

**UNITED NATIONS OFFICE FOR PROJECT SERVICES
(UNOPS)****FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT****31 December 2025**

Project name:	Knowledge for Reform Action in the Western Balkans
Project number:	22482-001
Country:	Serbia
Auditor:	BDO LLP
Period subject to audit:	7 April 2021 to 30 September 2025

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Acronyms and abbreviations

IAIG	Internal Audit and Investigations Group
IESBA	International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants
ISA	International Standards on Auditing
UNOPS	United Nations Office for Project Services
US\$	United States Dollars

Financial audit report

Audit opinion on the project financial statement

Unmodified opinion

We have audited the accompanying project financial statement for the project 'Knowledge for Reform Action in the Western Balkans' ("the project") (oneUNOPS project ID 22482-001), which is implemented and managed by the UNOPS Office in Serbia, for the period from 7 April 2021 to 30 September 2025.

In our opinion, the financial statement gives a true and fair view of, in all material respects, the income and expenditure of the project 'Knowledge for Reform Action in the Western Balkans' ("the project") (oneUNOPS project ID 22482-001), for the period from 7 April 2021 to 30 September 2025 in conformity with the terms of the agreements and in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those provisions and standards are further described in the 'Auditor's responsibility for the audit of the project financial statement' section of this report.

We are independent of UNOPS in accordance with the IESBA Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

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 for the audit of the project financial statement

The objectives of our audit are set out in the terms of reference for the audits of UNOPS projects, as issued by the Internal Audit and Investigations Group (IAIG) of UNOPS, and include obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the project financial statement is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the decisions of users taken on the basis of the project financial statement.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the project financial statement, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is

higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

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

Use of this report

This report is made solely to UNOPS, in accordance with terms of reference defined by UNOPS. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to UNOPS those matters we are required to state to it in accordance with UNOPS's terms of reference and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than UNOPS, for our work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Project financial statement

This is attached as Annex I to this report.

Audit opinion on the statement of non-expendable property

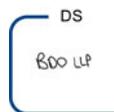
Unmodified opinion

We have audited the accompanying statement of non-expendable property of the project 'Knowledge for Reform Action in the Western Balkans' (oneUNOPS project ID 22482-001) of UNOPS as at 30 September 2025.

In our opinion, the statement of non-expendable property presents fairly, in all material respects, the status of non-expendable property of the project 'Knowledge for Reform Action in the Western Balkans' (oneUNOPS project ID 22482-001), as at 30 September 2025, 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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31 December 2025

Responsibility statement by management

This is attached as Annex III to this report.

Annex I – Project financial statement

Date: 14-Oct-2025

Ref. Project No: 22482-001

Funding(s): 1102 Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway

Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject: Standard Interim Financial Report

We enclose the **Interim Financial Report** for project **22482-001 - Knowledge for Reform Action in the Western Balkans**, which commenced in year **2021** and indicates the incurred expenditure as at **30-Sep-2025**.

We draw your attention to the following:

- a. Total funds received: **US\$6,647,462.26** which includes interest earned: **US\$ 65,132.00**
- b. Incurred expenditure and management fee: **US\$ 5,858,819.58**
- c. Project Capitalised Asset: **US\$ 15,080.90**
- d. Project advances: **US\$ 2,149.47**
- e. Commitments: **US\$450,109.35**
- f. Fund Balance: **US\$ 321,302.96**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact UNOPS project manager.

Yours Sincerely


 Finance Specialist

Interim Financial Report
Project: 22482-001: Knowledge for Reform Action in the Western Balkans
Funding(s): 1102 Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway
As on: 30-Sep-2025
Currency: USD
Income
Contribution

2021	1,423,622.96
2022	1,306,612.91
2023	1,015,012.90
2024	1,305,282.75
2025	1,531,798.74
	6,582,330.26

Interest

2021	695.42
2022	3,653.64
2023	20,443.04
2024	24,492.40
2025	15,847.50
	65,132.00

Miscellaneous Revenue

2025	0.00
	0.00

UN Levy

2021	UN Levy Paid	(14,236.00)
2021	UN Levy Received	14,236.23
2022	UN Levy Paid	(13,066.09)
2022	UN Levy Received	13,066.09
2023	UN Levy Received	10,150.14
2024	UN Levy Received	13,052.46
2024	UN Levy Paid	(19,180.83)
2025	UN Levy Paid	(19,339.99)
2025	UN Levy Received	15,317.99
		0.00

Total Income	A	6,647,462.26
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Project Expenses

2021	Project(s) Expense		143,799.38
	Management Fees		8,627.97
	Net Exchange Gain/Loss		(145.68)
			152,281.67
2022	Project(s) Expense		639,278.02
	Management Fees		38,356.68
	Net Exchange Gain/Loss		21.70
			677,656.40
2023	Project(s) Expense		1,047,684.83
	Management Fees		62,861.09
	Net Exchange Gain/Loss		164.77
			1,110,710.69
2024	Project(s) Expense		2,126,081.06
	Management Fees		127,564.86
	Net Exchange Gain/Loss		(1,231.22)
			2,252,414.70
2025	Project(s) Expense		1,571,302.71
	Management Fees		94,278.16
	Net Exchange Gain/Loss		175.25
			1,665,756.12
Total Expenditure		B	5,858,819.58
Less: Project Capitalized Asset		C	15,080.90
Less: Project Advances		D	2,149.47
Project Cash Balance Surplus		A-B-C-D	771,412.31
Less: Actual Commitments			
	PO Commitment	E	319,057.74
	HR Commitment	E	105,573.72
	Projected Fees on Commitments	E	25,477.89
	Prepayments	E	0.00

Total Commitment	E	450,109.35
Project Fund Balance - Surplus	A-B-C-D-E	321,302.96

Notes:

- i. All amounts are in USD. Transactions in non-USD have been converted to USD at the UN operational rate of exchange as on the date of the voucher.
- ii. This is an interim report and figures are not final.
- iii. The report includes fee projections for open period(s).
- iv. Project advances include operational advances, prepayments, petty cash, and any VAT payments to suppliers that have yet to be recovered.
- v. The report is prepared in accordance to IPSAS reporting requirement, the reported figure under commitment is for information and it discloses only the expected utilization of project funds as of the reporting period, these commitments are not charged as an expense until the goods are delivered or services rendered.
- vi. Commitments include reservations in compliance with Financial Rule 105.01. These reservations include obligations for which the contractual process is still in progress.

Certified by:

Comment:



Finance Specialist

Date:

Report run on: **14-Oct-2025**

Annex II – Statement of non-expendable property

Annex III – Responsibility Statement by Management

Appendix C – Responsibility Statement by Management

UNITED NATIONS OFFICE FOR PROJECT SERVICES

oneUNOPS Project ID: 22482-001 - Knowledge for Reform Action in the Western Balkans

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 Statements of the UNOPS Project ID 22482-001 - Knowledge for Reform Action in the Western Balkans. The Statement presented in Attachment 1 has been prepared in accordance with the Agreement between the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and United Nations Office for Project Services and the requirements of the applicable UNOPS regulations and rules.

We do hereby state that, in our opinion:

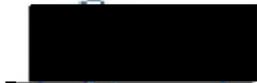
Financial Statement

The Financial Statement as reported presents fairly in all material aspects, the expenditure of US\$ 5,858,819.58 incurred by the UNOPS office for the period 7 April 2021 to 30 September 2025 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 22482-001 - Knowledge for Reform Action in the Western Balkans.

Statement of Inventory of Non-Expendable Equipment

The Statement of Non-Expendable Equipment presents fairly, in all material respects, the Non-Expendable Equipment balance procured during the period from 7 April 2021 to 30 September 2025 of the project amounting to US\$15,080.90 in accordance with the Non-Expendable Inventory listing certified by project management.

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Date: 27/10/2025

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Region: ECR

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Date: 11/11/2025

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Date: 27/10/2025

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