



## Future of Small and Medium Practices (SMPs) Networks, Mergers and Acquisitions



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### Agenda

#### 15<sup>00</sup> Opening Remarks

Sirje PÕDER, Attachée - Programme Officer, Delegation of the European Union to Georgia

#### 15<sup>05</sup> Introduction

Paul Thompson, Director of European Federation of Accountants and Auditors for SMEs and World Bank Consultant

#### 15<sup>15</sup> Networks, Associations, Mergers, and Acquisitions

Antoni Gomez, International Chairman, Auren and CEO, Antea

#### 16<sup>05</sup> Questions and Answers

Irina Gordeladze, Senior Consultant, World Bank

#### 16<sup>30</sup> Closing Remarks

### Pre-Reading

COVID-19 - the SMP's road to recovery, ACCA

Practice Transformation Action Plan - A Roadmap to the Future, IFAC

Transition into Advisory Services - Leveraging Partnerships and Networks, IFAC

Module 8: Succession Planning, IFAC

Why Joining an International Network is a Good Move for SMPs, ACCA

Encouraging Successful Exit Strategies-Passing the Baton, IFAC

Global Firms Grow Despite Pandemic, ACCA

Challenges & Opportunities for Sole Practitioners - and How PAOs Can Help, IFAC