

# Center for Transparency and Accountability in Liberia (CENTAL)

# Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ended December 31, 2012



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# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Board of directors:

**Registered office:** 

Auditors:

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# Independent Auditor's Report

# To: The Management, Partners and Donors Center for Transparency and Accountability in Liberia

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Center for Transparency** and Accountability in Liberia for the year ended December 31, 2012, which comprise the statement of financial position and statement of activities for the year then ended. These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Cash Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS).

# Management's Responsibility

The Management is responsible for the preparation and the fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the Cash Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) and in the manner required by Donors. This responsibility includes: designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

# Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

# Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above, present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **Center for Transparency and Accountability in Liberia** as at December 31, 2012, and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the Cash Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards.

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# Center for Transparency and Accountability in Liberia (CENTAL) Statement of financial position As at December 31, 2012

### In United States Dollars

Assets	Noto	Year ended December 31,		
	Note	2012	2011	
Fixed assets	9.0	5-00 C 10-54	14,997	
Cash and cash equivalent	3.0	_53,615	18,259	
Total		53,615	_33,256	
Equity and reserves				
Accumulated fund		_53,615	_33,256	
Total		53,615	33,256	

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### Center for Transparency and Accountability in Liberia (CENTAL) Statement of activities For the year ended December 31, 2012

# In United States Dollars

	Note	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Income			
Grant income	4.0	284,423	230741
Operational expenditure			
Project expenses	5.0	121,878	149,353
Administrative expenses	6.0	95,310	60,132
Other operational and support costs	7.0	31,845	21,094
Refund to donor	8.0	8,000	-
Purchase of assets	9.0	22,694	-
Total operational expenditure		279,727	230,579
Surplus/(deficit)		4,696	162

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Center for Transparency and Accountability in Liberia (CENTAL) Statement of changes in accumulated fund For the year ended December 31, 2012

# In United States Dollars

	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
Balance as at January 1, 2012 Changes in equity	48,919	33,094
Surplus/(deficit) for the year Balance as at December 31, 2012	<u>4,696</u> <b>53,615</b>	<u> </u>

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#### Organization and activities 1.0

The Center for Transparency and Accountability in Liberia (CENTAL), the local Chapter of Transparency International is a local not-for-profit, nongovernmental, anti-corruption organization founded in May of 2004 through the insightfulness of conscious Liberians that espoused the concept of positive change and a vision for a transparent and integrity-based society. The organization is registered and accredited by the Ministry of Planning and Economic Affairs. CENTAL is overseen by a seven-member Board of Directors and administered by a secretariat headed by an Executive Director.

CENTAL does not only work alone, but in coalition with several local organizations around different thematic issues and has also worked with international organizations such as National Democratic Institute (NDI); Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE), National Endowment for Democracy (NED); International Federation for Electoral System; Global Rights; Global Integrity; Open Society Initiative for West Africa (OSIWA); Africa/Humanity United; Action Aid; IBIS, the World Bank, USAID affiliated Trust contractors and others.

# Vision

A corruption-free Liberia, where people and institutions in all spheres of society act with integrity, accountability and transparency in all their dealings

# Mission

CENTAL works to create and strengthen a participatory social movement across all sectors of society to fight corruption, improve governance, reduce poverty, and build a culture of integrity among all peoples and institutions in Liberia.

## **Core Values**

The following principles guide CENTAL's engagement with the public, our partners, and our board and staff as we pursue institution building and our anticorruption work in Liberia:

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- Transparency & Accountability
- Impartiality and Independence
- Integrity
- Respect for the Rule of Law and Individual Rights and Freedom
- Participation

# 2.0 Accounting Practices and Policies

This section summarizes the accounting practices and policies adopted by the Foundation. The policies implemented are as follows:

a) Responsibility for Accounting Policies

The implementation of accounting policies is the responsibility of the management of CENTAL.

**b)** The Accounting Systems

CENTAL's accounting system is based on the rational combination of accounting policies and practices best suited to report on the financial affairs of the Projects/Programs implemented in Liberia.

The policies and practices are in conformity with the Cash Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS):

- i. Consistency Accounting policies set forth below, is applied consistently from one accounting period to another, and within accounting period, except when there is a special reason to depart from such policy. However, such reason shall be fully disclosed in the financial statements.
- ii. Cash Accounting Income and charges relating to a specific financial year will be taken into account ONLY when the related cash is received or paid.

#### 2.1 Accounting Policies

The following are the significant accounting policies to be followed in recording transactions and in reporting the results of operations and financial position of the Project:

i. Accounting Convention -The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention.

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ii. Basis of Accounting - The cash basis is adopted in the preparation of the financial statements

#### 2.2 Foreign Currency

The financial statements are expressed in United States Dollars. Receipt and payment items in foreign currencies are converted to United States Dollars at the rates ruling at the transaction dates.

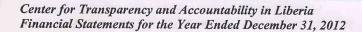
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3.0	Cash in Bank	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011
	Governance and research	1,057	
	Resource and You	706	
	PCA 2	-	8,240
	RTK		2,950
	UAC ( EU & Talking Drum)	831	
	Road and You	418	- 🧶
	ALAC	1,178	6,690
	COTAE 11 (OSIWA)	45,005	379
	LCT (World Bank)	2,494	
	NIF (World Bank)	1,927	1.20
	Total	53,615	18,259
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		Year ended December 31,	Year ended December	
4.0	Grant income	2012	31, 2011	
	PCA 1		37,416	
	RTK		9,974	
	PCA 2	8,000	20,000	
	Resource and You (GIZ Project)	72,881	The Second	
	Talking Drum and European Union (UAC project)	18,000		
	Road and You (GIZ Project)	5,000	1000	
	Advocacy and Legal Advice Centre (ALAC)	51,839		0
	COTAE 11 (OSIWA)	88,704	163,351	
	LCT (World Bank project)	40,000	-	
	Total	284,423	230,741	

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# In United States Dollars

5.0	Project expenses	Year ended December 31, 2012	Year ended December 31, 2011	
	Advertisement and promotional materials	4,100	1,619	
	Media relations	12,374	12,511	
	Printing and publication		645	
	Catering meeting and workshops	12,511	-	
	Gas - Field trip	2,052		
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	Manners, posters, fliers and brochure	725		
	Vehicle rental - field trip	9,610	2,970	
	Communication - field trip	685	2,991	
	Hall rental	2,960	-	
	Facilitation expenses - Workshop	7,775	50,813	
	Internal transport - Field trip	1,550	10,700	
	Volunteer compensation	_	4,470	
	Consultancy	359	1,500	
	T-Shirts	6,870		
	Refreshment	523		
	Accommodation and lodging	3,834	26,741	
	Other expenses - Field trip	53,817	34.393	
	Total	121,878	149,353	
		Year ended	Year ended	C

6.0	Administrative expenses	December 31, 2012	December 31, 2011
	Salary	72,729	42,097
	Internet expenses	4,548	5,135
	Electricity	976	1,482
	Office repairs and maintenance	1,028	-
	GoL withholding taxes	2,863	3,104
	Travels and meetings	-	1,887
	Website expenses	1,200	1,345
	Audit expense	5,500	-
	Office expenses	6,466	<u>5,081</u> C
	Total	95,310	60,132
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#### In United States Dollars

	Other operational and support costs	Year ended December 31, 2012 2,085	Year ended December 31, 2011 920	
	Office supplies	9,551	4,478	
	Printing and photocopying	299	2,650	
	Local travel	2,324	1,129	
	Postage	205	733	4
	Vehicle maintenance	760	4,058	4
	Bank charges	2,773	375	
F	Suel - vehicle	544	3,368	
N	Aiscellaneous	13,304	_3.383	
Т	otal	31,845		

- 8.0 **Refund to donor** This relates to an amount transferred for project activities in 2011 but was posted to a wrong bank account. This was discovered in 2012 and was then transferred to the donor.
- **9.0 Purchase of assets** The amount disclosed in the financial statements relates to total assets purchased by CENTAL during 2012 and prior financial years. This amount is expensed in the financial statements as it is prepared using the Cash Basis International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS). However, a memorandum schedule of fixed assets is presented in the financial statements.

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Center for Transparency and Accountability in Liberia (CENTAL) Memorandum schedule – fixed assets As at December 31, 2012

No	Description	Amount
1	Furniture and equipment	660
2	Desktop	5,283
3	Digital camera	2,527
4	Laptops	12,394
5	Printers	830
6	Vehicles	1000
	Total	22,694

Schedule of fixed assets as at December 31, 2012