# PREFACE TO NEPAL STANDARDS ON AUDITING

# Introduction

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#### Scope and Functions of Auditing Standards Board (AuSB)

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