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**AUDIT** 

OF

#### **UNDP SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC**

EMERGENCY EMPLOYMENT THROUGH WASTE AND DEBRIS MANAGEMENT; AND REHABILITATION OF SOCIO-ECONOMIC INFRASTRUCTURE (Directly Implemented Project No. 104846, Output No. 108835)

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# Report on the Audit of UNDP Syrian Arab Republic Emergency Employment through Waste and Debris Management; and Rehabilitation of Socio-Economic Infrastructure (Project No. 104846, Output No. 108835) Executive Summary

The UNDP Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI), through Talal Abu-Ghazaleh & Co. (the audit firm), from 5 to 29 May 2019, conducted an audit of Emergency Employment through Waste and Debris Management; and Rehabilitation of Socio-Economic Infrastructure (Project No. 104846, Output No. 108835) (the Project), which is directly implemented and managed by the UNDP Country Office in the Syrian Arab Republic (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 expenses for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2018 and the accompanying Funds Utilization statement<sup>1</sup> as of 31 December 2018. The audit did not cover the Statement of Assets as no assets were held 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 submitted by the audit firm, the results are summarized in the table below:

Project Expenses	
Amount (in \$ '000)	Opinion
2,644	Unmodified

The audit did not result in any recommendations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;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) undepreciated 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.

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#### Management comments and action plan

Comments and/or additional information provided have been incorporated into the report, where appropriate.

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