

## PRESS RELEASE

## University of Belize and Office of the Auditor General Partner to Elevate Professional Development in the Public Sector

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The University of Belize (UB), in partnership with the Office of the Auditor General of Belize (OAGB), is set to launch a series of specialized professional development courses to enhance the professional capabilities of the OAGB.

This collaboration is grounded in a shared commitment to advancing external audit through focused educational initiatives and capacity building. Under this agreement, UB will design and implement a comprehensive External Auditors Certification Program complemented by a Change Management Plan through its Office of Open and Distance Learning. The program will address various levels of auditing principles, ranging from foundational to an advanced level, in alignment with international standards.

The Office of the Auditor General of Belize is receiving support for the implementation of this initiative from the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB).

The University of Belize remains dedicated to providing accessible, affordable, and high-quality education that fosters innovation and sustainable development. Similarly, the Office of the Auditor General of Belize continues to champion accountability, transparency, and good governance in the management of public funds.

This initiative will also include structured onboarding, career development pathways, and the issuance of digital and printed certifications for participants.

The agreement is effective until April 29, 2030, reflecting a commitment to fostering professional excellence, innovation, and public accountability in Belize.

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