

**INTEGRATED LAND ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM
PROJECT**

PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AND

**DESIGNATED ACCOUNT STATEMENT
TOGETHER WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 2019**

INTEGRATED LAND ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM PROJECT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the accompanying Statements of assets and liabilities of the Integrated Land Administration System Project (hereinafter: "the Project") financed under the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development Loan ("Loan") No. 8900-HR as at December 31, 2019 and the related Statement of sources and uses of funds and Statement of expenditure by components ("Project Financial Statement"). These statements are the responsibility of the Project Implementation Unit. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. These standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Project Financial Statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the Project financial statements. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.


In our opinion, the Project Financial Statements as at December 31, 2019 present fairly in all material respects, the cash receipts and payments in the year 2019 of the Project in accordance with the World Bank's requirements.

The supplementary information included in Annex I to the Project Financial Statements are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic Project Financial Statements. Such schedules have been subject to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic Project Financial Statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to the basic Project Financial Statements taken as a whole.

Zagreb, July 14, 2020

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INTEGRATED LAND ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM PROJECT

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES as at December 31, 2019

(EUR)

31 December 2019

Assets

Cash on the Loan Designated Account in the State Treasury - Loan IBRD
8900-HR

184,272

Project expenditures

1,806,943

1,991,215

Liabilities

Loan IBRD 8900-HR

1,991,215

1,991,215

INTEGRATED LAND ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM PROJECT

STATEMENT OF SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS - PROJECT as at December 31, 2019

(EUR)

	As at 31 December 2019 (1)	Cumulative (2)	Planned (3)	Unused (3)-(2)
SOURCES:				
Loan IBRD 8900-HR	1,991,215	1,991,215	19,700,000	17,708,785
TOTAL SOURCES	1,991,215	1,991,215	19,700,000	17,708,785
USE OF FUNDS:				
Cash on the Designated Account in the State Treasury	184,272	184,272	0	(184,272)
Total funds	184,272	184,272	0	(184,272)
Land Registration System Development	259,829	259,829	8,820,000	8,560,171
Spatial Information and Cadastre System Modernization	465,140	465,140	3,294,000	2,828,860
Improving Digital Services	798,934	798,934	4,966,500	4,167,566
Project Management, Training and Public Awareness	283,040	283,040	2,619,500	2,336,460
Total Expenditures	1,806,943	1,806,943	19,700,000	17,893,057
TOTAL USE OF FUNDS	1,991,215	1,991,215	19,700,000	17,708,785

INTEGRATED LAND ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM PROJECT

STATEMENT OF SOURCES AND USES FUNDS - IBRD LOAN NO. 8900-HR as at December 31, 2019

(EUR)

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STATEMENT OF SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS - continued as at December 31, 2019

Comments on Statement of Sources and Uses of Funds

- (1) The Project budget is based on the total estimated costs required to implement the Project. On 14 December 2018, the Croatian Parliament passed a Decision approving a new loan agreement between the IBRD and the Republic of Croatia, IBRD 8900-HR, in the amount of EUR 19,700,000.00. The loan became effective on December 20, 2018. The project implementation deadline is now July 15, 2021. In the period from 1 February to 31 December 2019, a total of EUR 1,991,215 was withdrawn, of which 1,806,943 funds were spent, while the balance of funds in the State Treasury on 31 December 2019 amounted to 184,272 EUR.
- (2) The first expenditure related to the Project was made on February 13, 2019.
- (3) The final status of the Project on 31st December 2019 is 1,991,215 EUR and consist as follows:

	EUR
IBRD Loan No. 8900-HR	1,991,215
Total	1,991,215

- (4) Expenditures in Croatian Kuna were translated into EUR at the exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction.

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STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE BY COMPONENTS as at December 31, 2019

(EUR)

Component	For the year ended 31 December 2019	Cumulative
A - Land registration System Development	259,829	259,829
B - Spatial information and Cadastre System Modernization	465,140	465,140
C - Improving Digital Services	798,934	798,934
D - Project management, Training and Public Awareness	283,040	283,040
TOTAL	1,806,943	1,806,943

INTEGRATED LAND ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM PROJECT

NOTES TO THE PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS as at December 31, 2019

1. GENERAL

The objective of the *Integrated Land Administration System Project* is to modernize the land administration system in order to improve the government services from the point of view of efficiency, transparency and cost, The project represents a continuation of the Real property Registration and Cadastre Project and it further deepens the reforms and integration of the land administration system.

Performance indicators are as follows:

- higher customer satisfaction with the services of the land administration
- reduced processing time of transactions in the Land Registry and Cadastre
- higher percentage of users that send requests/transactions online
- greater use of spatial data to be exchanged between state institutions/ministries.

Beneficiaries of the Project are:

- the public, since they will have greater access to information and better services with fully integrated digital data;
- the entire business community, again with faster access to information and services;
- other government bodies that will share more easily and have a better insight into the government spatial data.

The Project encompasses the following four components:

Component A. - Land Registration System Development

Component B. - Spatial Information and Cadastre System Modernization

Component C. - Improving Digital Services

Component D. - Project Management, Training and Public Awareness

The Project is being implemented over a 10 year turn, until July 15, 2021.

The Advance agreement for the Project preparation No. P459-HR between the Republic of Croatia and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the Bank) in the amount of 1,450,000 USD was signed on August 3, 2010. Advance funds, pursuant to the Agreement, financed the purchase of goods and consulting services for:

- preparatory analysis and studies for preparation of detailed Project implementation plan
- pilot Project of the system expansion (roll-out) of JIS on four locations
- execution of the Project.

Advance funds were used by November 15, 2011.

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NOTES TO THE PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued as at December 31, 2019

First Loan agreement for the Project No. IBRD 8086-HR between Republic of Croatia and the Bank in the amount of 16,5 million Euros was signed on August 17, 2011.

Law on ratification of the Loan agreement between Republic of Croatia and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for the Implementation of the Integrated Land Administration System Project was adopted on 24th session of the Croatian Parliament on October 21, 2011 and published on November 7, 2011 in the Official Gazette, International Agreements No. 13/2011.

The Loan became effective on November 15, 2011.

Second Loan agreement for the Project No. IBRD 8900-HR between Republic of Croatia and the Bank in the amount of 19,7 million Euros was signed on September 20, 2018.

Law on ratification of the Loan agreement between Republic of Croatia and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for the Implementation of the Integrated Land Administration System Project was adopted on Croatian Parliament on December 14, 2018 and published on February 7, 2019 in the Official Gazette, International Agreements No. 1/2019.

The Loan became effective on December 20, 2018.

This report contains an overview of the use of funds in 2019 and the total for the period from the effective date of the IBRD Loan No. 8900-HR to December 31, 2019.

2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING AND SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

2.1. Accounting Records and Basis of Presentation

The Project maintains its accounting records using the World Bank guidelines (Annual Financial Reporting and Auditing for World Bank - Financed Activities, Procurement Handbook and Disbursement Handbook).

2.2. Implementation of the Project

Ministry of Justice and State Geodetic Administration, by the relevant Ministry of construction and spatial planning (hereinafter: MGiPU) concluded the Agreement on Implementation of the Integrated System of Land Administration Project on May 16, 2011 and on March 14, 2012 and February 13, 2014 agreement on amendments to the Agreement on the Implementation of the Integrated Land Administration System.

The Agreement was concluded for the purpose of the regulation of mutual relations and responsibilities in the Project implementation, determining body for implementation of the Project and allocation of responsibilities.

The bodies responsible for implementing the Project are Project Steering Committee, Coordinators of components of the Project in the Ministry of Justice and the State Geodetic Administration and the Project Implementation Unit.

INTEGRATED LAND ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM PROJECT

NOTES TO THE PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS -continued as at December 31, 2019

2.2. Implementation of the Project - continued

The Project Steering Committee has two co-chairs: Assistant Minister of Justice for civil, commercial and administrative law in the Ministry of Justice and the Director of the State Geodetic Administration.

Members of the Project Steering Committee are: MGiPU Assistant Minister, Head of the Land Registry Management Service in Ministry of Justice, Head of the Division of Cadastral System of the State Geodetic Administration, named representative of the Supreme Court of the republic of Croatia and a named representative of the Ministry of Finances.

The Project Steering Committee manages the Project, monitors the implementation of individual phases of the project, spending, discusses the reports of the Land Registry Management Service, Division of Cadastral Systems and Project Implementation Unit, determines the priority areas, monitors the budget spending, coordinates the donor engagement and makes decisions related to the implementation of the Project and gives permissions for all the key plans and changes of plans.

Coordinators of the Project components at the Ministry of Justice and State Geodetic Administration coordinate the implementation of the activities of individual components for which they are nominated and are accountable for their work to the institutions that nominated them.

The Project Implementation Unit, whose superior is Project Steering Committee, is responsible for the procurement, financial management, disbursements, monitoring and evaluation and compliance of safeguard mechanisms within the Project and it serves as the Secretary of the Project Steering Committee.

On the side of the lender the Bank, there is a Project team with the leader of the Project team responsible for the coordination and monitoring of the implementation of the Project.

Realisation of the Project is determined by the regulations of the Bank for the Project implementation, procurement, contract management, use of the Loan, auditing and reporting to the Bank and the EU.

2.3. Project Expenditure

The Project Expenditure is stated at original cost on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

2.4. Liabilities

In accordance with the Decision of the Government of the Republic of Croatia on initiating the procedure for concluding the Loan Agreement for the Project, the authorized Croatian delegation conducted final negotiations with the Bank and the Loan Agreement, IBRD 8900-HR was signed on September 20, 2018.

The agreed amount of the Loan is EUR 19.7 million. The loan became effective on December 20, 2018.

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NOTES TO THE PROJECT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS -continued as at December 31, 2019

2.4. Liabilities - continued

Principal and interest are the obligations of the Republic of Croatia.

Repayment of principal begins on November 15, 2021 with final maturity on May 15, 2028. The principal repayment dates are May 15 and November 15.

The amount of interest payable by the Borrower for each interest period shall be equal to the reference rate for the currency of the Loan plus a fixed interest margin provided that, upon conversion of all or part of the principal amount of the Loan, interest payable on such amount by the Borrower during the conversion period Art. 4. General Terms and Conditions.

The Republic of Croatia is obliged to pay an initial fee for the use of the Loan equal to 0.25% of the Loan amount.

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ANNEX I

RECONCILIATION OF THE LOAN ACCOUNT IBRD 8900-HR

(EUR)

The amount of the loan used by January 31, 2019	1,991,215
Cash on the Designated Account in the State Treasury	184,272
Increase: total expenditure stated in the Statement of Sources and Use of Funds	1,806,943
Total expenditure	1,991,215

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the accompanying Designated Account Statement of the Integrated Land Administration System Project (the Project) financed under International Bank for Reconstruction and Development Loan No. 8900-HR as at December 31, 2019. The Designated Account Statement is the responsibility of the Project implementation Unit. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Designated Account Statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards of Auditing. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Designated Account Statement is free of material misstatements. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the Designated Account Statement. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the accompanying Designated Account Statement as at December 31, 2019 present fairly, in all material respects, the movements in the year 2019 on the Designated Account of the Project, in accordance with World Bank guidelines.

Zagreb, July 14, 2020

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DESIGNATED ACCOUNT STATEMENT IN THE STATE TREASURY as at December 31, 2019

Balance as at January 1, 2019	<u>0</u>
Increase	
Withdrawal	<u>1,991,215</u>
Decrease:	
Payments from the Designated Account	<u>(1,806,943)</u>
Balance as at December 31, 2019	<u><u>184,272</u></u>

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Dear Sirs,

We are pleased to submit this letter, containing our comments, observations, and recommendations concerning the internal control structure and other matters which resulted from our audit of the Integrated Land Administration System Project ("the Project") financed under International Bank for Reconstruction and Development Loan No. 8900-HR at December 31, 2019.


In planning and performing our audit we considered the Project's internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole, and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure. Our report cannot, therefore, be expected to include all possible comments and recommendations that a more extensive special examination might indicate. We also considered the degree of compliance of the Project with any loan covenants, the World Bank Procurement guidelines, World Bank Disbursement guidelines and the World Bank financial reporting guidelines.

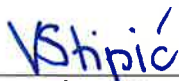
This report is intended solely for the information and use of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the Project Implementation Unit, We would be pleased to discuss our comments, observations, and recommendations with you.

Zagreb, July 14, 2020

With respect,

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**MANAGEMENT LETTER TO THE PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION UNIT
as at December 31, 2019**

ACCOUNTING RECORDS, SYSTEMS AND CONTROLS

None significant noted.

DEFICIENCIES AND WEAKNESSES IN THE INTERNAL CONTROL SYSTEM

None significant noted.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINANCIAL COVENANTS AND WORLD BANK GUIDELINES

Our audit is conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing, designed to obtain reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free of material misstatement. Therefore, our audit included testing of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements.

Based on our audit procedures and the selected items which we examined, we did not note any instances of non-compliance of financial information with the World Bank guidelines.

OTHER MATTERS

None significant noted.

CHECKLIST

NAME OF THE LOAN:	IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTEGRATED LAND ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM PROJECT
LOAN:	Loan IBRD 8900-HR
AUDITED PERIOD	December 31, 2019

	Included	N/A
I. Audit Report (Opinion):		
A. Applicable accounting standards noted	X	
B. Applicable auditing standards noted	X	
C. Opinion rendered on all forms of withdrawals:		
1. Statement of Expenditures	X	
2. Designated Account	X	
D. All sources of financing for the project noted	X	
II. Financial Reports:		
A. Revenue Earning Entity (all of the following are required):		
1. Balance Sheet		X
2. Cash Flow Statement		X
3. Income Statement		X
B. Non-Revenue Earning Entity (all of the following are required):		
1. Balance Sheet	X	
2. Summary of Sources and Uses of Funds	X	
C. If applicable (refer to the Loan Agreement):		
1. Statement of Expenditure (SOE)	X	
2. Designated Account Statement	X	
III. Notes to the Financial Statements	X	
IV. Reconciliation between World Bank and Project records	X	
V. Management Letter to the Project implementation Unit	X	