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## Guam OPA Staff Attends Pacific Association of Supreme Audit Institutions (PASAI) Human Resource Champions Program Module 1 Workshop

Hagåtña, Guam – From May 2 to 11, 2023, Accountability Auditor Jerrick Hernandez attended the Pacific Association of Supreme Audit Institutions (PASAI) Human Resource (HR) Champions

Program Module 1 Workshop. The workshop was held at the Novotel Suva Lami Bay Hotel in Suva, Fiji, and was sponsored by PASAI and the Swedish National Audit Office (SNAO)

The main facilitators were Ingela Ekbolm and Carolina Bjerstrom who are Senior Advisors and HR Experts from the SNAO. Sina Palamo-Iosefo, PASAI's Director of Practice Development was assisting the facilitators. In attendance were 13 participants from Fiji, Tonga, Tuvalu, Federated States of Micronesia National, Pohnpei State, Guam, Kiribati, and Vanuatu.



The HR Champions Program launched by PASAI to support Supreme Audit Institutions (SAI) to strengthen its HR processes, which is in line with one of PASAI's strategic priorities to enhance SAI capacity and capability by supporting SAIs to improve their approaches to managing human resources and related matters. This is an important steppingstone to achieving greater autonomy, despite limited HR resources.

The two main objectives of the program are:

1.) Champions understand and are familiar with Human Resources as a subject matter, its processes, and an overview level and to be able to relate to own context;

2.) Network of HR champions and peer review established.

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