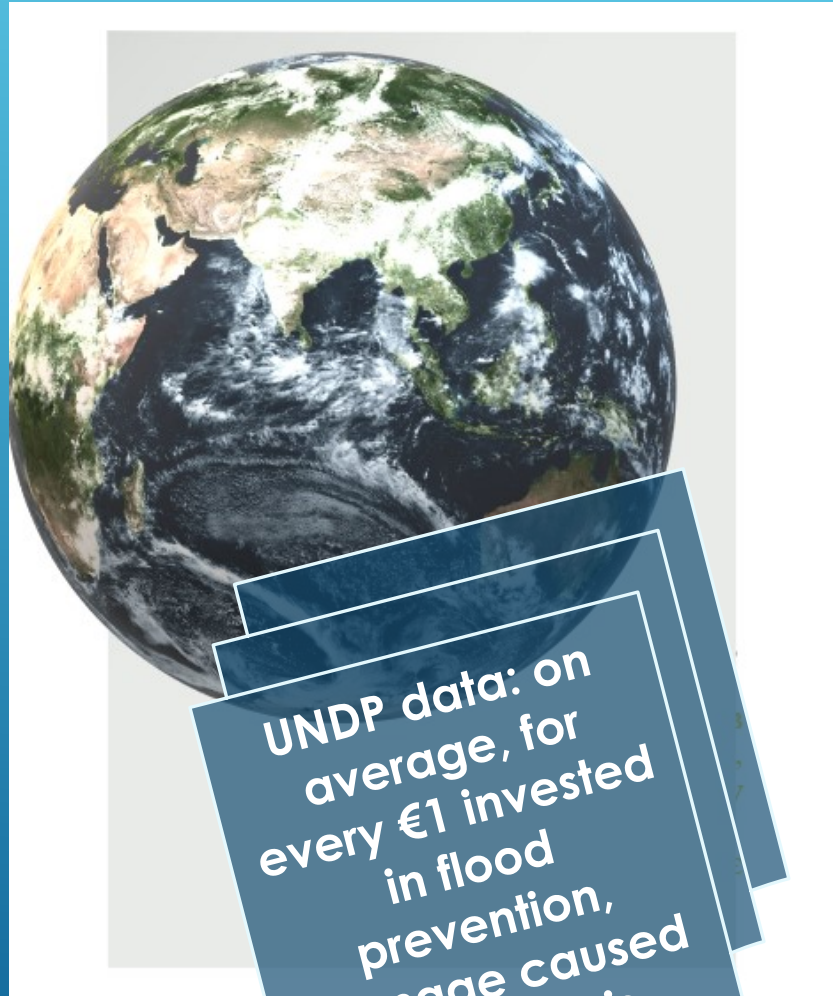
- ✓ **LEGAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL FRAMEWORKS FOR FLOOD PROTECTION PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT, IN GENERAL, HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED. THERE IS THE NECESSITY TO IMPROVE THE PROGRAM DOCUMENTS AND SPECIFY THE POLICIES DEVELOPED. ALSO, THE COORDINATION BETWEEN THE COMPETENT AUTHORITIES SHOULD BE STRENGTHENED, AS WELL AS STRICT ADHERENCE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF EUROPEAN AND NATIONAL LEGISLATION SHOULD BE PROVIDED.**
- ✓ **In the countries of participating SAs a system of flood risk management was introduced on the basin principle and district river basin management bodies were established. But integrated flood risk management was not provided by majority of these countries and the international flood risk management plans at the level international basin districts have not been developed by some of the EU Member States**



JOINT CONCLUSIONS:

- ✓ **Measures aimed at flood protection have not been implemented effectively in the countries of participating SAIs**
- ✓ **APPROACHES TO FINANCING FLOOD PROTECTION MEASURES ARE NEEDED TO BE IMPROVED**
- ✓ **Its necessary to increase level of predictability of flood and to apply spatial planning to flood risk management, as intensity and frequency of flooding will increase, particularly due to climate change**





UNDP data: on average, for every €1 invested in flood prevention, damage caused by floods is reduced by €7

Amount of funds aimed at reducing the risks of disaster occurrence is the most cost-effective, since appropriate preventive measures can significantly reduce the negative results caused by natural disasters

KEY RECOMMENDATIONS:

- ✓ SETTING UP **SPECIFIC POLICY GOALS** RELATED TO FLOOD PROTECTION, PROVIDING AND MAINTENANCE THE LINK BETWEEN THE GOALS, ACTIONS AND FUNDING IN THE RELEVANT FLOOD PROTECTION ACTION PLANS AND PROGRAMS
 - ✓ **Providing clear co-ordination and cooperation between responsible authorities** in conducting of flood protection measures, exchange of necessary data and information between them, and, coordinated flood risk management in cross-border river basins
- ✓ Taking the necessary steps to **develop flood risk management plans**, including international, flood vulnerability maps and flood risk maps for significant flood areas and undertake required activities for accounting for water protection facilities
- ✓ **Ensuring of control over the implementation of flood risk management plans through quantified performance measures and performance indicators**



KEY RECOMMENDATIONS:

Providing the adequate financing of flood protection measures, including transboundary measures on cross-border river basins; eliminate funding gaps, especially at project completion stage; to attract sources of financing alternative to budgetary funds (public-private partnership, credit resources)

- ✓ **Applying of objective and relevant criteria for prioritization of objects for financing**

- ✓ **ELABORATION AND IMPLEMENTATION A METHODOLOGY OF ACCOUNTING FOR FLOOD LOSSES IN ORDER TO EFFECTIVELY PLAN THE PREVENTIVE MEASURE**

- ✓ **Improving flood forecasting system, particularly by using of geospatial planning methods to manage flood risks**

- ✓ **Strengthening of monitoring of deforestation in coastal zones, and including measures to restore forests in river gorges into strategic documents**



Draft Joint Report agreed
by all SAs-audit participants

Layout of the Joint Report
on the results of the
international coordinated
audit **has been prepared**

Will be printed and sent to
all members of the
Working Group and the
governing bodies of
EUROSAI.



THANK YOU FOR ATTENTION!

