

STOCKTAKING OF PUBLIC SECTOR ACCOUNTING  
AND REPORTING ENVIRONMENT  
IN PULSAR BENEFICIARY COUNTRIES

COUNTRY FACT SHEET:  
CROATIA



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## SELF-ASSESSMENT

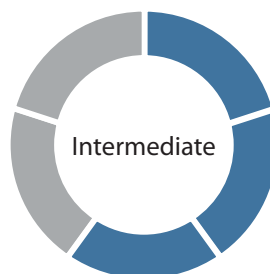
GOVERNMENT  
BUDGETING CYCLE



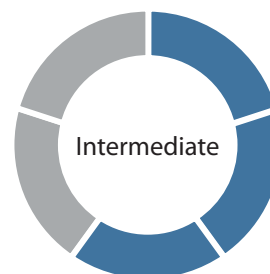
ACCRUAL ACCOUNTING  
PRINCIPLES




FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT  
INFORMATION SYSTEMS



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ACCRUAL




## BUDGET

 Budget available to public


**Yes**

 Recognition Basis


**Cash**

 Method of Publication


**Separate from  
Financial  
Statements**

 Regular in-year budget reporting

**Yes**

 Comparability of budget execution reports and financial reports

**Yes**

 Envisaged budget reforms


**No answer**




## ACCOUNTING

 Recognition Basis


**Modified accrual principle**

 Current accounting basis and reporting standard


**Budget Act, Regulation on Budgetary Accounting and Chart of Accounts and statistical requirements**

 Financial reporting standard setter

**MoF, Public Sector Accounting Commission**

 Coverage of Consolidation

**Ministries and other federal/ central government departments, agencies, social security fund(s), regional and/or local government**

 Envisaged Accounting reforms

**No answer**

## AUDIT

Risk-based methodology and professional standards exist	<b>Yes</b>
SAI opinion is provided	<b>Yes, according to international standards</b>
Professional license or education required for audit personnel	<b>Yes</b>
SAI conducts compliance audits	<b>Yes</b>
SAI conducts performance audits	<b>Yes</b>
External auditors have specific expertise in national public sector accounting standards	<b>Yes</b>

## CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT & PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

The PAO contains a unit, membership tier, or committee focused on the Government Sector	<b>No answer</b>
Government sector accountants subject to minimum CPD requirements	<b>No answer</b>
Standards and/or frameworks that are followed in the delivery of PSA education	<b>Bologna Process (European Higher Education Area)</b>





## GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL STATISTICS

International GFS Guideline	<b>ESA 2010</b>
Reconciliation between GFS & financial statement	<b>Yes</b>
Frequency of GFS reporting	<b>The Croatian Bureau of Statistics and the Croatian National Bank report GFS on annual and quarterly basis</b>



## FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Elements of IFMIS	<b>Budget Preparation and Execution, Treasury Single Account, Accounting and Reporting</b>
Entities' degree of autonomy	<b>Entities maintain their own ledgers and systems</b>
IT governance standards	<b>There are no restrictions with regard to software</b>
IT system used for consolidation	<b>Manual consolidation using excel or a similar software</b>

*Mechanisms for implementation of standards & guidelines related to Public Financial Management*

 Financial reporting requirements	<b>Law, Regulation, MoF circular</b>
 SoEs	<b>Law, Regulation, MoF circular</b>
 CFS	<b>Law, Regulation &amp; MoF circular</b>
 External audit requirements	<b>Law</b>

*Required to follow a code of conduct*

 Internal auditors	<b>Yes</b>
 Public sector accountants	<b>Yes</b>

## ACRONYMS

<b>IFMIS</b>	Integrated Financial Management Information System
<b>SAI</b>	Supreme Audit Institution
<b>CFS</b>	Consolidated Financial Statement
<b>CPD</b>	Continuing professional development
<b>GFS</b>	Government Financial Statistics
<b>IPSASs</b>	International Public Sector Accounting Standards
<b>MoF</b>	Ministry of Finance
<b>PAO</b>	Professional accountancy organization
<b>PSA</b>	Public Sector Accounting
<b>SoEs</b>	State-owned Enterprises



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