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Final Audit Report Abstract

Key Entities Covered by the Audit Report

Municipality of Struga
Ministry of Transport and Communications

Audit Subject

Compliance audit "Implementation of the Law on treatment of illegally constructed buildings in the Municipality of Struga"

Audit Objective

To obtain reasonable assurance about whether existing legislation, strategic and planning documents enable the implementation of procedures for determining the legal status of illegally constructed buildings and legally determined conditions and manner of implementation of legalization procedures enable timely resolving of the legal status of illegally constructed buildings.

Key Conditions Identified

- prescribed legal deadlines during the implementation of procedures for determining the legal status of illegally constructed building are not followed;
- conditions are created for construction of new or additions to existing buildings without building permit;
- Municipality of Struga has not removed any illegally constructed building;
- non-compliance with legislation.

Audit Opinion*



The process of resolving the legal status of illegally constructed buildings in the Municipality of Struga is not carried out in line with required / expected dynamics, which causes delays to the process and failure to achieve Law objectives.

Key Recommendations

- to implement requirements set out in the World Natural and Cultural Heritage Management Plan of the Ohrid Region;
- to strengthen human resources with construction inspectors for the Department for inspection supervision; and
- to act on removal of illegally constructed buildings.

Key Systemic Weaknesses

Procedure for adoption of new Law on treatment of illegally constructed buildings is underway.

Comments on Draft Audit Report

The Mayor of Struga Municipality responded to the Draft Audit Report with letter no. 13-509/5 from 10.05.2021, noting there are no crucial comments and that all recommendations will be consistently applied in the procedures.

Response on Draft Audit Report Comments

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* unqualified qualified adverse disclaimer of opinion