

Speech of the H. H. Mr. Adel Abdullaziz Al-Sarawi, President of the State Audit Bureau of Kuwait at the opening of the 10th meeting of ARABOSAI Environment Committee on 12 February 2017 in Kuwait City

Praise be to Allah, peace and blessings be upon Prophet Mohammad, his relatives and companions

His Excellency Dr. Alar Karis
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Head of EUROSAI WGEA.

Dear Guests & Colleagues

Peace be upon you all,

We are thrilled to welcome you all in your second Country, the State of Kuwait. We at SAB are pleased to host the 1st meeting of the Arabian Organization of Supreme Audit Institution (ARABOSAI) Environment Committee after the issuance of the organization's executive board decree at its fifty third, meeting (53) regarding the approval of the conversion of the environment work group to a committee. This came as a result of the State Audit Bureau (SAB) suggestion, as we strongly believe in the importance and the significance of the committee's nature of work and scope, aside to the committee's increasing role in researching, studying the sustainable development issues and keep pace with the regional and international interest of the said scope. Over and above, we at SAB believe in providing the required support for the committee to perform the desired roles and to pursue with the achievements drawn of the environment working group previous meetings.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The participation of Dr. Alar Karis in this meeting conveys its great importance and contribution in knowledge sharing and illustrate the extent of the EUROSAI WGEA achievements in this area. I, personally, am certain that it will have considerable impacts on the committee's members and the participants at this meeting, not to forget to mention that it will open new horizons for the committee's studies, its follow-up and communicate with the specialized committee's in the filed subject matter at the regional and international levels. This will for sure achieve the INTOSAI's Motto "**Mutual Experience Benefits All**".

Dear Guests,

Our meeting includes several significant topics which fall under the committee's work plan for (2016 — 2018). Considering these plans and issuing its relative recommendations shall greatly contribute in enhancing out SAI's abilities in performing its regulatory role at the environmental field. Correspondingly, provide help and awareness for its personnel's with the importance of following the developments in the said field, and effectively contribute in preserving our community's abilities and wealth in order to employ them for meeting the individuals needs and achieving the desired sustainable development.

Gear Attendances,

The State Audit Bureau (SAB) ensures all fundamentals and circumstances that lead, to the success of our meeting, and achieve the utmost benefit of this gathering. In addition to what is included in our meeting's agenda of several productive topics, we agreed on holding a workshop on "**Overfishing**". A comprehensive report on the said topic was prepared by SAB;

as this topic resembles great importance toward maintain fisheries, and. its development, which yields to achieving food, security at this field. I am personally confident in your creative interaction regarding what will be presented and later studied to draw out the recommendations which will contribute in achieving die goals.

Wishing you all the best.

Dear Guest,

We wish you all a pleasant stay and good times. We also hope that this meeting comes as a good opportunity for us all to promote your communications and networking with your brothers and beloved ones as it would become a good memory over the days, God Bless. Peace be upon you all,