## **Financial Information**

# Fundo Brasileiro para Biodiversidade - FUNBIO

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## Independent auditor's Report on Financial Information on the GEF Agency Projects

To the Directors and Officers of Fundo Brasileiro para a Biodiversidade - FUNBIO - "GEF Agency" Rio de Janeiro - RJ

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the Financial Information on the GEF Agency Projects ("Projects" or "Agency"), managed by Fundo Brasileiro para a Biodiversidade - FUNBIO (the "Institution"), funded by means of the Memorandum of Understanding entered into between the Institution and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) on January 22, 2015, for the period from January 1 to December 31, 2019, including a summary of significant accounting policies and the other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the financial information referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the amounts received and paid in the period from January 1 to December 31, 2019, in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding entered into between the Institution and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) on January 22, 2015, and the accounting base for receipts and payments described in Note 2.

### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Brazilian and International Standards on Auditing. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial information" section of our report. We are independent of the Projects in accordance with the relevant ethical principles set forth in the Code of Professional Ethics for Accountants, the professional standards issued by Brazil's National Association of State Boards of Accountancy ("CFC") and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

## Emphasis of matter - basis of preparation and presentation of the Projects' financial information and restriction on use

We draw attention to Note 2 to the Projects' financial information, which describes the basis of preparation and presentation of this financial information, aimed at assisting FUNBIO in evidencing compliance with the covenants of aforementioned Memorandum of Understanding relating to preparation of financial information. As such, the Projects' financial information does not serve for other purposes. Our report is intended solely for compliance with the Memorandum of Understanding entered into between the Institution and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) on January 22, 2015. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.



## Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the financial information

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this financial information in accordance with the accounting base for receipts and payments described in Note 2 and with the Memorandum of Understanding entered into between the Institution and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) on January 22, 2015, which includes determining that referred to base is acceptable for the preparation of the financial information under the circumstances, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of this financial information that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial information, management is responsible for assessing the Projects' ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using this basis of accounting, unless management either intends to end the Projects, or has no realistic alternative to prevent the Projects from ending.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Projects' financial information preparation process.

As described in Note 2, the financial information was prepared on the accounting base of receipts and payments. Referred to accounting base recognizes transactions and facts only when funds (including fund equivalents) are received or paid by the Projects and not when these amounts result from, are earned or originate from rights or obligations that have not yet produced a change in funds (cash).

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial information

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial information as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Brazilian and International Standards on Auditing will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial information.

As part of the audit conducted in accordance with Brazilian and International Standards on Auditing, and the specific audit requirements set out in the Memorandum of Understanding entered into between the Institution and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) on January 22, 2015, we exercised professional judgment and maintained professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:



- Identified and assessed risks of material misstatements of the financial information, whether due to
  fraud or error, designed and performed audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtained
  audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not
  detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than one resulting from error, as
  fraud may involve override of internal controls, collusion, forgery, intentional omissions or
  misrepresentations.
- Obtained an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Institution's internal control.
- Evaluated the appropriateness of accounting policies used (described in Note 2) and related disclosures made by management.
- Concluded on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast substantial doubt on the Projects' ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial information or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Projects to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluated the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial information, including the disclosures, and whether it represents the corresponding transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicated with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that may have been identified during our audit.

Rio de Janeiro, May 22, 2020.

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## Fundo Brasileiro para Biodiversidade - FUNBIO

Financial Information of GEF Agency December 31, 2019 and 2018 (In thousands of reais - R\$, unless otherwise stated)

## **GEF Agency - FUNBIO**

		Cash inflow - contributions to	Cash Inflow - contribution to		Short-term		FUNBIO transfer	
Description	12/31/2018	project preparation	projects approved	Funbio Costs	investment yields	Finance costs	(allocation)	12/31/2019
GEF Agency - Funbio (c/c 29149-8)	3,643 3,643	-	<u>-</u>	(136) (136)	163 163	(1) (1)	(718) (718)	2,951 2,951

## **GEF Agency - Projects**

Contracts	12/31/2018	Cash inflow - project preparation	Cash inflow - Projects approved	Transfers (allocations)	Advances - Project	XXX Accountability	Costs related to projects	Short-term investment yields <sup>(1)</sup>	Exchange differences	Finance costs	12/31/2019
GEF Agency - Projects (NY c/c 76250011-7)	-	-	6,273	(6,048)	_	_	_	(267)	61	(19)	-
Pro-Species Preparation	00		ŕ	(5,5 15)				(===,			00
(c/c 129150-5)	80	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	(1)	83
Pro-Species Preparation	472	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	472
Pro-Species Grant (c/c 23533-4)	3,590	-	6,048	-	(2,580)	-	-	106	-	(22)	7,142
Pro-Species Grant	1,502	-	2,580	-	-	(2,557)	-	-	-	`-	1,525
	5,644	•	14,901	(6,048)	(2,580)	(2,557)	-	(157)	61	(42)	9,222

<sup>(1)</sup> The balance of R\$157 is composed of R\$110 relating to yields and R\$267 relating to return of yields, which were passed on to the donor, as contractually required.

See accompanying notes.

Notes to financial information on the GEF Agency Projects December 31, 2019 and 2018 (In thousands of reais - R\$, unless otherwise stated)

## 1. Operations

Fundo Brasileiro para a Biodiversidade - FUNBIO, with its head office located at Rua Voluntários da Pátria, 286 - 5° andar, Botafogo, city and state of Rio de Janeiro, is a not-for-profit institution, which began operating in 1996.

Funbio is an innovative financial mechanism, created to design strategies that contribute with implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CDB) in Brazil. In the course of its 23-year operation, FUNBIO has been a strategic partner for the private sector, various state and federal entities and the organized civil society.

The Global Environment Facility (GEF) created in 1991, following the Convention on Biological Diversity entered into during Rio-92, had a pilot phase as a program under the World Bank and, in 1994, became independent. GEF funds are available for developing countries and countries whose economy is in transition to meet the objectives of international conventions and environmental agreements. GEF funds are transferred through the agencies accredited by GEF.

FUNBIO, which already executed projects implemented by other agencies, such as: the World Bank and FAO, is the only agency in Brazil and one of the 3 agencies in the world accredited by GEF.

GEF Agency is an area of FUNBIO aimed at obtaining resources directly from the Global Environment Facility (GEF), a capacity conferred upon FUNBIO after an accreditation process in 2015. The creation of GEF Agency in FUNBIO allows this agency to support institutions, especially the Ministries of Environment, Sciences, Technology, Innovation and Communication, interested in the preparation and adequacy of projects to be submitted to GEF.

Once approved, each project receives funds for the Fund Project (funds allocated to the project to be implemented) and for Agency FEE (funds from the implementing agency) initially for the preparation of projects and, after referred to approval, for its actual implementation.

In 2019, FUNBIO submitted no project proposal to GEF, therefore, the area currently works with only one project related to endangered species in Brazil with this funding party. However, it has already operating as an accredited national GEF institution.

Projects under implementation	Partners	Biome
Dro Charles Project	MMA IDAMA ICMDia and MMC	Nationwide
Pro-Species Project	MMA, IBAMA, ICMBio and WWF	Nationwide

Notes to financial information on the GEF Agency Projects (Continued) December 31, 2019 and 2018 (In thousands of reais - R\$, unless otherwise stated)

## 1. Operations (Continued)

The Pro-Species Project, which is intended to improve the conservation status of 290 endangered species that cannot be found in Protected Areas or Indian Reservations, was approved by GEF Board at the meeting held in April 2016. After that, FUNBIO received funds to detail the project to a full version and engaged the International Union for Conservation of Nature ("UICN") to do such works together with MMA. In early 2018, WWF-Brazil was selected to financially execute the project's actions, going through a period of preparation of documents and systems. In August 2018, the project was started.

This was the first project of GEF Agency at FUNBIO to go through the entire GEF approval cycle and start implementation processes.

In addition to this work, the area was also responsible for accreditation in another multilateral fund, the Green Climate Fund, in October 2018.

## 2. Summary of significant accounting practices

#### Basis of preparation

The Financial Information of GEF Agency was prepared on a receipt and payment accounting base, whereby revenues are recognized upon receipt of funds (resources) and expenses are recorded when they effectively represent expenses paid in cash (cash), as established in the Memorandum of Understanding entered into between the Institution and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) on January 22, 2015. This accounting practice differs from the accounting practices applicable in Brazil, which establish that transactions must be recorded to the extent that they are incurred rather than when paid.

This financial information is presented in thousands of Brazilian reais, which is FUNBIO's functional currency. All financial information presented in thousands of reais was rounded to the nearest amount, unless otherwise stated.

The financial information was approved for issue by the Institution's management on May 22, 2020.

Notes to financial information on the GEF Agency Projects (Continued) December 31, 2019 and 2018 (In thousands of reais - R\$, unless otherwise stated)

## 3. Transfers of funds - GEF Agency

FUNBIO maintains a checking account in Banco do Brasil - New York (c/c 76250011-7) to receive GEF funds allocated to the projects. In Brazil, FUNBIO has checking accounts specific for implementation and operationalization of each project, to wit: (c/c 129150-5) Pro-Species Preparation and (c/c 23533-4) Pro-Species Grant.

As to funds intended to reimburse FUNBIO indirect costs as GEF implementing agency, an account is maintained in Banco do Brasil (c/c 29149-8).

Total funds contributed in the periods from January 1 to December 31, 2019 and 2018 were as follows:

GEF Agency - Projects (NY c/c 76250011-7)	Amounts in US\$ thousand	Foreign exchange	Amounts in R\$ thousand	Year of fund inflow
Inflow Inflow Total inflows	1,500 1,500	4.1821	6,273 6,273	2018 2019
GEF Agency - FUNBIO (c/c 29149-8)	Amounts in US\$ thousand	Foreign exchange	Amounts in R\$ thousand	Year of fund inflow
Inflow Inflow Total inflows	- - -		- -	2018 2019
Pro-Species Grant (c/c 23533-4)**		2019	2018	Amounts in R\$ thousand - accumulated
Inflow Total inflows	_	6,048 6,048	<u>-</u>	10,891 10,891
Pro-Species Preparation (c/c 129150-5)**	_	2019	2018	Accumulated
Inflow Total inflows	_	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	945 945

<sup>(\*\*)</sup> Amount transferred from NY Projects account.

Notes to financial information on the GEF Agency Projects (Continued) December 31, 2019 and 2018 (In thousands of reais - R\$, unless otherwise stated)

## 4. Investment of funds - GEF Agency

#### Preparatory Pro-Species Project

On August 24, 2016, a financial support contract for the preparation of the evaluation document of the "National Strategy for the Conservation of Endangered Species - Pro-Species" Project, for application to the Global Environment Facility (GEF) Board, was entered into between FUNBIO and UICN, effective for 9 months, in the amount of R\$800, of which R\$400 was transferred in 2016. In 2017, an Amendment was entered into extending the effective period by 5 months and adding R\$147 to the contract amount. The amount of R\$400 was transferred and R\$328 were accounted for.

UICN is an environmentalist organization founded in 1948. In Brazil, it has operated as a non-governmental organization since 2010. Its activities are focused on the application of UICN's Global Program in Brazil, involving a variety of topics, such as governance, environmental policies and legislation, protected areas, endangered species and ecosystems, landscape ecology and planning, ecological restoration, climate change and ecosystem services.

The Project aims to prepare a Pro-Species Project based on the support to the Ministry of Environment in preparing the Pro-Species Project Document, with technical and administrative support to hold meetings and workshops, articulation of key players for the preparation and execution of Pro-Species Project, engagement of advisory firms and preparation of documents, including and mainly the Pro-Species Project Evaluation Document, with content and form adequate for the submittal of the document to GEF Executive Secretariat for their endorsement.

The transfer of funds to the project was made by means of disbursements, according to the physical and financial budget and disbursement schedule, and the execution has followed the rules in FUNBIO's Procedures, Procurement and Contracting activities Manual - PO-12/2014.

All purchases and contracts have been recorded in the plan of acquisitions and each transaction is submitted to FUNBIO for analysis and acceptance as a way to enforce and ensure the application of the FUNBIO'S rules.

After the full project was approved by GEF Secretariat on July 20, 2017, the focus of the relationship with UICN was placed on the preparation of the project implementation with the preparation of the Operational Guide and preparatory meetings with the project beneficiaries. However, at the end of 2017, the project was temporarily suspended. At the beginning of 2018, an evaluation was conducted on the continuity of this work, and it was decided, based on the due diligence process carried out at UICN, that the project implementation would be carried out by another more experienced and structured institution.

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## 4. Investment of funds - GEF Agency (Continued)

<u>Preparatory Pro-Species Project</u> (Continued)

Although this was a possibility identified since the beginning of the preparation project, the engagement of the Executing Institution (WWF-Brazil) and the internal preparation were slower than expected, noting that this was the first time FUNBIO undertook this process, resulting in the start of the project only in August 2018.

## **Pro-Species Grant Project**

The project was actually started in August 2018 and the first WWF-Brazil accountability was conducted at year end; however, these accounts had not yet been approved by FUNBIO until year end.

The initial activities of the project were being carried out at the end of 2019, and two supervision missions have already been carried out, whereby the progress of the project towards its goals was checked and it was concluded that although there are certain activities behind schedule, there is a greater number of activities ahead of schedule and the project is at a satisfactory level of implementation. At the end of 2020, a Mid Term Review of the project will be conducted, whereby a project thorough evaluation will be carried out, including by independent advisors. This is an important and mandatory step in projects funded by GEF.

## 5. Funds available

As at December 31, 2019 and 2018, balances available in the project's bank accounts, including short-term investments, are as follows:

#### **GEF Agency - Projects**

#### 1. GEF Agency - Projects - NY

Description	Туре	2019	2018
Banco do Brasil NY - C/C 76250011-7 Banco do Brasil NY w/ Over Night invest. 76250011-7	Checking account Short-term investment	<u>-</u>	-
Total cash and cash equivalents	_	-	-

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## 5. Funds available (Continued)

GEF Agency - Projects (Continued)

## 2. Pro-Species Preparation

Description	Туре	2019	2018
Banco do Brasil - C/C 129150-5 Banco do Brasil – w/CDB invest. 129150-5 Total cash and cash equivalents	Checking account Short-term investment	- 83 83	80 80
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In the period from January 1 to December 31, 2019, short-term investment yields totaled R\$ 4 (R\$7 in 2018).

## 3. Pro-Species Grant

Description	Туре	2019	2018
Banco do Brasil - C/C 23533-4 Banco do Brasil – w/ LT FI Corp. Invest. 10m 23533-4	Checking account Short-term investment	- 7.142	- 3.590
Total cash and cash equivalents	Short-term investment _	7,142	3,590

In the period from January 1 to December 31, 2019, short-term investment yields totaled R\$ 106 (R\$234 in 2018).

## 4. GEF Agency - FUNBIO

Description	Туре	2019	2018
Banco do Brasil - C/C 29149-8 Banco do Brasil – w/ RF LP Corp 10m Invest. 29149-8 Total cash and cash equivalents	Checking account Short-term investment _	- 2,951 2,951	3,643 3.643
i otai cash and cash equivalents	_	2,951	3,643

In the period from January 1 to December 31, 2019, short-term investment yields totaled R\$ 164 (R\$216 in 2018).

Notes to financial information on the GEF Agency Projects (Continued) December 31, 2019 and 2018 (In thousands of reais - R\$, unless otherwise stated)

## 6. Events after the reporting period

Since the beginning of 2020, the outbreak of a new virus named COVID-19 has been identified. The Brazilian Ministry of Health reported the first case registered in the country on February 25, 2020, in the city of São Paulo. Due to the speed of contamination and the growing number of infected people, on March 11, 2020, COVID-19 was classified by the World Health Organization (WHO) as a pandemic.

To slow down the contamination by COVID-19, various countries have imposed a series of restrictive measures of social displacement, such as a quarantine period and closing of borders with other countries, unprecedented situations in recent world history. Brazilian government, acting together with the states and municipalities, adopted a series of measures, among them, decrees and provisional executive orders to minimize the risk of contamination of the population, the economic impact in the various sectors and still avoid the collapse of the Brazilian health system.

At this time, the adverse situation in global economic activities is still uncertain, preventing the forecast of its impacts and final effects. This event may have an adverse impact on political and economic conditions and trigger a period of global economic slowdown, which may have impacts on the activities carried out by various sectors, including the sector in which the Institution operates, such as postponement or cancellation of donations scheduled for 2020.

The Institution understands that there is no financial impact on the Agency's financial information for the period from January 1 to December 31, 2019 as a result of these events after the reporting period, and is monitoring developments related to COVID-19 and coordinating its operational actions based on guidelines from global and local health organizations, Federal, State and Municipal Governments and general best practices for crisis management.

Throughout the audit work, the Institution continued to operate at a regular and continuous pace. All Funbio's teams of employees adopted remote work (home office), and the Institution provided material, systems and logistics resources so that the routine was not significantly changed. This procedure was possible due to investments performed in 2019, such as servers upload and applications to the cloud (Azure - cloud computing); prior-years' investments: HR portal, Business Intelligence - Power BI; Project Online, improvements in Brain 2 and the purchasing platform (Paradigm), in addition to the integration of the per diem allowances, travel and ticket system. Face-to-face meetings are limited to one day a week with a reduced number of employees (2 to 4) for reception and mailing activities and administrative infrastructure. Thus, Funbio puts its teams in safety to face this period of social distancing without jeopardize stakeholders and beneficiaries of its projects.