

## **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** February 20, 2020

TO: USAID/Bosnia and Herzegovina Mission Director, Nancy J. Eslick

FROM: USAID OIG Middle East and Eastern Europe (ME/EE) Regional Office, USDH

NFA Coordinator, John Vernon /s/

**SUBJECT:** Audit of Fund Accountability Statement of Association Institute for Youth

Development KULT, Under Multiple Awards in Bosnia and Herzegovina, for the

Year Ended December 31, 2018 (8-168-20-043-R)

This memorandum transmits the final audit report on Association Institute for Youth Development KULT incurred costs under the following awards:

Award Name (Type)	Award Number	Period	Sub-implementer
Marginalized Population Support Activity (cooperative agreement)	AID-168-I-15- 00001	February 19, 2015- December 31 2018	N/A
Establishment and Development of Sectoral Networks (Civil Society Sustainability Project (cooperative agreement)	CSSP 5/14	July 1, 2014-June 30, 2018	Association Institute for Youth Development KULT
Advocacy (Civil Society Sustainability Project)	CSSP 17/14,	October 1, 2014- June 30, 2018	Association Institute for Youth Development KULT

(cooperative			
agreement)			
Capacity Building	CSSP 26/14	October	Association Institute for Youth
and Sustainability		15, 2014-	Development KULT
(Civil Society		June 30,	
Sustainability		2018	
Project)			
(cooperative			
agreement)			
Gendering	SBK80018GR0036	N/A	N/A
BiHelections			
(cooperative			
agreement)			
Trust,	N/A	N/A	Association Institute for Youth
Understanding,			Development KULT
Responsibility for			
the Future (PRO-			
Future)			
(cooperative			
agreement)			
Local Power-Local	72016818CA00002	N/A	N/A
Works Pilot			
Activity- LWPA			
(cooperative			
agreement)			

The auditee contracted with the independent certified public accounting firm Deloitte d.o.o. to conduct the audit. The audit firm stated that it performed its audit in accordance with U.S. government auditing standards issued by the comptroller general of the United States. However, it did not have an external quality control review program and continuing education program that fully satisfies the standards' requirements. The audit firm explained that Bosnia and Herzegovina does not offer such a review program. The audit firm is responsible for the enclosed auditor's report and the conclusions expressed in it. We do not express an opinion on the auditee's fund accountability statement; the effectiveness of its internal controls; or its compliance with the award, laws, and regulations.

The audit objectives were mainly to: (I) express an opinion on whether the fund accountability statement for the period audited was presented fairly, in all material respects; (2) evaluate the auditee's internal controls; and (3) determine whether the auditee complied with the award terms and applicable laws and regulations. To answer the audit objectives, the auditors

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> We reviewed the audit firm's report for conformity with professional reporting standards. Our desk reviews are typically performed to identify any items needing clarification or issues requiring management attention. Desk reviews are limited to review of the audit report itself and excludes review of the auditor's supporting working papers; they are not designed to enable us to directly evaluate the quality of the audit performed.

performed the subject financial audit that covered \$902,371 in expenditures for the year ended December 31, 2018.

The audit firm expressed an unmodified opinion on fund accountability statement and did not identify any questioned costs. The auditors did not identify any material weaknesses in the internal control. The audit firm did not identify any material instances of noncompliance with the award terms and applicable laws and regulations.

During our desk review, we noted several minor issues which the audit firm will need to address in future audit reports. We presented these issues in a memo to the controller, dated February 20, 2020.

The report does not include any recommendations for your action.

We appreciate the assistance extended during the engagement.

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