

TCU and the 2016 Olympic Games

Hosting the Olympic and Paralympic Games in Rio de Janeiro in 2016 is already considered a historical moment for Brazil. This is especially true regarding the legacy that the mega-event can bequeath to Rio de Janeiro and to Brazil.

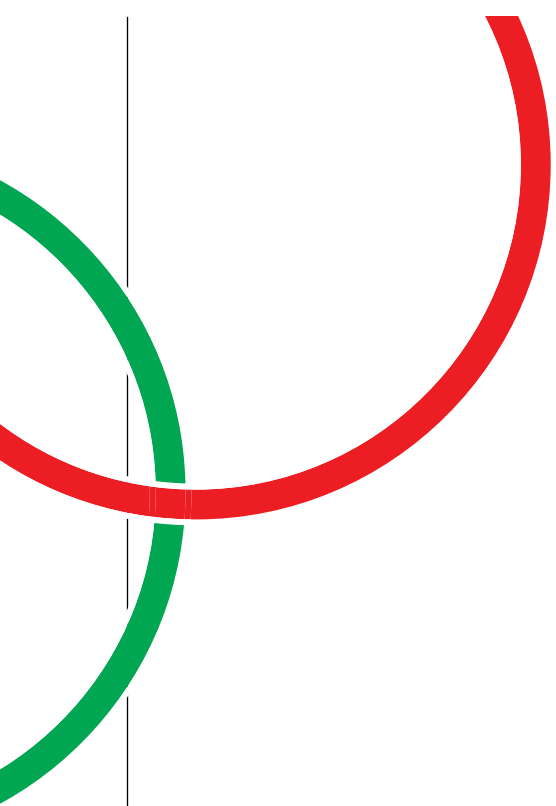
Since the moment Rio de Janeiro was chosen as host city, the Brazilian Federal Court of Accounts has been preparing itself

and joining other audit institutions so as to monitor governmental actions for the preparation of the Olympic Games.

Under the coordination of Minister Aroldo Cedraz de Oliveira, TCU elaborated an oversight plan for the several investment areas. For the elaboration of this plan, experiences gained by the Court when monitoring the preparatory

actions for the Pan-American Games, for the Military World Games and for the 2014 World Cup were taken into account.

According to the president of TCU, Minister Augusto Nardes, besides monitoring the legal compliance, the legitimacy and economic feasibility of the projects, TCU's action also intends to ensure good governance of the Games by contributing to



the strengthening of internal oversight, transparency of expenses and accountability regarding the results obtained.

In order to cooperate with strengthening governance during the organization of the sports event, TCU's oversight plan focuses on preventive and proactive action. In this sense, governmental actions are expected to be implemented in a transparent, efficient and effective manner, in compliance with applicable laws and regulatory standards.

The oversight plan includes evaluations of compliance with project timetable, lawfulness of contracts, effectiveness of the security actions plan, capacity building and training of high performance athletes and urban mobility projects.

To minister Aroldo Cedraz, coordinator of the TCU audit, no detail can be left out nor dealt with in an untimely manner. "Only then will we have conditions to establish a plan for possible contingencies that may hinder or even prevent the proper development of the event. All this must grant priority to transparency of government actions and also to those of the Federal Court of Accounts itself", he said.

One of the first control actions performed by TCU was an audit in order to evaluate the management and organization of the Olympic Games. According to the report, the governance of the Games still suffers from a lack of establishment of deadlines, values and responsibilities for actions that need to be developed. Less than three years before the world event, Brazil has not yet produced the document indicating the essential projects and corresponding responsibilities (responsibility matrix).



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In order to reduce risks perceived by the survey, TCU recommended a series of measures and determinations to the institutions that are responsible for the administration of the Games, such as the definition and publication of the projects and corresponding responsibilities.

Another action performed was the signing of a letter of intent with the Rio de Janeiro State and Municipal Courts of Accounts on September 17th in TCU's headquarters in Brasília.

With basis on the letter of intent, an information network will be created in order to oversee and control public expenses during the organization of the games aiming at boosting agility and efficiency in the exchange of information and in procedures that may involve the protection of public properties and maintenance of administrative probity.

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In order to improve access to information about the oversight of preparatory actions for the Games, TCU issued the report "TCU and the 2016 Olympics". This publication cover aspects related to the commitments made and guarantees offered by Brazil for hosting the Games in the city of Rio de Janeiro. It also describes foreseen investments to be made in order to carry out the event and the audits are also included in the report, giving special attention to the governance of the Games and to the sports facilities, as well as other ongoing control actions.

The report is available for consultation and free download at TCU Website: www.tcu.gov.br.