



**EU CONTACT COMMITTEE
2015 JOINT SEMINAR
FISCAL POLICY AUDIT NETWORK AND EUROPE 2020 STRATEGY AUDIT
NETWORK**

Lisboa, 4th and 5th June 2015

4th June 2015 (Thursday)

9.15 – 9.30 Opening session (Auditorium, Tribunal de Contas)

- *Guilherme d'Oliveira Martins, President of Tribunal de Contas, Portugal*
- *Tytti Yli-Viikari, Deputy Auditor General of Finland*

9.30 – 10.30 Guest speaker

- *Miguel Poiares Maduro, Minister in the Cabinet of the Prime Minister and for Regional Development, Portugal*

10.30 – 10.45 Coffee break (Vip Grand Lisboa Hotel)

10.45 – 12.45 Parallel audits: sharing methods and practices

- *Chaired by Tytti Yli-Viikari (Finland) and Ana Furtado (Portugal)*

12.45 – 14.00 Lunch hosted by Tribunal de Contas (Vip Grand Lisboa Hotel)

14.00 – 15.30 **Europe 2020 Strategy Audit Network**

(Chaired by Tribunal de Contas, Portugal)

Theme I – Auditing progress towards EU 2020 targets

“Recent audit results on Europe 2020/Increased cooperation between ECA and Member State SAIs”

Presenter: *Katja Mattfolk, European Court of Auditors, 15 min*

“People as resources: Tools and interventions to support social integration of poor and vulnerable communities”

Presenter: *Michaela Hodoušková, Supreme Audit Office of Czech Republic, 15 min*



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Theme II – Promoting employment

“Effects of EU structural funds: counterfactual impact evaluation using postal code data”

Presenter: *Ville Vehkasalo, National Audit Office of Finland*, 15 min

“Training support for persons given redundancy notices at Volvo Cars – retrained for work?”

Presenter: *Lena Unemo, Swedish National Audit Office*, 15 min

15:30 – 15:45 Coffee break

15:45 – 16:45 **Europe 2020 Strategy Audit Network**

Theme III – Promoting competitiveness through better education, research, development and innovation

“Cooperative audit on information systems following graduates in finding employment”

Presenter: *Gyula Zoltán Pulay, State Audit Office of Hungary*, 15 min

“Achieving growing and higher-quality employment rates by further education and qualification”

Presenter: *Detelina Hadjieva, National Audit Office of Bulgaria*, 15 min

“Expenditure on research, development and innovation (RDI)”

Presenter: *Jitka Kabátková, Supreme Audit Office of Czech Republic*, 15 min

16:45 – 17.15 Conclusions of the Europe 2020 Strategy Audit Network session

19:15 Departure from Vip Grand Lisboa Hotel

20:00 Dinner hosted by Tribunal de Contas
(*Centro Cultural de Belém*)

5th June 2015 (Friday)

Fiscal Policy Audit Network

(*Chaired by the National Audit Office of Finland*)

9.00 – 10.15 Introduction

Discussion on recent developments in Fiscal Policy related themes
The discussion is chaired by Tytti Yli-Viikari



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10.15 – 10:30 Coffee break

10:30 – 12:30 Fiscal Policy Audit Network

“Government’s taxation policy in 2011-2014: Policy decisions and implementation”

Presenter: *Meri Virolainen, National Audit Office of Finland*, 20 min

“State aids to the financial system and their impact on the sustainability of public finances”

Presenter: *Teresa Nunes, Tribunal de Contas, Portugal*, 20 min

“Survey of the members of the Parliament – an interactive approach as a means for auditing the state budget planning process”

Presenter: *Maruta Kanepa, The State Audit Office of the Republic of Latvia*, 20 min

“Sustainability of local government finances”

Presenter: *Sini Salmi, National Audit Office of Finland*, 20 min

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch hosted by Tribunal de Contas (Vip Grand Lisboa Hotel)

14:00 – 15:30 Fiscal Policy Audit Network

“Current Audit work”

Presenter: *Lena Unemo, Swedish National Audit Office*, 15 min

“Ongoing and future audits of the European Court of Auditors (ECA) in the field of fiscal policy and European economic governance”

Presenter: *Andreja Rován, European Court of Auditors (ECA)*, 30 min

“Audit of banking supervision”

Presenter: *Uwe Schreiner, Bundesrechnungshof, Germany*, 30 min

15.30 – 16.00 Parallel audit topic discussion

The discussion is chaired by Tytti Yli-Viikari

16:00 – 16.15 Coffee break

16:15 – 16.30 Summary and Conclusions of the Fiscal Policy Audit Network work sessions

16.30 – 17.00 Summary and Conclusions of the Joint Seminar