

**To ensure sustainable financing  
of the activities under the  
Convention**

# The issue

- Demands for assistance activities have increased as a result of a successfully implementation of the Convention
- Consequently, the demands for financing for activities under the Convention have increased
- Financing however comes from only a few parties and on an ad hoc basis
- This lack of secure funding leads to risks on the short and mid-term to no continuity or sustainability
- Funding can be a critical factor !

# The need

- An effective, sustainable and controlled Trust Fund
- A secure funding scheme
- A higher number of Parties and other stakeholders to provide regular financial and/or in kind support
- A clear long-term financial strategy for the activities under the Convention

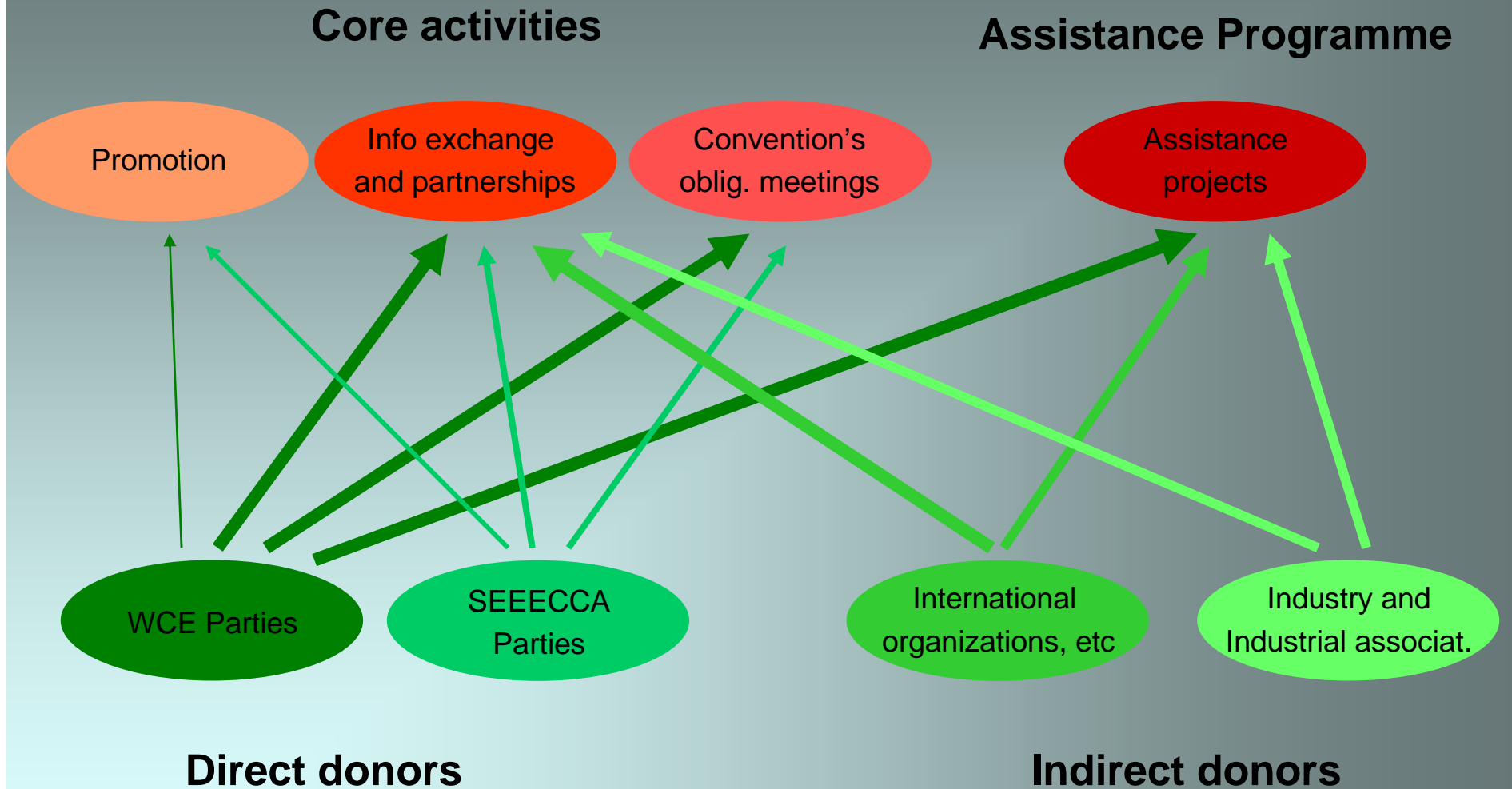
# Cost bearing activities are:

- Related to Convention's core activities
  - *Promotion activities*
  - *Activities aimed at exchange of information and strategic partnerships*
  - *Convention's obligatory meetings (CoP, Bureau, PoC consultation, etc)*
- Related to Assistance Programme activities
  - *Assistance projects*

# Convention's potential range of donors:

- Direct stakeholders
  - *Parties through competent authorities and other Ministries*
  - *Parties from Western and Central Europe (WCE)*
  - *Parties from South-Eastern, Eastern Europe, Caucasus, and Central Asia (SEE ECCA)*
- Indirect stakeholders
  - *International organizations and programmes (also economic integration organizations)*
  - *Private sector (industry) and associations*

# Financial mechanism, interests in activities and financing possibilities



# Directions

- To create awareness of a joint responsibility for all Parties and other stakeholders for support – moral obligation for all!
- Get attention of all Parties and other stakeholders and explore their possibilities for support and contribution (including international organizations and the industry)
- To invite the UNECE to make available an additional regular budget P-4 post
- To establish and continuously improve a mechanism through which financial and in-kind support is obtained
- To entrust the Bureau with the establishment of a financial mechanism which ensures a robust financing (financial and in-kind) of the activities under Convention
- Report of the findings to the Conference of the Parties in its 7<sup>th</sup> meeting