



INTERNAL AUDIT AND INVESTIGATIONS GROUP

UNITED NATIONS OFFICE FOR PROJECT SERVICES (UNOPS)

FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT

27 September 2016

PROJECT NAME:	CITIES ALLIANCE PARTNERSHIP; CITIES ALLIANCE CORE FUNDS
PROJECT NUMBER:	00087761
COUNTRY:	BELGIUM
AUDITOR:	MOORE STEPHENS LLP
PERIOD SUBJECT TO AUDIT:	1 SEPTEMBER 2013 TO 31 DECEMBER 2015

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Acronyms and abbreviations

IAIG	Internal Audit and Investigations Group
IPSAS	International Public Sector Accounting Standards
PC	Project Centre
TOR	Terms of Reference
UNOPS	United Nations Office for Project Services
USD	United States Dollars

Financial audit report

Audit opinion on the project financial statement

Report of the Independent Auditors to UNOPS Cities Alliance Cluster

We have audited the accompanying project financial statement for the project 'Cities Alliance Partnership; Cities Alliance CORE funds' (Atlas project ID 00087761) of UNOPS for the period from 1 September 2013 to 31 December 2015.

Management responsibility for the financial statement

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statement in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial statement that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statement based upon the results of our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation of a financial statement that gives a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statement.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Auditor's opinion

In our opinion, the financial statement gives a true and fair view of, in all material respects, the income and expenditure of the project 'Cities Alliance Partnership; Cities Alliance CORE funds' (Atlas project ID 00087761), for the period from 1 September 2013 to 31 December 2015 in conformity with the terms of the agreements and in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards.

Project financial statement

This is attached as Annex I to this report.

Audit opinion on the statement of non-expendable property**Report of the Independent Auditors to UNOPS Cities Alliance Cluster**

We have audited the accompanying statement of non-expendable property of the project 'Cities Alliance Partnership; Cities Alliance CORE funds' (Atlas project ID 00087761) of UNOPS as at 31 December 2015.

Unqualified opinion

In our opinion, the statement of non-expendable property presents fairly, in all material respects, the status of non-expendable property of the project 'Cities Alliance Partnership; Cities Alliance CORE funds' (Atlas project ID 00087761) of UNOPS as at 31 December 2015, in conformity with the terms of the agreements and in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards.

Statement of non-expendable property

This is attached as Annex II to this report.



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27 September 2016

Responsibility statement by management

This is attached as Annex III to this report.



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Annex I – Project financial statement

May 6, 2016
Ref: Project No: 00087761
Funding: Cities Alliance

To whom it may concern,

Subject: Certified Financial Statement as at 31-Dec-2015

We enclose the Interim Financial Statement for project **00087761 Cities Alliance Partnership; Cities Alliance CORE funds**, which commenced in year 2013 and indicates project expenses as at 31 December 2015.

We draw your attention to the following:

- › Project expenditure and management fee: **US\$ 10,347,541.37**
- › Open purchase orders: **US\$ 68,113.70**
- › Project Advances: **US\$ 16,509.33**
- › Total cash received: **US\$ 21,810,690.72** including interest earned **US\$ 115,547.49**
- › Fund balance: **US\$ 11,378,526.32**

If you have any question, please do not hesitate to contact UNOPS.

Yours sincerely,



Kanit Pukchareon
Regional Finance Specialist
CSG IPAS, UNOPS HQ



CERTIFIED FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Project:: 00087761 Cities Alliance Partnership; Cities Alliance CORE funds

Partner(s): Cities Alliance

As on: 31-Dec-2015

Income		
Contributions		
2013		9,442,020.41
2014		6,909,314.97
2015		5,343,807.85
		21,695,143.23
Interest		
2014		49,340.82
2015		66,206.67
		115,547.49
Total Income	(A)	21,810,690.72
Less: Project Expenses		
Period - Years		
2013	Project Expense Management Fees Net Exchange Loss	1,221,209.77 97,150.27 903.59
		1,319,263.63
2014	Project Expense Management Fees Net Exchange Gain	3,894,700.87 289,005.04 (5,427.85)
		4,178,278.06
2015	Project Expense Management Fees Net Exchange Gain	4,564,485.43 286,706.79 (1,192.54)
		4,849,999.68
Total Expenditures	(B)	10,347,541.37
Less: Project Advances	(C)	16,509.33
Less: Project Capitalized Assets	(D)	0.00
Project Cash Balance (Surplus)	(A-B-C-D)	11,446,640.02
Less: Unliquidated Obligations (Open POs)	(E)	68,113.70
Project Fund Balance (Surplus)	(A-B-C-D-E)	11,378,526.32

The Statement is following IPSAS reporting requirements. Management Fee is calculated and recorded against Project Expenses (Disbursements + Receipt Accruals)

Project Advances represent amounts yet to be either recovered or settled against Project Expenses. Open POs represents amounts committed against goods/services yet to be delivered/rendered. Fund balance represents cash available for implementation activities.

Certified by: Kanit Pukchaereon | Regional Finance Specialist | CSG / IPAS, UNOPS – HQ

Date: 6-May-2016
Report run on: 6-May-2016



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Annex II – Statement of non-expendable property

Annex III – Statement of management responsibility

UNITED NATIONS OFFICE FOR PROJECT SERVICES

Project ID: 87761 Cities Alliance Partnership; Cities Alliance CORE funds

Responsibility Statement by Management

The United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) management is responsible for the preparation, integrity and fair presentation of the Financial Statement of the UNOPS Project ID. 87761 Cities Alliance Partnership; Cities Alliance CORE funds. The Statement, presented in Annex I, has been prepared in accordance with the applicable UNOPS regulations and rules.

We do hereby state that, in our opinion:

Financial Statement

The Financial Statement as reported, set out in Annex I, presents fairly in all material respects, the expenditure of US\$ 10,347,541.37 incurred by the Cities Alliance Cluster (ECR, GVA, Cities Alliance) for the period 1 September 2013 to 31 December 2015 in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the Notes to the Statement and in conformity with approved activities and budgets of UNOPS Project ID. 87761 Cities Alliance Partnership; Cities Alliance CORE funds.

Statement of Inventory of Non-Expendable Equipment

The Statement of Non-Expendable Equipment presents fairly, in all material respects, the Non-Expendable Equipment balance as at 31 December 2015 amounting to US\$ 3,935.45 in accordance with the Non-Expendable Inventory listing certified by project management.


(Signature) 

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Date: 27 Jul 16

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Regional Director
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Name: William Cobbett
Project Manager /
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