

**10th meeting of the INTOSAI Working Group on Value and Benefits of Supreme Audit Institutions (WGVBS)
September 6-8, 2017, Mexico City
“Sala virtual”, ASF’s premises**

**Item # 17
DISCUSSION PANEL TITLED “THE IMPACT OF SAIS’ WORK: THE BALANCE BETWEEN FACTS AND PERCEPTION”
Dynamics for the panel**

I. General information on the discussion panel

Schedule and location	September 7, 2017, 11:00 – 12:00 hours. Sala Virtual, ASF’s premises
Language	English
Participants:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mrs. Sofía Ramírez, Representative from <i>Mexicanos Unidos contra la Corrupción</i> (Mexican NGO), which promotes actions to fight against corruption in the public sector • Mrs. Lourdes Morales, General Coordinator of <i>Red por la Rendición de Cuentas</i> (Mexican organization comprising 80 public, social and academic institutions focused on promoting accountability in the public sector) • WGVBS members
Moderated by:	Mr. Benjamín Fuentes-Castro , Technical Secretary at the SAI of Mexico, on behalf of the WGVBS Chair

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II. Objective

The discussion panel aims to exchange ideas on the perception that exists in Mexico regarding the SAI contribution to the accountability process in the public sector. The arguments should take into account the gap that usually exists between the actual scope of auditing and the citizenry expectations. In addition, it should be desirable to outline the required features that should be encompassed by the SAIs communications strategy.

III. Guidance Questions

- a) What is the value of SAIs work from the perspective of civil society groups?
- b) What is the role of SAIs regarding anticorruption strategies from the civil society perspective?
- c) Which are the main features that a SAI should have in order to count on the civil society confidence?



- d) What can be done to avoid gap expectations between the real impact of supreme auditing and civil society outlook?

IV. Panel Procedure

- The moderator will explain the purpose of the panel and present the guidance questions.
- The floor will be opened to Mrs. Ramirez and Mrs. Morales participation up to eight minutes each one of them.
- The moderator will open the floor to the WGVBS members for them to exchange views with the panelist.
- The moderator will draw the main conclusions of the panel.