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CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY SERVING AS THE MEETING OF THE PARTIES TO THE CARTAGENA PROTOCOL ON BIOSAFETY

Tenth meeting – Part II

Montreal, Canada, 7-19 December 2022

Agenda item 10

**Decision adopted by the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety**

**CP-10/6. Matters related to the financial mechanism and resources (Article 28)**

*The Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety*

1. *Welcomes* the eighth replenishment of the Global Environment Facility Trust Fund and its programming directions and the support this makes available to Parties for the implementation of the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety;

2*. Notes with concern* that very few projects were presented for supporting the implementation of the Cartagena Protocol during the seventh replenishment period of the Global Environment Facility Trust Fund;

3. *Recommends* that the Conference of the Parties, in adopting its guidance to the Global Environment Facility with respect to support for the implementation of the Cartagena Protocol, invite the Global Environment Facility:

(a) To strengthen its funding programme dedicated to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety to support eligible Parties in implementing the Protocol, the Implementation Plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety,[[1]](#footnote-1) and the Capacity-building Action Plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety;[[2]](#footnote-2)

(b) To improve and simplify the modalities for access to its funding for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, to support eligible Parties in the implementation of the Protocol, the Implementation Plan and the Capacity-building Action Plan;

(c) To continue to make funds available in a timely manner to support eligible Parties in preparing and submitting their fifth national reports under the Cartagena Protocol;

(d) To continue to assist eligible Parties in undertaking activities in the following areas: development and implementation of legal, administrative and other measures to implement the Protocol; risk assessment and risk management; detection and identification of living modified organisms; public awareness, education and participation; socioeconomic considerations; liability and redress; national reporting; information-sharing and the Biosafety Clearing-House; knowledge and technology transfer; and the implementation of compliance action plans regarding the achievement of compliance with the Protocol;

4. *Invites* the Council of the Global Environment Facility to examine the possibility of creating a finance window specifically for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety;

5. *Urge*s Parties to the Convention that are also Parties to the Cartagena Protocol to include biosafety projects in their utilization of the funding allocated to them under the System for Transparent Allocation of Resources for the eighth replenishment period of the Global Environment Facility Trust Fund, taking into account the Implementation Plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety and the Capacity-building Action Plan for the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, their obligations under the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, and the guidance of the Conference of the Parties to the Global Environment Facility;

6. *Encourages* Parties to include needs and provisions for the implementation of the Cartagena Protocol in their national biodiversity finance plans and in their national implementation of the strategy for resource mobilization for the post-2020 period;[[3]](#footnote-3)

7. *Requests* the Executive Secretary:

(a) To identify and communicate sources of funding for biosafety to support Parties;

(b) To analyse the effectiveness of the financial mechanism for the implementation of the Cartagena Protocol in the sixth review of the effectiveness of the financial mechanism,[[4]](#footnote-4) while considering the relevance and process of creating a standalone window for biosafety, for consideration by the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol at its eleventh meeting.

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1. Decision CP-10/3, annex. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Decision CP-10/4, annex. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. See decision 15/7 of the Conference of the Parties. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. See decision 15/15 of the Conference of the Parties. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)