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Agenda item 12: Annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services to the General Assembly



Introduction

The present report is authored and submitted by OIOS to the General Assembly pursuant to resolutions 48/218 B (para. 5 (e)), 54/244 (paras. 4–5), 59/272 (paras. 1–3), 64/263 (para. 1) and 69/253 (para. 1).

UN-Habitat is submitting the same pursuant to paragraph 6 of decision 2019/4 of the Executive Board (see HSP/EB.1/11).

OIOS was established by the General Assembly pursuant to resolution 48/218 B to enhance oversight in the United Nations Secretariat. It is **operationally independent** and assists the Secretary-General in fulfilling **internal oversight responsibilities in respect of resources and staff** of the Organization through **investigations, internal audits, inspections and evaluations**.

OIOS work covers all entities in the UN Secretariat, including UN-Habitat. This report covers all activities of OIOS for the reporting period, including its coverage of UN-Habitat

All OIOS reports (except investigation) are published in its public website <https://oios.un.org>

The report for the reporting period from 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2020.



OIOS activities on UN-Habitat during the reporting period

Internal audit work: Audit of the financial management of the third United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) at UN-Habitat. The audit indicated the need for transparency and accountability in the use of resources provided to the Habitat III secretariat. *(Para.45 of the OIOS report)*

Investigation work: In case No. 0174/18, OIOS received a report that an UN-Habitat staff member had committed acts of sexual harassment, harassment and abuse of authority. The findings were issued to UN-Habitat with a recommendation that appropriate action be taken. The staff member subsequently resigned from the organization. *(Para.61 of the OIOS report).*



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