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Programme and budget

Financial performance for the Convention trust funds

Audited financial statements for the Convention trust funds for the year ended 31 December 2023, including the report of the United Nations Board of Auditors

Note by the secretariat

By its decision 10/COP.15, paragraph 25, the Conference of the Parties (COP) requested the Executive Secretary to inform Parties on the latest audit reports as soon as they are available.

In paragraph 26 of the same decision, the COP noted with appreciation the establishment of a section on the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) website to publish up-to-date information relevant to the management and administration of the Convention and the Global Mechanism, including audit reports, applicable financial reports and other relevant budgetary and financial information.

In response to paragraph 25 of decision 10/COP.15, the “Report of the United Nations Board of Auditors on the financial statements of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification for the year ended 31 December 2023” is available on the website of the UNCCD.¹

¹ <https://www.unccd.int/sites/default/files/inline-files/2024-07-24%20BoA%20Report%20on%20UNCCD%20FY%202023%20-%20Signed.pdf>.

