

Enhancing Partnerships and Scaled-up Support

Update on BUSS, GSAI and PAP-APP



An IDC Initiative linking available regional support with SAI development plans by

- i) proactively identifying resources,
- ii) assisting SAIs in articulating their needs and
- iii) enabling opportunities for engagement amongst SAIs and partners.

After its launch last year, the BUSS initiative kicked off with a pilot workshop in the CREFIAF region. This pilot proved fruitful in allowing fifteen SAIs and seven donor organisations and implementing partners to discuss their priorities and potential synergies. They also shared experiences on how to decide on external support and overcome contextual challenges hindering the intended results in strategic partnerships.

The next region in which the BUSS is making its stop is OLACEFS. A regional workshop is being planned on August 22nd to 25th in Panama City. The initiative is being promoted in the region via meetings with donors, technical partners and SAIs to spark their engagement and attendance at the workshop. A mapping of regional strengths and needs is ongoing together with regional partners to accelerate joint analysis and engagements in Panama. Likewise, the IDI Global Foundations Unit (GFU) is actively seeking potential funding





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that could be used for those identified SAI needs in the region. The BUSS adjusts its scope to suit the regions needs and context. This time it will include sessions on Independence, Institutional Coordination, CSOs engagements, Peer to Peer Support, Donors' presentations, One to One meetings and snapshot of SAI performance in OLACEFS.

The rollout of the BUSS includes follow-up online meetings between partners after they have been at the workshop. This has been done with the CREFIAF group and feedback suggests it is enabling donor coordination.

In addition, GFU continues assisting with the dissemination and roll out of the 2nd and 3rd round of the Saudi Fund for Improved SAI Performance (Saudi FISP) across all INTOSAI regions in its different languages. About 43 SAIs from all over the world have been granted support for ICT infrastructure, accounting for about \$1,500,000 USD.. Another \$1,000,000 is available for grants in the 3rd round during 2023. The INTOSAI community is constantly expressing their gratitude to the General Court of Saudi Arabia for their assistance.