

**MINAMATA
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ON MERCURY**

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**Conference of the Parties to the
Minamata Convention on Mercury
Fifth meeting**
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Item 6 of the provisional agenda*

Programme of work and budget**Information on financial matters****Note by the secretariat**

1. The financial rules for the Conference of the Parties to the Minamata Convention on Mercury, its subsidiary bodies and the secretariat of the Convention (decision MC-1/10, annex) stipulate that the head of the secretariat shall dispatch the estimates, as well as the actual income and expenditure, for each year of the previous biennium and estimates of the actual expenditure in the current biennium to all parties to the Convention at least 90 days before the opening of the meeting of the Conference of the Parties at which the budget is to be adopted.
2. The present note provides the certified accounts for 2020, 2021 and 2022 for the general and special trust funds (see sect. I below) as well as financial information on the performance of the general trust fund for the bienniums 2020–2021 and 2022–2023 (see sect. II). Financial information on the special trust fund can be found in section III and financial information on the specific trust fund for the Specific International Programme to Support Capacity-Building and Technical Assistance can be found in section IV.
3. All amounts presented are in United States dollars, unless otherwise mentioned. The annexes to the present note have not been formally edited.

I. Certified accounts for 2020, 2021 and 2022

4. The certified accounts for 2020, 2021 and 2022 for the general trust fund for core activities and the special trust fund for voluntary activities are presented in annexes I and II to the present note and are included as an integral part of the certified accounts of the United Nations Environment Programme for 2020, 2021 and 2022. All final certified accounts are published on the Minamata Convention website.

II. General trust fund

5. For 2023, assessed contributions totalling \$2,616,639 were due from 83 parties as at 31 May 2023 and, as at 31 May 2023, full or partial contributions totalling \$2,000,025, corresponding to 49.19 per cent, had been received from 54 parties (see annex III, table III.1).
6. As at 1 January 2023, an amount of \$678,122 was outstanding for prior years (2018–2022). As at 31 May 2023, a total of \$127,710, corresponding to 18.83 per cent, had been received from

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15 parties, leaving an outstanding balance of \$550,412 still receivable from 63 parties (see annex III, tables III.1 and III.2).

7. In accordance with rule 5.3 (c) of the financial rules, during the current biennium the Executive Secretary has written two letters to date, copied to the permanent missions in Geneva, to the national focal points of parties whose contributions were not received by 31 December of the relevant year, to impress upon them the importance of paying their respective outstanding contributions for prior periods and urging them to pay any outstanding contribution as early as possible to avoid cash flow and funding issues for the Minamata Convention. The status of contributions to the general trust fund has been reported to the Bureau at each of its past meetings, and more detailed information on the efforts undertaken by the secretariat to follow up on outstanding contributions and on the detailed status of contributions has been reported to the Bureau at each of its meetings from January 2023 onward.

8. In accordance with rule 5.3 (d) of the financial rules, the Executive Secretary followed up with 32 parties who had outstanding contributions for two or more years in February 2021 and invited each of them to jointly develop a payment schedule that permitted them to pay all outstanding contributions within six years, depending on the financial circumstances of the party, and to pay future contributions promptly. Subsequently, two parties communicated that they would investigate how best to pay their outstanding contribution and six parties paid the total amount outstanding as of 31 May 2021. Information on that outreach was reported to the Conference of the Parties at its fourth meeting (see document UNEP/MC/COP.4/INF/21). Prior to that, the Executive Secretary reminded parties of the importance of paying the contributions to the general trust fund at the regional consultation meetings for the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties held in October 2021.

9. In early July 2023, a second letter was sent to 61 parties who had outstanding contributions for two or more years as at 31 May 2023: a reminder letter was sent to the 27 parties who already received a letter inviting them to develop a payment schedule, while the 34 parties who had previously not had contributions outstanding for two or more years were sent a letter inviting them to develop a payment schedule and offering to provide them with a template if needed. The secretariat will report the response rate, as well as the amounts received to date, to the Conference of the Parties at its fifth meeting. Prior to that, in addition to the reports to the Bureau, the matter will be included on the agenda of the regional preparatory meetings for the fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties. The list of the 61 parties with outstanding contributions for two or more years as at 31 May 2023 can be found in annex III, table III.2.

10. Rule 5.3 (e) of the financial rules stipulates that if a payment schedule is not jointly decided or respected, the Conference of the Parties will decide on appropriate measures.

11. Annex VI to the present note provides information on the budget performance of the general trust fund for the biennium 2020–2021. Out of a total budget of \$7,579,959 for the biennium 2020–2021, including programme support costs, a total expenditure of \$6,458,254 was incurred, leaving a balance of \$1,121,705, including programme support costs (14.80 per cent). The most significant savings were attributable to the holding of the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties in two parts, which led to some expenditure budgeted for 2021 being spent in 2022. Other areas also had underspending due to the impact of the coronavirus disease pandemic, which led to activities being deferred to the next biennium and meetings and activities being held online instead of in person. One such activity, for example, was the finalization of the trade, supply and demand report for the effectiveness evaluation, which had to be carried forward into the next biennium.

12. The only over-expenditures were recorded under overall management, with slight overspendings in executive direction and management. Minor over-expenditures were also incurred under international cooperation and coordination and financial resources and mechanism, as well as under legal and policy activities; the Executive Secretary accommodated those by making use of financial rule 3.5, which allows the transfer of up to 20 per cent between appropriation lines.

13. Annex VII provides information on the projected budget performance of the general trust fund for the biennium 2022–2023. The total approved budget for the biennium is \$7,914,370, and the authorized use of the accumulated surplus of \$500,962 brings the total available budget to \$8,415,331. The estimated total expenditure is \$8,141,250, leaving a projected balance of \$274,081, including programme support costs (3.46 per cent). The estimated total expenditure is based on actual expenditures up until 31 May 2023 and estimated expenditures for the remainder of 2023. The most significant savings are projected to be under effectiveness evaluation and executive direction and management. For effectiveness evaluation, some savings were attributable to the use of internal resources for certain activities. For executive direction and management, projected expenditures are

slightly lower than the United Nations standard salary costs used for budgeting, in part due to vacancies.

14. In terms of projected over-expenditures for the biennium 2022–2023, the most significant one is in the line of the Conference of the Parties, mainly due to the fact that the fourth meeting was held in two parts and some related expenditures were therefore incurred in 2022. That over-expenditure is offset by the savings in the same budget line for the 2020–2022 biennium (see para. 12 above).

III. Special trust fund

15. Annex IV provides an overview of the contributions to the special trust fund for the biennium 2020–2021 (table IV.1) and the biennium 2022–2023 (table IV.2) and shows the various donors for the respective bienniums. For the biennium 2020–2021, a total of \$3,041,037 was received. As of 31 May 2023, \$1,374,974 had been received for the biennium 2022–2023.

16. Table VIII.1 in annex VIII provides an overview of the budget performance of the special trust fund, including programme support costs, for the biennium 2020–2021, with an agreed budget of \$4,377,620, a realized budget (from fundraising) of \$3,731,855 and expenditures of \$863,677. The balance includes donor funding earmarked for activities beyond the biennium 2020–2021.

17. Table VIII.2 in annex VIII provides an overview of the projected budget performance, including programme support costs, for the biennium 2022–2023, with an agreed budget of \$4,762,950, a realized budget of \$4,366,308 based on donor contributions received and pledged as of 15 June 2023, and projected expenditures of \$3,697,192. The balance includes donor funding earmarked for activities beyond the biennium 2022–2023.

IV. Specific trust fund for the Specific International Programme to Support Capacity-Building and Technical Assistance

18. Annex V shows the various donors and their contributions to the specific trust fund for the Specific International Programme, for the third round (table V.1) and for the fourth round (table V.2). For the third round, a total of \$2,473,912 was received. As at 31 May 2023, a total of \$928,506 had been received for the fourth round. Funds received for the fourth round will be allocated during a future meeting of the Governing Board. Details related to the Specific International Programme and its implementation can be found in document UNEP/MC/COP.5/11.



Annex I

Certified audited accounts of the Minamata Convention general and special trust funds for the biennium 2020–2021 prepared in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards



Trust Fund for Core Activities under the Minamata Convention. (Fund code : 40MCC)	
I. Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 31 December 2020 (United States Dollars)	
	Total 2020
Revenue	
Assessed Contributions	2,489,106
Voluntary Contributions	583,533
Other Revenue	6,386
Investment Revenue	49,553
Total Revenue	3,128,578
Expenses	
Employee salaries allowances and benefits	1,729,030
Non-employee compensation and allowances	146,429
Grants and other transfers	100,032
Travel	18,171
Other operating expenses	126,790
Foreign exchange gains/losses	(1,922)
AFDA adjustments	93,788
Programme support expenses	284,760
Total expenses	2,497,078
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	631,500
II. Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2020 (United States Dollars)	
	Total 2020
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash equivalents	3,796,880
Assessed contributions receivable	578,975
Other receivables	(20)
Other assets	48,421
Total Current Assets	4,424,256
Non-Current Assets	
Total Non-Current Assets	-
Total Assets	4,424,256
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	5,811
Advance receipts	1,740,394
Employee benefits liabilities	31,445
Total Current Liabilities	1,777,650
Total Non current Liabilities	-
Total Liabilities	1,777,650
Net of Total Assets and Total Liabilities	2,646,606
Net Assets:	
Accumulated surpluses/ (deficits) - unrestricted	1,967,449
Reserves	679,157
Total Net Assets	2,646,606
III. Interim Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the year ended 31 December 2020 (United States Dollars)	
	Total 2020
Net Assets at the Beginning of the Period	2,015,106
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	631,500
Total Net Assets at the End of the Period	2,646,606
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Trust Fund for Voluntary Activities relating to the Minamata Convention (Fund code : MCV)	
I. Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 31 December 2020 (United States Dollars)	
	Total 2020
Revenue	
Voluntary Contributions	1,414,105
Other Revenue	16,857
Investment Revenue	24,190
Total Revenue	1,455,152
Expenses	
Employee salaries allowances and benefits	262,613
Non-employee compensation and allowances	76,905
Grants and other transfers	(191,749)
Travel	(22,929)
Other operating expenses	19,134
Foreign exchange gains/losses	(20,152)
Programme support expenses	35,091
Total expenses	158,913
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	1,296,240
II. Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2020 (United States Dollars)	
	Total 2020
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash equivalents	2,002,320
Voluntary contributions receivable	1,592,198
Advance Transfers	1,016
Total Current Assets	3,595,534
Non-Current Assets	
Voluntary Contributions Receivable	28,761
Total Non-Current Assets	28,761
Total Assets	3,624,296
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	45,690
Employee benefits liabilities	9,854
Liabilities for conditional arrangements	1,955,890
Total Current Liabilities	2,011,434
Total Non current Liabilities	
Total Liabilities	2,011,434
Net of Total Assets and Total Liabilities	1,612,862
Net Assets:	
Accumulated surpluses/ (deficits) - unrestricted	1,612,862
Total Net Assets	1,612,862
III. Interim Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the year ended 31 December 2020 (United States Dollars)	
	Total 2020
Net Assets at the Beginning of the Period	316,622
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	1,296,240
Total Net Assets at the End of the Period	1,612,862
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Trust Fund for Core Activities under the Minamata Convention. (Fund code : 40MCC)	
I. Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 31 December 2021 (United States Dollars)	
	Total 2021
Revenue	
Assessed Contributions	4,089,420
Voluntary Contributions	662,833
Other Revenue	5,940
Investment Revenue	11,260
Total Revenue	4,769,453
Expenses	
Employee salaries allowances and benefits	2,601,366
Non-employee compensation and allowances	244,965
Grants and other transfers	8,027
Travel	360
Other operating expenses	1,007,518
Foreign exchange gains/losses	6,361
AFDA adjustments	26,143
Programme support expenses	469,760
Total expenses	4,364,500
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	404,953
II. Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2021 (United States Dollars)	
	Total 2021
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash equivalents	3,786,328
Assessed contributions receivable	557,870
Advance Transfers	12,405
Other assets	138,752
Total Current Assets	4,495,354
Non-Current Assets	
Total Non-Current Assets	-
Total Assets	4,495,354
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	37,347
Advance receipts	1,364,021
Employee benefits liabilities	42,427
Total Current Liabilities	1,443,795
Total Non current Liabilities	-
Total Liabilities	1,443,795
Net of Total Assets and Total Liabilities	3,051,559
Net Assets:	
Accumulated surpluses/ (deficits) - unrestricted	2,541,907
Reserves	509,653
Total Net Assets	3,051,559
III. Interim Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the year ended 31 December 2021 (United States Dollars)	
	Total 2021
Net Assets at the Beginning of the Period	2,646,606
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	404,953
Total Net Assets at the End of the Period	3,051,559
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**Trust Fund for Voluntary Activities relating to the Minamata Convention
(Fund code : MCV)**

**I. Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 31 December 2021
(United States Dollars)**

	Total 2021
Revenue	
Voluntary Contributions	1,068,624
Other transfers and allocations	(3,359)
Other Revenue	4,682
Investment Revenue	1,309
Total Revenue	1,071,255
Expenses	
Employee salaries allowances and benefits	253,970
Non-employee compensation and allowances	114,958
Grants and other transfers	47,989
Travel	49,289
Other operating expenses	41,081
Foreign exchange gains/losses	43,363
Programme support expenses	64,152
Total expenses	614,802
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	456,453

**II. Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2021
(United States Dollars)**

	Total 2021
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash equivalents	2,816,115
Voluntary contributions receivable	55,340
Advance Transfers	4,595
Other assets	9,480
Total Current Assets	2,885,531
Non-Current Assets	
Total Non-Current Assets	-
Total Assets	2,885,531
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	40,770
Employee benefits liabilities	12,648
Liabilities for conditional arrangements	762,798
Total Current Liabilities	816,217
Total Non current Liabilities	-
Total Liabilities	816,217
Net of Total Assets and Total Liabilities	2,069,314
Net Assets:	
Accumulated surpluses/ (deficits) - unrestricted	2,069,314
Total Net Assets	2,069,314

**III. Interim Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the year ended 31 December 2021
(United States Dollars)**

	Total 2021
Net Assets at the Beginning of the Period	1,612,862
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	456,453
Total Net Assets at the End of the Period	2,069,314

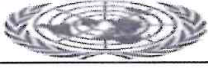
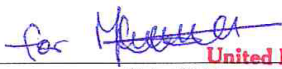

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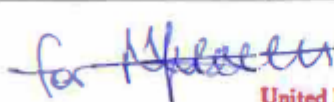

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Annex II

Certified audited accounts of the Minamata Convention general and special trust funds for 2022 prepared in accordance with International Public Sector Accounting Standards

	
Trust fund for core activities under the Minamata Convention (Fund code: MCC)	
I. Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 31 December 2022 (United States Dollars)	
	Total
Revenue	
Voluntary Contributions	683,098
Assessed Contributions	2,661,840
Other Revenue	827
Investment Revenue	9,638
Total Revenue	3,355,403
Expenses	
Employee salaries allowances and benefits	2,311,508
Non-employee compensation and allowances	73,943
Grants and other transfers	30,992
Supplies and consumables	103
Travel	39,257
Other operating expenses	528,987
Allowance for doubtful debt	34,592
Programme support expenses	369,126
Net Foreign exchange losses	3,078
Total expenses	3,391,584
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	(36,181)
II. Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2022 (United States Dollars)	
	Total
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash equivalents	4,356,447
Voluntary contributions receivable	-
Assessed contributions receivable	504,639
Other receivables	-
Advance Transfers	-
Other assets	125,746
Total Current Assets	4,986,833
Non-Current Assets	
Voluntary Contributions Receivable	-
Property plant and equipment	-
Total Non-Current Assets	-
Total Assets	4,986,833
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	75,217
Employee benefits liabilities	52,654
Advance receipts	1,843,583
Total Current Liabilities	1,971,455
Non Current Liabilities	-
Total Non current Liabilities	-
Total Liabilities	1,971,455
Net of Total Assets and Total Liabilities	3,015,378
Net Assets:	
Accumulated surpluses/ (deficits) - unrestricted	2,374,056
Net Assets:	(36,181)
Reserves	677,503
Total Net Assets	3,015,378
III. Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the year ended 31 December 2022 (United States Dollars)	
	Total
Net Assets at the Beginning of the Period	3,051,559
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	(36,181)
Total Net Assets at the End of the Period	3,015,378
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Trust Fund for Voluntary Activities relating to the Minamata Convention (Fund code: MCV)	
I. Final Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 31 December 2022 (United States Dollars)	
	Total
Revenue	
Voluntary Contributions	989,435
Other Revenue	53,371
Investment Revenue	11,897
Total Revenue	1,054,704
Expenses	
Employee salaries allowances and benefits	264,694
Non-employee compensation and allowances	61,757
Grants and other transfers	53,991
Travel	614,084
Other operating expenses	106,832
Programme support expenses	91,226
Net Foreign exchange losses	43,838
Total expenses	1,236,421
Surplus/(Deficit) for the period	(181,718)
II. Final Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2022 (United States Dollars)	
	Total
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash equivalents	2,577,765
Advance Transfers	15,000
Total Current Assets	2,592,765
Non-Current Assets	
Total Assets	2,592,765
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	3,027
Employee benefits liabilities	10,655
Other liabilities	691,487
Total Current Liabilities	705,168
Non Current Liabilities	
Total Non current Liabilities	-
Total Liabilities	705,168
Net of Total Assets and Total Liabilities	1,887,596
Net Assets:	
Accumulated surpluses/ (deficits) - unrestricted	1,887,596
Total Net Assets	1,887,596
III. Final Statement of Changes in Net Assets for the year ended 31 December 2022 (United States Dollars)	
	Total
Net Assets at the Beginning of the Period	2,069,314
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	(181,718)
Total Net Assets at the End of the Period	1,887,596
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Annex III¹

Status of contributions to the general trust fund of the Minamata Convention as at 31 May 2023

Table III.1

Overview of the status of contributions to the general trust fund as at 31 May 2023

Party		Prior Years (2018-2022)			2023				
		Unpaid Contribution as of 31.12.2022 (in USD)	Received in 2023 (in USD)	Balance (in USD)	Contribution (in USD)	Received in 2022 (in USD)	Received in 2023 (in USD)	Balance (in USD)	Total unpaid contributions as of 31 May 2023
AFRICAN STATES									
1	Benin	504	484	20	407			407	427
2	Botswana	0		0	629			629	629
3	Burkina Faso	0		0	407	1 013		-606	-606
4	Burundi	0		0	407		407	0	0
5	Cameroon	687		687	545			545	1 232
6	Central Africa Republic	389		389	407			407	795
7	Chad	1 564		1 564	407			407	1 970
8	Comoros	957		957	407			407	1 363
9	Congo (Republic of the)	929		929	407			407	1 336
10	Côte d'Ivoire	1 395		1 395	922			922	2 317
11	Djibouti	1 564		1 564	407			407	1 970
12	Equatorial Guinea	1 717		1 717	503			503	2 220
13	Eswatini	902	902	0	407		407	0	0
14	Gabon	3 238		3 238	545			545	3 783
15	Gambia	1 231		1 231	407			407	1 637
16	Ghana	1 154		1 154	1 006			1 006	2 160
17	Guinea	1 564		1 564	407			407	1 970
18	Guinea-Bissau	1 203		1 203	407			407	1 610
19	Lesotho	589		589	407			407	995
20	Madagascar	510	501	9	407			407	415
21	Mali	1 337		1 337	407			407	1 744
22	Mauritania	1 564		1 564	407			407	1 970

¹ The annex has not been formally edited.

		Prior Years (2018-2022)			2023				
		Unpaid Contribution as of 31.12.2022 (in USD)	Received in 2023 (in USD)	Balance (in USD)	Contribution (in USD)	Received in 2022 (in USD)	Received in 2023 (in USD)	Balance (in USD)	Total unpaid contributions as of 31 May 2023
Party									
23	Mauritius	0		0	797	797		0	-0
24	Namibia	0		0	407	407		0	-0
25	Niger	1 564		1 564	407			407	1 970
26	Nigeria	42 469		42 469	7 631			7 631	50 100
27	Rwanda	1 231		1 231	407			407	1 637
28	Sao Tome and Principe	1 231		1 231	407			407	1 637
29	Senegal	1 564		1 564	407			407	1 970
30	Seychelles	0		0	407			407	407
31	Sierra Leone	0		0	407	1 407		-1 000	-1 000
32	South Africa	0		0	10 230	10 230		0	0
33	Togo	902		902	407			407	1 308
34	Uganda	654		654	419			419	1 073
35	United Republic of Tanzania	0		0	419	654	419	-654	-654
36	Zambia	0		0	407			407	407
37	Zimbabwe	290		290	407			407	696
	Total African States	72 898	1 887	71 011	34 219	14 508	1 233	18 478	89 489
	ASIA – PACIFIC STATES								
38	Afghanistan	1 231		1 231	407			407	1 637
39	Bahrain	1 843		1 843	2 264			2 264	4 107
40	Cambodia	0		0	407			407	407
41	China	0		0	639 558			639 558	639 558
42	Cyprus	0		0	1 509		1 509	0	0
43	India	0		0	43 772			43 772	43 772
44	Indonesia	0		0	23 018		23 018	0	0
45	Iran (Islamic Republic of)	87 805		87 805	15 555			15 555	103 360
46	Iraq	3 724		3 724	5 367			5 367	9 091
47	Japan	0		0	336 801		112 267	224 534	224 534
48	Jordan	0		0	922	922		0	0
49	Kiribati	902		902	407			407	1 308
50	Korea (Republic of)	0		0	107 921		107 921	0	0
51	Kuwait	0		0	9 811		9 811	0	0
52	Lao People's Democratic Republic	1 564		1 564	407			407	1 970

		Prior Years (2018-2022)			2023			
		Unpaid Contribution as of 31.12.2022 (in USD)	Received in 2023 (in USD)	Balance (in USD)	Contribution (in USD)	Received in 2022 (in USD)	Received in 2023 (in USD)	Total unpaid contributions as of 31 May 2023
Party							Balance (in USD)	
53	Lebanon	9 102		9 102	1 509		1 509	10 612
54	Marshall Islands	0		0	407		407	407
55	Mongolia	902		902	407		407	1 308
56	Oman	9 716	9 716	0	4 654		4 654	4 654
57	Pakistan	7 460		7 460	4 780		4 780	12 240
58	Palau	257		257	407		407	663
59	Palestine (State of)	902		902	461		461	1 363
60	Philippines	0		0	8 889		8 889	0
61	Qatar	8 140		8 140	11 278		11 278	19 419
62	Samoa	257		257	407		407	663
63	Saudi Arabia	33 832		33 832	49 642		49 642	83 474
64	Singapore	0		0	21 131	21 131	0	0
65	Sri Lanka	1 270		1 270	1 887		1 887	3 157
66	Syrian Arab Republic	3 478		3 478	407		407	3 885
67	Thailand	0		—	15 429		15 429	0
68	Tonga	902		902	407		407	1 308
69	Tuvalu	902		902	407		407	1 308
70	United Arab Emirates	17 782	17 782	0	26 624		26 624	26 624
71	Vanuatu	257		257	407		407	663
72	Viet Nam	2 223	2 223	0	3 899		3 899	0
	Total Asia – Pacific States	194 450	29 721	164 729	1 341 561	22 053	282 743	1 036 765
	EASTERN EUROPEAN STATES							
73	Albania	257	257	0	407		407	0
74	Armenia	0		0	407		407	0
75	Bulgaria	0		0	2 348		2 348	0
76	Croatia	49	49	0	3 815		3 815	0
77	Czechia	0		0	14 255	14 255	0	0
78	Estonia	0		0	1 845		1 845	0
79	Hungary	0		0	9 559	2 868	6 691	0
80	Latvia	0		0	2 096		2 096	0
81	Lithuania	0		0	3 228	3 519	-291	-291
82	Moldova (Republic of)	0		0	407		407	407
83	Montenegro	0		0	407	407	0	0
84	North Macedonia	777		777	407		407	1 184

		Prior Years (2018-2022)			2023				
		Unpaid Contribution as of 31.12.2022 (in USD)	Received in 2023 (in USD)	Balance (in USD)	Contribution (in USD)	Received in 2022 (in USD)	Received in 2023 (in USD)	Balance (in USD)	Total unpaid contributions as of 31 May 2023
Party									
85	Poland	0		0	35 093		35 093	0	0
86	Romania	5 716	5 716	0	13 081			13 081	13 081
87	Slovakia	0		0	6 499	6 499		0	0
88	Slovenia	0		0	3 312	6 204	3 312	-6 204	-6 204
	Total Eastern European States	6 799	6 022	777	97 166	33 752	56 014	7 400	8 177
	LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STATES								
89	Antigua and Barbuda	902		902	407			407	1 308
90	Argentina	70 343		70 343	30 146			30 146	100 489
91	Bahamas	519		519	797			797	1 316
92	Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	2 865		2 865	797			797	3 662
93	Brazil	186 892		186 892	84 399			84 399	271 292
94	Chile	11 748	11 748	0	17 609			17 609	17 610
95	Colombia	0		0	10 314	10 314		0	0
96	Costa Rica	4 604		4 604	2 893			2 893	7 497
97	Cuba	13 449		13 449	3 983			3 983	17 433
98	Dominican Republic	85	85	0	2 809		2 800	9	9
99	Ecuador	11 546		11 546	3 228			3 228	14 775
100	El Salvador	346		346	545			545	891
101	Guyana	0		0	407	639		-232	-232
102	Honduras	1 038	257	781	407			407	1 187
103	Jamaica	0		0	407			407	407
104	Mexico	0		0	51 193		51 193	0	0
105	Nicaragua	902		902	407			407	1 308
106	Panama	4 425		4 425	3 773			3 773	8 198
107	Paraguay	0		0	1 090			1 090	1 090
108	Peru	16 346	4 715	11 632	6 834			6 834	18 466
109	Saint Kitts and Nevis	0		0	407		407	0	0
110	Saint Lucia	1 121		1 121	407			407	1 527
111	Suriname	257		257	407			407	663
112	Uruguay	0		0	3 857			3 857	3 857
	Total Latin American and Caribbean States	327 389	16 805	310 584	227 521	10 953	54 400	162 169	472 753

		<i>Prior Years (2018-2022)</i>			<i>2023</i>				
<i>Party</i>		<i>Unpaid Contribution as of 31.12.2022 (in USD)</i>	<i>Received in 2023 (in USD)</i>	<i>Balance (in USD)</i>	<i>Contribution (in USD)</i>	<i>Received in 2022 (in USD)</i>	<i>Received in 2023 (in USD)</i>	<i>Balance (in USD)</i>	<i>Total unpaid contributions as of 31 May 2023</i>
	WESTERN EUROPEAN AND OTHER STATES								
113	Australia	47 847	47 847	0	88 508		88 508	0	0
114	Austria	0		0	28 469		28 469	0	0
115	Belgium	0		0	34 716		34 716	0	0
116	Canada	0		0	110 185	110 185		0	0
117	Denmark	0		0	23 186		23 186	0	0
118	European Union	0		0	101 656		101 656	0	0
119	Finland	0		0	17 484			17 484	17 484
120	France	0		0	181 042		181 042	0	0
121	Germany	0		0	256 217		256 217	0	0
122	Greece	0		0	13 626	15 443		-1 817	-1 817
123	Iceland	0		0	1 509		1 509	0	0
124	Ireland	0		0	18 406	18 406		0	0
125	Italy	0		0	133 706		133 706	0	0
126	Liechtenstein	0		0	419		419	0	0
127	Luxembourg	0		0	2 851			2 851	2 851
128	Malta	1 307		1 307	797			797	2 104
129	Monaco	0		0	461		461	0	0
130	Netherlands	0		0	57 734		57 734	0	0
131	Norway	0		0	28 469		28 469	0	0
132	Portugal	27 432	25 428	2 004	14 800			14 800	16 804
133	Spain	0		0	89 473			89 473	89 473
134	Sweden	0		0	36 519		36 519	0	0
135	Switzerland	0		0	47 545		47 545	0	0
136	United Kingdom	0		0	183 432	183 432		0	0
137	United States of America	0		0	894 576	176 747		717 829	717 829
Total Western European and other States		76 586	73 275	3 311	2 365 784	504 213	1 020 156	841 415	844 727
TOTAL		678 122	127 710	550 412	4 066 252	585 479	1 414 546	2 066 227	2 616 639

Table III.2

Parties with outstanding contributions for two or more years as at 31 May 2023

<i>Party</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>Total (USD)</i>
AFRICAN STATES (24)							
Cameroon	0	0	0	312	375	545	1 232
Central Africa Republic	0	0	0	132	257	407	795
Chad	333	329	248	397	257	407	1 970
Comoros	0	55	248	397	257	407	1 363
Congo (Republic of the)	0	27	248	397	257	407	1 336
Côte d'Ivoire	0	0	396	624	375	922	2 317
Djibouti	333	329	248	397	257	407	1 970
Equatorial Guinea	0	0	487.00	768.00	461.87	503	2 220
Gabon	876	752	456	720	433	545	3 783
Gambia	0	329	248	397	257	407	1 637
Ghana	0	0	0	720	433	1 006	2 159
Guinea	333	329	248	397	257	407	1 970
Guinea-Bissau	0	302	248	397	257	407	1 610
Lesotho	0	0	0	332	257	407	995
Mali	106	329	248	397	257	407	1 744
Mauritania	333	329	248	397	257	407	1 970
Niger	333	329	248	397	257	407	1 970
Nigeria	6 404	9 239	7 607	12 003	7 217	7 631	50 100
Rwanda	0	329	248	397	257	407	1 637
Sao Tome and Principe	0	329	248	397	257	407	1 637
Senegal	333	329	248	397	257	407	1 970
Togo	0	0	248	397	257	407	1 308
Uganda	0	0	0	397	257	419	1 073
Zimbabwe	0	0	0	33	257	407	696
Total African States	9 384	13 665	12 420	21 597	13 916	18 485	89 466
ASIA - PACIFIC STATES (19)							
Afghanistan	0	329	248	397	257	407	1 637
Bahrain	0	0	0	400	1 443	2 264	4 107
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	24 276	20 821	12 111	19 108	11 489	15 555	103 360
Iraq	0	0	0	0	3 724	5 367	9 091
Kiribati	0	0	248	397	257	407	1 308
Lao People's Democratic Republic	333	329	248	397	257	407	1 970
Lebanon	2 026	2 033	1 430	2 256	1 357	1 509	10 611
Mongolia	0	0	248	397	257	407	1 308
Pakistan	0	0	0	4 141	3 320	4 780	12 240
Palau	0	0	0	0	257	407	664
Palestine (State of)	0	0	248	397	257	461	1 363
Qatar	0	0	0	0	8 140	11 278	19 418
Samoa	0	0	0	0	257	407	664
Saudi Arabia	0	0	0	0	33 832	49 642	83 474
Sri Lanka	0	0	0	0	1 270	1 887	3 157
Syrian Arab Republic	1 237	1 061	335	528	318	407	3 885
Tonga	0	0	248	397	257	407	1 309
Tuvalu	0	0	248	397	257	407	1 309
Vanuatu	0	0	0	0	257	407	663
Total Asia-Pacific States	27 872	24 573	15 611	29 212	67 461	96 809	261 538
EASTERN EUROPEAN STATES (1)							
North Macedonia	0	0	124	397	257	407	1 184
Total Eastern European States	0	0	124	397	257	407	1 184

<i>Party</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>Total (USD)</i>
LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STATES (15)							
Antigua and Barbuda	0	0	248	397	257	407	1 309
Argentina	0	0	0	43 929	26 413	30 146	100 488
Bahamas	0	0	0	0	520	797	1 317
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	618	530	487	768	462	797	3 662
Brazil	0	0	0	101 793	85 100	84 399	271 292
Costa Rica	0	0	0	2 814	1 790	2 893	7 497
Cuba	1 992	2 873	2 434	3 841	2 309	3 983	17 432
Ecuador	0	2 962	2 434	3 841	2 309	3 228	14 774
El Salvador	0	0	0	0	346	545	891
Honduras	0	0	92	432	257	407	1 188
Nicaragua	0	0	248	397	257	407	1 309
Panama	0	0	965	2 160	1 299	3 773	8 198
Peru	0	0	0	7 244	4 388	6 834	18 466
Saint Lucia	0	219	248	397	257	407	1 528
Suriname	0	0	0	0	257	407	664
Total Latin American and Caribbean States	2 610	6 584	7 156	168 014	126 221	139 429	450 013
WESTERN EUROPEAN AND OTHER STATES (2)							
Malta	0	0	0	816	491	797	2 104
Portugal	0	0	0	0	2 004	14 800	16 804
Total Western European and Other States	0	0	0	816	2 495	15 597	18 908
TOTAL (61 Parties)	39 866	44 822	35 311	220 035	210 349	270 726	821 109

Annex IV¹

Status of contributions to the special trust fund of the Minamata Convention as at 31 May 2021

Table IV.1

Contributions to the special trust fund for the 2020–2021 biennium

Year	Donor	Currency	Amount	Amount	Date Received
				received in USD	
2020	EU	USD	553 102	553 102	15.09.2020 & 15.06.2023
2020	Japan	USD	30 000	30 000	17.03.2020
2020	Japan	USD	425 000	425 000	08.06.2020
2020	Norway	NOK	500 000	55 684	22.12.2020
2020	Sweden	SEK	603 031	64 467	25.06.2020
2020	Switzerland	CHF	24 700	25 341	30.03.2020
2020	Switzerland*	CHF	400 000	414 809	30.03.2020
2021	Denmark	DKK	33 000	5 006	28.12.2021
2021	Indonesia**	USD	497 199	497 199	29.10.2021 & 17.11.2021
2021	Japan	USD	400 000	400 000	04.06.2021
2021	Norway	NOK	200 000	22 628	30.12.2021
2021	Sweden	SEK	504 525	57 065	20.09.2021
2021	Sweden	SEK	500 000	54 865	12.01.2022
2021	Switzerland*	CHF	400 000	435 872	03.03.2021
			TOTAL (in USD)	3 041 037	

* Switzerland, as host country, pays CHF 400,000 to the special trust fund and CHF 600,000 to the general trust fund on an annual basis.

** Contribution for hosting COP-4 in Bali, Indonesia.

Table IV.2

Contributions to the special trust fund for the 2022–2023 biennium as at 31 May 2023

Year	Donor	Currency	Amount	Amount	Date Received
				received in USD	
2022	Australia	AUD	25 000	18 272	09.03.2022
2022	Japan	USD	400 000	400 000	10.08.2022
2022	Sweden	SEK		11 413	18.08.2022
2022	Switzerland*	CHF	400 000	426 796	10.03.2022
2022	Switzerland	USD	70 000	70 000	18.07.2022
2023	Switzerland*	CHF	400 000	430 154	23.02.2023
2023	Canada	CAD	25 000	18 159	24.03.2023
			TOTAL (in USD)	1 374 794	

* Switzerland, as host country, pays CHF 400,000 to the special trust fund and CHF 600,000 to the general trust fund on an annual basis.

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Annex V¹

Status of contributions to the specific trust fund of the Minamata Convention as at 31 May 2021

Table V.1
Contributions to the third round of the Specific International Programme

<i>Year</i>	<i>Donor</i>	<i>Currency</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Date Received</i>
				<i>received in USD</i>	
2019	Austria	EUR	10 000	11 111	21.11.2019
2019	Denmark	DKK	200 000	29 679	23.12.2019
2019	France	EUR	100 000	110 011	09.12.2019
2019	Norway	NOK	5 000 000	565 694	31.12.2019
2019	Switzerland	CHF	100 000	101 492	16.12.2019
2020	Austria	EUR	100 000	117 371	19.10.2020
2020	Denmark	DKK	200 000	32 863	12.01.2021
2020	Germany	EUR	100 000	108 290	21.04.2020
2020	Netherlands	EUR	30 000	35 545	23.09.2020
2020	Norway	NOK	4 500 000	522 897	31.12.2020
2020	Sweden	SEK	1 396 969	148 217	12.11.2020
2020	USA	USD	66 508	66 508	05.05.2020
2020	USA	USD	81 500	81 500	24.09.2020
2021	Austria	EUR	95 000	111 372	06.04.2021
2021	Germany	EUR	127 000	154 978	24.05.2021
2021	Netherlands	EUR	30 000	35 799	06.07.2021
2021	Norway	USD	14 757	14 757	
2021	Sweden	SEK	1 495 475	169 148	20.09.2021
2021	USA	USD	25 000	25 000	04.08.2021
2022	Netherlands	EUR	30 000	31 679	20.05.2022
TOTAL (in USD)				2 473 912	

Table V.2
Contributions to the fourth round of the Specific International Programme

<i>Year</i>	<i>Donor</i>	<i>Currency</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Date Received</i>
				<i>received in USD</i>	
2021	Denmark	DKK	200 000	30 388	13.01.2022
2021	Norway	NOK	1 000 000	110 522	29.12.2021
2022	Austria	EUR	90 000	87 634	13.10.2022
2022	Germany	EUR	167 000	166 048	31.08.2022
2022	Sweden	SEK		84 541	18.08.2022
2022	Switzerland	USD	100 000	100 000	18.07.2022
2022	USA	USD	70 000	70 000	31.10.2022
2023	France	EUR	200 000	214 133	16.03.2023
2023	Netherlands*	EUR	50 000	65 240	22.05.2023
TOTAL (in USD)				928 506	

* The Kingdom of the Netherlands has pledged an additional EUR 50,000 for 2024 and 2025.

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Annex VI¹

Budget performance of the general trust fund for the biennium 2020–2021

Activity Number	Activity	Approved Budget (2020-2021) (A)	Approved Budget 2020	Approved Budget 2021	Expenditures (2020-2021) (B)	Expenditures 2020	Expenditures 2021	Performance Variance ((A) - (B))	Performance Variance (in %)
	A. Conferences and meetings	1 234 000	100 000	1 134 000	787 018	33 837	753 181	446 982	36.22%
1	Fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties*	1 155 000	100 000	1 055 000	786 786	33 605	753 181	368 214	31.88%
2	Bureau of the Conference of the Parties	26 000		26 000	232	232	–	25 768	99.11%
3	Implementation and compliance committee	53 000		53 000	–		–	53 000	100.00%
	B. Capacity-building and technical assistance	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
4	Capacity-building and technical assistance programme of the Minamata Convention	–			–			–	
	C. Scientific and technical activities	606 500	185 000	421 500	138 940	105 535	33 405	467 560	77.09%
5	Scientific support to the States parties to the Minamata Convention	120 000	60 000	60 000	23 899	23 799	101	96 101	80.08%
6	Effectiveness evaluation and global monitoring plan	370 000	85 000	285 000	65 679	63 219	2 459	304 321	82.25%
7	National reporting under the Minamata Convention	116 500	40 000	76 500	49 362	18 517	30 846	67 138	57.63%
	D. Knowledge and information management, and outreach	200 000	110 000	90 000	191 829	61 850	129 980	8 171	4.09%
8	Publications	45 000	25 000	20 000	45 915	11 368	34 547	(915)	-2.03%
9	Communication, outreach and public awareness	155 000	85 000	70 000	145 914	50 482	95 433	9 086	5.86%
	E. Overall management**	4 273 928	2 107 600	2 166 328	4 348 499	1 994 458	2 354 041	(74 571)	-1.74%
10	Executive direction and management	4 273 928	2 107 600	2 166 328	4 325 133	1 983 727	2 341 406	(51 205)	-1.20%
11	International cooperation and coordination**				13 266	10 731	2 534	(13 266)	-100.00%
12	Financial resources and mechanism**	–			10 100		10 100	(10 100)	-100.00%
	F. Legal and policy activities	–	–	–	5 050	5 000	50	(5 050)	-100.00%
13	Legal and policy activities **	–			5 050	5 000	50	(5 050)	-100.00%

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<i>Activity Number</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Approved Budget (2020-2021) (A)</i>	<i>Approved Budget 2020</i>	<i>Approved Budget 2021</i>	<i>Expenditures (2020-2021) (B)</i>	<i>Expenditures 2020</i>	<i>Expenditures 2021</i>	<i>Performance Variance ((A) - (B))</i>	<i>Performance Variance (in %)</i>
	G. Office maintenance and services	393 500	198 500	195 000	243 932	75 983	167 949	149 568	38.01%
14	Office maintenance and services	290 000	145 000	145 000	203 884	67 290	136 594	86 116	29.70%
15	Information technology services	103 500	53 500	50 000	40 048	8 693	31 355	63 452	61.31%
	Total direct costs (excluding Programme Support Costs)	6 707 928	2 701 100	4 006 828	5 715 269	2 276 663	3 438 606	992 659	14.80%
	Programme Support Costs (13%)	872 031	351 143	520 888	742 985	295 966	447 019	129 046	14.80%
	Grand total	7 579 959	3 052 243	4 527 716	6 458 254	2 572 629	3 885 624	1 121 705	14.80%

Notes:

* COP-4: As COP-4 was held in two parts, part of the budget was authorized to be spent in 2022-2023 biennium with additional funds added by decision MC-4/2.

** The Executive Secretary made use of financial rule 3.5 to transfer up to 20 per cent between appropriation lines (see document UNEP/MC/COP.1/29).

Annex VII¹

Projected budget performance of the general trust fund for the biennium 2022–2023

Activity Number	Activity	Approved Budget (2022-2023) (A)	Authorized use of accumulated surplus in 2022-2023 biennium (B)*	Approved Budget 2022	Approved Budget 2023	Expenditures (2022-2023) (C)	Expenditures 2022	Estimated expenditures 2023	Performance Variance ((A) + (B) - (C))	Performance Variance (in %)
	A. Conferences and meetings	1 224 300	98 300	98 300	1 126 000	1 516 974	396 747	1 120 227	(194 374)	-15.88%
1	Fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties**	1 153 300	98 300	98 300	1 055 000	1 480 087	396 747	1 083 340	(228 487)	-19.81%
2	Bureau of the Conference of the Parties	26 000			26 000	15 327		15 327	10 673	41.05%
3	Implementation and compliance committee	45 000			45 000	21 560		21 560	23 440	52.09%
	B. Capacity-building and technical assistance	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
4	Capacity-building and technical assistance programme of the Minamata Convention	–				–			–	0.00%
	C. Scientific and technical activities	425 000	100 000	320 000	105 000	305 740	18 920	286 820	219 260	51.59%
5	Scientific support to the States parties to the Minamata Convention	–		–	–	–	–	–	–	0.00%
6	Effectiveness evaluation and global monitoring plan	295 000	100 000	265 000	30 000	271 266	12 120	259 146	123 734	41.94%
7	National reporting under the Minamata Convention	130 000		55 000	75 000	34 475	6 800	27 675	95 525	73.48%
	D. Knowledge and information management and outreach	196 000	–	104 000	92 000	196 000	53 975	142 025	0	0.00%
8	Publications	50 000		25 000	25 000	50 000	8 532	41 468	–	0.00%
9	Communication, outreach and public awareness	76 000		34 000	42 000	76 000	6 788	69 212	0	0.00%
10	Digital presence	70 000		45 000	25 000	70 000	38 655	31 345	–	0.00%
	E. Overall management	4 712 567	245 029	2 274 000	2 438 567	4 746 647	2 391 589	2 355 058	210 949	4.48%
11	Executive direction and management	4 665 567	245 029	2 227 000	2 438 567	4 701 197	2 346 439	2 354 758	209 399	4.49%
12	International cooperation and coordination					–		–	–	0.00%
13	Financial resources and mechanism	47 000		47 000		45 450	45 150	300	1 550	3.30%
	F. Legal and policy activities	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–
14	Legal and policy activities	–				–		–	–	0.00%

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<i>Activity Number</i>	<i>Activity</i>	<i>Approved Budget (2022-2023) (A)</i>	<i>Authorized use of surplus in 2022-2023 biennium (B)*</i>	<i>Approved Budget 2022</i>	<i>Approved Budget 2023</i>	<i>Expenditures (2022-2023) (C)</i>	<i>Expenditures 2022</i>	<i>Estimated expenditures 2023</i>	<i>Performance Variance ((A) + (B) - (C))</i>	<i>Performance Variance (in %)</i>
	G. Office maintenance and services	446 000	–	210 500	235 500	439 286	159 656	279 630	6 714	1.51%
15	Office maintenance and services	330 000		155 000	175 000	347 642	128 012	219 630	(17 642)	-5.35%
16	Information technology services	116 000		55 500	60 500	91 643	31 643	60 000	24 357	21.00%
	Total direct costs (excluding Programme Support Costs)	7 003 867	443 329	3,006,800	3 997 067	7 204 646	3 020 886	4 183 760	242 550	3.46%
	Programme Support Costs (13%)	910 503	57 633	390 884	519 619	936 604	392 715	543 889	31 531	3.46%
	Grand total	7 914 370	500 962	3 397 684	4 516 686	8 141 250	3 413 601	4 727 649	274 081	3.46%

* As per decision MC-4/2.

** The overspending from COP-4 in 2022 is offset by savings from CoP-4 in previous biennium of USD 368,214 due to some expenditures entering in 2022 instead of 2021 for COP-4 having been held in two parts.

Annex VIII¹

Budget performance of the special trust fund of the Minamata Convention

Table VIII.1

Budget performance of the special trust fund of the Minamata Convention for the biennium 2020–2021

Activity	Agreed Budget (2020-2021)	Agreed Budget 2020	Agreed Budget 2021	Realized Budget (2020-2021) (A)	Realized Budget (2020)	Realized Budget (2021)	Expenditures (2020-2021) (B)	Expenditures (2020)	Expenditures (2021)	Performance Variance (A-B)	Performance Variance (in %)
A. Conferences and meetings	1 030 000	85 000	945 000	1 334 973	420 858	914 115	101 546	–	101 546	1 233 427	92.39%
1 Fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties*	1 030 000	85 000	945 000	1 334 973	420 858	914 115	101 546		101 546	1 233 427	92.39%
2 Bureau of the Conference of the Parties											
3 Implementation and compliance committee											
B. Capacity-building and technical assistance	1 235 000	585 000	650 000	729 059	286 245	442 814	72 194	30 832	41 362	656 865	90.10%
4 Capacity-building and technical assistance programme of the Minamata Convention**	1 235 000	585 000	650 000	729 059	286 245	442 814	72 194	30 832	41 362	656 865	90.10%
C. Scientific and technical activities	1 290 000	770 000	520 000	1 296 906	828 624	468 282	515 977	225 787	290 190	780 929	60.21%
5 Scientific support to the States parties to the Minamata Convention**	1 140 000	620 000	520 000	1 070 156	601 874	468 282	489 227	199 037	290 190	580 929	54.28%
6 Effectiveness evaluation and global monitoring plan**	150 000	150 000		200 000	200 000					200 000	100.00%
7 National reporting under the Minamata Convention				26 750	26 750		26 750	26 750		–	0.00%
D. Knowledge and information management, and outreach	85 000	55 000	30 000								
8 Publications	60 000	30 000	30 000								
9 Communication, outreach and public awareness	25 000	25 000									
E. Overall management				30 300	–	30 300	30 300	–	30 300	–	0.00%
10 Executive direction and management											
11 International cooperation and coordination				30 300		30 300	30 300		30 300	–	0.00%
12 Financial resources and mechanism											
F. Legal and policy activities	234 000	120 000	114 000	50 500	30 300	20 200	50 500	30 300	20 200	–	0.00%
13 Legal and policy activities	234 000	120 000	114 000	50 500	30 300	20 200	50 500	30 300	20 200	–	0.00%
G. Office maintenance and services											
14 Office maintenance and services											
15 Information technology services											
Total direct costs (excluding Programme Support Costs)	3 874 000	1 615 000	2 259 000	3 441 739	1 566 027	1 875 712	770 517	286 919	483 598	2 671 221	77.61%
Programme Support Costs ***	503 620	209 950	293 670	290 116	117 857	172 259	93 160	35 450	57 710		
Grand total	4 377 620	1 824 950	2 552 670	3 731 855	1 683 884	2 047 971	863 677	322 369	541 308		

¹ The annex has not been formally edited.

Notes:

* As the fourth meeting of the Conference of the Parties and its regional meetings was held in two parts, most of the expenditures were incurred in 2022.

** Projects funded by the EU and Japan will continue beyond the 2020-2021 biennium.

*** Programme Support Costs are usually 13%, except for EU funding at 7% and 0% for travel of sponsored delegates to COP-4.

Table VIII.2

Projected budget performance of the special trust fund of the Minamata Convention for the biennium 2022–2023

Activity		Agreed Budget (2022-2023)	Agreed Budget (2022)	Agreed budget (2023)	Realized Budget (2022-2023) (A)	Realized Budget (2022)	Realized Budget (2023)**	Expenditures (2022-2023) (B)	Expenditures (2022)	Expenditures (2023)	Performance Variance (A- B)	Performance Variance (in %)
A. Conferences and meetings		930 000		930 000	2 172 357	1 556 157	616 200	1 705 304	724 988	980 315	467 053	21%
1	Fifth meeting of the Conference of the Parties	425 000		425 000	1 328 707	1 120 338	208 369	1 122 339	622 175	500 164	206 368	16%
2	Bureau of the Conference of the Parties	420 000		420 000	743 650	335 819	407 831	522 813	102 813	420 000	220 836	30%
3	Implementation and compliance committee	85 000		85 000	100 000	100 000		60 151		60 151	39 849	40%
B. Capacity-building and technical assistance		1 520 000	785 000	735 000	767 395	767 395		756 724	104 223	652 500	10 672	1%
4	Capacity-building and technical assistance Programme of the Minamata Convention	1 520 000	785 000	735 000	767 395	767 395		756 724	104 223	652 500	10 672	1%
C. Scientific and technical activities		1 430 000	750 000	680 000	996 796	980 726	16 070	880 666	370 602	510 065	116 129	12%
5	Scientific support to the States parties to the Minamata Convention	1 300 000	700 000	600 000	799 808	799 808		683 678	370 602	313 077	116 130	15%
6	Effectiveness evaluation	130 000	50 000	80 000	180 918	180 918		180 918		180 918		0%
7	National reporting under the Minamata Convention				16 070		16 070	16 070		16 070		0%
D. Knowledge and information management, and outreach		185 000	95 000	90 000								
8	Publications											
9	Communication, outreach and public awareness											
10	Digital presence	185 000	95 000	90 000								
E. Overall management		50 000		50 000	20 024	20 024		20 024	15 000	5 024		0%
11	Executive direction and management											
12	International cooperation and coordination	15 000		15 000	20 024	20 024		20 024	15 000	5 024		0%
13	Financial resources and mechanism	35 000		35 000								
F. Legal and policy activities		100 000	70 000	30 000	10 100	10 100		10 100	10 100			0%
14	Legal and policy activities	100 000	70 000	30 000	10 100	10 100		10 100	10 100			0%
G. Office maintenance and services												
15	Office maintenance and services											
16	Information technology services											
Total direct costs (excluding Programme Support Costs)		4 215 000	1 700 000	2 515 000	3 966 672	3 334 402	632 270	3 372 818	1 224 913	2 147 904	593 854	15%
Programme Support Costs (13%)*		547 950	221 000	326 950	399 636	304 777	94 859	324 375	93 087	231 287		
Grand total		4 762 950	1 921 000	2 841 950	4 366 308	3 639 179	727 129	3 697 192	1 318 001	2 379 192		

Note:

* Programmes costs are usually 13 per cent, except for European Union funding at 7 per cent.

** Based on contributions pledged / received as of 15 June 2023.