

## INDEPENDENT PRACTITIONER'S LIMITED ASSURANCE REPORT [TRANSLATION FROM RUSSIAN ORIGINAL]

*To the management of PJSC «GAZPROM».*

We have undertaken a limited assurance engagement of compliance of the accompanying Gazprom Group's Sustainability Report 2018 (hereinafter referred to as the Report) with the requirements of GRI Sustainability Reporting Standards to the report prepared in accordance with the Core option.

### **Responsibility of PJSC «GAZPROM»**

PJSC «GAZPROM» is responsible for preparation of the Report in compliance with the requirements of GRI Sustainability Reporting Standards (hereinafter referred to as Standards) to the report prepared in accordance with the Core option. This responsibility includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation of the Report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **Our Independence and Quality Control**

We have complied with the independence and other ethical requirements of the Rules of Independence of the Auditors and Audit Organizations and The Code of Professional Ethics of the Auditors, which are in accordance with International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including International Independence Standards) issued by the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants, which is founded on fundamental principles of integrity, objectivity, professional competence and due care, confidentiality and professional behavior, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

The firm applies International Standard on Quality Control 1, Quality Control for Firm that Perform Audits and Reviews of Financial Statements, and Other Assurance and Related Services Engagements, and accordingly maintains a comprehensive system of quality control including documented policies and procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

### **Our Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express a limited assurance conclusion on compliance of the Report with the requirements of GRI Sustainability Reporting Standards to the report prepared in accordance with the Core option based on the procedures we have performed and the evidence we have obtained. We conducted our limited assurance engagement in accordance with International Standard on Assurance Engagements 3000 (Revised), Assurance Engagements Other than Audits or Reviews of Historical Financial Information. This standard requires that we plan and perform this engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the Report is free from material misstatement.

A limited assurance engagement undertaken in accordance with this standard involves assessing the compliance of the Report with the requirements of Standards to the report prepared in accordance with the Core option.

A limited assurance engagement is substantially less in scope than a reasonable assurance engagement in relation to both the risk assessment procedures, including an understanding of internal control, and the procedures performed in response to the assessed risks.

The procedures we performed were based on our professional judgment and included inquiries, inspection of documents, analytical procedures, evaluating the appropriateness of quantification methods and reporting policies, and agreeing or reconciling with underlying records.

Given the circumstances of the engagement, in performing the procedures listed above we have performed the following procedures:

- Interviewing the management and employees of companies of Gazprom Group and obtaining documentary evidence;
- Study of information available on the websites of companies of Gazprom Group related to their activities in the context of sustainable development;

- Study of public statements of third parties concerning economic, environmental and social aspects of the Gazprom Group activities, in order to check validity of the declarations made in the Report;
- Analysis of non-financial reports of companies working in the similar market segment for benchmarking purposes;
- Selective review of documents and data on the efficiency of the management systems of economic, environmental and social aspects of sustainable development in Gazprom Group;
- Study of the existing processes of collection, processing, documenting, verification, analysis and selection of data to be included into the Report;
- Analysis of information in the Report for compliance with the requirements of Standards to the report prepared in accordance with the Core option.

The procedures were performed only in relation to data for the year ended 31 December 2018.

The evaluation of reliability of the information on performance in the Report was conducted in relation to compliance with the requirements of Standards to the report prepared in accordance with the Core option and information referred to in the annex to the Report "Annex 1. GRI Content Index". In respect to this information assessment of its conformity to external and internal reporting documents provided to us was performed.

The procedures were not performed in relation to forward-looking statements; statements expressing the opinions, beliefs and intentions of PJSC «GAZPROM» as the parent company of Gazprom Group to take any action relating to the future; as well as statements based on expert opinion.

The procedures were performed in relation to the Russian version of the Report, which includes information to be published in a hard-copy form as well as in digital form on the PJSC «GAZPROM» website.

We had no chance to verify that the Report was published on the PJSC «GAZPROM» website as well as that Global Reporting Initiative was notified of the use of the Standards in the Report preparation, due to the fact that the date of signing this Assurance Report preceded the planned dates of these procedures completion.

We had no chance to verify that PJSC «GAZPROM» has received the conclusion on public verification by Non-Financial Reporting Board of the Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs due to the fact that the date of signing this Assurance Report preceded the planned date of the procedure completion.

The procedures performed in a limited assurance engagement vary in nature and timing from, and are less in extent than for, a reasonable assurance engagement. Consequently, the level of assurance obtained in a limited assurance engagement is substantially lower than the assurance that would have been obtained had we performed a reasonable assurance engagement. Accordingly, we do not express a reasonable assurance opinion about whether the Report has been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the requirements of Standards to the report prepared in accordance with the Core option.

#### **Limited Assurance Conclusion**

##### ***Compliance of the Report with the GRI Sustainability Reporting Standards (Core option)***

Based on the procedures performed and evidence obtained, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the Report has not complied, in all material aspects, with requirements of GRI Sustainability Reporting Standards to the report prepared in accordance with the Core option.

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Practitioner  
Partner

acting under Power of Attorney No. 76/18 of December 17, 2018  
The Russian Federation, Moscow, September 4, 2019

  
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