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"State accounting reform and cash management"
Speakers Presentation

Mr. Nouredine BENSOUA (Morocco), Moderator

Mr. Bensouda is General Treasurer of the Kingdom of Morocco since April 26th 2010. Doctor in Public law Mr Bensouda began his career as Researcher within the Office of the Minister of Finance before becoming its Head of office. He held then the position of Deputy Director in charge of Central Inspection and Cross Checks at the Tax Directorate. He was then during more than 10 years General Tax Director. Mr. Bensouda is also a member of the Committee of UN Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters (he was president of this committee from 2005 to 2009 and in this capacity member of the Permanent Scientific Committee of the International Fiscal Association (IFA)). He is since 2006, Honorary Chairman of the Moroccan branch of the International Fiscal Association (IFA) and Member of the Management Committee of the Mohammed VI Foundation for the Promotion of Social Works.

Mr. Julien Serge ABOUEM (Cameroon)

Graduated in Law, Mr. ABOUEM is also graduated from the National School of Administration and Public Office of Yaoundé in 1997. He held different top positions within the Ministry of Finance, in region and at the central level. He was in particular, Head of the General Payments Department of the Treasury, Head Tax Collector, Assistant director of the State Treasury Plan. Since 2008, he is Director of the Treasury and is rotating member in the Central African Banking Commission.

Mr. Bernard LIMAL (France)

Mr Bernard Limal has done the most part of his career within the French Public Finance General Directorate. He held high positions in the field of budget regulation and IT. He was in particular appointed Deputy Director for IT within the Public Accounting General Directorate and Director of the State IT Agency in France. Mr. Limal was also General Paymaster of the Poitou-Charentes region and Essonne district – General payer for army. He is currently delegate for the Public Finance General Director for Ile de France region and in charge of the national mission of the processes reengineering.

Mr. Xavier RAME (IMF)

Xavier Rame is an economist within the Public Financial Management Division of the Fiscal Affairs Department (International Monetary Fund). Prior joining the IMF, Mr. Rame led the strategy and public management practice of a consulting firm. From 2006 to 2009, he served as a Senior Expert at the French Court of Accounts, in the context of the implementation of the central government's financial statements audit. From 2000 to 2006, as a Senior Manager within an international audit firm, he led consulting and audit missions for French public organizations. He began his career in the French budget ministry as a Treasury Inspector. Mr. Rame is an alumnus of the French National School of the Treasury.

Mr. Pierre ETOUGHE (Gabon), Moderator

M. Etoughe is graduated in economics and in companies administration, he's also a graduate from the French National School of Treasury.

He held several top positions within Treasury Services. He was in particular, Head of the Investment Expenditures Department, Accountant of the Autonomous Redemption Fund of Gabon, Head of the Expenditure Department and Gabon Paymaster in Brussels and Washington.

Mr. Etoughe is currently the first Deputy Head of Gabon Treasury Services.

Mr. Sergiy KHARCHENKO (Ukraine)

Mr. Kharchenko is the Head of the State Treasury Service of Ukraine.

He started his financier career as a Head of Slavyansk Amalgamated State Tax Administration. Then he worked in governing positions in State Tax Administration in Kharkivsky and Darnytsky Districts of Kyiv. In 2004 he was appointed Deputy Minister of Finance of Ukraine and in 2010 President of the State Treasury of Ukraine.

He has Ph.D. in Economics and is an Honoured Economist of Ukraine.

Mr. Rachid AMGHAR (Morocco)

M. AMGHAR is currently Head of the Accounting Standardization Division within the General Treasury of the Kingdom of Morocco. He holds is position since 2008.

He began his career within the Local Administration General Inspection of the Ministry of Home Affairs before joining the cabinet of the General Director for Home Affairs and then the Cabinet of the minister of Home Affairs.

He joined the General Treasury of the Kingdom in 2003 as the Head of the Organisation and Methodology Service, then Head of Regulation Service and Head of Statement of Accounts and Monitoring of Accountants' Accountability Division.

M. AMGHAR is graduated in politics and general administration and is also a graduate from the National School of Administration of Rabat.

Ms. Noura DOUGUI (Tunisia)

Ms. Noura DOUGUI is director for public sector accounting regulations with the General-Directorate for Public Sector Accounting and Collection (DGCPR).

She joined DGCPR upon graduation from the ENA in Tunis, in November 1991 and started working with the Directorate for Studies and Accounting Regulations.

Since 1993 she has been involved in the various reform projects of the public sector, public bodies and local governments accounting systems.

In 2005, she was appointed in the task force set up within the Ministry of Finance in order to define the implementation strategy for a result-based public management.

Since 2010 she has been a member of the task force dealing with the reform of the state accounting system.

Ms. DOUGUI is also coordinating the public accounting program within the technical ministerial committee tasked with implementing result-based public management (pilot implementation within the Ministry of Finance).

An additional role has just been awarded to Ms. Dougui: supervising activities related to accounting controls and budget balancing.

Ms. DOUGUI teaches with the National Finance School and the Customs School.

She is a graduate of the Tunis ENA, has an ENFIP Paris degree, a Higher Commercial Studies degree (IHEC Carthage) and a postgraduate degree from the Economic and Management Sciences Faculty in Tunis.

Mr. Orlando ROBIMANANA (Madagascar), Moderator

Mr. Robimanana, senior inspector with the Treasury, is the General Director of Treasury of the Republic of Madagascar. Previously he used to be Head of Studies with the Financial Institutions Service and Head of Sovereign Securities with the Directorate for Financial Operations, Inspector Controller with the Inspection and Control Brigade and afterwards Head of the Inspection and Control Brigade with the Treasury Directorate-General.

Graduate in public law and political science, Mr. Robimanana has also attended training courses delivered by the French ENA.

Mr. Robimanana is equally President of the National Insurance Council, Vice-President of the Higher Accounting Council, founder and publication director of the monthly exchange and information magazine "TAHIRY" of the Malagasy Public Treasury as well as administrator of several public companies and entities.

Mr. Robimanana also teaches at the National Administration School in Madagascar, Malagasy Planning Techniques Institute and the Catholic University in Madagascar.

Ms. Nataša PRAH (Slovenia)

Nataša Prah is Director of the Budget Supervision Office of the Republic of Slovenia, which is responsible for auditing all EU funds, public internal financial control and budgetary inspection. Working for eight years in accountancy and statutory auditing and nine further years in public sector auditing, she has accumulated an impressive experience in auditing. She has been awarded the title Verified Statutory Auditor (chartered accountant) by the Slovenian Institute of Auditors as well as a Verified State Internal Auditor (issued by CIPFA) and a Verified State Auditor (issued by the Slovenian Supreme Audit Institution). As a lecturer in the process of acquiring the qualification of Certified Public Accountant and Verified State Internal Auditor, which is performed under the supervision of CIPFA, she is responsible for two modules: Cost Accounting and Auditing Management Performance.

Nataša Prah is also a member of Slovenian Institute of Internal Auditors and used to be a Vice President of this Institute for several years. She has an academic background in Economics.

Mr. Amadou Birahim GUEYE (Senegal)

Mr. Amadou Birahim Gueye is graduate in legal studies, inspector with the Treasury, certified by the National School of Administration (Fr. Ecole nationale d'Administration) of Senegal. After a first job with the Regional Treasury of Diourbel (region lying in the center of the country) where he was deputy director, Mr. GUEYE joined the central administration as member of the functional task force in charge with setting the parameters and implementing the ASTER software in the Treasury's network.

In 2009, after having passed a test, he was admitted to Cycle international court (CIC) of ENA France for a 9-month training. Back to Senegal, he took a job with the Public Accounting Directorate as Head of the Department for Studies and Regulations.

Mr. GUEYE is also member of the committee monitoring the implementation of West African Economic and Monetary Union directives, and teaches with the ENA of Senegal.

Mr. Abdelatif DACHRAOUI (Tunisia), Moderator

Mr. Dachraoui is currently General Director for Public Sector Accounting and Collection.

Graduate in economics and with a Ph.D in taxation and customs economics, he started off his career with the Regional Treasury in Tunis.

He then held successive positions in the field of auditing, coordination of collection activities as well as coordination of the network of accountants within the region.

In 1996 Mr. Dachraoui took up regional treasurer offices in several regions in Tunisia, making sure to set up an effective organization of regional treasuries so as to support the central directorate, while also acting as a coordinator of the local network.

He was also in charge with a computerizing project for the Tunis Regional Treasury.

Mr. Dachraoui sits in the administrative board of the Algerian-Tunisian Institute for Taxation and Customs Economics.

He is also official representative of the Ministry of Finance.

Mr. Romain VALENTY (AFT-France)

Romain Valenty is in charge with the structure dealing with market operations of France Treasury Agency (Fr. Agence France Trésor). He had previously managed the portfolio of sovereign securities and investments within the State Investment Agency (Fr. Agence des participations de l'Etat).

He graduated from the Polytechnic School (Fr. Ecole polytechnique) and from Télécom ParisTech.

Mr. Adama KONE (Ivory Coast), Moderator

Mr. Kone is General director for Treasury and Public Accounting of Ivory Coast. He is graduated from Long Island University (USA) where he obtained a MBA in Finance. He is also a graduate from the National Administration School of Ivory Coast.

Since 1982, Mr. Kone held different top positions within the ministry of Finance of Ivory Coast. He was in particular Accountant with the National Public Bodies, Assistant director in charge with the Financial and Administrative Management of National Public Bodies and Director of the Parapublic Accounting Department. Between 1995 and 2000 he was Administrative and Financial Director of the company New Media and Printing House of Ivory Coast before coming back to the General Directorate for Treasury and Public Accounting as Deputy General Director and then General Director.

In addition Mr. Kone is President of the National Council of Accounting and President of the National Commission of Microfinance.

Mr. Filip MRDAK (Serbia)

Mr. Mrdak is graduated from Belgrade University in economics and management.

Since 2010, He works within the Serbian Treasury as advisor for analyses of financial markets. He works in particular on Development and application of risk management models, implementation of risk management measures, monitoring and analysing the situation on world stock exchanges and the issuing of treasury bills and state public debt of the Republic of Serbia.