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## Seminar Europe 2020 Strategy Audit Network Helsinki, 3 June 2016

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to invite you to the seminar of the Europe 2020 Strategy Audit Network, which will be kindly hosted by National Audit Office of Finland on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June 2016.

Following the conclusions of the 2015 Lisbon Seminar on the importance of strengthening cooperation and leveraging audit results within the EU framework, several SAIs started important work on a coordinated way: the Working Group on Structural Funds VII is conducting a parallel audit on "Contribution of the Structural Funds to the Europe 2020 Strategy in the areas of Employment and/or Education"; the SAIs of Hungary, Bulgaria and Romenia are conducting a coordinated audit on "Revealing the good practices of graduate career tracking systems"; and within the preparation of the ECA Annual Report on the Budget Execution 2015 there is work under way by some SAIs and coordinated by the ECA's unit responsible for the chapter dedicated to the results obtained by the EU budget.

In the forthcoming seminar we will continue stimulating SAIs work at a national level and in a parallel manner by sharing methodologies and good practices, under three main topics:

- (i) SAI work on the Europe 2020 Strategy: methodologies, aims, risks and potentials;
- (ii) SAI current work on the Europe 2020 Strategy: (a) parallel audits; (b) national audits;
- (iii) The use of EU funds and national funds to boost demand and improve competitiveness.

Therefore, we invite the seminar participants to contribute to these topics and share the work under way. This will enable us to reach fruitful and forward looking seminar conclusions.

The seminar starts at 9 a.m and ends at 4 p.m.. A more detailed agenda will be sent later, after receiving participants's comments and presentation proposals.

We look forward to meet you in Helsinki and we count on your active participation in this seminar.

Sincerely Yours,

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