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**AUDIT**

**OF**

**UNDP BRAZIL**

**Support to the Organization of the 2013 Confederations Cup  
and the FIFA World Cup 2014 in Brasilia  
(Directly Implemented Project No. 72804, Output No. 85841)**

**Report No. 1532**

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**Report on the Audit of UNDP Brazil**  
**Support to the Organization of the 2013 Confederations Cup and the FIFA World Cup 2014 in Brasilia**  
**(Project No. 72804, Output No. 85841)**  
**Executive Summary**

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI), through Moore Stephens LLP (the audit firm), conducted from 8 to 17 July 2015, an audit of Support to the Organization of the 2013 Confederations Cup and the FIFA World Cup 2014 in Brasilia (Project No. 72804, Output No. 85841) (the Project), which is directly implemented and managed by the UNDP Country Office in Brazil (the Office). This was the first audit of the Project.

The audit firm conducted a financial audit to express an opinion on whether the financial statements present fairly, in all material aspects, the Project's operations. The audit covered the Project's Combined Delivery Report, which includes expenditure for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2014 and the accompanying Funds Utilization statement<sup>1</sup> as of 31 December 2014. The audit did not cover the Statement of Assets as no assets were purchased by the Project. In addition, the audit did not cover the Statement of Cash Position as no separate bank account was established and maintained for the Project.

The audit was conducted under the general supervision of OAI in conformance with the *International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing*.

**Audit results**

Based on the audit report and corresponding management letter submitted by the audit firm, the results are summarized in the table below:

Project Expenditure	
Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion
12,518	Unqualified

**Key recommendations:** Total = 5, high priority = 0

The audit did not result in any high (critical) priority recommendations. There are five medium (important) priority recommendations, which means, "Action is required to ensure that UNDP is not exposed to risks that are considered moderate. Failure to take action could contribute to negative consequences for UNDP." These recommendations include actions to address transactions not recorded in the correct accounting period, Value-Added Tax incorrectly claimed, lack of a time-management system in place, advances recorded not in accordance with signed agreements, and inconsistencies noted in a Long Term Agreement for the provision of services.

The five recommendations aim to ensure reliability and integrity of financial and operational information.

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<sup>1</sup> The Funds Utilization statement includes the balance, as at a given date, of five items: (a) outstanding advances received by the project; (b) depreciated fixed assets used at the project level; (c) inventory held at the project level; (d) prepayments made by the project; and (e) outstanding commitments held at the project level.

### Management comments and action plan

The UN Resident Coordinator/UNDP Resident Representative accepted all of the recommendations and is in the process of implementing them. Comments and/or additional information provided have been incorporated into the report, where appropriate.



Helge S. Osttveiten  
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