



U.S. GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

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Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), I am pleased to invite you to nominate up to two individuals from your office to participate in the 2019 International Auditor Fellowship Program (IAFP).

The individuals selected for the program engage in a comprehensive 4-month program that includes classroom instruction, observance of key management meetings, exposure to the U.S. intergovernmental audit experience, and development of strategies to implement change within their respective Supreme Audit Institution (SAI). The program focuses on techniques necessary for conducting performance audits, and shares approaches to leadership development. In addition, participants prepare a capstone project to introduce a plan or strategy to their SAIs. Typically, the head of the SAI identifies the plan or project as part of the nomination process.

As a member of the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions, GAO created the Fellows program with the goal of strengthening the institutional capacity of SAIs through the enhancement of participants' skills. This is achieved through an emphasis on continuous learning, knowledge sharing and cultivating professional networks among SAIs, donors, and other partners in the accountability community.

If your SAI would like to participate in the 2019 program, please nominate up to two, middle-to-senior level candidate(s) from your audit office. Your nominee(s) should complete the enclosed application, which requires your personal, signed recommendation and insight on how the nominee, if selected, would transfer the knowledge, skills, and experience gained to their SAI colleagues.

While there is no tuition for the program, participating SAIs are responsible for securing the required funding for travel and living expenses. Funding assistance may also be available from entities such as the United Nations Development Program, United States Agency for International Development, multilateral development banks, national governments, or other regional development organizations.

The completed application should be returned no later than September 24, 2018. An electronic copy of the application is available by clicking [here](#) or by sending a request to IAFPCurriculum@gao.gov. If you need additional information or have any questions, please contact Ms. Darreisha Bates, Fellowship Program Manager, at (202) 512-4233 or BatesD@gao.gov.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James-Christian B. Blockwood".

James-Christian B. Blockwood
Managing Director
Strategic Planning and External Liaison