



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 individuals from your office to participate in the 2020 International Auditor Fellowship Program (IAFP) that starts March 18.

The individuals selected for the fellowship engage in a comprehensive 18 week 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 for conducting performance audits and 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 2020 program, please nominate up to two, middle-to-senior level candidates from your audit office. Your nominee(s) should complete the enclosed application, which requires your personal, signed recommendation and insight on how the nominee 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.

The completed application should be returned no later than August 30, 2019. An electronic copy of the application is available by visiting <https://www.gao.gov/about/what-gao-does/audit-role/fellows/> or by sending a request to IAFPCurriculum@gao.gov. If you need additional information or have any questions, please contact Ms. Darreisha M. Bates, Fellowship Program Manager, at (202) 512-4233 or BatesD@gao.gov.

Very respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James-Christian B. Blockwood". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

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