

Secretariat of the INC on Plastic Pollution Donors Update

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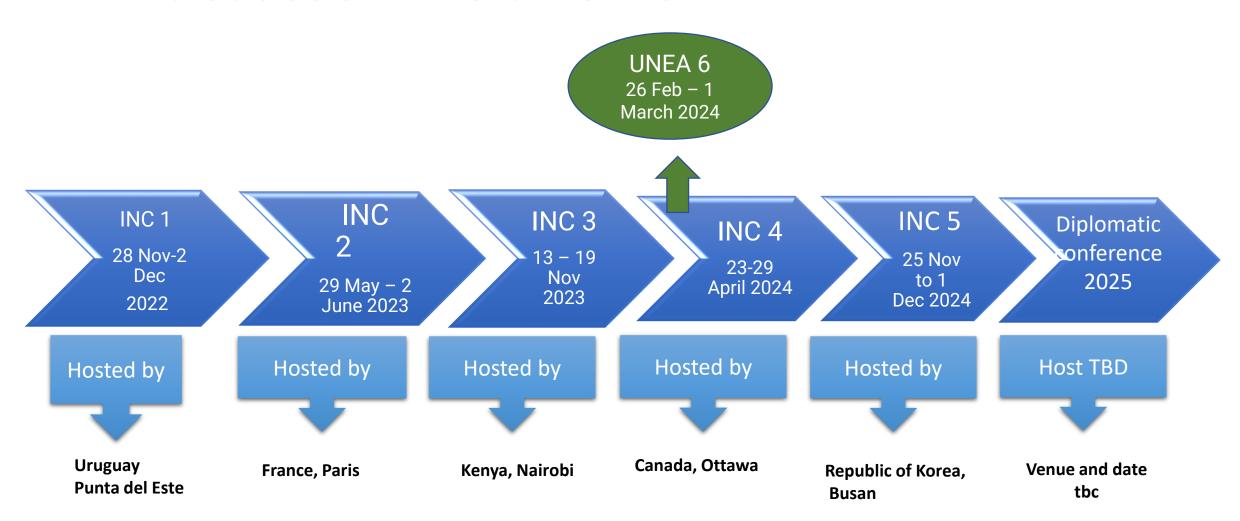




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1. Introduction: INC timeline



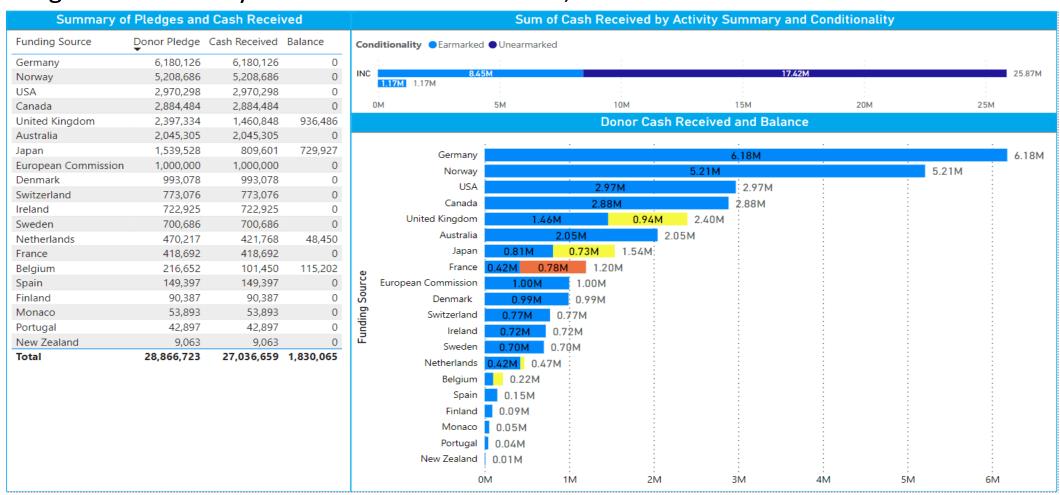


2.1. Overview of status of contributions



(as of 31 January 2024)

Pledges as of January 2024 are USD 28.9 million, and cash received is USD. 27 million.



^{*}Blue represents cash received and Yellow represents pledged contributions.

In orange is the amount incurred by France directly with hosting of INC-2 (~ USD 780,000).





(from 2022 to January 2024)

| INC Expenses Category | FY -2022 | FY -2023 | Jan-24 | Total Expenses as of Jan 2024 |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------|-------------------------------|
| | USD | USD | | USD |
| INC Staff and Personnel Cost | 401,070 | 1,779,148 | 133,234 | 2,313,451 |
| INC Operations Cost | 35,261 | 167,522 | 456 | 203,238 |
| OEWG Dakar, Senegal Meeting | 1,085,160 | | | 1,085,160 |
| INC Meeting -INC 1 | 1,853,674 | 62,947 | | 1,916,621 |
| INC Meeting -INC 2 | | 1,494,963 | | 1,494,963 |
| INC Meeting -INC 3 | | 2,039,798 | | 2,039,798 |
| INC Meeting -INC 4 | | | 225,014 | 225,014 |
| Regional Consultations | | 292,583 | | 292,583 |
| PSC | 338,433 | 749,834 | 30,729 | 1,118,997 |
| Total Cost | 3,713,598 | 6,586,794 | 389,433 | 10,689,825 |

The expenses as of 31 January 2024 is approx. USD 11 million.

The expenses for the previous Years 2022 (USD. 3.7 million) and 2023 (USD. 6.5 million) and for January 2024 (USD. 0.4 million).

2.2. Overall projections for 2024-2025



The overall **INC estimated budget** is USD. 29.8 million.

Actual expenses of approx. 11 million have been considered.

| Expenditure Category | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | Total | Funded | Unfunded |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-----------|
| Secretariat Annual Requirements | | | | | | | |
| Staff and other personnel costs | 401,070 | 1,779,148 | 2,371,359 | 2,456,342 | 7,007,918 | 7,007,918 | - |
| Contractual services | 33,720 | 167,522 | 171,000 | 171,000 | 543,241 | 543,241 | - |
| Operational cost | 1,541 | - | 15,512 | 7,756 | 24,808 | 24,808 | - |
| Travel | | - | 50,000 | 275,000 | 325,000 | 325,000 | - |
| Other costs (Fixed) | | - | 89,568 | 89,568 | 179,136 | 179,136 | - |
| Sub-total | 436,330 | 1,946,669 | 2,697,439 | 2,999,666 | 8,080,104 | 8,080,104 | - |
| INC Meetings | | | | | | | |
| OEWG Dakar | 1,085,160 | | | | 1,085,160 | 1,085,160 | - |
| INC Meeting -INC1 | 1,853,674 | 62,947 | | | 1,916,621 | 1,916,621 | - |
| INC Meeting -INC2 | | 1,494,963 | | | 1,494,963 | 1,494,963 | - |
| INC Meeting -INC3 | | 2,010,127 | | | 2,010,127 | 2,010,127 | - |
| INC Meeting -INC4 | | | 3,893,133 | | 3,893,133 | 3,893,133 | - |
| INC Meeting -INC5 | | | 3,517,477 | | 3,517,477 | 968,110 | 2,549,367 |
| Diplomatic Conference | | | | 2,663,329 | 2,663,329 | 2,663,329 | - |
| Regional Consultations | | 322,254 | 1,492,445 | | 1,814,699 | 1,814,699 | - |
| Sub-total | 2,938,834 | 3,890,291 | 8,903,055 | 2,663,329 | 18,395,510 | 15,846,143 | 2,549,367 |
| PSC | 338,433 | 749,834 | 1,508,064 | 736,189 | 3,332,521 | 3,110,412 | 222,109 |
| Total | 3,713,598 | 6,586,794 | 13,108,558 | 6,399,185 | 29,808,135 | 27,036,659 | 2,771,476 |

2.2. Projections for INC-4



| INC - 4, Estimate Budget, Canada, Ottawa, 23 -29 April, 2024 | Overall Budget Estimate |
|--|-------------------------|
| | USD |
| Conference Services | 380,318 |
| Documentation, Interpretation, Translations and Report writing | 508,866 |
| Staff travel and UNDSS | 652,648 |
| Meeting Participants travel | 2,029,460 |
| UNTV | 25,000 |
| Contingencies (5%) - Per UNON Estimates | 43,445 |
| PSC | 253,396 |
| Overall Total - (incl. PSC) | 3,893,133 |

The budget estimate for INC-4 is approx. USD 3.9 million. Canada has provided a contribution of approx. USD. 2.9 million to cover host country costs. Any available balance is to be used for travel support. The remaining USD 0.9 million will be covered from current earmarked contributions from donors for travel support of delegates.

2.2. Projections for INC-5



| INC - 5, Estimate Budget, Republic of Korea, Pusan, 25 November - 1 December, 2024 | Overall Budget Estimate |
|--|-------------------------|
| | USD |
| Conference Services | 583,716 |
| Documentation, Interpretation, Translations and Report writing | 529,180 |
| Staff travel and UNDSS | 591,212 |
| Meeting Participants travel | 1,560,225 |
| UNTV | 30,000 |
| Contingencies (5%) - Per UNON Estimates | 55,645 |
| PSC | 167,499 |
| Overall Total - (incl. PSC) | 3,517,477 |

The total budget estimate for INC-5 is USD. 3.5 million.

The host country of INC-5 has indicated that a contribution will be made towards the organization of the session, but it may not cover the entirety of the costs.

2.3. Regional consultations



| Regional Consultations | | | | | |
|------------------------|--------------|------------------|-----------|--|--|
| | | | | | |
| INC Expenses Category | Actual -2023 | Budget 2024-2025 | Funded | | |
| Regional Consultations | 322,254 | 1,492,445 | 1,814,699 | | |
| PSC | 41,893 | 194,018 | 235,911 | | |
| Total Cost | 364,147 | 1,686,463 | 2,050,610 | | |

Following previous practice, the INC Secretariat offered to support regional consultations prior to INC-4 and INC-5. The regional consultations will be done at the level of the UN regions. For INC-4, these are expected to take place throughout March 2024.

In 2023, expenses for the regional consultations stood at over USD 360,000. The budget estimate for year 2024 is USD 1.6 million.

INC Secretariat is currently funding 1 delegate per eligible country. We also provide interpretation and conference services.



2.4. Existing funding gaps for 2024

| 2024 - 2025: Budget Estimate: Funded and Unfunded | | | | | | |
|---|--------|--------|--------|----------|--|--|
| | | | | | | |
| INC Expenses Category | Actual | Budget | Funded | Unfunded | | |
| Total Cost 19,507,744 17,824,534 2,771,477 | | | | | | |

Which expense categories remain unfunded?

INC-5, under the understand that a financial contribution will be made by the host country of INC-5. However, this may not cover the entirety of the meeting costs.

The current estimates for diplomatic conference and its preparatory meeting could currently be funded from available unearmarked contributions. Projections are based on a 5-day period, with estimated based on the Nairobi duty station costs.

2.4. Possible funding needs for the INC process



Possible intersessional work if so decided by the Committee

| Expert Group Meeting | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| | Meeting for 5 Delegates per Region Meeting for 7 Delegates per Region | | | | | | |
| Activity | 3 Day 4 Day 5 Day 3 Day 4 Day 5 Day | | | | 5 Day | | |
| Nairobi, Kenya | 92,398 | 95,426 | 102,485 | 112,920 | 122,839 | 132,758 | |
| Geneva, Switzerland | 100,869 | 106,264 | 117,873 | 140,912 | 147,971 | 163,730 | |
| PSC- 13% | 25,125 | 26,220 | 28,647 | 32,998 | 35,205 | 38,543 | |
| Total | 218,392 | 227,909 | 249,004 | 286,830 | 306,015 | 335,031 | |

Expert Group Meeting: The cost assumptions are for 3-, 4- and 5-days expert meeting (per meeting), held at the seat of secretariat in Nairobi for either 5 or 7 experts per region. Calculation based in Geneva costs also presented.

Estimates are on the assumption that the meetings will be held in English only.

This is without prejudice to prejudice to any decision that the Committee may take.

2.4. Possible funding needs for the INC process



Possible intersessional work if so decided by the Committee

| Possible OEWG - Meeting, in Nairobi | 1 Dele | 1 Delegate | | elegates | |
|---|---------|------------|-----------|-----------|--|
| Possible scenerio | 1 Day | 2 Days | 1 Day | 2 Days | |
| Conference Services | 20,713 | 41,506 | 20,713 | 41,506 | |
| Documentation processing costs | 142,901 | 146,046 | 142,901 | 146,046 | |
| Equipment Services, ICTS and FMTS | 41,535 | 44,941 | 41,535 | 44,941 | |
| UN Secretariat Staff Travel | 21,679 | 23,239 | 21,679 | 23,239 | |
| Meeting participants - Travel | 443,498 | 485,098 | 866,047 | 949,867 | |
| Contingencies (5%) - Per UNON Estimates | 10,257 | 11,625 | 10,257 | 11,625 | |
| PSC- 13% | 88,476 | 97,819 | 143,407 | 158,239 | |
| Total | 769,060 | 850,273 | 1,246,541 | 1,375,463 | |

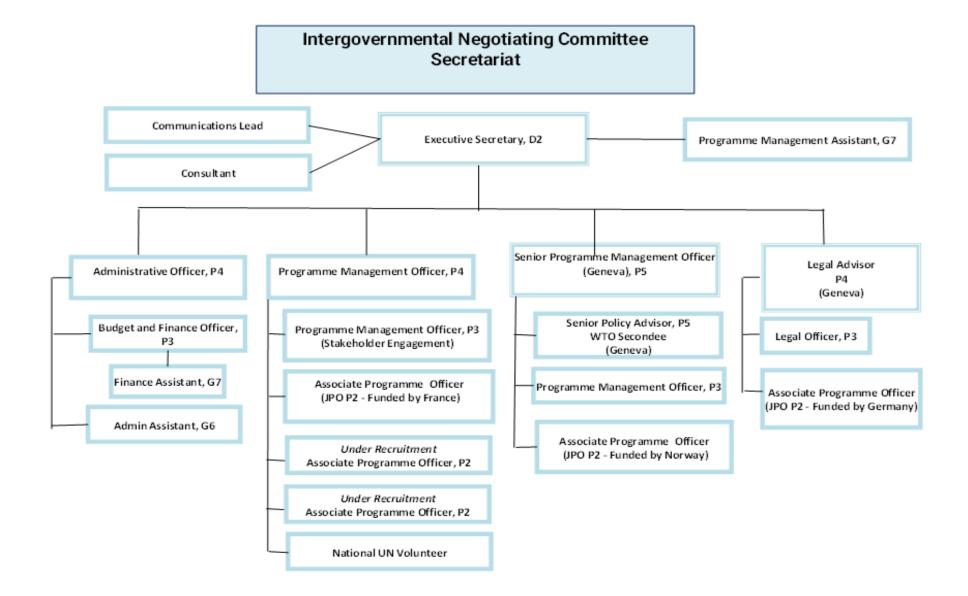
Open Ended Working Group Meeting: The cost assumption is 1- and 2-days meeting, with 1 and 2 sponsored delegate per eligible country Member States.

The baseline location is Nairobi. Should a Member State wish to host an OEWG, the incremental costs from Nairobi can be provided. Flights and DSA will change based on cities selected. Secretariat travel will be included.

This is without prejudice to prejudice to any decision that the Committee may take.

3. Structure of the Secretariat of the INC









Interim secretariat staffing after the diplomatic conference

| INC Budget Proposal | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Activity | One Year |
| Secretariat Requirements | |
| Staff and other personnel costs | 5,053,399 |
| Operational and Others | 310,234 |
| Travel | 380,000 |
| PSC- 13% | 746,672 |
| Total | 6,490,304 |

Estimates are based on the Nairobi location, for 20 staff positions. It also includes estimates for 3 consultants.

Operational and other costs respect to office operational costs, including common services, rent and utilities, and others, including website.

Travel costs include the travel for purposes of advocacy to promote ratification.

This is without prejudice to any decision to be taken by the diplomatic conference.



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Possible INC meetings after the diplomatic conference

| Activity- Possible INC Meetings | 2 Delegates |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Possible INC - TBC | 2,770,472 |
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| PSC- 13% | 1,080,484 |
| Total | 9,391,899 |

Based on an average estimate from previous INC sessions. Costs will vary depending on location. Estimates include conference services and venue.

The estimates for travel support are based on 2 funded delegates per eligible country.

This is without prejudice to any decision to be taken by the diplomatic conference.



4. AOB

- Status of contributions and budgetary update available on the INC website: https://www.unep.org/inc-plastic-pollution
- UN Board of Auditors;
 https://www.un.org/en/auditors/board/auditors-reports.shtml
- Ref. to UNEP audited 2022 financial statements: https://documents-dds-ny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/N23/148/92/PDF/N2314892.pdf?
 OpenElement
- Internal Audit, oversight and investigations: https://oios.un.org/inspection-and-evaluation





Thank you for all of your support!

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