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A
Functional review of the Secretariat

The Conference of the Parties

1. *Takes note* of the executive summary of the report on the external in-depth functional review of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity,[1] as contained in annex I to document CBD/SBI/6/10, and notes the additional actions requested by the Subsidiary Body on Implementation in its recommendation 6/9 of 19 February 2026;

2. *Notes* the outcome of the functional review, and welcomes the updated structure of the Secretariat, which should lead to enhanced synergies and efficiencies within the Secretariat;

3. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, subject to the availability of resources:

(a) To continue to implement the ongoing and remaining actions that: (i) align with the core functions of the Secretariat, in particular the servicing of meetings held under the Convention and its Protocols, and the strategic priorities determined by the Conference of the Parties; (ii) enhance operational efficiency; and (iii) align with the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework,[2] as recommended in the functional review, in line with the Secretariat staffing requirements adopted in the core budgets of the Convention and its Protocols for the biennium 2027–2028;

(b) To ensure the implementation of recommendations of the functional review that are in line with the core functions of the Secretariat, as established in Article 24 of the Convention, Article 31 of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety[3] and Article 28 of the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from Their Utilization;[4]

* The present document is being issued without formal editing.
[1] United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1760, No. 30619.
[2] Decision 15/4, annex.
[3] United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2226, No. 30619.
[4] Ibid., vol. 3008, No. 30619.

4. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary to keep the Parties informed through the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties, in a transparent manner, of progress in implementing the ongoing and remaining actions recommended in the functional review;

B
Proposed budget for the programmes of work of the Convention and its Protocols for the biennium 2027–2028

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling decision 16/28 of 6 December 2024,

Having considered the information contained in documents prepared by the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity[5] related to the item on the administration of the Convention and the budget for the trust funds on the agenda of its seventeenth meeting,[6]

Acknowledging the progress made in the implementation of the recommendations of the external in-depth functional review of the structure of the Secretariat, as reported by the Secretariat in document CBD/COP/17/4/Add.4,

Recognizing the efforts of the Secretariat to strengthen the long-term and strategic alignment of its functions and structure through the functional review, and noting the associated staffing and resource requirements of the Secretariat to be fully operational in line with the core mandates of the Convention and its Protocols, as well as priorities determined by the Conference of the Parties, in particular the provision of support for the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework,[7]

Highlighting the importance of the efficiency gains, including cost-saving measures, reported by the Secretariat in document CBD/COP/17/4/Add.5,

Noting the United Nations Secretary General UN80 Initiative goal of creating a more efficient and effective United Nations system,

Noting the current cumulative unspent balance of approximately 11.0 million dollars for the Convention, 4.9 million dollars for the Cartagena Protocol and 2.3 million dollars for the Nagoya Protocol, for a total of 18.2 million dollars, as at 31 December 2025,

Welcoming with appreciation the financial contributions from developed country Parties to the special voluntary trust funds to facilitate the participation of developing Parties in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States, and Parties with economies in transition and indigenous peoples and local communities in the processes of the Convention and its Protocols,

Recognizing that some Parties may experience fiscal constraints, and noting with concern that the participation of developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States among them, and Parties with economies in transition in meetings held under the Convention and its Protocols has been adversely affected by the lack of predictable and sustainable funding,

1. *Decides* to adopt an integrated programme of work and budget for the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety[8] and the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from Their Utilization[9] for the biennium 2027–2028;

[5] United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1760, No. 30619.
[6] CBD/COP/17/3, CBD/COP/17/4, CBD/COP/17/4/Add.1, CBD/COP/17/4/Add.2, CBD/COP/17/4/Add.3, CBD/COP/17/4/Add.4, CBD/COP/17/4/Add.5, CBD/COP/17/4/INF/28
[7] Decision 15/4, annex.
[8] United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 2226, No. 30619.
[9] Ibid., vol. 3008, No. 30619.

2. *Also decides* to share all costs for secretariat services among the Convention, the Cartagena Protocol and the Nagoya Protocol on a ratio of 72 to 15 to 13 for the biennium 2027–2028;

3. *Approves* a core programme budget for the General Trust Fund for the Convention of [15,272,981] United States dollars for 2027 and [17,716,828] dollars for 2028, representing 72 per cent of the integrated budget of [21,212,474] dollars for 2027 and [24,606,706] dollars for 2028 for the Convention and its Protocols, for the purposes listed in tables 1 and 2 below;[10]

4. *Further approves* the use of the cumulative unspent balance of the General Trust Fund for the Convention, the General Trust Fund for the Core Programme Budget for the Cartagena Protocol and the General Trust Fund for the Core Programme Budget for the Nagoya Protocol (the core trust funds) of [668,836] dollars to offset contributions [and 500,000 for time-bound expenditures] from the Parties to the Convention, the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol for the biennium 2027–2028; [11]

5. *Expresses its appreciation* to Canada as the host country of the Secretariat for its renewed support for the Secretariat, and welcomes the contribution of 2,277,896 Canadian dollars for 2027 and 2,300,273 Canadian dollars for 2028 from the host country and the Province of Quebec to the rental and associated costs of the Secretariat, which will be allocated on a ratio of 72 to 15 to 13 to offset contributions from the Parties to the Convention, the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol, respectively, for the biennium 2027–2028;

6. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to minimize conference expenses by reserving conference facilities for all meetings of the subsidiary bodies held in Montreal, Canada, during the biennium 2027–2028 and onward, through the preferential arrangement for the use of space with the International Civil Aviation Organization, or in any other available United Nations facility available on the basis of their capacity to hold such meetings, and also taking into consideration the budgetary implications and savings of travelling and subsistence allowance for Party participation, and any other services at any available dates that are suitable to the Parties;

7. *Adopts* the scale of assessments for the apportionment of expenses for 2027 and 2028, in accordance with the scale of assessments of the United Nations,[12] as contained in the annex to the present decision;

8. *Takes note* of the recommendations of the functional review of the Secretariat and proposed redeployment of existing posts, of the new organizational structure of the Secretariat as presented in document CBD/COP/17/4/Add.4, which should lead to increased coherence, effectiveness and efficiencies;

9. *Adopts* the staffing table of the Secretariat for the biennium 2027–2028, as contained in table 3, used for costing purposes to set the overall budget;

10. *Notes* that the Executive Secretary, within the regulations and rules of the United Nations and without prejudice to any decision by the Conference of the Parties at its eighteenth meeting, is in the process of adjusting the job descriptions and assignments as part of the implementation of the functional review of the Secretariat within the proposed new organizational structure, ensuring that the overall cost of the Secretariat remains within the approved integrated budget and that there are no consequent increases in staff costs in the biennium 2027–2028;

11. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to report to the Bureau and provide it with all necessary information, including with regard to the application of the administrative arrangements

[10] These numbers are in brackets pending the approval of the budget table, in table 1. Once the budget table is adopted, the numbers in this paragraph will be amended to be consistent with the final table.

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[12] As contained in General Assembly resolution 79/249.Once adopted by the General Assembly, the revised scale of assessments for the triennium 2028–2030 will be applied to calculate assessed contributions for 2028.

between the United Nations Environment Programme and the Secretariat, in order to ensure that the Bureau may play a guiding role with regard to preparations for and the conduct of meetings of the Conference of the Parties and of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols;

12. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary to enter into commitments up to the level of the approved budget, drawing on available cash resources, including unspent balances, contributions from previous financial periods and miscellaneous income, in accordance with the decisions of the Conference of the Parties and with the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations,[13] and requests the Executive Secretary to disclose those commitments in a timely manner;

13. *Also authorizes* the Executive Secretary to transfer resources among the programmes between each of the main appropriation lines set out in table 1 below, up to an aggregate of 15 per cent of the total programme budget, provided that a further limitation of up to a maximum of 25 per cent of each such appropriation line is applied;

14. *Urges* the Executive Secretary to further reduce the environmental impact of the operations of the Secretariat and to report on the actions taken in that regard to the Conference of the Parties;

15. *Reiterates* its request to the Executive Secretary, as a means to ensure transparency and accountability, to maintain the section on the website of the Convention that provides links to up-to-date information relevant to the governance of the Convention, including completed and accepted audit reports, audit recommendations and audit responses, applicable financial regulations and rules and any other relevant budgetary and financial information, to facilitate due diligence and financing decisions by Parties and other potential donors;

16. *Reminds* all Parties to the Convention and its Protocols that contributions to the core trust funds are due on 1 January of the year for which those contributions have been budgeted, urges Parties to pay them promptly, and requests the Executive Secretary to notify Parties of the amount of their contributions as early as possible in the year preceding the year in which the contributions are due;

17. *Notes with concern* that a number of Parties to the Convention and its Protocols have not paid their contributions to the core trust funds for 2026 and previous years, that some Parties have never paid their contributions and that, in accordance with the International Public Sector Accounting Standards adopted by the United Nations,[14] expected credit loss allowance estimated at 2,685,322 United States dollars for the Convention, 785,985 dollars for the Cartagena Protocol and 326,309 dollars for the Nagoya Protocol were outstanding at the end of 2025 and deducted from the fund balance to cover doubtful debt, and can therefore not be used for the benefit of all respective Parties;

18. *Urges* Parties to the Convention and its Protocols that have still not paid their contributions to the core trust funds for 2026 and previous years to do so without delay or conditionalities, and requests the Executive Secretary to publish and keep up to date the information on the status of contributions to the three core trust funds, the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Additional Approved Activities under the Convention and its Protocols, the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating the Participation of Parties in the Convention Process and the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating the Participation of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities and to keep the members of the Bureaux of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols regularly apprised of the situation so that they may provide information on unpaid contributions and their consequences to the respective regions;

[13] ST/SGB/2013/4, ST/SGB/2013/4/Amend.1, ST/SGB/2015/4, ST/SGB/2015/4/Amend.1 and ST/SGB/2019/2.
[14] See General Assembly resolution 60/283, sect. IV.

19. *Requests* the United Nations Environment Programme, in its capacity as trustee, to use all available diplomatic channels to communicate to the relevant Parties the arrears in their contributions to the core trust funds from 2026 and previous years, with a view to the payment of such arrears in full for the benefit of all Parties to the Convention and its Protocols, and requests the Executive Secretary to report to the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties intersessionally, and to the Conference of the Parties at its eighteenth meeting on the status of those arrears;

20. *Confirms* that, with regard to contributions due from 1 January 2005 onward, Parties that have been in arrears with their contributions for two or more years are not eligible to become a member of the Bureaux of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to its Protocols or the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice or to nominate a member of a compliance committee, and decides that the limitation only applies in the case of Parties that are not least developed countries or small island developing States;

21. *Recognizes* with concern that some Parties are unable to pay their contributions to the Convention and its Protocols easily, owing to technical challenges, including information technology issues related to the submission of invoices, despite their intention to do so, and requests the Executive Secretary, in consultation with the United Nations Environment Programme, to work with those Parties that have brought up such technical challenges to explore other options to pay their contributions.

22. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary to enter into arrangements with any Party that has been in arrears with its contributions for two or more years, whereby the Party agrees to a schedule of payments to clear all outstanding arrears within six years, depending on its financial circumstances, and pay future contributions by the due date, and to report on the implementation of any such arrangement to the Bureau concerned at its following meeting and to the Conference of the Parties at its eighteenth meeting;

23. *Decides* that a Party that has entered into an agreed arrangement in accordance with paragraph 22 above and that is fully respecting the provisions thereof will not be subject to the provisions of paragraph 21 above;

24. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, and invites the President of the Conference of the Parties, through a jointly signed letter, to notify Parties with outstanding contributions that they are in arrears and to invite them to take timely action to remedy the situation, and to thank those Parties that have responded in a positive manner by paying their outstanding contributions;

25. *Acknowledges* the funding estimates for:

(a) The Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Additional Approved Activities under the Convention and its Protocols for the biennium 2027–2028 (see tables 4 and 5);

(b) The Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating the Participation of Parties in the Convention Process for the biennium 2027–2028 (see table 6);

(c) The Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating the Participation of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities for the biennium 2027–2028 (see table 7);

26. *Recalls* rule 30 of the rules of procedure for meetings of the Conference of the Parties,[15] and stresses the need for a wide range of Parties to attend meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols, in particular to reach the level of two thirds of Parties present needed to provide a quorum for the meeting that allows decisions to be taken;

27. *Reaffirms* the importance of the full and effective participation from developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States among them,

[15] Decision I/1, annex, as amended in decision V/20.

and Parties with economies in transition in the meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols, as well as the subsidiary bodies, to be funded from the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating the Participation of Parties in the Convention Process, as needed and as presented in table 6, and in this regard invites developed country Parties and other Parties in a position to do so, including in the context of South-South cooperation, to make contributions to the Fund in a timely manner and at a level that will allow for full and effective participation;

28. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary, and in accordance with the Financial Regulations and Rules of the United Nations, to draw, in consultation with the Bureau, a total amount of up to 1,000,000 dollars across the biennium 2027–2028 from the unspent balances in the three core trust funds, to be used in case of temporary shortfalls in the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating the Participation of Parties in the Convention Process, for which written pledges have been made but resources have not yet been received so as to support the participation of delegates from developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States among them, and Parties with economies in transition in the eighteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and the seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol as well as meetings of the subsidiary bodies providing that reimbursements are made to the three core trust funds as soon as pledges materialize

29. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to prepare, based on any views submitted by Parties and with inputs from the Bureau, a report on the causes of and options to address the recurring shortfalls in the BZ Trust Fund for the period 2015 to 2026, and to submit this report for consideration of SBI8 with a view to providing recommendation to eighteenth meeting of the Conference of Parties for consideration.

30. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary, in accordance with the UN Financial Rules and Regulations, solely as a backup to the arrangement in paragraph 28 above, to draw up to 500,000 dollars from the available unspent balances may be used, as a measure of last resort, to address any remaining shortfall in funding for the participation of developing country Parties in particular Parties from the least developed countries and small island developing States, and, Parties with economies in transition in the meetings referred to in paragraph 28 above, only if:

(a) The Executive Secretary has issued an immediate call for pledges at least 6 months before the meeting;

(b) Pledges remain insufficient 90 days before the meeting;

31. Decides that any amount used under paragraph 30 (b) above shall be subject to the approval of the Bureau and shall be reimbursed from subsequent contributions to the Special Voluntary Trust Fund that paragraphs 30 and 30 (b) above apply to the biennium 2027–2028 only with no commitments beyond that biennium, and requests the Executive Secretary to report on the amounts used and reimbursed to the Conference of the Parties at its eighteenth meeting

[32. *Also authorizes* the Executive Secretary, on an exceptional basis, and in accordance with the UN Financial Rules and Regulations, for the biennium 2027–2028, of a total amount of up to 200,000 United States dollars from the available unspent balances of the General Trust Fund for the Core Programme Budget for the Convention, the General Trust Fund for the Core Programme Budget for the Cartagena Protocol and the General Trust Fund for the Core Programme Budget for the Nagoya Protocol (the core trust funds) from prior financial periods, to support intersessional work on digital sequencing information on genetic resources during the biennium 2027-2028, and to be reimbursed from the Cali fund once it is operational while maintaining the required working capital reserves and providing for outstanding commitments;][16]

[16] The brackets around this paragraph are pending the adoption of the decision of COP-17 on digital sequencing information.

30. *Strongly encourages* developed country Parties and other Parties in a position to do so, including in the context of South-South cooperation, as early as possible to provide the financial resources to the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating the Participation of Parties in the Convention Process necessary to enable the full and effective participation of representatives of developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States among them, and countries with economies in transition in meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols, and SBSTTA, SBI and [SB8J];[17]

31. *Recalls* paragraph 31 of decision IX/34 of 23 May 2008, and requests the Executive Secretary, when allocating funding from the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating the Participation of Parties in the Convention Process, to continue to accord first priority to the funding of delegates from least developed countries and small island developing States

32. *Encourages* all Parties, in particular developed country Parties and other Parties in a position to do so, to support and facilitate the engagement of the Secretariat with existing and potential donors to the Fund, including private-sector and philanthropic entities, with a view to broadening the donor base and securing adequate resources to support the participation of eligible developing countries in meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols and the subsidiary bodies;

33. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to remind Parties in January of each year of the need to contribute to the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating the Participation of Parties in the Convention Process at least six months before the ordinary meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols, to issue requests in December of each year for covering the needs of all relevant meetings in the subsequent year and to issue early invitations to other donors to make contributions;

34. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary, in consultation with the Bureaux, to continue to monitor the availability of voluntary contributions to the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating the Participation of Parties in the Convention Process, with a view to enabling members of the Bureaux to bring any shortfalls in contributions to the attention of Parties and, as appropriate, potential donors in their regions;

35. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, in preparation for the meetings of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the Conference of the Parties to the Protocols, to compile and distribute to the Parties a list of requests addressed to the Executive Secretary in draft decisions, including the administrative and financial implications outlining estimated resource requirements, as well as the potential for absorption of each draft decision, such as, where implementation would require support from the core budget, if the requested activities can be accommodated within existing approved budget levels, or if the requested activities would require additional resources.

36. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to prepare and submit an updated, detailed and integrated programme of work for the biennium 2029–2030 that sets out objectives, tasks to be completed by the Secretariat cost-efficiency measures and results expected with regard to each budget item, for the Convention and its Protocols, for the consideration of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and the seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol at their eighteenth, thirteenth and seventh meetings, respectively, and a corresponding programme budget following the format of the proposed programme budget for the United Nations Environment Programme, for the biennium with the three following scenarios, taking the list referred to in paragraph 35 above into account:

[17] The brackets around SB8j are pending the adoption of the decision of COP-17 on the modus operandi of the Subsidiary Body on Article 8(j) and Other Provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity Related to Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities.

(a) The programme budget (three core trust funds) set at the total 2027–2028 level in nominal terms, minus the amount of the unspent balances used for the biennium 2027–2028;

(b) The programme budget (three core trust funds) set at the total 2027–2028 level in real terms, minus the amount of the unspent balances used for the biennium 2027–2028;

(c) The programme budget (three core trust funds) required to deliver the programme of work of the Convention and its Protocols, minus the amount of the unspent balances used for the biennium 2027–2028

37. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary to continue to introduce, taking into account audit recommendations, all possible measures to improve. the effectiveness and efficiency including cost-efficiency of the Secretariat, and to reflect those measures in the three scenarios above;

38. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary to report to the Conference of the Parties to the ahead of the eighteenth meeting of the Convention, the thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol at their eighteenth, thirteenth and seventh meetings, respectively, on income and budget performance, unspent balances and the status of cumulative unspent balance and carry-overs, arrears, financing of delegates participation to Convention on the Biological Diversity and its Protocols meetings, as well as any adjustments made to the budget for the biennium 2027–2028;

39. *Urges* the Executive Secretary to take the measures necessary to ensure that budget documents are prepared and circulated in full respect of the 90-day deadline set in paragraph 7 (a) of annex I to decision I/6 of 9 December 1994;

40. *Notes* the information provided by the Executive Secretary on the administration of the Convention and its Protocols for the biennium 2025–2026,[18] in particular the 2025–2026 integrated budget performance, and requests the Executive Secretary to submit at all future meetings of the Conference of the Parties information on the performance of both the core and the voluntary trust fund budgets, so that Parties have a complete report on expenditure incurred under the Convention and its Protocols.

[Table 1

Integrated biennial budget for the core trust funds of the Convention and its Protocols, 2027–2028 (by object of expenditure)

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Object of expenditure	***2027***	***2028***	***2027–2028***
Staff costs	13 364.3	14 967.3	28 331.6
General temporary assistance	66.0	66.0	132.0
Meetings of the Bureaux	140.0	140.0	280.0
Expert meetings	160.0	160.0	320.0
Meetings of intergovernmental bodies[a]	2 322.3	3 171.5	5 493.8
Consultants	75.0	75.0	150.0
Official travel	425.0	425.0	850.0
Rent and associated costs	1 469.3	1 483.7	2 953.0
Training	5.0	10.0	15.0
Information technology	65.0	65.0	130.0
General operating expenses	726.6	726.6	1 453.2
Public awareness material	50.0	50.0	100.0
Translation of the clearing-house websites	65.0	65.0	130.0
Subtotal	**18 933.4**	**21 405.1**	**40 338.5**

[18] CBD/COP/17/3.

Object of expenditure	*2027*	*2028*	*2027–2028*
Programme support costs (13 per cent)	2 461.3	2 782.7	5 244.0
Subtotal	**21 394.7**	**24 187.8**	**45 582.5**
Working capital reserve	(182.3)	419.0	236.7
Total	**21 212.5**	**24 606.7**	**45 819.2**
Convention share of the integrated budget (72 per cent)	15 273.0	17 716.8	32 989.8
Contributions from host country	(1 195.4)	(1 207.1)	(2 402.5)
Use of reserves	(342.5)	(139.1)	(481.6)
Net total to be shared by Parties	**13 735.0**	**16 370.6**	**30 105.7**

[a] Second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Article 8(j) and Other Provisions of the Convention on Biological Diversity Related to Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities; twenty-ninth of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice; eighth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation; and, the eighteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol.]

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**Thousands of dollars*	***2025–2026***	***Proposed scenario 2027–2028 (improved zero nominal growth)***
Staff costs		
Staff	27.163,7	28.564,7
General temporary assistance	200,0	132,0
Subtotal	**27.363,7**	**28.696,7**
Meetings costs		
Bureau meetings	338,3	259,0
Expert meetings	380,0	300,0
Meetings of intergovernmental bodies	4.975,5	5.000,0
Subtotal	**5.693,8**	**5.559,0**
Operational costs		
Consultants	150,0	150,0
Structural review*	250,0	-
Global Coordination Entity*		300,0
DSI Intersessional Work*		200,0
Official travel	850,0	600,0
Rent and associated costs	2.939,2	2.953,0
Training	10,0	20,0
Information technology	130,0	130,0
General operating expenses	1.453,2	1.200,0
Public awareness material	200,0	100,0

Translation of clearing-house mechanism websites	130,0	20,0
Subtotal	**6.112,4**	**5.673,0**
Total requirements	**39.169,9**	**39.928,7**
Programme Support (13 per cent)	5.092,1	5.190,7
Total	**44.262,0**	**45.119,4**
Working capital reserve	173,4	179,9
Total requirements	**44.435,4**	**45.299,3**
Contributions from host country	(3.321,3)	(3.336,9)
Use of reserves (contributions offset)		(363,9)
Use of reserves (time-bound expenditures*)	(668,9)	(500,0)
Net total (to be shared by Parties)	**40.445,2**	**41.098,5**
Convention share of the integrated budget (72 per cent)	*29.120,5*	*29.590,9*
Cartagena Protocol share of the integrated budget (15 per cent)	*6.066,8*	*6.164,8*
Nagoya Protocol share of the integrated budget (13 per cent)	*5.257,9*	*5.342,8*

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[Table 2

Integrated biennial budget for the core trust funds of the Convention and its Protocols, 2027–2028 (by component)

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Component	***2027***	***2028***	***2027–2028***
A. Governing and subsidiary bodies	2 622.3	3 471.5	6 093.8
B. Executive direction and management	2 489.8	2 896.7	5 386.5
C. Programme of work	9 771.2	10 911.8	20 683.0
D. Programme conference support	4 050.1	4 125.1	8 175.2
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Net total (to be shared by Parties)	**13 735.0**	**16 370.6**	**30 105.7**

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[Table 3
Secretariat staffing requirements from the core budgets of the Convention and its Protocols, 2027–2028

Category and level	*Approved for 2025–2026*	*Approved for 2027–2028*[a]
Professional and higher		
ASG	1	1
D-1	3	3
P-5	10	10
P-4	16	17
P-3	16	17
P-2/1	10	11
Subtotal	**56**	**59**
General Service	31	32
Total	**87**	**91**

Abbreviations: ASG, Assistant Secretary-General; D, Director; P, Professional.

[a] Additional staffing envelope approved by the Conference of the Parties at its seventeenth meeting: 1 P-4, 1P-3, 1P-2, 1GS

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Level			**Proposal**	**2027**	**2028**	***Proposed scenario 2027–2028 (improved zero nominal growth)***
P-2	Office of the Executive Secretary	Programme Management Unit	1	144.430	144.430	288.860
Subtotal (component B. Executive Direction and Management)			**1**	**144.430**	**144.430**	**288.860**
P-3	Science, Monitoring and Capacity Division	Drivers and Cross-sectoral Work	1	184.830	184.830	369.660
Subtotal (component C. Programme of work)			**5**	**184.830**	**184.830**	**369.660**
P-3	Conference Services Section	Meeting Planning and Coordination	1	184.830	184.830	369.660
Subtotal (component D. Programme and Conference Support)			**1**	**184.830**	**184.830**	**369.660**
Total			**7**	**514.090**	**514.090**	**1.028.180**

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Table 4 – **PLACE HOLDER**

Resource requirements for the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Additional Approved Activities under the Convention and its Protocols, 2027–2028: funding requirements by thematic area and expenditure component

Table 5 - **PLACE HOLDER**

Resource requirements for the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Additional Approved Activities under the Convention and its Protocols, 2027–2028: staff resource requirements

Table 6

Resource requirements for the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating the Participation of Parties in the Convention Process, 2027–2028

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Meetings	***2027–2028***
Eighteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol (3 delegates funded from each eligible party)	3 721.0
Twenty-ninth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (2 delegates funded from each eligible party)	1 928.0
Eighth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (2 delegate funded from each eligible party)	2 190.0
Second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Article 8(j) and Other Provisions of the Convention Related to Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (2 delegate funded from eligible party)	1 730.0
Subtotal	**9 569.0**
Programme support costs (13 per cent)	1 244
Total	**10 813**

Table 7

Resource requirements for the Special Voluntary Trust Fund for Facilitating the Participation of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities, 2027–2028

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Description	***2027–2028***
Meetings	
Eighteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention, thirteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol and seventh meeting of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol (5 delegates funded from each eligible party)	271.0
Twenty-ninth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (2 delegates funded from each region)	84.0
Eighth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation (2 delegates funded from region)	96.0
Second meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Article 8(j) and Other Provisions of the Convention Related to Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities (3 delegates funded from each region)	114.0
Subtotal	**565.0**
Programme support costs (13 per cent)	73.5
Total costs	**638.5**

Annex

Contribution table for the General Trust Fund for the Convention, 2027–2028

	Scale of assessments (percentage)		*Contributions (United States dollars)*		
Party	***2025–2027***	***Scale with 22 per cent ceiling, no least developed countries paying more than 0.01 per cent***	***2027***	***2028***	***2027–2028***
Afghanistan	0.005	0.007	894	1,066	1,960
Albania	0.010	0.013	1,788	2,131	3,919
Algeria	0.087	0.113	15,558	18,543	34,101
Andorra	0.004	0.005	715	853	1,568
Angola	0.010	0.010	1,373	1,637	3,010
Antigua and Barbuda	0.002	0.003	358	426	784
Argentina	0.490	0.638	87,623	104,436	192,059
Armenia	0.007	0.009	1,252	1,492	2,744
Australia	2.040	2.656	364,799	434,796	799,595
Austria	0.626	0.815	111,943	133,423	245,366
Azerbaijan	0.034	0.044	6,080	7,247	13,327
Bahamas	0.015	0.020	2,682	3,197	5,879
Bahrain	0.050	0.065	8,941	10,657	19,598
Bangladesh	0.010	0.010	1,373	1,637	3,010
Barbados	0.007	0.009	1,252	1,492	2,744
Belarus	0.043	0.056	7,689	9,165	16,854
Belgium	0.773	1.006	138,230	164,753	302,983
Belize	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Benin	0.005	0.007	894	1,066	1,960
Bhutan	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	0.018	0.023	3,219	3,836	7,055
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.014	0.018	2,503	2,984	5,487
Botswana	0.013	0.017	2,325	2,771	5,096
Brazil	1.411	1.837	252,319	300,734	553,053
Brunei Darussalam	0.019	0.025	3,398	4,050	7,448
Bulgaria	0.071	0.092	12,696	15,133	27,829
Burkina Faso	0.005	0.007	894	1,066	1,960
Burundi	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Cabo Verde	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Cambodia	0.008	0.010	1,431	1,705	3,136
Cameroon	0.014	0.018	2,503	2,984	5,487
Canada	2.543	3.311	454,747	542,002	996,749
Central African Republic	0.001	0.001	179	213	392

Party	*Scale of assessments (percentage)*		*Contributions (United States dollars)*		
	2025–2027	*Scale with 22 per cent ceiling, no least developed countries paying more than 0.01 per cent*	*2027*	*2028*	*2027–2028*
Chad	0.005	0.007	894	1,066	1,960
Chile	0.374	0.487	66,880	79,713	146,593
China	20.004	22.000	3,021,727	3,601,529	6,623,256
Colombia	0.197	0.256	35,228	41,988	77,216
Comoros	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Congo	0.005	0.007	894	1,066	1,960
Cook Islands	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Costa Rica	0.063	0.082	11,266	13,428	24,694
Cote d'Ivoire	0.024	0.031	4,292	5,115	9,407
Croatia	0.088	0.115	15,736	18,756	34,492
Cuba	0.122	0.159	21,816	26,002	47,818
Cyprus	0.035	0.046	6,259	7,460	13,719
Czechia	0.344	0.448	61,515	73,319	134,834
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	0.005	0.007	894	1,066	1,960
Democratic Republic of the Congo	0.010	0.010	1,373	1,637	3,010
Denmark	0.531	0.691	94,955	113,175	208,130
Djibouti	0.002	0.003	358	426	784
Dominica	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Dominican Republic	0.069	0.090	12,339	14,706	27,045
Ecuador	0.065	0.085	11,623	13,854	25,477
Egypt	0.182	0.237	32,546	38,791	71,337
El Salvador	0.013	0.017	2,325	2,771	5,096
Equatorial Guinea	0.008	0.010	1,431	1,705	3,136
Eritrea	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Estonia	0.045	0.059	8,047	9,591	17,638
Eswatini	0.002	0.003	358	426	784
Ethiopia	0.010	0.010	1,373	1,637	3,010
European Union		2.500	343,378	409,265	752,643
Fiji	0.003	0.004	536	639	1,175
Finland	0.386	0.503	69,026	82,270	151,296
France	3.858	5.023	689,899	822,275	1,512,174
Gabon	0.011	0.014	1,967	2,344	4,311
Gambia	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Georgia	0.009	0.012	1,609	1,918	3,527
Germany	5.692	7.411	1,017,860	1,213,164	2,231,024
Ghana	0.025	0.033	4,470	5,328	9,798

Party	*Scale of assessments (percentage)*		*Contributions (United States dollars)*		
	2025–2027	*Scale with 22 per cent ceiling, no least developed countries paying more than 0.01 per cent*	*2027*	*2028*	*2027–2028*
Greece	0.280	0.365	50,070	59,678	109,748
Grenada	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Guatemala	0.046	0.060	8,226	9,804	18,030
Guinea	0.004	0.005	715	853	1,568
Guinea-Bissau	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Guyana	0.011	0.014	1,967	2,344	4,311
Haiti	0.006	0.008	1,073	1,279	2,352
Honduras	0.010	0.013	1,788	2,131	3,919
Hungary	0.223	0.290	39,877	47,529	87,406
Iceland	0.035	0.046	6,259	7,460	13,719
India	1.106	1.440	197,778	235,727	433,505
Indonesia	0.579	0.754	103,538	123,405	226,943
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	0.386	0.503	69,026	82,270	151,296
Iraq	0.131	0.171	23,426	27,921	51,347
Ireland	0.472	0.615	84,404	100,600	185,004
Israel	0.609	0.793	108,903	129,799	238,702
Italy	2.813	3.662	503,029	599,549	1,102,578
Jamaica	0.007	0.009	1,252	1,492	2,744
Japan	6.930	9.022	1,239,242	1,477,026	2,716,268
Jordan	0.021	0.027	3,755	4,476	8,231
Kazakhstan	0.131	0.171	23,426	27,921	51,347
Kenya	0.037	0.048	6,616	7,886	14,502
Kiribati	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Kuwait	0.222	0.289	39,699	47,316	87,015
Kyrgyzstan	0.003	0.004	536	639	1,175
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.006	0.008	1,073	1,279	2,352
Latvia	0.050	0.065	8,941	10,657	19,598
Lebanon	0.022	0.029	3,934	4,689	8,623
Lesotho	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Liberia	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Libya	0.040	0.052	7,153	8,525	15,678
Liechtenstein	0.009	0.012	1,609	1,918	3,527
Lithuania	0.081	0.105	14,485	17,264	31,749
Luxembourg	0.073	0.095	13,054	15,559	28,613
Madagascar	0.004	0.005	715	853	1,568
Malawi	0.003	0.004	536	639	1,175

Party	*Scale of assessments (percentage)*		*Contributions (United States dollars)*		
	2025–2027	*Scale with 22 per cent ceiling, no least developed countries paying more than 0.01 per cent*	*2027*	*2028*	*2027–2028*
Malaysia	0.326	0.424	58,296	69,482	127,778
Maldives	0.004	0.005	715	853	1,568
Mali	0.005	0.007	894	1,066	1,960
Malta	0.020	0.026	3,576	4,263	7,839
Marshall Islands	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Mauritania	0.003	0.004	536	639	1,175
Mauritius	0.010	0.013	1,788	2,131	3,919
Mexico	1.137	1.480	203,322	242,334	445,656
Micronesia (Federated States of)	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Monaco	0.011	0.014	1,967	2,344	4,311
Mongolia	0.004	0.005	715	853	1,568
Montenegro	0.004	0.005	715	853	1,568
Morocco	0.059	0.077	10,550	12,575	23,125
Mozambique	0.002	0.003	358	426	784
Myanmar	0.010	0.010	1,374	1,637	3,011
Namibia	0.007	0.009	1,252	1,492	2,744
Nauru	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Nepal	0.010	0.010	1,373	1,637	3,010
Netherlands (Kingdom of the)	1.298	1.690	232,112	276,649	508,761
New Zealand	0.302	0.393	54,005	64,367	118,372
Nicaragua	0.004	0.005	715	853	1,568
Niger	0.004	0.005	715	853	1,568
Nigeria	0.150	0.195	26,823	31,970	58,793
Niue	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
North Macedonia	0.008	0.010	1,431	1,705	3,136
Norway	0.653	0.850	116,771	139,177	255,948
Oman	0.115	0.150	20,565	24,511	45,076
Pakistan	0.123	0.160	21,995	26,216	48,211
Palau	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Panama	0.086	0.112	15,379	18,330	33,709
Papua New Guinea	0.009	0.012	1,609	1,918	3,527
Paraguay	0.023	0.030	4,113	4,902	9,015
Peru	0.145	0.189	25,929	30,905	56,834
Philippines	0.198	0.258	35,407	42,201	77,608
Poland	0.831	1.082	148,602	177,115	325,717
Portugal	0.328	0.427	58,654	69,908	128,562

Party	*Scale of assessments (percentage)*		*Contributions (United States dollars)*		
	2025–2027	*Scale with 22 per cent ceiling, no least developed countries paying more than 0.01 per cent*	*2027*	*2028*	*2027–2028*
Qatar	0.245	0.319	43,812	52,218	96,030
Republic of Korea	2.349	3.058	420,055	500,654	920,709
Republic of Moldova	0.006	0.008	1,073	1,279	2,352
Romania	0.358	0.466	64,019	76,302	140,321
Russian Federation	2.094	2.726	374,455	446,305	820,760
Rwanda	0.003	0.004	536	639	1,175
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Saint Lucia	0.002	0.003	358	426	784
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Samoa	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
San Marino	0.002	0.003	358	426	784
Sao Tome and Principe	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Saudi Arabia	1.217	1.584	217,627	259,385	477,012
Senegal	0.007	0.009	1,252	1,492	2,744
Serbia	0.040	0.052	7,153	8,525	15,678
Seychelles	0.002	0.003	358	426	784
Sierra Leone	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Singapore	0.479	0.624	85,656	102,092	187,748
Slovakia	0.149	0.194	26,645	31,757	58,402
Slovenia	0.077	0.100	13,769	16,412	30,181
Solomon Islands	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Somalia	0.002	0.003	358	426	784
South Africa	0.251	0.327	44,885	53,497	98,382
South Sudan	0.005	0.007	894	1,066	1,960
Spain	1.895	2.467	338,869	403,891	742,760
Sri Lanka	0.038	0.049	6,795	8,099	14,894
State of Palestine	0.011	0.014	1,967	2,344	4,311
Sudan	0.008	0.010	1,430	1,705	3,135
Suriname	0.002	0.003	358	426	784
Sweden	0.822	1.070	146,992	175,197	322,189
Switzerland	1.029	1.340	184,009	219,316	403,325
Syrian Arab Republic	0.006	0.008	1,073	1,279	2,352
Tajikistan	0.003	0.004	536	639	1,175
Thailand	0.341	0.444	60,979	72,679	133,658
Timor-Leste	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Togo	0.002	0.003	358	426	784

	Scale of assessments (percentage)		*Contributions (United States dollars)*		
Party	***2025–2027***	***Scale with 22 per cent ceiling, no least developed countries paying more than 0.01 per cent***	***2027***	***2028***	***2027–2028***
Tonga	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Trinidad and Tobago	0.033	0.043	5,901	7,033	12,934
Tunisia	0.018	0.023	3,219	3,836	7,055
Türkiye	0.685	0.892	122,494	145,998	268,492
Turkmenistan	0.036	0.047	6,438	7,673	14,111
Tuvalu	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Uganda	0.010	0.010	1,373	1,637	3,010
Ukraine	0.074	0.096	13,233	15,772	29,005
United Arab Emirates	0.574	0.747	102,644	122,340	224,984
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	3.991	5.196	713,682	850,622	1,564,304
United Republic of Tanzania	0.010	0.010	1,373	1,637	3,010
Uruguay	0.079	0.103	14,127	16,838	30,965
Uzbekistan	0.024	0.031	4,292	5,115	9,407
Vanuatu	0.001	0.001	179	213	392
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	0.069	0.090	12,339	14,706	27,045
Viet Nam	0.159	0.207	28,433	33,888	62,321
Yemen	0.003	0.004	536	639	1,175
Zambia	0.006	0.008	1,073	1,279	2,352
Zimbabwe	0.007	0.009	1,252	1,492	2,744
Total	**78.013**	**100**	**13,735,122**	**16,370,588**	**30,105,710**