# **USAID** Office of Inspector General



**OUR MISSION** is to safeguard and strengthen U.S. foreign assistance through timely, relevant, and impactful oversight.

### ABOUT USAID OIG

The USAID Office of Inspector General conducts independent audits and investigations to promote efficiency, effectiveness, and accountability in U.S. foreign assistance. We make recommendations to help improve agency programs and work to prevent and detect fraud, waste, and abuse. We oversee all USAID programs and operations, as well as those of the Millennium Challenge Corporation, the U.S. African Development Foundation, the Inter-American Foundation, and the U.S. International Development Finance Corporation, and provide the results of our work to agency leaders, Congress, and the public.

#### **OUR IMPACT Fiscal Year 2019**

#### **Audit Results**

**\$104 million** in questioned costs

**593** performance and financial audits issued

**525** recommendations to improve operations and programs

\$20.7 billion in funds audited

# **Investigative Results**

**\$207.2** million in recoveries, savings, and avoided costs

36 investigations closed

22 prosecutorial referrals

**56** administrative actions

18 suspensions or debarments

# ABOUT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL



Ann Calvaresi Barr was sworn in as USAID's Inspector General on November 30, 2015. She provides executive leadership and strategic direction for over 300 special agents, auditors, analysts, and support staff working from 12 offices worldwide. Ms. Calvaresi Barr has over 30 years of experience in Federal oversight and also serves as Vice Chair of the Audit Committee for the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency, a forum for all 73 Federal inspectors general.

From 2010 to 2015, Ms. Calvaresi Barr served as the Deputy Inspector General at the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) and, from 2009 to 2010, as the Principal Assistant Inspector General for Auditing and Evaluation at DOT. She spent 25 years at the U.S. Government Accountability Office, where she served as Director

in the Acquisition and Sourcing Management Team, among other positions.

Ms. Calvaresi Barr earned her bachelor of arts in political science from Dickinson College and her master's degree in public administration from American University. She is a graduate of Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government Senior Executive Fellows Program and received a Massachusetts Institute of Technology fellowship in foreign politics, international relations, and the national interest.

## **OUR WORK**

**AUDITS.** We conduct audits of U.S. foreign assistance programs' effectiveness, internal controls, and compliance with laws, regulations, and agency guidance. Crosscutting audits assess the planning and execution of major agency and interagency initiatives around the world.

**INVESTIGATIONS.** Our investigative work focuses on programs and operations that face high risks from fraud and other abuse while also promoting integrity among organizations delivering U.S. foreign assistance. OIG educates USAID staff and implementers on fraud prevention and reporting.

### **USAID OIG PRIORITIES**

OIG's work tracks closely with assistance programs that support core U.S. foreign policy priorities, involve significant investments of taxpayer funds, and are subject to high risk from fraud, waste, and abuse.

**HUMANITARIAN AID.** OIG strengthens accountability of programs providing aid to those affected by conflict, crisis, and natural disaster. We identify risks, prompt corrective actions and agency-wide improvements, and detect and counter fraud schemes and other corrupt practices. OIG coordinates closely with U.S. Government and international donor oversight offices to share information and lessons learned.

**GLOBAL HEALTH.** OIG investigations target commodity fraud, counterfeiting, and diversions to help safeguard—and promote the safety of—U.S. Government-funded health supplies. Audit recommendations lead to overall improvements in programs to prevent and treat HIV/AIDS, malaria, and other diseases and in agency responses to public health emergencies of international concern.

**SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMS, RISKS, AND EMERGING NEEDS.** OlG's work covers foreign assistance programs that support major USG initiatives, like the U.S. international response to the COVID-19 pandemic, stopping diversions and material support to terrorist and armed groups, curbing fraud in large-scale infrastructure projects, and ensuring effective oversight of USAID contractors and grantees.



# **CONTACT USAID OIG**

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