

# Buzzacott

## Buzzacott grant audit services

There are few activities that are subject to a greater degree of compliance requirements than the delivery of donor-funded grant activity. Given the complexities of funding arrangements and project management systems, working with specialists is essential.



### The need for a specialist

Institutional funders provide a significant proportion of the funding to the international NGO sector, but are highly accountable. They must put in place controls to ensure that their money is spent for the purposes intended, that costs are reasonable and appropriate, and that expenditure is compliant with relevant legislation. This need for accountability puts a significant burden on international NGOs to put in place controls, maintain adequate paperwork and produce robust financial reporting.

The completion of a grant audit puts these controls and processes to the test. This can be a challenging time for grant management and finance staff and working together with a specialist that is familiar with the funders' requirements and can establish an efficient audit process is essential.

### Funders

We have experience of working with a wide range of funders including the most significant funders for the sector including:

- USAID
- EUROPEAN COMMISSION
- DFID
- SIDA

### How we can help

Buzzacott has a dedicated charity and not-for-profit team with staff that work day-to-day with organisations that are fully accountable to their funders. We therefore understand the processes and controls that charitable organisations must have in place in order to meet donor compliance requirements.

### Proven track record

We are familiar with donor requirements and the practicalities of organising a grant audit. We can therefore deliver an efficient audit and support you to meet your deadlines.

### An approach that suits you

Our approach is collaborative and we take an active interest in the organisations and projects that we work with. We seek to share best practice and add value through the audit process. We have supported our clients in negotiating disallowables with funders.

### International reach

We have established links with local auditors across the globe and are able to deliver grant audit services internationally.



### Get in touch

Buzzacott delivers a range of services to the international NGO sector including external audit, bespoke assurance, tax and VAT advice and HR Consulting.

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