



QUESTIONNAIRE

Instruction to the auditor: If the answer is „no“ to one of these questions, further explanation is required in the form of a management letter point.

Questions	Yes	No	n/a	Comments
<i>Existence, adequacy and effectiveness of the Internal Control System (ICS) – Principle 2.2</i>				
1. Is the internal organization (structures, functions, tasks, competencies, responsibilities, methods, procedures, segregation of duties etc.), based on your impression, adequate to the size and operations of the partner?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2. Are duties for vital functions and processes sufficiently segregated (e.g. entering commitments, entering and signing of contracts/agreements, authorizing and accounting of expenditures, reconciliation of cash on hand and in banks, follow-up on long outstanding debtors and creditors, etc.)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3. Do you obtain comfort that the ICS of the organization is in adequacy with its size and type of activities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4. Is the ICS known, applied and documented?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5. Do you obtain comfort on compliance with applicable laws, regulations and instructions (e.g. taxes, salaries, social contributions etc.)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6. Is an Organization Manual with local context specific regulations (threshold in amount and number of offers to be solicited for local procurements of goods and services, cash limit, etc.) in place and are they followed? Are they in line with local legislation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7. Did you obtain an understanding of the design of the information and financial reporting system?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8. Has the Partner advised staff, beneficiaries etc. to whom to report any suspect of fraud, misuse, or waste of resources or property?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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Conformity with the project objectives and adherence to the contract conditions – Principle 2.3				
9. Is it ensured that signed project agreements (PCF with partner and/or partner with subcontractor/s) exist before any payments are made?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10. Are the payments within your audit / review scope in accordance with the contract conditions and the agreed budget?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
11. Is the classification of expenses and income in accordance with the agreed contractual budget?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
12. Are approvals for variations from the budget/work plan required in advance of commitment of expenditure?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
13. Is the financial reporting in accordance with the project agreement?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
14. Is the financial reporting of the period under audit / review in line with the reporting timetable?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
15. Do project responsible (operational and finance staff) visit field activities and are the findings of these visits documented?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
16. Is a written confirmation of the balance of the PCF advances available at project year end?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
17. Are the management letter points by the project auditor brought up in past years resolved adequately and/or properly monitored by the management?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
18. Is it ensured that any significant issues (e.g. fraud, management override of controls, etc.) noted in a review / audit report has been communicated to PCF / FDFA?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
19. Are the partner and any subcontractor/s familiar with regard to VAT and any other tax regulation procedures on the procurement of material and services for the activities funded by PCF / FDFA?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
20. Are there instructions on the approval of expenses (e.g. 4 eyes principle) and are they followed?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
21. Is the correct application of fees and allowances as per contract ensured (e.g. fees, rent, travel expenses, hotel accommodation, per diem and other allowances for project experts/consultants)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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22. Are control procedures in place to match labor costs (hours) charged to the project with time sheets of the relevant personnel?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
23. Is it ensured that the partner has correctly accounted for his hours on the project (effectively rendered services) in order to avoid double-charging of expenses (e.g. to different projects)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
24. Are all items (fixed assets) representing property of the project maintained and safeguarded?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<i>Economical conduct of business and effective use of financial resources – Principle 2.4</i>				
25. Is it ensured that project specific financial resources are only utilized for the particular activities and projects?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
26. Do adequate measures and procedures in the ICS exist, to ensure economical and effective utilization of committed resources?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
27. Is it ensured that prices and rates for material, services and overheads are subject to regular verification?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
28. Is the calculation of fees (charged for services to PCF) transparent and documented?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
29. Are all expenditures of expatriate employees reviewed and substantiated (rent, travel expenses, etc.)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
30. Are all expenditures related to local staff reviewed and substantiated (gross salary, social and pension contributions, income taxes, travel expenses, rent, etc.)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
31. Are there instructions on the non-use of project/program vehicles for private purposes?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
32. Are there instructions for the use of equipment after the end of the project?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
33. Are there instructions on the non-use of mobile and fix net phones for private purposes?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<i>Any other issues</i>				
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