

# GLOBAL GREEN GROWTH INSTITUTE CHARTER FOR OFFICE OF INTERNAL AUDIT

(As of May 24, 2013)

#### INTRODUCTION

Under the direction of the Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council, the Office of Internal Audit (OIA) is established in the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI) to strengthen the functioning and credibility of the organization. OIA has the operational independence, objectivity and authority to conduct internal audits, inspections, evaluations, investigation, and other monitoring activities. This Charter sets out the purpose, authority and responsibility of OIA, consistent with Article 9 (Internal Oversight) of the Financial Regulations.

# **MISSION**

The mission of OIA is to assist the Council in fulfilling its internal oversight responsibilities at GGGI. The role of OIA is to support GGGI accomplish its objectives by bringing a systematic and disciplined approach to evaluating and improving the effectiveness of governance, operating practices, risk management and internal control activities. As such, OIA also focuses on raising awareness of risks and controls, providing advice to the Secretariat in developing control solutions, and monitoring the implementation of corrective actions to mitigate risks and strengthen internal controls.

### **ORGANIZATION**

OIA is led by the Chief Internal Auditor (CIA) who reports functionally to the Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council and administratively to the Director-General. The CIA's performance will be evaluated by the Chair of the Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council and the Director-General. The Chair of Audit and Finance Sub-Committee will approve all decisions regarding the performance evaluation, appointment, or removal of CIA as well as CIA's annual compensation and salary adjustment. CIA will communicate and interact directly with the Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council.

# **AUTHORITY**

Based on the authority given by the Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council and the Director-General, OIA function is authorized to:

(a) Have full, free, and unrestricted access to all GGGI activities, records, documents, properties, and personnel pertinent to carry out its roles and responsibilities.

- Documents and information provided to OIA will be handled in the same prudent and confidential manner as by those staff normally accountable for them.
- (b) Obtain the necessary assistance of personnel within GGGI as well as other specialized services from within or outside of GGGI. All staff members, including consultants and contractors, of GGGI are required to assist OIA in fulfilling its roles and responsibilities.
- (c) Have free and unrestricted access to the Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council

#### INDEPENDENCE AND OBJECTIVITY

OIA is an objective assurance and advisory function designated to add value to the operations of GGGI by independently evaluating its operation and providing recommendations for improvement.

- (a) OIA will remain free from interference by any element in GGGI, including selection of audit subject, scope, procedures, techniques, frequency, timing, or report content to permit maintenance of necessary independent and objective attitude.
- (b) OIA will have no direct operational duty, responsibility or authority over any of the activities of GGGI that may be subject to review of OIA. Accordingly, except in relation to the conduct of its own activities, OIA will not implement internal controls, develop procedures, install systems, prepare records, or engage in any other activity that may impair OIA's judgments.
- (c) OIA shall exhibit the highest level of professional integrity and objectivity in gathering, evaluation, and communicating information about the activity or process being examined. OIA shall make a balanced assessment of all the relevant circumstances and not be unduly influenced by its own interests or by others in forming judgments.

#### SCOPE OF WORK

The scope of OIA activity encompasses the examination and evaluation of the adequacy and effectiveness of GGGI's governance, operations, information system, and internal process as well as the quality of performance in carrying out assigned responsibilities to achieve GGGI's mission and objectives. This includes, but is not limited to, monitoring and investigation of:

- (a) Financial, physical and human resources in relation to their economic acquisition, efficient utilization and adequate protection.
- (b) Reliability, integrity and timeliness of financial, managerial and operational information.
- (c) Effectiveness and efficiency of GGGI programs and operations.
- (d) Existence and sufficiency of the Secretariat's annual risk assessment process.

- (e) Adequacy and effectiveness of ongoing internal control system, procedures and other relevant monitoring activities by process owners.
- (f) Compliance with laws, regulations, policies, procedures, contracts, agreements, directives and resolutions from the Council, other legislative mandates and related administrative directives, and approved recommendations of external oversight bodies.
- (d) Misconduct including, but not limited to, fraud, corruption, workplace harassment, sexual harassment, abuse of authority, or failure to observe prescribed regulations, rules, relevant administrative issuances and standards of conduct.

#### RESPONSIBILITIES

### OIA function has the responsibility to:

- (a) Develop a flexible annual Internal Audit Plan using an appropriate risk-based methodology ("Risk Assessment"), including any risks or control concerns identified by Secretariat and/or the Council, and submit that plan to the Director-General and the Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council for review and approval. Any significant interim changes of the plan must be communicated to the Director-General and the Chair of Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council.
- (b) Implement the Internal Audit Plan, as approved, and provide periodic updates of OIA activities, including progress in carrying out the plan, scope limitations, if any, and results on a timely basis to the Director-General and the Chair of Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council.
- (c) Provide all final reports produced by OIA to the Director-General and the Chair of Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council. The final report shall include observations, recommendations, and action plan from the process owners.
- (d) Present a comprehensive and independent annual OIA activity report, summarizing results of all audits and investigations performed for the year and recommendations made by OIA as well as corrective actions taken by Secretariat, to the Director-General and the Chair of Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council.
- (e) Follow up status of significant open observations and report periodically to the Director-General and the Chair of Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council.
- (f) Maintain a professional relationship with, and facilitate the activities of, GGGI's external auditors. Consider the scope of work of the external auditors and regulators, as appropriate, and provide optimal internal audit coverage to GGGI.
- (g) Establish, foster and maintain working relationship throughout the GGGI network to ensure effective workflow and an operational excellence mindset.
- (h) Perform other duties may be assigned by the Director-General and the Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council such as advisory services, special audits, investigations, etc.
- (i) Document relevant information to support the conclusions and results of its work. OIA will obtain the approval of the Director-General, the Chair of Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council and/or legal counsel prior to releasing such records to

- external parties, as appropriate. The document retention requirement will be consistent with GGGI's guidelines and any pertinent regulatory or other requirements.
- (j) Maintain staff resources (both internal and external) with sufficient knowledge, skills, experience, and professional certifications to meet the requirements of this Charter. All staff of OIA shall be in compliance with the Continuing Professional Education (CPE) requirements to maintain their professional certifications.
- (k) Keep the Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council periodically informed of emerging trends and successful practices in internal auditing.
- (l) Review the Internal Audit Charter periodically with the Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council and update as necessary.
- (m)Conduct all OIA activities with proficiency and due professional care.

#### PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

In meeting the responsibilities of OIA, OIA shall work in accordance with the *Definition of Internal Auditing* and the *Code of Ethics* and comply, as appropriate, with the *International Standards for the Professional Practices of Internal Auditing (Standards)* from the Institute of Internal Auditors. This mandatory guidance constitutes principles of the fundamental requirements for the professional practice of internal auditing and investigation. OIA will periodically report to the Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council the results of assessments of the OIA's compliance with these Standards.

Approved:

Director-General

Approved:

Chair of the Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council

Date: 24/5/13

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# 2013 Internal Audit Plan by Office of Internal Audit (OIA)

### I. Risk Assessment

The purpose of the Risk Assessment (RA) is to identify, assess and prioritize risks to develop a risk based Internal Audit (IA) Plan and Budget. In 2013, the RA process took place in Q2 upon hiring of the Chief Internal Auditor. As such, limited RA procedures and condensed documentation are placed for the 2013 IA Plan and Budget.

The RA procedures included a review of financial data and disclosures, interviewing key personnel and following-up the observations from previous external audit. 15 people were interviewed, and the lack of policies and procedures at GGGI was the most frequently identified area of concern.

The focus of OIA in 2013 is establishing foundation of Internal Audit function at GGGI. As such, the 2013 IA Plan covers the area of Governance, Risk Management, Internal Control and OIA's Project Management. The Audit and Finance Sub-Committee of the Council reviewed the RA process and approved the 2013 IA Plan and Budget below on May 6, 2013.

#### Risk Assessment Procedures Performed (as of May 13, 2013)

# Interview with Key Personnel

| Function                          | Role                       | Name              |  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Audit and Finance Sub-Committee   | Chair                      | Peter Hansen      |  |
| Secretariat                       | Director-General (DG)      | Howard Bamsey     |  |
| Secretariat                       | Former Director-General    | Richard Samans    |  |
| GGP&I                             | Deputy Director-General    | Mattia Romani     |  |
| GGP&I/Research                    | Director                   | Myung Kyoon Lee   |  |
| GGP&I                             | SPM                        | Frederic Asseline |  |
| Public and Private Cooperation    | SPM                        | Jung Hwan Kim     |  |
| International Cooperation         | SPM                        | Darius Nassiry    |  |
| Abu Dhabi Office                  | Director                   | Chan Ho Park      |  |
| Finance                           | CFO                        | Munehiko Joya     |  |
| Human Resources                   | SPM                        | Kristen Son       |  |
| Legal                             | SPM                        | Ji Hwan Park      |  |
| Donor Country (Danida)            | Sr. Advisor                | Rene Karottiki    |  |
| Former (Partial) Internal Auditor | SPM                        | Hyo Youl Kim      |  |
| External Auditor                  | Financial Statements Audit | KPMG              |  |



# > Review of Documents

- GGGI 2011 Annual Report
- GGGI Strategic Plan 2012-2013
- 2012 Financial Statements Audit Report (Draft)
- 2012 Audit Report by Board of Audit and Inspection (BAI)
- Measures and Plans Concerning the BAI Audit Findings by GGGI
- Planned Measures Concerning the BAI Audit Results by MOFAT
- Decision on the Sub-Committees of the Council (in lieu of AFSC Charter)
- Implementation Guideline for Risk Management and Internal Control
- BMU fund related documents (e.g. Contract, PMU documents, Status Reports, etc.)

# **Potential Internal Audit Projects (in lieu of Audit Universe)**

- ✓ Budgeting Process Assessment
- ✓ Procure to Pay Process Assessment and Compliance Audit
- ✓ Project Control & Monitoring Process Review
- ✓ Funding Agreement Compliance Review
- ✓ Consulting Contract Compliance Audit
- ✓ Contingency Plan Assessment
- ✓ Staff Allowance Audit
- ✓ Review of Segregation of Duties
- ✓ Compliance Audit of Financial Regulations
- ✓ Follow-up Review of Previous Audit Report
- ✓ Other Investigations (upon request from the Council)



# II. Approved 2013 Internal Audit (IA) Plan

| # | Project  | Project Objective   | Category              | Timing | Location | Note   | Resource                 |
|---|--|---|-----------------------|--------|----------|--|--------------------------|
| 1 | Internal Audit Charter   | To establish IA activity's position within GGGI   | Governance            | Q2     | Seoul    | Require agreement from DG and approval from AFSC   | In-house                 |
| 2 | Internal Control<br>Framework  | To emphasize tone at the top<br>and promote function of IA<br>and importance of Internal<br>Controls to all staff at GGGI | Governance            | Q2     | Seoul    | Distribute to all at GGGI with acknowledgement by DG and the Chair of AFSC   | In-house                 |
| 3 | 2013 Risk Assessment<br>(RA), Audit Plan and<br>Budget                                 | To evaluate current internal control environment at GGGI and plan for the 2013 IA activity                                | Risk<br>Management    | Q2     | Seoul    | Due to time restriction, limited RA procedures and condensed documentation will be placed for the 2013 plan.   | In-house                 |
| 4 | Hiring of IA staff and 3 <sup>rd</sup> party Internal Audit Service Provider (IASP)    | To establish capacity of IA function  | Project<br>Management | Q2     | Seoul    | More detail will be submitted to DG and the Chair of AFSC  | In-house                 |
| 5 | Code of Conduct Review   | To assess sufficiency of<br>Code of Conduct issued on<br>4/12/13 and ensure it covers<br>Code of Ethics                   | Governance            | Q2/Q3  | Seoul    | Upon completion of the review, provide feedback to HR  | In-house<br>with<br>IASP |
| 6 | Inventory and Review of<br>all Financial and<br>Operational Policies and<br>Procedures | To evaluate existence and completeness of the policies and procedures at GGGI   | Internal<br>Control   | Q3     | Seoul    | Sufficiency and effectiveness of the policies and procedures will be evaluated starting 2014.  | In-house<br>with<br>IASP |
| 7 | Compliance Audit of<br>Staff Regulations and<br>Rules                                  | To exam compliance with the rules and regulations   | Internal<br>Control   | Q3     | Seoul    | Staff regulations and provisional staff rules issued in April, 2013.   | In-house<br>with<br>IASP |
| 8 | Inventory and Review of<br>Funding Contracts or<br>Agreements with donors              | To establish contract compliance review practice at GGGI  | Risk<br>Management    | Q3     | Seoul    | * Upon review of the contracts, a separate contract compliance review may be necessary in 2013. In such case, the 2013 IA budget will need to be adjusted. | In-house<br>with<br>IASP |



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|----|--|--|---------------------------------|---------|----------------|---|--------------------------|
| 9  | Inventory and Review of<br>Consulting Contracts  | To establish 3 <sup>rd</sup> party consulting contract compliance audit practice at GGGI                               | Risk<br>Management              | Q3      | Seoul          | * Upon review of the contracts, a separate contract compliance review may be necessary in 2013. In such case, the 2013 IA budget will need to be adjusted.  | In-house<br>with<br>IASP |
| 10 | Inventory and Review of<br>all Process Maps and<br>Internal Control<br>Documents (e.g.<br>Narratives, flowchart<br>and/or control matrix,<br>etc.) | To evaluate existence of internal control activities and completeness of its documentation by process owners           | Internal<br>Control             | Q3/Q4   | Seoul          | * Under the assumption that ERP pre-<br>implementation process has covered<br>preparation of Process Map of major<br>financial and operational activities at<br>GGGI.<br>Sufficiency and effectiveness of the<br>control activities will be evaluated<br>starting 2014. | In-house<br>with<br>IASP |
| 11 | 2013 Internal Audit<br>Activity Report   | To provide a summary of<br>2013 IA activities and their<br>outcome to the Chair of<br>AFSC, DG and External<br>Auditor | Risk &<br>Project<br>Management | Q4      | Seoul          | To be presented at the 1st AFSC meeting in 2014   | In-house                 |
| 12 | 2014 Risk Assessment   | To prepare 2014 IA Plan and Budget   | Risk<br>Management              | Q4      | Seoul &<br>TBD | To be presented at the 1st AFSC meeting in 2014   | In-house                 |
| 13 | 2014 Internal Audit Plan<br>and Budget   | To obtain an approval from the AFSC  | Project<br>Management           | Q4      | Seoul          | To be presented at the 1st AFSC meeting in 2014   | In-house                 |
| 14 | Audit and Finance Sub-<br>Committee Meeting  | To update the AFSC internal audit activities and any control issues  | Governance                      | Ongoing | Seoul          |   | In-house                 |
| 15 | Other Advisory Service and Investigation   | To assist the Chair of AFSC and/or DG  | Risk<br>Management              | Ongoing | Seoul          | e.g. Implementation of procurement rules, ERP implementation, 3 <sup>rd</sup> party audit, etc.   | In-house                 |



# III. Approved 2013 Internal Audit (IA) Budget

| Description            | Hours (est.) | Fee/hr (est.) | Total      | Note  |
|------------------------|--------------|---------------|------------|---|
| (a) In-house Salary    | n/a          | n/a           | \$ 210,000 | Hiring one Program Manager or Senior Officer                                |
| (b) Estimated IASP Fee | 700          | \$140         | 98,000     | Hours and fee may be adjusted once the scope of work is discussed with IASP |
| (c) T&E/ CPE* Training |              |               | 12,000     | IA Project #12 may require travels  |
| Total Budget           |              |               | \$320,000  | Re-allocation among (a) through (c) may be required                         |

<sup>\*</sup>Continuing Professional Education (CPE) is required for Certified Public Accountants (CPAs) by Board of Accountancy.