

The award was signed. The proof was not ready.

Four official records. One award-assurance question.



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THE CONTROL MOMENT

A donor or auditor asks: why did this supplier win?

The answer may exist across valid systems and files. The control problem is whether another person can follow it without reconstructing the decision from memory.



The named human decision point remains visible.

Traceli does not show an automatic source-to-award path.



TWO DISTINCT CONSEQUENCE FAMILIES

Auditability and financial eligibility

AUDITABILITY

UN OIOS - UNMISS

FINAL INTERNAL-AUDIT REPORT

Bid evaluations were not timely and their documentation was inadequate.

Recommendations were accepted and later recorded as implemented.

CONTROL QUESTION

Can each material evaluation claim open its source, reviewer and timestamp?

FINANCIAL ELIGIBILITY

European Anti-Fraud Office

INVESTIGATIVE FINDING AND RECOMMENDATIONS

€7.5m

Financial impact; corresponding payments considered ineligible.

Not presented as a final judgment or completed recovery.

CONTROL QUESTION

Are competition, evaluation and approval controls evidenced before commitment?

Source: UN OIOS – Report 2024/064

Source: OLAF Report 2025

TWO DISTINCT CONSEQUENCE FAMILIES

Funding continuity and integrity exposure

FUNDING CONTINUITY

European Anti-Fraud Office

INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

€112m

OLAF recommended protecting future IPARD funding until remedial measures were in place.

The source does not establish that the amount was suspended or recovered.

CONTROL QUESTION

Are competition, pricing and supplier-evidence anomalies visible before sign-off?

INTEGRITY EXPOSURE

World Bank Group

DEBARMENT UNDER A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

63 months

Debarment after false past-experience claims in two financed-project bids.

The company acknowledged responsibility under the settlement.

CONTROL QUESTION

Is each material supplier claim linked to verifiable evidence and reviewer disposition?

Source: OLAF Report 2023

Source: World Bank Group – 18 June 2025

THE RECURRING CONTROL QUESTION

Could the accountable team prove the award before signing it?

AWARD
PROOF

01

Auditability

Incomplete or hard-to-test record

02

Financial eligibility

Payments considered ineligible

03

Funding continuity

Recommendation linked future funds to remediation

04

Integrity exposure

Settlement-based debarment

Four records show consequence categories - not prevalence, customer outcomes or prevention claims.

SEVEN QUESTIONS

Test one completed award.

01

Can each criterion open its governing rule?

02

Can each material supplier claim open its source evidence?

03

Is each consequential judgment tied to a named reviewer and timestamp?

04

Are clarifications, conflicts and exceptions visible with their dispositions?

05

Does the chronology show what changed, who changed it and why?

06

Can the signatory see unresolved issues before approval?

07

Can an independent reviewer export a coherent record without relying on personal memory?

A weak answer is not proof of misconduct. It is a signal that the award record may not yet be ready.

WHERE TRACELI FITS

Be ready to explain the award.

01

Map the award controls

Connect the governing rules and approved evaluation method.

02

Surface the evidence gaps

Keep unresolved proof visible for named human disposition.

03

Prepare a source-linked file

Preserve the source-linked rule, evidence, judgment, exception, approval and chronology.

Traceli does not certify compliance, replace audit, make the award decision or guarantee an outcome.

Discuss one procurement file

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