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DECISION ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

15/34. Budget for the integrated programme of work of the Secretariat

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision 14/37, decision CP-9/16 of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, and decision 3/16 of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing,

Recalling also its decision EM-2/1, in which it approved the extension of the budget for the biennium 2019–2020 and, on an exceptional basis, a core interim budget for 2021,

Recalling further its decision 15/1, in which it approved the extension of the budget for the biennium 2019–2020 and, on an exceptional basis, a core interim budget for 2022,

1. *Decides* to adopt an integrated programme of work and budget for the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety and the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing;

2. *Also decides* to share all costs for secretariat services among the Convention, the Cartagena Protocol and the Nagoya Protocol on a ratio of 72:15:13 for the biennium 2023–2024;

3. *Approves* a core (BY) programme budget for the Convention of 14,350,752 United States dollars for the year 2023 and of 15,634,440 United States dollars for the year 2024, representing 72 per cent of the integrated budget of 19,931,600 United States dollars for the year 2023 and 21,714,500 United States dollars for the year 2024 for the Convention and the Protocols, for the purposes listed in the tables 1a and 1b below;

4. *Also approves* the use of unspent balance of the BY, BG and BB trust funds for the biennium 2021–2022 of 410,000 United States dollars to offset contributions from the Parties to the Convention, the Cartagena Protocol and the Nagoya Protocol for the biennium 2023–2024 for the following areas: 160,000 United States dollars to support the work of the Advisory Committee on Resource Mobilization and the Ad Hoc Technical Expert Group on Indicators for the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, established, respectively, in decisions 15/7 and 15/5; and 250,000 United States dollars for the functional review requested in paragraph 35 below;

5. *Expresses its appreciation* to Canada as the host country for its renewed support to the Secretariat and welcomes the contribution of 2,112,535 Canadian dollars for the year 2023 and

2,153,215 Canadian dollars for the year 2024, from the host country, Canada, and the Province of Quebec, to the rental and associated costs of the Secretariat, which will be allocated on a ratio of 72:15:13 to offset contributions from the Parties to the Convention, the Cartagena Protocol and the Nagoya Protocol, respectively, for the biennium 2023–2024;

6. *Notes with concern* the ongoing renovations at the conference centre of the International Civil Aviation Organization and that on an exceptional basis, meetings might have to be moved to an alternative venue with cost implications attached to that, within the current adopted framework of the budget, and invites Parties that may be in a position to do so to express interest in hosting such meetings;

7. *Adopts* the scale of assessments for the apportionment of expenses for 2023 and 2024, in accordance with the current scale of assessments of the United Nations,¹ as contained in table 6 of the present decision;

8. *Also adopts* the staffing table of the Secretariat for the biennium 2023–2024 (table 2 below) used for costing purposes to set the overall budget;

9. *Recalls* that the staffing arrangement of the Secretariat should ensure that the legal obligations under the Convention and its Protocols are met;

10. *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 between the United Nations Environment Programme and the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, in order to ensure the guiding role of the Bureau with regard to preparations for and conduct of meetings of the Conference of the Parties;

11. *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 Rules and Regulations of the United Nations Environment Programme; and requests the Executive Secretary to make these disclosures in a timely manner;

12. *Also authorizes* the Executive Secretary to transfer resources among the programmes between each of the main appropriation lines set out in table 1b 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 shall apply;

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

14. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, as a means to further enhance efforts to foster 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, inter alia, completed and accepted audit reports, applicable financial rules and regulations, and any other relevant budgetary and financial information to facilitate due diligence and financing decisions by Parties and other potential donors;

15. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary, in accordance with Article 14 of the Financial Rules, to have an audit undertaken on a regular basis by the Office of Internal Oversight Services and to ask for reports on the United Nations Environment Programme from the United Nations Board of Auditors, and to have the reports submitted as part of the documentation for the next meeting of the Conference of the Parties, together with the management response;

¹ As per General Assembly resolution 76/238.

16. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary, in collaboration with the United Nations Environment Programme, to expeditiously respond to the outstanding audit observations and recommendations, included in annex II to document CBD/COP/15/7, and to those recommendations made by the Office of Internal Oversight Services in 2019 that have not yet been addressed, and to submit a report to the Conference of the Parties at its sixteenth meeting on actions undertaken;

17. *Invites* all Parties to the Convention to note that contributions to the core programme budgets (BY, BG and BB) are due on 1 January of the year for which those contributions have been budgeted and to pay them promptly, and requests that Parties be notified of the amount of their contributions as early as possible in the year preceding the year in which the contributions are due;

18. *Notes with concern* that a number of Parties to the Convention and its Protocols have not paid their contributions to the core budgets (BY, BG and BB Trust Funds) for 2022 and prior years, including Parties that have never paid their contributions, and also notes that, in accordance with the International Public Sector Accounting Standards adopted by the United Nations,² arrears estimated at 1,918,753 United States dollars for the Convention, 556,128 United States dollars for the Cartagena Protocol and 275,653 United States dollars for the Nagoya Protocol are outstanding at the end of 2021 and are deducted from the fund balance to cover doubtful debt and so cannot be used for the benefit of all the respective Parties, and requests the United Nations Environment Programme to accept contributions from all Parties to the Convention in a timely manner;

19. Urges Parties that have still not paid their contributions to the core budgets (BY, BG, BB Trust Funds) for 2022 and prior 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 trust funds of the Convention (BY, BG, BB, BE, BZ and VB) and to keep the members of the Bureaux of the Convention and its Protocols updated so that they can provide information on unpaid contributions and their consequences to the respective regions as indicated in paragraph 21 below;

20. *Requests* the United Nations Environment Programme, in its capacity as Trustee, to utilize all available diplomatic channels to communicate to the relevant Parties the arrears in their contributions to the trust funds of the Convention on Biological Diversity (BY, BG and BB) from 2022 and prior 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 and the Conference of the Parties at its sixteenth meeting on the status of these arrears;

21. *Confirms* that, with regard to contributions due from 1 January 2005 onwards, Parties whose contributions are in arrears for two (2) or more years will not be eligible to become a member of the Bureaux of the Convention, its Protocols or the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice or to nominate a member of a compliance committee, and decides that this will only apply in the case of Parties that are not least developed countries or small island developing States;

22. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary to enter into arrangements with any Party whose contributions are in arrears for two or more years to mutually agree on a "schedule of payments" for such a Party to clear all outstanding arrears within six years depending on the financial circumstances of the Party in arrears and pay future contributions by the due date, and report on the implementation of any such arrangement to the Bureau at its next meeting and to the Conference of the Parties;

23. *Decides* that a Party with an agreed arrangement in accordance with paragraph 22 above and that is fully respecting the provisions of that arrangement 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 whose contributions are in arrears inviting them to take

² See General Assembly resolution 60/283, sect. IV.

timely action and to thank those Parties that have responded in a positive manner in paying their outstanding contributions;

25. *Notes* that the trust funds for the Convention and its Protocols (BY, BG and BB) should be extended for a period of two years beginning 1 January 2024 and ending 31 December 2025, and requests the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme to seek the approval of the United Nations Environment Assembly for their extension;

26. *Acknowledges* the funding estimates for:

(a) The Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BE) for Contributions in Support of Additional Approved Activities under the Convention on Biological Diversity and its Protocols for the period 2023–2024, included in table 3 below;

(b) The Special Trust Fund (BZ) for Voluntary Contributions to Facilitate the Participation of Parties in the Process of the Convention on Biological Diversity) for the period 2023–2024, contained in table 4 below;

(c) The Special Voluntary Trust Fund (VB) for Contributions to Facilitate the Participation of Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities for the period 2023–2024, contained in table 5 below;

27. *Recalls* rule 30 of the rules of procedure of the Convention, and stresses the need to have a wide range of Parties attending meetings of the Parties to the Convention and its Protocols, especially in order to reach the level of two thirds of Parties present needed to provide a quorum for the meeting allowing decisions to be taken;

28. *Reaffirms* the importance of full and effective participation of the developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States, as well as Parties with economies in transition, in the meetings of the Parties to the Convention and its Protocols and, in this context, requests the Executive Secretary to take into account the relevant decisions of the Conference of the Parties and the meetings of the Parties to its Protocols on concurrent meetings and on improving the efficiencies of the structures and processes of the Convention and its Protocols;

29. *Strongly encourages* developed country Parties and other Parties in a position to do so, including in the context of South-South cooperation, to provide the necessary financial resources to the BZ Trust Fund in order to enable the full and effective participation of representatives of developing country Parties, in particular the least developed countries and small island developing States, as well as countries with economies in transition, at meetings of the Conference of the Parties, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meetings of the Parties to the Protocols, the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions, and the Subsidiary Body on Implementation;

30. *Recalls* paragraph 31 of decision IX/34, and requests the Executive Secretary, when allocating the funding from the BZ Trust Fund, to continue to accord first priority to funding for least developed countries and small island developing States;

31. *Encourages* developed country Parties and other Parties in a position to do so, to facilitate engagement by the Secretariat with potential alternative donors to the BZ Trust Fund, including private and philanthropic bodies, to assist in funding the participation of eligible developing countries in meetings of the Parties to the Convention and its Protocols;

32. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to remind Parties in January of each fiscal year of the need to contribute to the BZ Trust Fund at least six months prior to the ordinary meetings of the Parties to the Convention and its Protocols, to issue requests in December of each year covering the needs of all relevant meetings in the subsequent year, and to issue early invitations to other donors to make contributions;

33. *Also requests* the Executive Secretary, in consultation with the Bureaux, to continue to monitor the availability of voluntary contributions to the BZ Trust Fund, with a view to allowing members of those Bureaux to bring any shortfalls in contributions to the attention of member Parties, and potential donors, as appropriate, in their regions;

34. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary, in preparation for the meetings of the Conference of the Parties and its Protocols, to provide a list of work addressed to the Executive Secretary in draft recommendations and decisions and its implications where applicable, and as appropriate, in order to inform Parties and without prejudice to decisions of the Conference of the Parties;

35. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, in preparation for the meetings of the Conference of the Parties and its Protocols, the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice, the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions, and the Subsidiary Body on Implementation, to undertake an external in-depth functional review of the structure of the Secretariat, in consultation with the Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme, and of the implementation of the programme of work of the Secretariat, taking into account the results-based budgeting framework and the preliminary risk assessment included in document CBD/COP/15/7/Add.1, the recommendations of the audit report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services and the risks identified, with a view to updating its structure and the grading of posts in the light of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework³ and a focus on implementation by Parties, to be submitted for consideration and action by the Conference of the Parties at its sixteenth meeting;

36. Also requests the Executive Secretary to prepare and submit an updated, detailed and integrated programme of work for the period 2025–2026, which sets out the objectives, tasks to be completed by the Secretariat, and results expected in regard to each budget item, for the Convention and its Protocols, for the consideration of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the Parties to its Protocols at their next meetings, and a corresponding programme budget following the format of the proposed programme budget for the United Nations Environment Programme, including the supplementary information statement, for the biennium with two alternatives, taking into account the list requested in paragraph 34 above:

(a) Maintaining the programme budget (BY, BG and BB trust funds) at the total 2023–2024 level in real terms minus the amount of the unspent balances used for the biennium 2023–2024;

(b) Maintaining the programme budget (BY, BG and BB trust funds) at the total 2023–2024 level in nominal terms minus the amount of the unspent balances used for the biennium 2023–2024;

37. *Further requests* the Executive Secretary to introduce all possible measures to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the Secretariat, and to reflect these measures in the two scenarios above;

38. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to report to the Conference of the Parties to the Convention and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to its Protocols at their next meetings on income and budget performance, unspent balances, and the status of surplus and carry-overs as well as any adjustments made to the budget for the biennium 2023–2024;

39. *Notes with concern* the late delivery of budgetary documents in advance of the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties, and urges the Executive Secretary to take the measures necessary to ensure that documents for the sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties are circulated in full respect of the rules in force and to keep the Bureau informed on the progress of budget preparation.

³ Decision 15/4, annex.

	2023	2024	Total
Object of expenditure	(Thousand	s of United States do	llars)
A. Staff costs	11,890.2	12,267.1	24,157.3
B. Temporary assistance/overtime	100.0	100.0	200.0
C. Consultants/subcontractors	50.0	50.0	100.0
D. Training	5.0	5.0	10.0
E. Structural review	250.0	0.0	250.0
F. Bureau meetings	108.0	170.9	278.9
G. Expert meetings	130.0	350.0	480.0
H. Meetings of intergovernmental bodies*	2,241.6	3,343.0	5,584.6
I. Public awareness material/communications	50.0	50.0	100.0
J. Translation of CHM website/website projects	65.0	65.0	130.0
K. Travel on official business	320.0	320.0	640.0
L. Rent and associated costs	1,445.7	1,473.0	2,918.7
M. Information technology	65.0	65.0	130.0
N. General operating expenses	726.6	726.6	1,453.2
Subtotal (I)	17,447.1	18,985.6	36,432.7
II. Programme support costs (13%)	2,268.1	2,468.1	4,736.2
Subtotal (I + II)	19,715.2	21,453.7	41,168.9
III. Working Capital Reserve	216.4	260.8	477.2
Grand total (I+II + III)	19,931.6	21,714.5	41,646.1
Convention share of the integrated budget (72%)	14,350.8	15,634.4	29,985.2
Less contributions from host country	-1,176.2	-1,198.4	-2,374.6
Less use of reserve	-147.6	-147.6	-295.2
Net total (to be shared by Parties)	13,026.9	14,288.4	27,315.4

Table 1a. Biennial budget for the trust fund of the Convention on Biological Diversity for the period2023-2024 (by object of expenditure)

* Meetings funded from the core budget:

Twelfth meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions.

Twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth meetings of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific Technical and Technological Advice.

Fourth and fifth meetings of the Subsidiary Body on Implementation.

Sixteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention / Eleventh meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol / Fifth meeting of the Parties to the Nagoya Protocol held concurrently.

	2023	2024	2023-2024
	(Thousands of United States dollars)		
A. Governing and Subsidiary bodies	2,479.6	3,863.9	6,343.5
B. Executive direction and management	2,909.8	3,028.0	5,937.8
C. Programme of work	8,909.1	9,094.9	18,004.0
D. Administrative support	3,148.6	2,998.8	6,147.4
Subtotal	17,447.1	18,985.6	36,432.7
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Table 1b. Integrated biennial budget for the trust funds of the Convention on Biological Diversityfor the period 2023-2024

Table 2. Secretariat staffing requirements from the core budgets of the Convention and its Protocols for 2023-2024

Category and level	Approved 2022	Approved 2023-2024*
Professional and higher		
ASG	1	1
D-1	3	3
P-5	10	10
P-4	13	14
P-3	13	15
P-2/1	9	10
Subtotal	49	53
General Service	29	29
Total	78	82

* New posts approved by COP 15: Programme Management Officer - Results-based budgeting (P-4); Programme Management Officer – Monitoring (P-3); Programme Officer Biosafety Clearing-House (P-3); Associate Finance Officer (P-2)

Table 3. Resource requirements from the Special Voluntary Trust Fund (BE) for Contributions in
Support of Additional Approved Activities of the Convention on Biological Diversity and
its Protocols for the period 2023-2024

A. Convention on Biological Diversity

(United States dollars)

Consultancy and other contracts	
Article 8(j)	100,000
Business and mainstreaming	100,000
Capacity-building and technical and scientific cooperation	486,000
Communication	420,000
Conservation and sustainable use of marine and coastal biodiversity	52,000
Cooperation with other conventions and international organizations	50,000
Digital sequence information on genetic resources (Studies)	405,000
Digital sequence information on genetic resources (General support)	52,000
Ecologically or biologically significant marine areas	26,000
Effectiveness of the process	180,000
Engagement with subnational governments, cities	215,000
Financial mechanism	350,000
Global Biodiversity Framework - implementation facilitation/engagement	100,000
Gender Plan of Action	50,000
Health	60,000
Invasive alien species	81,000
Indigenous peoples and local communities	20,000
Knowledge management and the clearing-house mechanism	720,000
Monitoring - Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework	60,000
Planning, monitoring, reporting and review	100,000
Resource mobilization	330,000
Sustainable wildlife	10,000
Synthetic biology	60,000
Subtotal	4,027,000
Staff travel	
Biodiversity and agriculture	20,000
Biodiversity and climate change	20,000
Biodiversity and health	20,000
Business engagement	30,000
Capacity-building and technical and scientific cooperation	60,000
Communication	50,000
Conservation and sustainable use of marine and coastal biodiversity	18,000
Cooperation with other conventions and international organizations	50,000
Effectiveness of the process	15,000
Engagement with subnational governments, cities	55,000
Global Biodiversity Framework - implementation facilitation/engagement	50,000
Gender Plan of Action	20,000
Invasive alien species	20,000
IPBES	20,000
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Indigenous peoples and local communities	20,000
Indigenous peoples and local communities Monitoring - Global Biodiversity Framework	20,000 40,000

Resource mobilization	20,000
Sustainable wildlife	20,000
Synthetic biology	40,000
Subtotal	638,000
Workshops	
Article 8(j)	373,000
Capacity-building and technical and scientific cooperation	705,000
Conservation and sustainable use of marine and coastal biodiversity	263,000
EBSAs	263,000
Engagement with subnational governments, cities	70,000
Global Biodiversity Framework - implementation facilitation/engagement	200,000
Gender Plan of Action	80,000
Knowledge management and the clearing-house mechanism	550,000
Indigenous peoples and local communities	190,000
Nature and culture	190,000
Planning, monitoring, reporting and review	162,500
Synthetic biology	131,500
Subtotal	3,178,000
Expert meetings and committees	
Article 8(j)	157,000
Communication	75,000
Gender Plan of Action	80,000
Monitoring – Kunming Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework	70,000
Resource mobilization	600,000
Synthetic biology	294,000
Subtotal	1,276,000
Other costs	
Capacity-building and technical and scientific cooperation	100,000
Communication	100,000
Engagement with subnational governments, cities	60,000
Financial mechanism	50,000
Gender Plan of Action	10,000
Invasive alien species	15,000
Planning, monitoring, reporting and review	100,000
Subtotal	435,000
Staff resources	
Programme Officer - Communications (P-3)	252,000
Programme Officer - Digital sequence information on genetic resources (P-4)	330,000
Programme Officer - Biodiversity Mainstreaming (P-4)	330,000
Programme Officer - Biodiversity and Business (P-3)	252,000
Programme Officer - One Health (P-3)	252,000
Senior Programme Management Officer (P-5)	380,400
Programme Assistant (G-6)	113,000
Programme Officer - Reporting/NBSAP Support (P-4)	330,000
Programme Officer - Monitoring (P-4)	330,000
	218,700
Programme Officer - Monitoring (P-2)	
Programme Officer - Monitoring (P-2) Programme Officer - Cooperation (P-3)	2.52.000
Programme Officer - Cooperation (P-3)	252,000 252,000
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Programme Support - Resource mobilization (G-7)	113,000
RBB Programme Support (G-6/G-5), 2 posts	226,000
Meeting Assistants (G-6), 5 posts	565,000
Programme Officer - Restoration (P-3)	252,000
Junior Programme Officer - Digital sequence information (P-2)	218,700
Programme Officer - Global taxonomy/Species-based conservation (P-3)	252,000
Programme Officer - Resource mobilization (P-4)	330,000
Programme Officer - Technical scientific cooperation (P-4)	330,000
Programme Officer - Financial mechanism (P-3)	252,000
Subtotal	6,195,800
Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Digital Sequence Information on	
Genetic Resources*	
Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Digital Sequence Information	780,000
Subtotal	780,000
Subtotal I (Convention on Biological Diversity)	16,529,800
II. Programme support costs (13%)	2,148,874

* Norway pledged NOK 10 million to support DSI-related activities

TOTAL COST (I + II) (Convention on Biological Diversity)

B. Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety

18,678,674

(United States dollars)

Consultancy	
Biosafety Clearing-House	100,000
Compliance	30,000
Financial mechanism and resource mobilization	60,000
Implementation Plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety	100,000
Monitoring and reporting (Art. 33)	26,800
Socioeconomic considerations	30,000
Ratification support for Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress	10,000
Risk assessment and risk management	160,000
Subtotal	516,800
Official travel	
Biosafety Clearing-House	30,000
Ratification support for Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress	75,000
Risk assessment and risk management	40,000
Subtotal	145,000
Staff resources	
Biosafety Associate Programme Officer (P-2)	218,700
Subtotal	218,700
Workshops	
Biosafety Clearing-House	103,000
Implementation Plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety	250,000
Ratification support for Supplementary Protocol on Liability and Redress	351,000
Risk assessment and risk management	234,000
Subtotal	938,000

Expert meetings	
Biosafety Clearing-House	40,000
Detection and identification of living modified organisms	234,000
Subtotal	274,000
Subtotal I (Cartagena Protocol)	2,092,500
II. Programme support costs (13%)	272,025
TOTAL COST (I + II) (Cartagena Protocol)	2,364,525

C. Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit-sharing

(United States dollars)	

Consultancy	
Capacity-building, capacity development and awareness-raising	80,000
ABS Clearing-House and information-sharing	100,000
Financial mechanism and resources	50,000
Subtotal	230,000
Official travel	
ABS Clearing-House and information-sharing	30,000
Subtotal	30,000
Staff resources	
Programme Officer (P-3)	252,000
Programme Officer - ABS Capacity-Building (P-3)	252,000
Subtotal	504,000
Workshops	
ABS Clearing-House and information-sharing	250,000
Subtotal	250,000
Other costs	
Capacity-building, capacity development and awareness-raising	10,000
ABS Clearing-House and information-sharing	6,000
Subtotal	16,000
Subtotal I (Nagoya Protocol)	1,030,000
II. Programme support costs (13%)	133,900
TOTAL COST (I + II) (Nagoya Protocol)	1,163,900

Convention on Biological Diversity	18,678,674
Cartagena Protocol	2,364,525
Nagoya Protocol	1,163,900
Grand total (including programme support costs)	22,207,099

Table 4. Resource requirements from the Special Trust Fund (BZ) for Voluntary Contributions to
Facilitate the Participation of Parties in the Process of the Convention on Biological
Diversity for the period 2023-2024

	2019-2020
Description of meetings	(Thousands of United States dollars)
I. Meetings	
COP-16, Cartagena Protocol COP-MOP 11 and Nagoya Protocol COP-MOP 5*	2 621.50
Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 25 and SBSTTA 26)**	1 796.40
Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Article 8(j) and Related Provisions (WG8J 12)**	853.2
Subsidiary Body on Implementation (SBI 4 and SBI 5)***	1 638.9
Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources***	695.7
Subtotal cost	7 605.7
II. Programme support costs	998.7
Total cost (I+II)	8 604.4

*Three delegates funded from each eligible Party.

Two delegates funded from each eligible Party (SBSTTA 25 back-to-back with WG8J 12, SBSTTA 26 back-to-back with SBI 4). * Two delegates funded from each eligible Party (SBI 5 back-to-back with WG-DSI).

Table 5. Special Voluntary Trust Fund (VB) for Contributions to Facilitate the Participation ofIndigenous Peoples and Local Communities for the period 2023-2024

	2023-2024
Description	(Thousands of United States
	dollars)
I. Meetings:	
Support to indigenous peoples and local communities*	792.4
Subtotal	792.4
II. Programme support costs	103.0
Total costs (I+II)	895.4

*Two participants funded from each region.

Party	Scale of assessments 2022-2024	Scale with 22% ceiling, no LDC paying more than 0.01%	Contribution due as of 1 January 2023 (US\$)	Contribution due as of 1 January 2024 (US\$)	Total 2023- 2024 (US\$)
Afghanistan	0.006	0.008	977	1,072	2,049
Albania	0.008	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
Algeria	0.109	0.136	17,750	19,469	37,220
Andorra	0.005	0.006	814	893	1,707
Angola	0.010	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
Antigua and Barbuda	0.002	0.003	326	357	683
Argentina	0.719	0.899	117,087	128,425	245,512
Armenia	0.007	0.009	1,140	1,250	2,390
Australia	2.111	2.639	343,770	377,060	720,830
Austria	0.679	0.849	110,573	121,281	231,854
Azerbaijan	0.030	0.038	4,885	5,358	10,244
Bahamas	0.019	0.024	3,094	3,394	6,488
Bahrain	0.054	0.068	8,794	9,645	18,439
Bangladesh	0.010	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
Barbados	0.008	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
Belarus	0.041	0.051	6,677	7,323	14,000
Belgium	0.828	1.035	134,837	147,895	282,732
Belize	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Benin	0.005	0.006	814	893	1,707
Bhutan	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	0.019	0.024	3,094	3,394	6,488
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.012	0.015	1,954	2,143	4,098
Botswana	0.015	0.019	2,443	2,679	5,122
Brazil	2.013	2.516	327,811	359,555	687,366
Brunei-Darussalam	0.021	0.026	3,420	3,751	7,171
Bulgaria	0.056	0.070	9,119	10,003	19,122
Burkina Faso	0.004	0.005	651	714	1,366
Burundi	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Cabo Verde	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Cambodia	0.007	0.009	1,140	1,250	2,390
Cameroon	0.013	0.016	2,117	2,322	4,439
Canada	2.628	3.285	427,962	469,404	897,367
Central African Republic	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Chad	0.003	0.004	489	536	1,024
Chile	0.420	0.525	68,396	75,019	143,415
China	15.254	19.069	2,484,070	2,724,617	5,208,688
Colombia	0.246	0.308	40,060	43,940	84,000
Comoros	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Congo	0.005	0.006	814	893	1,707
Cook Islands	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Costa Rica	0.069	0.086	11,236	12,325	23,561
Côte d'Ivoire	0.022	0.028	3,583	3,930	7,512

Table 6. Contributions to the Trust Fund for the Convention on Biological Diversity for thebiennium 2023-2024⁴

⁴ As per United Nations General Assembly resolution 76/238.

	Scale of assessments	Scale with 22% ceiling, no LDC paying more	Contribution due as of 1 January 2023	Contribution due as of 1 January 2024	Total 2023- 2024
Party	2022-2024	than 0.01%	(US\$)	(US\$)	(US\$)
Croatia	0.091	0.114	14,819	16,254	31,073
Cuba	0.095	0.119	15,470	16,969	32,439
Cyprus	0.036	0.045	5,862	6,430	12,293
Czechia	0.340	0.425	55,368	60,730	116,098
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	0.005	0.006	814	893	1,707
Democratic Republic of the Congo	0.010	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
Denmark	0.553	0.691	90,054	98,775	188,829
Djibouti	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Dominica	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Dominican Republic	0.067	0.084	10,911	11,967	22,878
Ecuador	0.077	0.096	12,539	13,753	26,293
Egypt	0.139	0.174	22,636	24,828	47,463
El Salvador	0.013	0.016	2,117	2,322	4,439
Equatorial Guinea	0.012	0.015	1,954	2,143	4,098
Eritrea	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Estonia	0.044	0.055	7,165	7,859	15,024
Eswatini	0.002	0.003	326	357	683
Ethiopia	0.010	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
European Union		2.500	325,673	357,210	682,884
Fiji	0.004	0.005	651	714	1,366
Finland	0.417	0.521	67,907	74,483	142,390
France	4.318	5.398	703,174	771,266	1,474,440
Gabon	0.013	0.016	2,117	2,322	4,439
Gambia	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Georgia	0.008	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
Germany	6.111	7.639	995,159	1,091,526	2,086,685
Ghana	0.024	0.030	3,908	4,287	8,195
Greece	0.325	0.406	52,925	58,050	110,976
Grenada	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Guatemala	0.041	0.051	6,677	7,323	14,000
Guinea	0.003	0.004	489	536	1,024
Guinea-Bissau	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Guyana	0.004	0.005	651	714	1,366
Haiti	0.006	0.008	977	1,072	2,049
Honduras	0.009	0.011	1,466	1,608	3,073
Hungary	0.228	0.285	37,129	40,725	77,854
Iceland	0.036	0.045	5,862	6,430	12,293
India	1.044	1.305	170,012	186,476	356,488
Indonesia	0.549	0.686	89,403	98,061	187,464
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	0.371	0.464	60,416	66,267	126,683
Iraq	0.128	0.160	20,844	22,863	43,707
Ireland	0.439	0.549	71,490	78,413	149,903
Israel	0.561	0.701	91,357	100,204	191,561
Italy	3.189	3.987	519,320	569,608	1,088,928
Jamaica	0.008	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
Japan	8.033	10.042	1,308,151	1,434,827	2,732
Jordan	0.022	0.028	3,583	3,930	7,512

		Scale with	Contribution	Contribution	
	Scale of	22% ceiling, no LDC	due as of 1 January	due as of 1 January	Total 2023-
	assessments	paying more	2023	2024	2024
Party	2022-2024	than 0.01%	(US\$)	(US\$)	(US\$)
Kazakhstan	0.133	0.166	21,659	23,756	45,415
Kenya	0.030	0.038	4,885	5,358	10,244
Kiribati	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Kuwait	0.234	0.293	38,106	41,796	79,903
Kyrgyzstan	0.002	0.003	326	357	683
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.007	0.009	1,140	1,250	2,390
Latvia	0.050	0.063	8,142	8,931	17,073
Lebanon	0.036	0.045	5,862	6,430	12,293
Lesotho	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Liberia	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Libya	0.018	0.023	2,931	3,215	6,146
Liechtenstein	0.010	0.013	1,628	1,786	3,415
Lithuania	0.077	0.096	12,539	13,753	26,293
Luxembourg	0.068	0.085	11,074	12,146	23,220
Madagascar	0.004	0.005	651	714	1,366
Malawi	0.002	0.003	326	357	683
Malaysia	0.348	0.435	56,671	62,159	118,829
Maldives	0.004	0.005	651	714	1,366
Mali	0.005	0.006	814	893	1,707
Malta	0.019	0.024	3,094	3,394	6,488
Marshall Islands	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Mauritania	0.002	0.003	326	357	683
Mauritius	0.019	0.024	3,094	3,394	6,488
Mexico	1.221	1.526	198,836	218,091	416,927
Micronesia (Federated States of)	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Monaco	0.011	0.014	1,791	1,965	3,756
Mongolia	0.004	0.005	651	714	1,366
Montenegro	0.004	0.005	651	714	1,366
Morocco	0.055	0.069	8,957	9,824	18,781
Mozambique	0.004	0.005	651	714	1,366
Myanmar	0.010	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
Namibia	0.009	0.011	1,466	1,608	3,073
Nauru	0.001	0.001	1,100	1,000	341
Nepal	0.010	0.001	1,303	1,429	2,732
Netherlands	1.377	1.721	224,241	245,955	470,196
New Zealand	0.309	0.386	50,320	55,193	105,512
Nicaragua	0.005	0.006	814	893	1,707
Niger	0.003	0.000	489	536	1,707
Nigeria	0.182	0.004	29,638	32,508	62,146
Niue	0.182	0.228	163	179	341
North Macedonia	0.007	0.001	1,140	1,250	2,390
Norway	0.679	0.009	1,140	1,230	2,390
Oman	0.111	0.849	110,373	121,281	37,902
	0.111	0.139	18,076		
Pakistan				20,362	38,927
Palau	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Panama	0.090	0.113	14,656	16,075	30,732
Papua New Guinea	0.010	0.013	1,628	1,786	3,415

		Scale with 22% ceiling,	Contribution due as of		
Desta	Scale of assessments	no LDC paying more	due as of 1 January 2023	1 January 2024	Total 2023- 2024
Party Paraguay	2022-2024 0.026	than 0.01% 0.033	(US\$) 4,234	(US\$) 4,644	(US\$) 8,878
Peru	0.163	0.033	26,544	29,115	55,659
	0.165	0.204	34,524	37,867	72,390
Philippines			34,524 136,303		
Poland	0.837	1.046		149,502	285,805
Portugal	0.353	0.441	57,485	63,052	120,537
Qatar	0.269	0.336	43,806	48,048	91,854
Republic of Korea	2.574	3.218	419,169	459,759	878,928
Republic of Moldova	0.005	0.006	814	893	1,707
Romania	0.312	0.390	50,808	55,728	106,537
Russian Federation	1.866	2.333	303,873	333,299	637,171
Rwanda	0.003	0.004	489	536	1,024
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.002	0.003	326	357	683
Saint Lucia	0.002	0.003	326	357	683
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Samoa	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
San Marino	0.002	0.003	326	357	683
Sao Tome and Principe	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Saudi Arabia	1.184	1.480	192,811	211,482	404,293
Senegal	0.007	0.009	1,140	1,250	2,390
Serbia	0.032	0.040	5,211	5,716	10,927
Seychelles	0.002	0.003	326	357	683
Sierra Leone	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Singapore	0.504	0.630	82,075	90,023	172,098
Slovakia	0.155	0.194	25,241	27,686	52,927
Slovenia	0.079	0.099	12,865	14,111	26,976
Solomon Islands	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Somalia	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
South Africa	0.244	0.305	39,735	43.582	83,317
South Sudan	0.002	0.003	326	357	683
Spain	2.134	2.668	347,516	381,168	728,684
Sri Lanka	0.045	0.056	7,328	8,038	15,366
State of Palestine	0.011	0.014	1,791	1,965	3,756
Sudan	0.010	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
Suriname	0.003	0.004	489	536	1,024
Sweden	0.871	1.089	141,840	155,575	297,415
Switzerland	1.134	1.418	184,669	202,551	387,220
Syrian Arab Republic	0.009	0.011	1,466	1,608	3,073
Tajikistan	0.003	0.001	489	536	1,024
Thailand	0.368	0.004	59,928	65,731	125,659
Timor-Leste	0.001	0.400	163	179	341
Togo	0.001	0.001	326	357	683
Tonga	0.002	0.003	163	179	341
	0.001	0.001	6,025		
Trinidad and Tobago				6,609	12,634
Tunisia	0.019	0.024	3,094	3,394	6,488
Türkiye	0.845	1.056	137,606	150,931	288,537
Turkmenistan	0.034	0.043	5,537	6,073	11,610
Tuvalu	0.001	0.001	163	179	341

Party	Scale of assessments 2022-2024	Scale with 22% ceiling, no LDC paying more than 0.01%	Contribution due as of 1 January 2023 (US\$)	Contribution due as of 1 January 2024 (US\$)	Total 2023- 2024 (US\$)
Uganda	0.010	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
Ukraine	0.056	0.070	9,119	10,003	19,122
United Arab Emirates	0.635	0.794	103,408	113,422	216,829
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	4.375	5.469	712,456	781,448	1,493,904
United Republic of Tanzania	0.010	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
Uruguay	0.092	0.115	14,982	16,433	31,415
Uzbekistan	0.027	0.034	4,397	4,823	9,220
Vanuatu	0.001	0.001	163	179	341
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	0.175	0.219	28,498	31,258	59,756
Viet Nam	0.093	0.116	15,145	16,611	31,756
Yemen	0.008	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
Zambia	0.008	0.010	1,303	1,429	2,732
Zimbabwe	0.007	0.009	1,140	1,250	2,390
Total	78.013	100	13,026,935	14,288,410	27,315,345