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Note by the secretariat

Summary

The work programme of the secretariat for the biennium 2022–2023 outlines the core budget, supplementary and other resources required by the secretariat to implement its mandates and achieve the stated objectives and expected results. This document provides an update reflecting adjustments to the work programme arising from conclusions of the fifty-sixth sessions of the subsidiary bodies. It should be read in conjunction with document FCCC/SBI/2022/INF.3, which contains an update that reflects adjustments to the work programme contained in document FCCC/SBI/2021/4/Add.1 arising from decisions and conclusions adopted by the governing and subsidiary bodies in 2021.



I. Introduction

A. Mandate

1. At its twenty-sixth session, the Conference of the Parties (COP) welcomed the measures proposed by the secretariat for improving the efficiency and transparency of the UNFCCC budget process.¹ In response to the concern of Parties that the outcomes of the budget deliberations of the Subsidiary Body for Implementation (SBI) are not fully reflected in subsequent decisions and that this may affect the assessment of budget performance, the secretariat will update its work programme after relevant SBI sessions to serve as a transparent baseline against which to assess future budget performance. As decisions taken subsequently may affect the work programme, it will also be updated after each session of the COP, the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol and the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Paris Agreement.²

B. Background

2. COP 26 approved the programme budget for the biennium 2022–2023³ on the basis of the secretariat work programme for the biennium 2022–2023.⁴ As such, the budget did not reflect changes to the work programme resulting from key developments in the second half of 2021 and the first half of 2022, including the outcomes of the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Glasgow and the conclusions of the fifty-sixth sessions of the subsidiary bodies, that will have an impact on the secretariat's work in 2022–2023.

3. In the light of the scope and significance of the outcomes of the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Glasgow, the update as at 1 January 2022⁵ includes all elements of the original work programme and updated information. This document should be read in conjunction with that update.

II. Key changes to the work programme

A. Adaptation

4. The outputs added to the work programme are three workshops, two regional events and four knowledge products.

5. Changes in resource requirements relating to the outputs above are presented in table 1. Post requirements are not changed.

Table 1

Changes in resource requirements in 2022–2023 for the Adaptation division

	<i>Updated work programme as at 1 January 2022 (EUR)</i>	<i>Update as at 1 July 2022 (EUR)</i>	<i>Variance</i>	
			<i>EUR</i>	<i>%</i>
Supplementary funds	10 675 453	11 661 453	986 000	9.2
Total	10 675 453	11 661 453	986 000	9.2

¹ See FCCC/SBI/2020/INF.2, paras. 30, 31 and 33.

² See FCCC/SBI/2020/INF.2, paras. 32–33.

³ Decision 22/CP.26, para. 1.

⁴ FCCC/SBI/2021/4/Add.1.

⁵ FCCC/SBI/2022/INF.3.

B. Mitigation

6. The following outputs are added to the work programme:

- (a) Nine technical papers (one for Article 6, paragraph 2; six for Article 6, paragraph 4; and two for Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement);
- (b) One synthesis report for Article 6, paragraph 8, of the Paris Agreement;
- (c) One Party survey;
- (d) 24 workshop presentations (12 virtual and 12 in-person) on topics related to Article 6, paragraphs 2, 4 and 8, of the Paris Agreement.

7. Costs relating to the outputs above are absorbed under the existing budget. Post requirements are not changed.

C. Means of Implementation

8. The output added to the work programme is one information note on the status, challenges and successes of and lessons learned from projects undertaken through the regional climate technology transfer and finance centres.

9. Changes in resource requirements relating to the output above are presented in table 2. Post requirements are not changed.

Table 2

Changes in resource requirements in 2022–2023 for the Means of Implementation division

	Updated work programme as at 1 January 2022 (EUR)	Update as at 1 July 2022 (EUR)	Variance	
			EUR	%
Supplementary funds	11 688 939	11 707 939	19 000	0.2
Total	11 688 939	11 707 939	19 000	0.2

D. Intergovernmental Support and Collective Progress

10. The outputs added to the work programme are one synthesis report, one information note and facilitation of the enhanced engagement of observer organizations in the UNFCCC process.

11. Changes in resource requirements relating to the outputs above are presented in table 3. Post requirements are not changed.

Table 3

Changes in resource requirements in 2022–2023 for the Intergovernmental Support and Collective Progress division

	Updated work programme as at 1 January 2022 (EUR)	Update as at 1 July 2022 (EUR)	Variance	
			EUR	%
Supplementary funds	2 652 994	2 782 994	130 000	4.9
Total	2 652 994	2 782 994	130 000	4.9