25th PASAI Congress

Midson Tom, the Manager of Corporate Services, represented the FSM National Audit Office at the Pacific Association of Supreme Audit Institutions (PASAI) 25th Congress. The congress took place in Rarotonga, Cook Islands, from May 19 to 24, 2024. This significant event brought together audit professionals and leaders from across the Pacific to discuss critical issues under the theme "Strengthening Performance: Making a Difference in the Lives of Pacific People."

A highlight of the congress was the keynote address by Ms. Helen Clark, the former Prime Minister of New Zealand and Administrator of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). Ms. Clark's distinguished background and extensive experience in governance and international development provided valuable insights into the importance of having strong and independent audit institutions.

During the week-long meeting, participants also discussed and focused on a variety of key topics. These included the PASAI Strategic Plan for the next ten years, which outlines strategic priorities such as advocating for SAI independence, providing support to SAIs to deliver their mandate, improving audit quality, and enhancing SAIs' governance and capability. Other critical topics included strengthening SAI future performance, professionalism, and climate scanner tool which focuses on global assessment of government actions related to climate change.

Through these discussions and initiatives, the congress highlighted the vital role of SAIs in making a meaningful difference in the lives of Pacific people. The FSM National Audit Office extends its gratitude to PASAI and its development partners for their ongoing and successful support of all SAIs in the Pacific.

