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**Conference of the Parties****Report of the Conference of the Parties on its second  
extraordinary session, held from 6 to 9 December 2021****Contents**

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**Part one: proceedings****I. Opening of the session**

1. The second extraordinary session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (COP ES-2) was opened on Monday, 6 December at 12.30 p.m. Bonn time (Central European Time) by means of a written statement<sup>1</sup> from the President of the Conference of the Parties, H.E. Mr. Bhupender Yadav, Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

2. Expressing his solidarity with Parties and all delegates at the second extraordinary session that took place at such challenging times, during their fight against the COVID-19 pandemic, the President of the COP set out the organizational matters and circulated a note explaining the silence procedure. The President of the COP also circulated for adoption a draft decision containing the proposed interim programme and budget for 2022.<sup>2</sup>

**II. Organizational matters****A. Officers****(Agenda item 2 (a))**

3. Consistent with rule 22, paragraph 2, of the rules of procedure, the current President and Vice-Presidents served on the Bureau of the COP at its second extraordinary session.

**B. Adoption of the agenda****(Agenda item 2 (b))**

4. The provisional annotated agenda (document ICCD/COP(ES-2)/1), prepared by the secretariat in agreement with the President of the COP and in accordance with rules 9 and 14 of the rules of procedure, and shared with Parties and observers on 6 September 2021 by the Executive Secretary, was adopted in accordance with the procedure provided in paragraph 7 of the provisional annotated agenda.

**C. Credentials of delegations****(Agenda item 2 (c))**

5. It was reported that 136 Parties to the Convention were registered for COP ES-2. In accordance with rule 20 of the rules of procedure, the Bureau of the COP reported that the

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<sup>1</sup> See annex I.

<sup>2</sup> See decision 1/COP.ES-2 in part two of the current report.

representatives of 53 Parties<sup>3</sup> to the Convention had submitted by 17 December 2021 credentials that fulfilled the requirements of rule 19 of the rules of procedure.

6. In line with the decision taken by the Bureau of the COP at its meeting held on 30 November 2021,<sup>4</sup> information concerning the appointment of representatives has been communicated to the secretariat in the form of letters or Notes Verbales from ministries, embassies, permanent missions to the United Nations, other government offices or authorities, or through local United Nations offices, including notifications by UNCCD national focal points, by 91 Parties<sup>5</sup> participating in the Conference.

7. Furthermore, the Bureau of the COP decided<sup>6</sup> that formal credentials or nomination letters for representatives of Parties that have not yet been provided should be submitted to the UNCCD secretariat as soon as possible.

8. The report on credentials submitted to the COP by the Bureau of the COP and contained in document ICCD/COP(ES-2)/4 was approved by the COP further to the explanation provided in the Opening Statement of the President of the COP under agenda item 2 (c).

#### **D. Accreditation of intergovernmental organizations, civil society organizations and representatives from the private sector, and admission of observers**

##### **(Agenda item 2 (d))**

9. The Conference accredited the intergovernmental organizations and civil society organizations, including non-governmental organizations listed in document ICCD/COP(ES-2)/3.

#### **E. Organization of work**

##### **(Agenda item 2 (e))**

10. The second extraordinary session of the Conference of the Parties was held remotely through a written silence procedure as described in paragraphs 10 and 11 of the annotated provisional agenda. A brief further explanation of the procedure<sup>7</sup> was annexed to the written statement made by the President of the COP at the opening of the session.

11. A draft decision text on the interim programme and budget for 2022 was also annexed to the opening statement of the President of the COP and placed under the silence procedure until 12.30 p.m. Bonn time (Central European Time) on Thursday, 9 December 2021. As the silence was not broken, the decision was considered adopted. The President of the COP informed Parties of its adoption through his closing statement<sup>8</sup> transmitted to delegations on Thursday, 9 December 2021, at 1.30 p.m. Bonn time (Central European Time).

#### **F. Attendance**

12. The representatives of the following 136 Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification were registered for COP ES-2:

<sup>3</sup> In addition to the Parties listed in document ICCD/COP(ES-2)/4, paragraph 4, credentials were also submitted by the following Parties: Algeria, Argentina, Denmark, Israel, Netherlands and Slovenia.

<sup>4</sup> See annex I, agenda item 2 (c).

<sup>5</sup> In addition to the Parties listed in document ICCD/COP(ES-2)/4, paragraph 6, nomination letters were also submitted by the following Parties: Albania, Canada, Chad, Estonia, Ghana, Kenya, Kuwait, Malawi, Mauritania, North Macedonia, Oman, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Senegal, Slovakia, South Africa, State of Palestine, Tuvalu, Uganda and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of).

<sup>6</sup> Please see document ICCD/COP(ES-2)/4, paragraph 7.

<sup>7</sup> See appendix to Annex I.

<sup>8</sup> See annex II.

Albania	Eswatini	Nepal
Algeria	European Union	Netherlands
Angola	Fiji	Nicaragua
Antigua and Barbuda	Finland	Nigeria
Argentina	Gambia	North Macedonia
Armenia	Georgia	Pakistan
Australia	Germany	Palau
Austria	Ghana	Panama
Azerbaijan	Grenada	Paraguay
Bahamas	Guatemala	Peru
Bangladesh	Guinea	Philippines
Belarus	Guyana	Poland
Belgium	Haiti	Portugal
Belize	Honduras	Republic of Korea
Benin	Hungary	Republic of Moldova
Bhutan	India	Russian Federation
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Indonesia	Saint Lucia
Botswana	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Brazil	Israel	Sao Tome and Principe
Bulgaria	Italy	Saudi Arabia
Burkina Faso	Jamaica	Senegal
Cambodia	Japan	Serbia
Cameroon	Jordan	Sierra Leone
Canada	Kazakhstan	Slovakia
Central African Republic	Kenya	Slovenia
Chad	Kuwait	South Africa
Chile	Kyrgyzstan	South Sudan
China	Lebanon	Spain
Colombia	Lesotho	Sri Lanka
Costa Rica	Liberia	Suriname
Côte d'Ivoire	Madagascar	Switzerland
Cyprus	Malawi	Syrian Arab Republic
Czechia	Malaysia	Tajikistan
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Mali	Thailand
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Malta	Togo
Denmark	Mauritania	Trinidad and Tobago
Dominica	Mauritius	Tunisia
Dominican Republic	Mexico	Turkey
Ecuador	Micronesia (Federated States of)	Turkmenistan
Egypt	Montenegro	Uganda
El Salvador	Morocco	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Equatorial Guinea	Mozambique	United States of America
Estonia	Myanmar	Uruguay
	Namibia	

Uzbekistan  
Venezuela (Bolivarian  
Republic of)

Viet Nam  
Yemen  
Zambia

Zimbabwe

13. The following United Nations programme was registered:

United Nations Environment Programme

14. Representatives of two intergovernmental organizations and six civil society organizations also registered for the session.

## **G. Documentation**

15. The documents submitted for the consideration of the COP at its second extraordinary session are listed in annex III.

## **III. Decisions adopted by the Conference of the Parties**

### **Decision taken at the recommendation of the President of the Conference of the Parties**

16. The draft decision on the interim programme and budget for 2022 submitted for consideration and adoption by Parties was the outcome of a review and consultation by the informal budget group, which was constituted along the lines of the budget contact group format used at ordinary sessions of the COP, as per the second notification sent to Parties and observers on 6 September 2021. In his opening statement conveyed to Parties on 6 December 2021, the President of the COP thanked Mr. Bongani Masuku of Eswatini on behalf of the Bureau of the COP for efficiently coordinating and facilitating the work of the informal group and, on that occasion, circulated the draft decision on the interim programme and budget for 2022.

17. The draft decision on the interim programme and budget for 2022 was placed under the silence procedure until 12.30 p.m. Bonn time (Central European Time) on Thursday 9 December 2021 for consideration and adoption by Parties.

18. In his closing statement, the COP President announced that no comments were received during the 72 hours of silence. He further stated that, through their silence, Parties expressed their agreement with the adoption of the decision submitted to them. Therefore, the draft decision on the interim programme and budget for 2022 submitted at the recommendation of the President of the COP was adopted by the Conference.

## **IV. Conclusion of the session**

### **A. Report on the session**

#### **(Agenda item 4)**

19. As indicated in paragraph 17 of the annotated provisional agenda, the written statements made by the President of the COP constitute the outline of the present report. The draft report of the session was adopted on 9 December 2021.

20. The Rapporteur was authorized to complete the report with the guidance of the President and assistance of the secretariat, as appropriate.

## **B. Closure of the session**

### **(Agenda item 5)**

21. The President of the COP expressed his gratitude to all representatives of Parties and observers who were engaged in this extraordinary process for their patience, cooperation and contributions. He declared the second extraordinary session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification closed on Thursday, 9 December 2021 at 1.30 PM Bonn time (Central European Time).

## Annex I

### **Statement by the President of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification at the opening of the second extraordinary session**

I would like to welcome all representatives of Parties and observers to the second extraordinary session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD).

The current session is convened following the expression of support by Parties, as notified by the secretariat on 28 June 2021,<sup>1</sup> for the purpose of considering and adopting an interim budget for the programme of work for 2022. Accordingly, I would like to draw the following to the attention of all representatives.

#### **1. Opening of the session**

It is my pleasure to declare officially open, through the present communication, the second extraordinary session of the Conference of the Parties (COP(ES-2)) to the UNCCD.

#### **2. Organizational matters**

##### **(a) Officers**

Consistent with rule 22, paragraph 2, of the rules of procedure, the current President and Vice-Presidents will serve as the Bureau of the COP at its second extraordinary session.

##### **(b) Adoption of the agenda**

The provisional annotated agenda (ICCD/COP(ES-2)/1) prepared by the secretariat, in accordance with rule 9 of the rules of procedure, in agreement with the President of the COP and rule 14 of the rules of procedure and notified to the Parties and observers earlier by the Executive Secretary, is hereby adopted further to the explanation provided in paragraph 7 of the annotated provisional agenda.

##### **(c) Credentials of delegations**

In line with rule 19 of the rules of procedure, the credentials of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers shall be submitted to the permanent secretariat, if possible, no later than 24 hours after the opening of the session.

Owing to the extraordinary conditions under which the forthcoming COP ES-2 is being convened, the Bureau of COP 14, at its meeting on 30 November 2021, decided, on an exceptional basis and limited to the COP ES-2 session only, to accept – if necessary – a letter issued by the respective national focal point, in lieu of the formal credentials otherwise required by rules 19 and 20 of the rules of procedure.

##### **(d) Accreditation of intergovernmental organizations, civil society organizations, and representatives from the private sector, and admission of observers**

In accordance with the provisions of article 22, paragraph 7, of the Convention, of rules 6 and 7 of the rules of procedure, and of decision 26/COP.1, the list of intergovernmental organizations and civil society organizations, including non-governmental

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<sup>1</sup> See notification at <https://www.unccd.int/sites/default/files/relevant-links/2021-06/Countries-COP%20ES-2-eng-web-final.pdf>.

organizations, recommended for accreditation at COP ES-2, as contained in document ICCD/COP(ES-2)/3, is hereby agreed by the COP.

**(e) Organization of work**

COP ES-2 will be held remotely through a written silence procedure, as specified in paragraphs 10 and 11 of the annotated provisional agenda. A brief further explanation of the procedure is attached to the present communication (see appendix below).

**3. Programme and budget – Proposed interim budget for 2022**

It is my pleasure to submit the enclosed draft decision<sup>2</sup> on the interim budget for 2022 for consideration and adoption by Parties. The draft decision is the outcome of a review and consultation by the informal budget group which was constituted along the lines of the Budget Contact Group format used at ordinary sessions of the COP and notified to Parties and observers on 6 September 2021.<sup>3</sup> On behalf of the Bureau, I would like to thank Mr Bongani Masuku of Eswatini for efficiently coordinating and facilitating the work of the informal group.

The enclosed draft decision is hereby placed under the silence procedure until 12.30 p.m. Bonn time (Central European Time) on Thursday 9 December 2021. Comments, if any, may be directed, by or through a head of delegation, to the Executive Secretary at [secretariat@unccd.int](mailto:secretariat@unccd.int).

**4. Report on the session**

Further to paragraph 17 of the provisional agenda, an outline of the draft report, together with the present communication, will be conveyed to delegates on Thursday, 9 December 2021, at 1.30 p.m. Bonn time (Central European Time), at which time it will be considered adopted.

I avail myself of this opportunity to express my solidarity with Parties and all delegates to this extraordinary session that is taking place in such challenging times, in their fight against the COVID-19 pandemic.

(Signed) Mr. Bhupender Yadav  
 Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change of India and  
 President of the Conference of the Parties to the  
 to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification

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<sup>2</sup> See decision 1/COP.ES-2 in part two of the current report.

<sup>3</sup> See notification at <https://www.unccd.int/sites/default/files/relevant-links/2021-09/Countries-web-COP%20ES-2-eng.pdf>.



## Appendix

### Brief description of the “silence procedure”

The “silence procedure”, which is also known as the “written procedure” or the “no objection procedure”, is a procedure used by certain United Nations bodies to adopt decisions while not meeting in person. Where a plenary meeting is not practical, a draft decision is circulated in writing by the presiding officer of the relevant body under a silence procedure, usually lasting up to 72 hours. The use of a written/silence procedure presupposes prior consultations or negotiations relative to the decision that is tabled for adoption. The presiding officer usually makes sure that no issues will arise or no objection be made against the draft decision during the period of silence. If the silence is not broken, the decision is presumed adopted.

The second extraordinary session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) will be held from 6 to 9 December 2021 to consider and adopt the interim budget for 2022. The session will be held remotely through a silence procedure.

In order to ensure the smooth adoption of the proposed interim budget by the COP to the UNCCD, an informal group of representatives of Parties was established. The composition and operation of the informal group was constituted along the lines of the Budget Contact Group format used at ordinary sessions of the COP. Participation in the informal budget group was open to all delegations. Accordingly, the informal group reviewed the budget proposed by the Executive Secretary and held a series of virtual consultations between 18 October and 12 November 2021. The Group completed its work and submitted a draft decision to the President of the COP. The draft decision on the interim budget for the year 2022 is expected to be adopted following the 72 hours of silence on 9 December 2021.

## **Annex II**

### **Statement by the President of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification at the closure of the second extraordinary session**

I would like to welcome all representatives of Parties and observers to the last day of the second extraordinary session of the Conference of the Parties (COP) to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD).

I am pleased to announce that the second extraordinary session held through the silence procedure, from 6 to 9 December 2021, has achieved its objective of adopting an interim programme and budget for the year 2022. I would like to express my deepest thanks to all representatives of Parties and observers for their understanding, contribution and cooperation. In this closing communication, I would like to report on the following items.

#### **3. Programme and budget – Proposed interim budget for 2022**

I am pleased to announce that no comments were received during the 72 hours of silence. Through their silence, Parties expressed their agreement to the adoption of the decision submitted to them. Therefore, the following decision submitted at the recommendation of the President of the COP was adopted by the Conference:

1/COP.ES-2 Interim programme and budget for 2022.

#### **4. Report on the session**

Further to my opening statement, I am hereby circulating the draft report of the session which, at this point, is deemed to have been adopted by the COP.

#### **5. Closure of the session**

Once again, I would like to express my gratitude to all representatives of Parties and observers who engaged with us in this extraordinary process for their patience, cooperation and contribution.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the fifteenth session of the COP in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire, in May 2022.

I hereby declare the second extraordinary session of the COP to the UNCCD closed.

(Signed) Mr. Bhupender Yadav,  
Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change of India and  
President of the Conference of the Parties to the  
United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification

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**Annex III****Documents before the Conference of the Parties at its second extraordinary session**

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<i>Document symbol</i>	<i>Title</i>
ICCD/COP(ES-2)/1	Provisional agenda and annotations. Note by the secretariat
ICCD/COP(ES-2)/2	Interim programme and budget for 2022. Note by the secretariat
ICCD/COP(ES-2)/3	Accreditation of intergovernmental organizations, civil society organizations and representatives from the private sector, and admission of observers. Note by the secretariat
ICCD/COP(ES-2)/4	Credentials of delegations. Report of the Bureau to the Conference of the Parties
ICCD/COP(ES-2)/INF.1	List of participants

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## Part two: action taken

### Decision 1/COP.ES-2

#### Interim programme and budget for 2022

*The Conference of the Parties,*

*Recalling* the financial rules for the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification,<sup>1</sup>

*Considering* that the fifteenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties has been postponed until 2022 due to constraints arising from the COVID-19 pandemic,

*Noting* the need, therefore, to make exceptional arrangements to allow the continued functioning of the processes of the Convention, including its secretariat, the Global Mechanism and the meetings of the Conference of the Parties and its subsidiary bodies,

*Taking note* of the proposal of the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties that, on an exceptional basis and without setting a precedent, the Parties consider and approve an interim programme and budget for 2022 through agreed modalities,

*Recalling* decisions 1/COP.14 and 10/COP.14,

*Having considered* the information contained in the document prepared by the secretariat and the Global Mechanism on the interim programme and budget,<sup>2</sup>

#### Interim programme and budget for 2022

1. *Approves*, on an exceptional basis, the interim programme budget for 2022 in the amount of EUR 8,215,452 for the purposes specified in table 1 below;
2. *Expresses its appreciation* to the Government of Germany for its annual voluntary contribution to the core budget of EUR 511,292 and its special contribution of EUR 511,292 (Bonn Fund) as host Government to the secretariat;
3. *Approves* the staffing table for the interim programme budget, as contained in table 2 below;
4. *Decides* to maintain the level of the working capital reserve at 12 per cent of the estimated annual expenditure in the Trust Fund for the Core Budget of the UNCCD;
5. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary, on an exceptional basis, to draw upon the available unspent balances in an amount up to EUR 121,411, provided that the use of the balance does not reduce the working capital reserve, and that any such utilization be distributed to programmes and the Global Mechanism proportionate to the approved budget;
6. *Adopts* the indicative scale of contributions for 2022 contained in the annex to this decision;
7. Noting that a scale of assessments for the triennium 2022–2024 is expected to be approved by the General Assembly of the United Nations in December 2021, *requests* the Conference of the Parties, at its fifteenth session, to consider applying that scale, in line with paragraph 12 (a) of the financial rules of the Conference of the Parties, as modified by decision 10/COP.14, by making adjustments, as necessary, to the 2023 contributions once the 2022–2023 budget is adopted;

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<sup>1</sup> Decision 2/COP.1, annex.

<sup>2</sup> Document ICCD/COP(ES-2)/2.

8. *Invites* all Parties to the Convention to note paragraph 14 (a) of the financial rules for the Conference of the Parties and the need to promptly pay their contributions to the core budget;
9. *Authorizes* the Executive Secretary to make transfers between each of the main appropriation lines as set out in table 1 below, up to an aggregate limit of 20 per cent of the total estimated expenditure for those appropriation lines, provided that a further limitation of up to minus 25 per cent of each such appropriation line shall apply, and requests the Executive Secretary to report to the Conference of the Parties on any such transfers;
10. *Also authorizes* the Executive Secretary to establish lower-level positions in addition to the approved staffing table as set out in table 2 below within a budget for staff costs not to exceed EUR 5,473,083;
11. *Invites* the General Assembly of the United Nations to include, in the calendar of conferences and meetings for 2022, the sessions of the Conference of the Parties and its subsidiary bodies envisaged for the year;
12. *Approves* a contingency budget as set out in table 3 below, amounting to EUR 1,578,495 for conference servicing, to be added to the programme budget for 2022 in the event that the General Assembly of the United Nations decides not to provide resources for these activities in the United Nations regular budget;
13. *Decides* that, to the extent that offsetting voluntary contributions for the purpose expressed in paragraph 12 does not reach EUR 1,578,495, the balance will be included in the contingency budget for conference servicing;
14. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to report to the Conference of the Parties at its fifteenth session on the status of income and expenditure and budget performance (2020–2021), using a results-based approach;
15. *Requests* the Executive Secretary, in line with decision 10/COP.14 and taking into account the present decision, to prepare a results-based budget and work programme for the biennium 2022–2023, presenting two budget scenarios and a work programme based on the projected needs for the biennium in (a) a zero nominal growth scenario; and (b) a scenario based on further recommended adjustments to the first scenario and the added costs or savings related to them.

Table 1  
**Resource requirements by subprogramme**  
 (Euros)

	<i>Approved budget 2021<sup>a</sup></i>	<i>Proposed interim budget 2022</i>	<i>Percentage variance</i>
<i>I. Secretariat programmes</i>			
<b>A. Executive Direction and Management</b>	1 013 419	1 013 419	0.0
<b>B. Communications</b>	561 295	561 295	0.0
<b>C. External Relations, Policy and Advocacy</b>	1 091 937	1 091 937	0.0
<b>D. Science, Technology and Implementation</b>	1 602 685	1 602 685	0.0
<b>E. Administrative Services</b>	1 153 523	1 153 523	0.0
<i>II. Global Mechanism</i>			
<b>F. Global Mechanism</b>	1 847 452	1 847 452	0.0
<b>Subtotal (A-F)</b>	7 270 311	7 270 311	0.0
<b>III. Programme support costs (13%)</b>	945 141	945 141	0.0
<b>IV. Working capital reserve</b>	-	-	0.0
<b>TOTAL (I-IV)</b>	<b>8 215 452</b>	<b>8 215 452</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Income</b>			
Contribution from the host Government	511 292	511 292	0.0
Indicative contributions	7 582 749	7 582 749	0.0
Unspent balances	121 411	121 411	0.0
<b>TOTAL Income</b>	<b>8 215 452</b>	<b>8 215 452</b>	<b>0.0</b>

<sup>a</sup> The approved budget from 2021 as presented in decision 10/COP.14.

Table 2  
**Staffing requirements**

	<i>Approved budget 2020–2021</i>			<i>Proposed interim budget 2022</i>		
	<i>Global Secretariat</i>	<i>Mechanism</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Global Secretariat</i>	<i>Mechanism</i>	<i>Total</i>
Professional category and above						
Under-Secretary-General	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
D-2	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00
D-1	0.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
P-5	7.00	1.00	8.00	7.00	1.00	8.00
P-4	7.00	2.00	9.00	7.00	2.00	9.00
P-3	4.00	4.00	8.00	4.00	4.00	8.00
P-2	1.00	2.00	3.00	1.00	2.00	3.00
Subtotal Professional category and above	21.00	10.00	31.00	21.00	10.00	31.00
Subtotal General Services category	10.00	4.00	14.00	10.00	4.00	14.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>31.00</b>	<b>14.00</b>	<b>45.00</b>	<b>31.00</b>	<b>14.00</b>	<b>45.00</b>

Table 3  
**Contingency budget for conference servicing  
(euros)**

<i>Object of expenditure</i>	<i>2022</i>
United Nations meetings services	1 396 898
Programme support costs	181 597
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1 578 495</b>

## Annex

### Indicative scale of assessment for the core budget of the Convention 2022

<i>Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification<sup>a</sup></i>	<i>United Nations scale of assessment</i>	<i>Indicative scale of assessment for 2021</i>	<i>2021 indicative contributions (euros)</i>	<i>Indicative scale of assessment for 2022</i>	<i>2022 indicative contributions (euros)</i>
Afghanistan	0.007	0.007	517	0.007	517
Albania	0.008	0.008	591	0.008	591
Algeria	0.138	0.135	10,201	0.135	10,201
Andorra	0.005	0.005	370	0.005	370
Angola	0.010	0.010	739	0.010	739
Antigua and Barbuda	0.002	0.002	148	0.002	148
Argentina	0.915	0.892	67,640	0.892	67,640
Armenia	0.007	0.007	517	0.007	517
Australia	2.210	2.155	163,372	2.155	163,372
Austria	0.677	0.660	50,046	0.660	50,046
Azerbaijan	0.049	0.048	3,622	0.048	3,622
Bahamas	0.018	0.018	1,331	0.018	1,331
Bahrain	0.050	0.049	3,696	0.049	3,696
Bangladesh	0.010	0.010	739	0.010	739
Barbados	0.007	0.007	517	0.007	517
Belarus	0.049	0.048	3,622	0.048	3,622
Belgium	0.821	0.800	60,691	0.800	60,691
Belize	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Benin	0.003	0.003	222	0.003	222
Bhutan	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	0.016	0.016	1,183	0.016	1,183
Bosnia and Herzegovina	0.012	0.012	887	0.012	887
Botswana	0.014	0.014	1,035	0.014	1,035
Brazil	2.948	2.874	217,927	2.874	217,927
Brunei Darussalam	0.025	0.024	1,848	0.024	1,848
Bulgaria	0.046	0.045	3,400	0.045	3,400
Burkina Faso	0.003	0.003	222	0.003	222
Burundi	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Cabo Verde	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Cambodia	0.006	0.006	444	0.006	444
Cameroon	0.013	0.013	961	0.013	961
Canada	2.734	2.665	202,108	2.665	202,108
Central African Republic	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Chad	0.004	0.004	296	0.004	296
Chile	0.407	0.397	30,087	0.397	30,087
China	12.005	11.704	887,455	11.704	887,455
Colombia	0.288	0.281	21,290	0.281	21,290
Comoros	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Congo	0.006	0.006	444	0.006	444



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Cook Islands	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Costa Rica	0.062	0.060	4,583	0.060	4,583
Côte d'Ivoire	0.013	0.013	961	0.013	961
Croatia	0.077	0.075	5,692	0.075	5,692
Cuba	0.080	0.078	5,914	0.078	5,914
Cyprus	0.036	0.035	2,661	0.035	2,661
Czechia	0.311	0.303	22,990	0.303	22,990
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	0.006	0.006	444	0.006	444
Democratic Republic of the Congo	0.010	0.010	739	0.010	739
Denmark	0.554	0.540	40,954	0.540	40,954
Djibouti	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Dominica	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Dominican Republic	0.053	0.052	3,918	0.052	3,918
Ecuador	0.080	0.078	5,914	0.078	5,914
Egypt	0.186	0.181	13,750	0.181	13,750
El Salvador	0.012	0.012	887	0.012	887
Equatorial Guinea	0.016	0.016	1,183	0.016	1,183
Eritrea	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Estonia	0.039	0.038	2,883	0.038	2,883
Eswatini	0.002	0.002	148	0.002	148
Ethiopia	0.010	0.010	739	0.010	739
European Union	2.500	2.500	189,569	2.500	189,569
Fiji	0.003	0.003	222	0.003	222
Finland	0.421	0.410	31,122	0.410	31,122
France	4.427	4.316	327,260	4.316	327,260
Gabon	0.015	0.015	1,109	0.015	1,109
Gambia	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Georgia	0.008	0.008	591	0.008	591
Germany	6.090	5.937	450,196	5.937	450,196
Ghana	0.015	0.015	1,109	0.015	1,109
Greece	0.366	0.357	27,056	0.357	27,056
Grenada	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Guatemala	0.036	0.035	2,661	0.035	2,661
Guinea	0.003	0.003	222	0.003	222
Guinea-Bissau	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Guyana	0.002	0.002	148	0.002	148
Haiti	0.003	0.003	222	0.003	222
Honduras	0.009	0.009	665	0.009	665
Hungary	0.206	0.201	15,228	0.201	15,228
Iceland	0.028	0.027	2,070	0.027	2,070
India	0.834	0.813	61,652	0.813	61,652
Indonesia	0.543	0.529	40,141	0.529	40,141
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	0.398	0.388	29,422	0.388	29,422

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Iraq	0.129	0.126	9,536	0.126	9,536
Ireland	0.371	0.362	27,426	0.362	27,426
Israel	0.490	0.478	36,223	0.478	36,223
Italy	3.307	3.224	244,466	3.224	244,466
Jamaica	0.008	0.008	591	0.008	591
Japan	8.564	8.349	633,083	8.349	633,083
Jordan	0.021	0.020	1,552	0.020	1,552
Kazakhstan	0.178	0.174	13,158	0.174	13,158
Kenya	0.024	0.023	1,774	0.023	1,774
Kiribati	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Kuwait	0.252	0.246	18,629	0.246	18,629
Kyrgyzstan	0.002	0.002	148	0.002	148
Lao People's Democratic Republic	0.005	0.005	370	0.005	370
Latvia	0.047	0.046	3,474	0.046	3,474
Lebanon	0.047	0.046	3,474	0.046	3,474
Lesotho	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Liberia	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Libya	0.030	0.029	2,218	0.029	2,218
Liechtenstein	0.009	0.009	665	0.009	665
Lithuania	0.071	0.069	5,249	0.069	5,249
Luxembourg	0.067	0.065	4,953	0.065	4,953
Madagascar	0.004	0.004	296	0.004	296
Malawi	0.002	0.002	148	0.002	148
Malaysia	0.341	0.332	25,208	0.332	25,208
Maldives	0.004	0.004	296	0.004	296
Mali	0.004	0.004	296	0.004	296
Malta	0.017	0.017	1,257	0.017	1,257
Marshall Islands	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Mauritania	0.002	0.002	148	0.002	148
Mauritius	0.011	0.011	813	0.011	813
Mexico	1.292	1.260	95,509	1.260	95,509
Micronesia (Federated States of)	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Monaco	0.011	0.011	813	0.011	813
Mongolia	0.005	0.005	370	0.005	370
Montenegro	0.004	0.004	296	0.004	296
Morocco	0.055	0.054	4,066	0.054	4,066
Mozambique	0.004	0.004	296	0.004	296
Myanmar	0.010	0.010	739	0.010	739
Namibia	0.009	0.009	665	0.009	665
Nauru	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Nepal	0.007	0.007	517	0.007	517
Netherlands	1.356	1.322	100,241	1.322	100,241
New Zealand	0.291	0.284	21,512	0.284	21,512

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Nicaragua	0.005	0.005	370	0.005	370
Niger	0.002	0.002	148	0.002	148
Nigeria	0.250	0.244	18,481	0.244	18,481
Niue	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
North Macedonia	0.007	0.007	517	0.007	517
Norway	0.754	0.735	55,739	0.735	55,739
Oman	0.115	0.112	8,501	0.112	8,501
Pakistan	0.115	0.112	8,501	0.112	8,501
Palau	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Panama	0.045	0.044	3,327	0.044	3,327
Papua New Guinea	0.010	0.010	739	0.010	739
Paraguay	0.016	0.016	1,183	0.016	1,183
Peru	0.152	0.148	11,236	0.148	11,236
Philippines	0.205	0.200	15,154	0.200	15,154
Poland	0.802	0.782	59,287	0.782	59,287
Portugal	0.350	0.341	25,873	0.341	25,873
Qatar	0.282	0.275	20,846	0.275	20,846
Republic of Korea	2.267	2.210	167,585	2.210	167,585
Republic of Moldova	0.003	0.003	222	0.003	222
Romania	0.198	0.193	14,637	0.193	14,637
Russian Federation	2.405	2.345	177,787	2.345	177,787
Rwanda	0.003	0.003	222	0.003	222
Saint Kitts and Nevis	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Saint Lucia	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Samoa	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
San Marino	0.002	0.002	148	0.002	148
Sao Tome and Principe	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Saudi Arabia	1.172	1.143	86,639	1.143	86,639
Senegal	0.007	0.007	517	0.007	517
Serbia	0.028	0.027	2,070	0.027	2,070
Seychelles	0.002	0.002	148	0.002	148
Sierra Leone	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Singapore	0.485	0.473	35,853	0.473	35,853
Slovakia	0.153	0.149	11,310	0.149	11,310
Slovenia	0.076	0.074	5,618	0.074	5,618
Solomon Islands	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Somalia	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
South Africa	0.272	0.265	20,107	0.265	20,107
South Sudan	0.006	0.006	444	0.006	444
Spain	2.146	2.092	158,640	2.092	158,640
Sri Lanka	0.044	0.043	3,253	0.043	3,253
State of Palestine	0.008	0.008	591	0.008	591
Sudan	0.010	0.010	739	0.010	739

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Suriname	0.005	0.005	370	0.005	370
Sweden	0.906	0.883	66,975	0.883	66,975
Switzerland	1.151	1.122	85,086	1.122	85,086
Syrian Arab Republic	0.011	0.011	813	0.011	813
Tajikistan	0.004	0.004	296	0.004	296
Thailand	0.307	0.299	22,695	0.299	22,695
Timor-Leste	0.002	0.002	148	0.002	148
Togo	0.002	0.002	148	0.002	148
Tonga	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Trinidad and Tobago	0.040	0.039	2,957	0.039	2,957
Tunisia	0.025	0.024	1,848	0.024	1,848
Turkey	1.371	1.337	101,349	1.337	101,349
Turkmenistan	0.033	0.032	2,439	0.032	2,439
Tuvalu	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Uganda	0.008	0.008	591	0.008	591
Ukraine	0.057	0.056	4,214	0.056	4,214
United Arab Emirates	0.616	0.601	45,537	0.601	45,537
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Island	4.567	4.452	337,610	4.452	337,610
United Republic of Tanzania	0.010	0.010	739	0.010	739
United States of America	22.000	21.448	1,626,323	21.448	1,626,323
Uruguay	0.087	0.085	6,431	0.085	6,431
Uzbekistan	0.032	0.031	2,366	0.031	2,366
Vanuatu	0.001	0.001	76	0.001	76
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	0.728	0.710	53,816	0.710	53,816
Viet Nam	0.077	0.075	5,692	0.075	5,692
Yemen	0.010	0.010	739	0.010	739
Zambia	0.009	0.009	665	0.009	665
Zimbabwe	0.005	0.005	370	0.005	370
<b>Total</b>	<b>102.510</b>	<b>100.000</b>	<b>7,582,749</b>	<b>100.000</b>	<b>7,582,749</b>

<sup>a</sup> Parties include States and regional economic integration organizations that are Parties as of 31 July 2021.

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