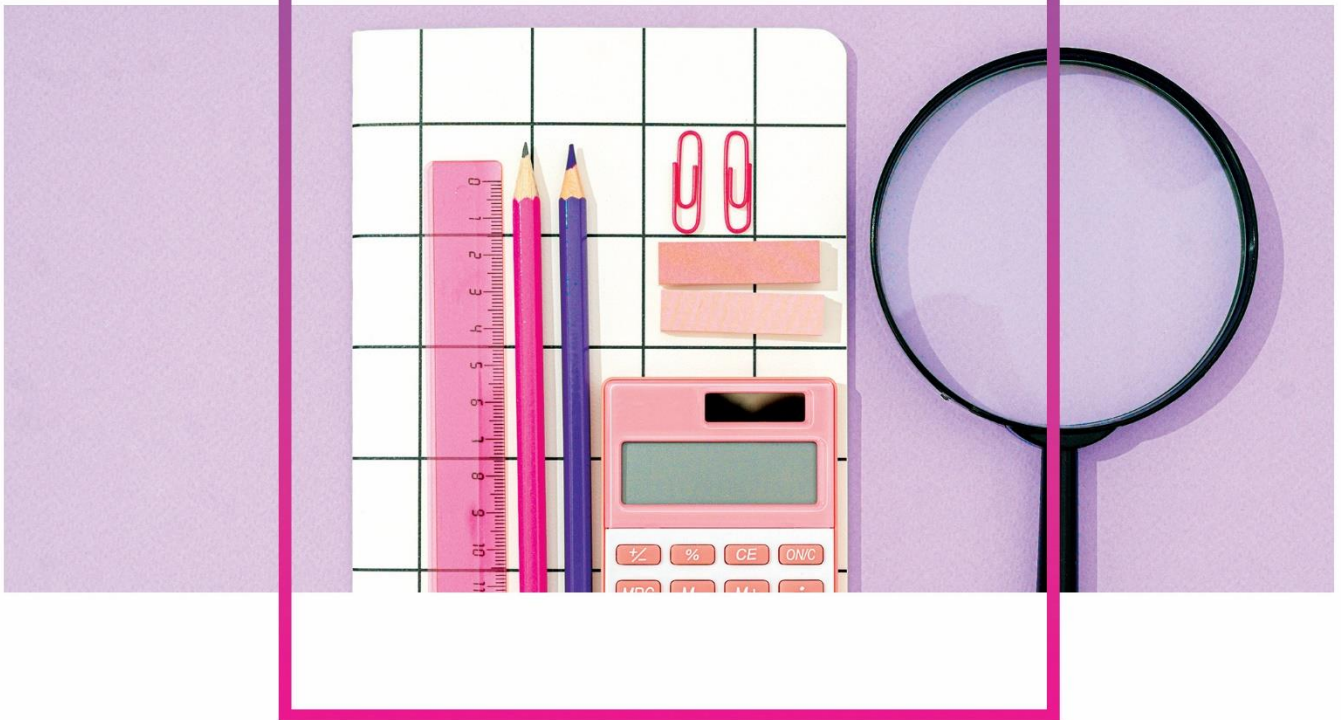


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Agenda

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17 February 2022, 13:00 – 15:10, Online

The advisory note was developed within the **Strengthening Auditing and Reporting in Countries of the Eastern Partnership** ([STAREP](#)) program. STAREP is a regional program with the higher-level objective of improving corporate financial reporting practices of the European Union Eastern Partnership countries: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, and Ukraine. The program builds capacity among and assists the accounting and auditing profession, regulators, and other stakeholders to develop and practice an institutional framework for corporate financial reporting in the Eastern Partnership countries in accordance with international accounting, auditing, and accounting education standards and good practices.

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The purpose of the dissemination event is to present key findings and recommendations of the report as well as to agree with key stakeholders on implementation support that could be provided under STAREP during following 11 months.

The Advisory Note was prepared by a World Bank team comprising David Brookfield (Consultant) and Svetlana Platon (Consultant). The note benefited from the guidance of Andrei Busuioc (Senior Financial Management Specialist) and Garik Sergeyan (Senior Financial Management Specialist). Their short bios can be found at the end of the agenda.

13:00 Welcome Remarks

Garik Sergeyan | Senior Financial Management Specialist, CFRR, World Bank

Natalia Tonu | Head of the Public Oversight Committee, Council for Public Oversight of Audits (CSPA)

13:10 Key findings and recommendations of the Advisory Note on Professional Auditor Qualification in Moldova

The purpose of the Advisory Note is to set out the case for improved audit quality and advise on feasible and practical reforms to audit education and governance in Moldova. The WB/CFRR team will present key findings and recommendations included in the report. The presentation will be followed by a Q&A session on the content of the report.

Svetlana Platon | Consultant, World Bank

David Brookfield | Consultant, World Bank

14:10 Professional Auditor Qualification – priorities and strategic directions

Implementation of the suggested recommendations would require commitment and improved capacity on the part of the CSPA management, members of the Certification Commission, and of the CSPA's Committee, including additional support from donors and development partners. During this session representatives of the Council for Public Oversight of Audits will be invited share their views in respect of priorities and strategic directions for Professional Auditor Qualification in Moldova, while the WB team will highlight areas that could be supported by STAREP.

Panelists

Natalia Tonu | Head of the Public Oversight Committee, Council for Public Oversight of Audits

Dumitru Grumeza | Executive Director, Council for Public Oversight of Audits

Ala Vizir | Head of Certification Commission, Council for Public Oversight of Audits

David Brookfield | Consultant, World Bank

Garik Sergeyan | Senior Financial Management Specialist, CFRR, World Bank

Moderator: **Andrei Busuioac** | Senior Financial Management Specialist, World Bank

15:00 Closing Remarks

Garik Sergeyan | Senior Financial Management Specialist, CFRR, World Bank

Dumitru Grumeza | Executive Director, Council for Public Oversight of Audits

15:10 End of Event

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Svetlana Platon has over 22 years of experience in accounting and auditing in both the private and public sectors, including university lecturing on accounting. She has worked with the World Bank since June 2006 in a range of roles. Svetlana has contributed to A&A ROSCs in Slovenia and Albania and has expertise in the thematic areas of audit & accounting regulation, accounting education and state-owned enterprise governance. She has been involved in various WB projects, related to improving the institutional capacity and

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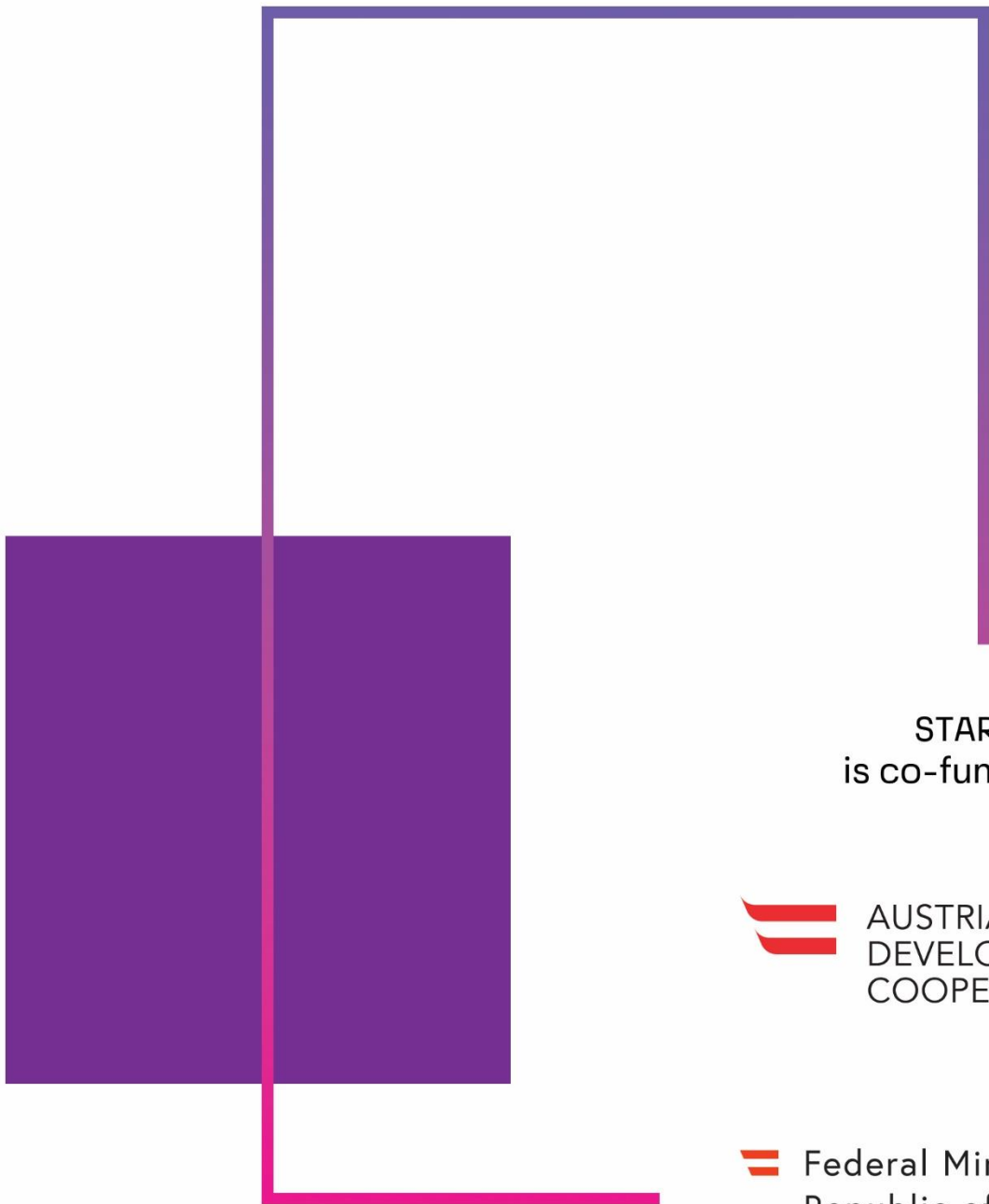
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