

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS**

### **Opinion**

We examined the accounting statements of CENTRO DE ESTUDOS, PESQUISAS E DESENVOLVIMENTO TECNOLÓGICO EM SAÚDE COLETIVA – CEPESC, which comprehends the balance sheet, as of December 31, 2020, and the respective income, comprehensive income, changes of the net equity, and cash flow statements for the fiscal year ended on this date, as well as the corresponding explanatory notes, including the summary of the main accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accounting statements aforementioned, when read together with the explanatory notes that follow them, property present, in their relevant aspects, the property and financial positions of CENTRO DE ESTUDOS, PESQUISAS E DESENVOLVIMENTO TECNOLÓGICO EM SAÚDE COLETIVA – CEPESC on December 31, 2020, the performance of its operations, and its cash flows for the fiscal year ended on this date, according to the accounting practices adopted in Brazil.

### **Base for opinion**

Our audit was conducted according to the Brazilian and international audit standards. Our responsibilities, in compliance with such standards, are described in the following section intitled “Auditor’s responsibilities for the audit of the accounting statements”. We are independent in relation to CENTRO DE ESTUDOS, PESQUISAS E DESENVOLVIMENTO TECNOLÓGICO EM SAÚDE COLETIVA – CEPESC, according to the relevant ethical principles provided in the Accountant’s Code of Professional Ethics and in the professional standards issued by the Federal Accounting Council, and we comply with the other ethical responsibilities according to such standards. We believe that the audit evidence obtained is proper and sufficient to ground our opinion.

### **Emphasis**

#### **Labor Procedures**

From 2008 on, the employees of CEPESC had their employment contracts terminated and, in continuous action, they passed to receive their compensation through concession of allowance. Subsequently, also as service providers (MEI). Service provision contracts were not formalized with the former employees. Also, it was not constituted provisions for possible labor contingencies as a result of the procedures adopted involving continuity of employment relationship. Our opinion was not changed due to such subject.

## **Resubmission of the 2019 Statements**

According to Explanatory Note no. 2.1, CEPESC is resubmitting the balances of the 2019 accounting statements, for purposes of comparison, due to reclassification of “Adjustments of Previous Fiscal Years” on December 31, 2019, according to section 10 of NBC TG 1000 (R1) – Accounting Policies, Change of Estimate, and Error Rectification. CEPESC makes rectification of error regarding the Accounting Statements disclosed regarding the fiscal year of 2019 and previous fiscal years. The adjustments were made because entries wrongly made were identified in equity and income accounts. In the resubmission of the accounting statements, the adjustments were recorded in the Surplus/Deficit book accounts of the fiscal year, Resources of projects and Financial applications. Our opinion was not changed due to such subject.

## **Subsequent Events – Covid-19**

In relation to the operational and financial effects caused by the spread and sanitary measures applied by the public authority, CEPESC, in its Explanatory Note no. 6, informs that by virtue of COVID-19 pandemics, there were changes in the administrative routine of the institution with change from work to work from home, it also occurred the reduction of the research due to the difficulty of access caused by the sanitary measures of social distancing. In such period, the research was mostly carried out through reference to data base. However, it was not identified a relevant reduction in CEPESC's revenues. Our opinion was not changed due to such subject.

## **Other Subjects**

### **Audit of the previous period**

The accounting statements of CENTRO DE ESTUDOS, PESQUISAS E DESENVOLVIMENTO TECNOLÓGICO EM SAÚDE COLETIVA – CEPESC for the fiscal year finished on December 31, 2019, submitted for purposes of comparability, were examined by other auditors, who issued report with no changes and with emphasis on Labor Procedures, Operational Continuity, and Subsequent Events – Covid 19, dated as of January 21, 2021.

## **Responsibility of the management and governance for the accounting statements**

The Entity's management is responsible for the preparation and proper submission of the accounting statements according to the accounting practices adopted in Brazil and for the internal controls it determined as required to allow the preparation of accounting statements free from relevant distortion, regardless of if caused by fraud or error.

In the preparation of the accounting statements, the management is responsible for the assessment of the Entity's capacity of continuing operating, disclosing, where applicable, the subject related to its operational continuity and the use of such accounting base in the preparation of the accounting statements, unless the management intends to liquidate the Entity or cease its operations, or does not have any realistic alternative to avoid the closing of the operations.

Those in charge of the governance of the Entity are those with responsibility for the supervision of the process of preparation of the accounting statements.

### **Auditor's responsibility for the audit of the accounting statements**

Our purposes are to obtain reasonable safety that the accounting statements, taken together, are free from relevant distortion, regardless of caused by fraud or error, and issue an audit report containing our opinion. Reasonable safety is a high level of safety, but not a guarantee that the audit performed according to the Brazilian and international audit standards always detect the eventual existing relevant distortions.

The distortions may result of fraud or error and are considered relevant when, individually or together, may influence, within a reasonable perspective, the economic decisions of the users taken based on the said accounting statements.

As part of the audit carried out, according to the Brazilian and international audit standards, we exercise professional discretion and keep professional skepticism throughout the audit. Additionally:

- We identified and assessed the risks of relevant distortion in the accounting statements, regardless if caused by fraud or error, we planned and performed audit procedures in response to such risks, as well as we obtained evidence of proper and sufficient audit to ground our opinion. The risk of non-detection of relevant distortion resulting of fraud is higher than that from error, since the fraud may involve the act of circumventing internal controls, collusion, falsification, omission, or willful false declarations.
- We obtained understanding of the internal controls relevant to the audit to plan audit procedures proper to the circumstances, but not with the purpose of expressing opinion about the efficacy of the Entity's internal controls.
- We assessed the adequacy of the accounting policies used and the reasonableness of the accounting estimates and respective disclosures made by the management.

- We concluded about the adequacy of the use, by the management, of the accounting base of operational continuity and, based on the evidence of audit obtained, if there is relevant uncertainty in relation to events or conditions that may raise significant question in relation to the capacity of operational continuity of the Entity. If we conclude that there is relevant uncertainty, we shall call attention in our audit report to the respective disclosures in the accounting statements, or include modification in our opinion, if the disclosures are inadequate. Our conclusions are grounded on the evidence of audit obtained until the date of our report. However, events or future conditions may take the Entity not to keep itself in operational continuity anymore.

- We assessed the general presentation, the structure, and the content of the accounting statements, including the disclosures and if the accounting statements represent the corresponding transactions and events in a manner compatible with the purpose of proper presentation.

We communicate with those in charge of the governance regarding, among other aspects, the planned reach, the time of the audit, and the significant findings of audit, including the eventual significant deficiencies in the internal controls we identified during our works.

Rio de Janeiro, February 08, 2022.

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