The Federal Court of Accounts (TCU) has been prominent in the international organizations in which it participates due to its leadership in capacity building and qualified training of its technical body. Its importance is corroborated by the fact that, in an event of the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (Intosai), held in Abu Dhabi, in the United Arab Emirates, on November 10 and 11, 2015, TCU was elected to preside over Intosai’s Professional Standards Committee (PSC).

The court was likewise elected by unanimous vote on October 5 to preside over the Capacity Building Committee (CCC) of the Organization of Latin American and Caribbean Supreme Audit Institutions (Olacefs) for the years of 2016 to 2018. On that occasion, President Aroldo Cedraz pointed out the technical aspect of the election of the Court to such duty, the results already obtained by means of online courses offered by the latter and coordinated audits, as well as the opportunity to cooperate more closely in the institutional and professional development of the audit departments of the region.

STRATEGIES FOR OLACEFS

Among the initiatives and strategic priorities presented in the document for Olacefs, the regional bloc that it presides over, TCU emphasized the purpose of systematizing CCC initiatives based on the capacity building cycle of ISO 10015 rule (that includes the detection of needs and assessment of results, in addition to monitoring in all stages) and enforcing technological and pedagogical innovation in actions of Olacefs for building capacity in order to reach a larger number of auditors, as well as to obtain qualitative advances.

In the abovementioned document, TCU also proposes to develop a government audit graduate program, promote audit research and innovation, and cooperate in the development of an international certification for auditors, as well as to strengthen the key role and articulation of CCC in Intosai. These proposals were discussed in the annual on-site meeting of CCC, held in October in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. The Supreme Audit Institutions (SAI) part of the committee must prepare the first draft of an Annual Operating Plan (AOP) for 2016, with the purpose of proceeding with the activities in progress – including coordinated audits and online courses – and incorporating some of the new initiatives presented by TCU.