



**AUDIT**

**OF**

**UNDP COUNTRY OFFICE**

**IN**

**JORDAN**

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## Report on the audit of UNDP Jordan Executive Summary

From 11 to 22 March 2012, the Office of Audit and Investigations (OAI) of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) conducted an audit of UNDP Country Office in Jordan (the Office). The audit covered the activities of the Office during the period from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2011. During the period reviewed, the Office recorded programme and management expenditures totalling \$13 million. The last audit of the Office was conducted by OAI in 2007.

The audit was conducted in conformance with the *International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing*. These Standards require that OAI plans and performs the audit to obtain reasonable assurance on the adequacy and effectiveness of the governance, risk management, and control processes. The audit includes reviewing and analysing, on a test basis, information that provides the basis for our conclusions.

### Audit rating

OAI assessed the Office as **satisfactory**, which means “internal controls, governance and risk management processes were adequately established and functioning well. No issues were identified that would significantly affect the achievement of the objectives of the audited entity.” Ratings per audit area and sub-areas are summarized below.


Audit Areas	Not Assessed/ Not Applicable	Unsatisfactory	Partially Satisfactory	Satisfactory
<b>1. Governance and strategic management</b>				
<b>2. United Nations system coordination</b>				
2.1 Development activities	Satisfactory			
2.2 Resident Coordinator Office	Satisfactory			
2.3 Role of UNDP – “One UN”	Not assessed			
2.4 Harmonized Approach to Cash Transfers	Satisfactory			
<b>3. Programme activities</b>				
3.1 Programme management	Satisfactory			
3.2 Partnerships and resource mobilization	Satisfactory			
3.3 Project management	Partially satisfactory			
<b>4. Operations</b>				
4.1 Human resources	Satisfactory			
4.2 Finance	Satisfactory			
4.3 Procurement	Satisfactory			
4.4 Information and communication technology	Satisfactory			
4.5 Asset management & general administration	Partially Satisfactory			
4.6 Safety and Security	Satisfactory			

### Key issues and recommendations

There were two recommendations, both ranked medium (important) priority, which means “Action is required to ensure that UNDP is not exposed to significant risks. Failure to take action could result in negative consequences for UNDP.” These recommendations include actions to address the uncertainty surrounding the United Nations House and the need to address the incorrect recovery of the General Management Support fees.

**Management's comments**

The Resident Representative, UNDP Jordan, accepted all the recommendations and is in the process of implementing them.



Egbert C. Kaltenbach  
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