

# **Strategic Plan Highlights**

**Advancing Public Sector Accountability** 

Activities from April - June 2024

## **OVERARCHING GOAL: OUR COMMITMENT TO EDI\***

- ▶ Completed the Anti-Racist Cooperation annual survey, as signatories to the Anti-Racism Framework for Canada's international cooperation sector
- ▶ Presented our organization's **definition of EDI** to the Board's Capacity Building and Knowledge Exploration Committee and solicited the committee's feedback on next steps for our organizational EDI assessment
- Worked with participants from Guyana, Rwanda, Senegal, and Vietnam on gender mainstreaming strategies for their audit offices

\*Equity, Diversity & Inclusion (EDI)

#### **UNDERPINNING GOAL: OUR SUSTAINABILITY**



- Continued seeking sustainable funding for CAAF's oversight program; several Auditors General and former Chairs of Canada's Public Accounts Committee expressed their support in opinion editorials:
  - Investing to prevent abuse and mismanagement of public funds (English translation of article published in French)
  - Public money has no party
  - We need strong oversight of public spending. The ArriveCan spending scandal shows us why



Wished farewell to Administration Officer Thera Pritchard



Began our recruitment process for a **Senior** Officer, Professional Development



#### **GOAL AREA: MEMBER ENGAGEMENT**



- ▶ Held 3 member-exclusive webinars:
  - Ethics and Innovation: Challenges and Opportunities for the Auditing Profession in the Digital Age
  - Benefits and Risks of Citizen Engagement in the Audit Process
  - Diving Deeper into Root Cause Analysis, Systems Thinking and Culture





Welcomed the Office of the Auditor General (OAG) of Ontario as a new member







## **GOAL AREA: KNOWLEDGE EXPLORATION**



Published new resources for auditors and oversight committees:



Voices from the Field: Objective Centric Risk and Uncertainty Management in the Public Sector: Optimizing Risk Management and Accountability



**Voices from the Field:** Ethics & Innovation: Challenges and Opportunities for the Auditing Profession in the Digital Age



Audit Tips: 4 Reasons It Is Important to Audit Oil and Gas Revenues



Participated in the Canadian Council of Legislative Auditors' Performance Audit Symposium and moderated a panel on international perspectives featuring CAAF's International Fellows



Signed a memorandum of understanding with the Chartered **Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy to** collaborate on their performance audit certification program



Shared updates on the Public Sector Accounting **Board's** new Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting in the Public Sector and Reporting Model



Organized a meeting of our teaching Associates to provide an update on CAAF courses and exchange ideas



Supported the OAG of Rwanda when it welcomed a delegation of Canadian Members of Parliament, led by the Honourable Greg Fergus, Speaker of the House of Commons, to discuss the CAAF-OAG Rwanda partnership

### **GOAL AREA: CAPACITY BUILDING**



▶ Held **3 open virtual courses**—Audit Boot Camp, Root Cause Analysis, and Distilling Audit Findings—with participants from across Canada See upcoming courses open for registration



▶ Delivered our *Audit Boot Camp* course for the OAG of Alberta



- ▶ Held training for our partner supreme audit institutions (SAIs) in Guyana and Rwanda, including 2 first-time deliveries:
- Your Audit Report and the Media, co-facilitated by the Auditor General of British Columbia
- Data Analytics, with facilitators from the Government Audit Training Institute of Graduate School USA and the OAG of Alberta



- ▶ Continued the in-Canada portion of the 2023-24 international Fellowships and began the virtual portion of the 2024 Fellowships
  - → Congratulations to the 2023-24 Fellows who graduated in July!



▶ Led a workshop for our **Gender Mainstreaming Leaders Program** participants from Guyana, Rwanda, Senegal, and Vietnam, working on gender mainstreaming strategies for their SAIs



▶ Delivered a workshop for **Sherbrooke's audit committee** 



▶ Completed field work with a team from the Guyana SAI and the OAG of British Columbia for an assessment of the Guyana office, using INTOSAI's SAI Performance Measurement Framework

