

**Bureau of the Conference of the Parties**

Ninth meeting,  
Warsaw, 22-23 May 2006

**MINUTES OF THE NINTH MEETING<sup>1/</sup>**

**Introduction**

1. The ninth meeting of the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties (CoP) to the Convention on the Transboundary Effects of Industrial Accidents (Industrial Accidents Convention) was held in Warsaw from 22 to 23 May 2006.
2. Mr. Ryszard Grosset (Poland), Chairperson of the CoP; Mr. Lajos Katai-Urban (Hungary), Vice-Chairperson; Ms. Irma Gurguliani (Georgia); Mr. Gerhard Winkelmann-Oei (Germany), Ms. Jasmina Karba (Slovenia) and Mr. Sergiusz Ludwiczak, Secretary of the CoP attended the meeting. In addition, Mr. Bernard Gay (Switzerland), Chairman of the Working Group on Implementation (WGI) participated in the meeting on the invitation of the Chairperson.
3. Mr. Cristiano Piacente (Italy) and Tobias Biermann (European Commission) were not able to attend.
4. Mr. Sergey Mokrousov (Russian Federation), Vice-Chairperson of the CoP did not attend the meeting. The Bureau reiterated its concern over his repeated absences.

**I. Review of annex I – outcome of the work of the Working Group on the Development of the Convention (WGD)**

5. Mr. Ludwiczak, on behalf of the Chairman, reported on the outcome of the WGD's review of annex I to the Convention and its proposal to amend it. The WGD held two meetings, one on 20 May 2005 and the second on 28 March 2006 as well as a number of consultations within smaller drafting groups in between these meetings. Mr. Ludwiczak also introduced a letter from the WGD's Chairman to the Chairperson of the CoP to which the WGD's proposal and a draft decision for the CoP to amend annex I was attached.
6. The Bureau expressed its appreciation to the WGD for the work it had done and fully supported the WGD's proposal to amend annex I to the Convention. It decided to include the amendment as an agenda item for the fourth meeting of the CoP. The Bureau agreed to ask Mr. Biermann to submit the draft decision and the proposal, on behalf of the WGD, to the Executive Secretary of the UN Economic Commission for Europe, in accordance with the Convention's provisions. It also agreed to ask Mr. Biermann to introduce the proposal and draft decision to the CoP at its meeting in Rome on 15-17 November 2006.

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<sup>1/</sup> Prepared by the secretariat in consultation with the Chairperson of the Conference of the Parties.

## **II. Third report on the Convention's implementation**

7. Mr. Gay informed the Bureau on the progress in drawing up the third report on the Convention's implementation and the participation of Parties and other UNECE member countries in the current reporting round. The WGI on implementation held its fifth meeting in Vienna on 3-5 April 2006. He informed the Bureau that the third report, besides an introduction and a quantitative analysis of reporting, would also include a qualitative analysis of the national implementation reports together with conclusions and recommendations.

8. The Bureau expressed appreciation to the WGI for its efforts to monitor and support the implementation of the Convention, including its involvement and guidance in the work within the preparatory phase of the assistance programme.

9. The Bureau was particularly happy to learn about the high number of Parties that have complied with their reporting obligations within the third round of reporting under the Convention. At the same time, it took note with satisfaction that a vast majority of EECCA and SEE countries, which had committed themselves at the High-level Commitment Meeting, reported on steps taken to implement the Convention as well.

10. On the other hand, the Bureau expressed serious concern over the lack of reports from Spain and the Russian Federation. It noted that the Russian Federation did not report within the second reporting round either. In view of no response from these countries to several reminders, the Bureau decided to recommend to the CoP to ask the Executive Secretary to take steps to inform the Governments of Spain and the Russian Federation that their competent authorities under the Convention did not comply with their reporting obligation.

11. Finally, the Bureau decided to ask Mr. Gay to present the work of the WGI, including the outcome of the training session on drawing up national implementation reports, as well as the third report on the implementation of the Convention at the meeting of the CoP.

12. The Bureau also decided to submit a draft decision on strengthening the implementation of the Convention to be considered and adopted by the CoP. It was agreed that Mr. Grosset, together with Mr. Gay and the Secretary would prepare the first draft, which would then be consulted and agreed electronically among Bureau members.

## **III. Fact-finding missions to EECCA and SEE countries – progress report**

13. Mr. Ludwiczak informed the Bureau about the outcome of a briefing for leaders of fact-finding teams organized by the secretariat in Geneva on 24 April 2006, in order to ensure a common approach used by different teams in evaluating the implementation of the Convention's basic tasks. The team leaders considered the briefing very useful in preparing themselves for their tasks.

14. He introduced the schedule and composition of the first twelve fact-finding missions, which are planned before the fourth meeting of the CoP. The readiness of the countries of EECCA and SEE to receive the fact-finding mission is taken into account as a major factor in drawing up this schedule. To this end, the Bureau expressed its satisfaction that the fact-finding missions are organized according to a pace that is acceptable for the countries in question. It expressed appreciation to the secretariat for its work to facilitate the organization of these missions. This was the key task of Mr. Wyrowski – the programme support officer.

15. Mr. Katai-Urban and Ms. Karba informed the Bureau on the outcome of their pre-fact-finding mission visit to Bosnia and Herzegovina (Sarajevo, 5 May 2006). During their visit, they met representatives of the Ministry of Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations. The main aim of the visit was to introduce the key tasks under the Convention and the basic objectives and requirements of the assistance programme.

16. The Bureau, taking into account the outcome of the pre-mission (the minutes of the visit will be made available to the CoP as an unofficial document) and the fact that the country's experts have just recently began participating in the activities of the Convention, agreed that additional assistance could be offered in order for the authorities to well prepare for the fact-finding mission.

17. Mr. Grosset informed the Bureau on the fact-finding mission to Belarus (14-17 May 2006), in which he acted as team leader. He evaluated positively the planning and organization of the mission; all the scheduled meetings took place. The team appreciated the discussions with the Belarusian authorities. Its conclusions will be included in the mission's report.

#### **IV. Assistance programme for the EECCA and SEE countries**

18. The Bureau discussed in detail the financial resources currently available for the assistance programme on the basis of a balance sheet prepared by the secretariat (see annex to these minutes) and agreed with the secretariat's assessment of the resources required to implement assistance activities in 2007 and 2008.

19. In accordance with the Bureau's proposal, Mr. Grosset, Mr. Gay and the Secretary agreed to prepare a report on the results of the preparatory phase of the assistance programme. The report would be circulated among the Bureau members for quick comments in September before its finalization.

20. The Bureau also decided to ask the secretariat to prepare an action plan for the implementation phase of the programme, including a detailed programme of assistance activities for 2007-2008 and a budget needed to implement them. It was agreed that a draft of the action plan would also be circulated among the Bureau members and the Chairman of the WGI before being submitted for processing and to the CoP.

21. The Bureau agreed that both documents would be finalized in late September in order to receive as much input from the September fact-finding missions as possible. In this respect, it requested the secretariat to arrange for as late submission of these two documents (the 10-week document submission deadline is on 6 September 2006). Furthermore, the Bureau invited the secretariat to introduce both documents at the CoP

22. The Bureau welcomed the idea to organize a panel discussion with the participation of leaders of the fact-finding teams as part of the item concerning the assistance programme at the CoP. This would allow the team leaders to share the experience gained during the fact-finding missions and provide more insight into the conclusions drawn by the teams.

## **V. Outcome of the work of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents (JEG)**

23. The Bureau welcomed the information provided by Mr. Winkelmann-Oei, Co-Chairman of the JEG on its achievements and proposals for future activities. To this end, it requested the Co-Chairmen to prepare, in consultation with the secretariats of both Conventions, a progress report for both governing bodies.

24. Mr. Grosset informed the Bureau on the outcome of a consultative meeting he held with Mr. Varela, the Chairman of the Meeting of the Parties to the Water Convention in Geneva (25 April 2006) in order to discuss issues of common concern to both Conventions (see minutes: COPB18/16 May 2006). The achievements, challenges and the future work plan of the JEG were among the issues discussed.

25. The Bureau also took note of two documents, which will be submitted to the CoP by the JEG – the report on the implementation by market economy countries of the Hamburg conclusions and recommendations; and the safety guidelines and best practices for pipelines. The Bureau agreed that these documents as well as the progress report would be introduced by one of the Co-Chairmen. The CoP would be invited to endorse these documents and adopt the work plan for the JEG.

26. Mr. Ludwiczak informed the Bureau on the outcome of the Workshop on the prevention of accidents of gas transmission pipelines that was held in The Hague on 8-9 March 2006, and which had an important input in the drawing up of the safety guidelines and best practices for pipelines. The Bureau expressed appreciation to the Government of the Netherlands for hosting and financing the workshop.

## **VI. Civil Liability Protocol**

27. Mr. Grosset and Mr. Ludwiczak informed the Bureau of a proposal of Switzerland to organize a consultation among the Parties to the Industrial Accidents and Water Conventions in order to gain more insight into the reasons why only one UNECE member country ratified the Protocol so far. This proposal was also discussed at the consultative meeting between the two Chairmen (see paragraph 24). The Bureau welcomed this approach.

## **VII. UNECE Industrial Accident Notification System and review of the communication procedures**

28. Mr. Ludwiczak recalled the major outcome of the second consultation of the points of contact designated within the UNECE Industrial Accident Notification System (Rome, 19-20 October 2006) and of the meeting of the task force to review the communication procedures (Rome, 21 October 2006).

29. The Bureau agreed to ask Ms. Giuliana Gasparrini and Mr Fabrizio Colcerasa (Italy), the Chairs of the two mentioned meetings to present their outcomes at the meeting of the CoP. In addition, it requested the secretariat to prepare a note on the results of recent tests of the System.

30. Furthermore, the Bureau agreed to ask Ms Gasparrini and Mr. Colcerasa to draw up jointly a draft decision concerning the communication procedures. The Bureau within an electronic consultation would agree it.

31. The introduction of the draft decision at the CoP by Ms. Gasparini would be preceded by a brief introduction of the simple Web-based notification application developed jointly by the UNECE and the Joint UNEP/OCHA Environment Unit together with the steps required to implement it in order to enhance the communication procedures within the UNECE IAN System.

### **VIII. Financial resources under the Convention**

32. Mr. Ludwiczak reported on the current status of financial resources under the Convention. The Bureau approved the secretariat's financial report as annexed to these minutes. It requested the secretariat to submit an updated financial report to the CoP as an official document.

33. The Bureau requested the secretariat to send a letter addressed to all the Parties and other UNECE member countries with a request to explore the possibility of supporting the activities under the Convention, either financially through the trust fund or by making in-kind contributions, especially in view of current and future needs for resources to implement the work plan under the Convention, in particular the assistance programme.

### **IX. Other agenda items and documentation for the fourth meeting of the CoP**

34. The Bureau agreed with the items of the provisional agenda for the fourth meeting of the CoP as proposed by the secretariat with one addition, namely the amendment of the rules of procedure extending the number of Bureau members from 8 to 10.

35. The Bureau discussed and endorsed a draft decision on the priorities, work plan and resources under the Convention in 2007-2008, prepared by the Chairperson and the secretariat

36. The Bureau also requested the secretariat, in cooperation with the Chairperson, the Chairman of the WGI and other Bureau members to prepare the remaining documents for the CoP as listed in the provisional agenda (ECE/CP.TEIA/14).

### **X. Logistical arrangements for the fourth meeting of the CoP**

37. The Bureau did not discuss the logistic arrangements due to the absence of Mr. Piacente and requested the Chairperson and the secretariat to meet the Italian organizers in order to discuss with them and agree on the optimal organizational solutions for the CoP.

### **XI. Tenth meeting of the Bureau**

38. The Bureau decided to hold its tenth meeting in the afternoon of 14 November 2006. It was suggested to begin the Bureau meeting with a working lunch.

## **XII. Other business and closing**

39. The Bureau discussed the possible composition of the future Bureau, i.e. possible candidatures for the Chairperson, Vice-chairpersons and the Bureau members. It decided to suggest to the CoP to extend the number of Bureau members from 8 to 10 (see paragraph 33).

40. The Bureau welcomed the readiness of Italy – the host country – to chair the CoP. To this end, it accepted the candidature of Mr. Corrado Clini, Director General in the Italian Ministry for the Environment and Territory for the Chairperson of the CoP.

41. The representatives of Georgia, Germany, Hungary and Slovenia present at the Bureau meeting expressed their country's willingness to continue their participation in the Bureau. In addition, Mr. Gay informed the Bureau that Switzerland and he himself would be interested to join the Bureau. That would at the same time imply that he would no longer be available for re-election as the Chairman of the WGI.

42. The Bureau then agreed to ask other Parties and UNECE member countries whether they would like to serve in the new Bureau. The chairperson together with the secretariat was given the task to undertake the necessary consultations to come up with the candidatures for the new Bureau.

43. The Bureau also took note of the discussions within the WGI on possible candidatures for its members to be elected by the CoP at its fourth meeting.

44. Mr. Ludwiczak provided information on a meeting between the Bureau of the UNECE Committee on Environmental Policy (CEP) and the Bureaux of the governing bodies of the UNECE environmental legal instruments, which will take place in Geneva on 27 June 2006. The Bureau decided to ask Mr. Katai-Urban and Mr. Gay to represent the CoP at this meeting.

45. Mr. Grosset closed the meeting.

**USE OF RESOURCES UNDER THE CONVENTION 2000-2006**

- Table 1: Details of financial contributions and balance of the trust fund under the Convention (2000-2005) and projections (2006)  
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 Table 3: Details of contributions through direct financing and/or organization of meetings (2005-2006)

Donors of financial resources to the trust fund under the Convention

<b><i>Donor country</i></b>	<b><i>in US dollars</i></b>
Switzerland	290,866
Italy	137,734
European Commission	137,542
Netherlands	132,626
Norway	49,215
United Kingdom	15,028
Germany	9,785
Czech Republic	4,000
Slovenia	6,024
Poland	5,882
Austria	5,000

Table 1: Details of financial contributions and balance of the trust fund under the Convention (2000-2005) and projections (2006)

	Contributors	Contributions in \$	Total expenditures in \$	Balance in \$
<b>Year</b>				
<b>01.01.2000</b>				<b>14,307</b>
<b>2000</b>	Switzerland	12,500		
<b>Total</b>		<b>12,500</b>	<b>3,607</b>	<b>23,200</b>
<b>2001</b>	Switzerland	36,585		
	Norway	11,217		
	European Commission	45,700		
	Other	25,661		
<b>Total</b>		<b>119,163</b>	<b>6,594</b>	<b>135,769</b>
<b>2002</b>	Switzerland	41,667		
	Germany	9,785 a/		
	Italy	14,866 b/		
	Other	3,455		
<b>Total</b>		<b>69,773</b>	<b>80,323</b>	<b>125,219</b>
<b>2003</b>	Switzerland	50,360		
	United Kingdom	15,028 c/		
	Italy	16,104 c/		
	Other	6,265		
<b>Total</b>		<b>87,757</b>	<b>82,555</b>	<b>130,421</b>
<b>2004</b>	Switzerland	50,000		
	European Commission	61,576		
	Netherlands	53,050		
	Netherlands	79,576 d/		
	Norway	13,263 d/		
	Other	5,121 d/		
<b>Total</b>		<b>262,586</b>	<b>32,704</b>	<b>360,303</b>
	<i>of which assistance programme</i>	<i>97,960</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>97,960</i>



<b>2005</b>	Switzerland	26,316 d/		
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	Norway	12,970 d/		
	Italy	76,764 d/		
	Slovenia	6,024 d/		
	Czech Republic	4,000 d/		
	Poland	5,882 d/		
	European Commission	30,266		
	Switzerland	23,561 d/		
	Switzerland	23,561		
	Norway	11,765 d/		
	Austria	5,000 d/		
	Other	8,697 d/		
<b>Total</b>		<b>261,122</b>	<b>125,023 e/</b>	<b>496,402 e/</b>
	<i>of which assistance programme</i>	<i>180,979</i>	<i>85,435 e/</i>	<i>193,504 e/</i>
<b>2006</b>	Italy	30,000 d/e/		
<b>Total</b>		<b>30,000 e/</b>	<b>235,343 e/</b>	<b>291,060 e/</b>
	<i>of which assistance programme</i>	<i>30,000 e/</i>	<i>179,629 e/</i>	<i>43,875 e/</i>

a/ Earmarked for financing of participation in the technology transfer workshop

b/ Earmarked for financing of participation in the 2nd CoP

c/ Earmarked for financing of participation in the civil liability negotiations

d/ Earmarked for financing of the assistance programme

e/ Provisional figure

**TABLE 2: Details of expenditures from the trust fund under the Convention (2000-2005) and projections (2006)**

Year	Amount in \$	Purpose
2000	2,986	Participation of experts from two countries in transition in the 2nd meeting of the open-ended group to prepare the 1st meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Warsaw, 27-28 January 2000
	621	Participation of an expert from one country in transition in the meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Budapest, 6-7 April 2000
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,607</b>	
2001	6,594	Participation of experts from four countries in transition in the 1st meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 21-23 November 2001
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,594</b>	
2002	5,675	Participation of experts from four countries in transition in the 2nd meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 4-6 February 2002
	381	Participation of experts from two countries in transition in the 2nd meeting of the Bureau, Geneva, 6-7 February 2002
	1,961	Participation of experts from two countries in transition in the 2nd meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Budapest, 15-16 April 2002
	17,677	Participation of experts from ten countries in transition in the 3rd meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 6-8 May 2002
	8,673	Participation of experts from four countries in transition and the Convention's secretariat in the Polish-Russian transboundary response exercise "KOTKI-2002" and the international seminar on the preparedness for and response to industrial accidents and the mitigation of their transboundary effects, Ketrzyn, Poland, 13-15 June 2002 (as well as the Convention secretariat's participation in a preparatory meeting, Ketrzyn, 28 February - 1 March 2002)
	16,518	Participation of experts from ten countries in transition in the 4th meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 2-4 September 2002
	9,948	Participation of experts from eleven countries in transition and the UNECE secretariat in the Workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies, Chisinau, 4-5 November 2002
	14,921	Participation of experts from eleven countries in transition and the UNECE secretariat in the 2nd meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Chisinau, 6-8 November 2002
	4,569	Participation of experts from three Parties to the Industrial Accidents Convention (countries in transition) in the 5th meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 11-13 November 2002
<b>Total</b>	<b>80,323</b>	

<b>2003</b>	<b>16,604</b>	Participation of experts from eight countries in transition in the 6th meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 15-17 January 2003
	<b>15,831</b>	Participation of experts from eight countries in transition in the 7th meeting of the Working Group on Civil Liability, Geneva, 26-28 February 2003
	<b>15,204</b>	Organization of the Subregional workshop on the implementation of the Convention, Erevan, 13-15 March 2003
	<b>11,598</b>	Participation of experts from seven countries and the secretariat in transition in the Subregional workshop on the implementation of the Convention, Erevan, 13-15 March 2003
	<b>4,714</b>	Participation of experts from five countries in transition in the second Joint special session within the framework of the 5th Ministerial Conference "Environment for Europe", Kiev, 21-23 May 2003
	<b>5,975</b>	Participation of experts from four countries and the secretariat in the 4th meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Kaliningrad, 30-31 October 2003
	<b>12,629</b>	Participation of experts from ten countries in transition and the secretariat in the first Consultation and training session for the points of contact within the framework of the UNECE Industrial Accident Notification System, Bratislava, 10-11 November 2003
<b>Total</b>	<b>82,555</b>	
<b>2004</b>	<b>2,915</b>	Participation of experts from two countries in transition in the second meeting of the Working Group on Implementation, Budapest, 16-17 March 2004
	<b>1,230</b>	Participation of the secretariat in a consultation between the Civil Protection Unit of the EU Directorate-General Environment, the Joint UNEP/OCHA Environment Unit and the Convention's secretariat in preparation for the meeting of the task force to review the UNECE Industrial Accident Notification System, Brussels, 26 June 2004
	<b>4,423</b>	Participation of experts from four countries in transition and the secretariat in the 5th meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Budapest, 26 October 2004
	<b>24,136</b>	Participation of experts from fourteen countries in transition and the secretariat in the 3rd meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Budapest, 27-30 October 2004
<b>Total</b>	<b>32,704</b>	
<b>2005</b>	<b>4,434 e/</b>	Participation of experts from two countries in transition and the secretariat in the 6th meeting of the Bureau, Warsaw, 10-11 March 2005
	<b>1,002 e/</b>	Participation of an expert from one country in transition in the 1st meeting of the Working Group on the Development of the Convention, Geneva, 20 May 2005
	<b>1,064 e/</b>	Participation of the secretariat in the workshop on the prevention of water pollution due to pipeline accidents, Berlin, 8-9 June 2005
	<b>21,337 e/</b>	Participation of experts from fourteen countries in transition and the secretariat in the training session on drawing up national implementation reports, Warsaw, 12-13 September 2005
	<b>10,670 e/</b>	Participation of experts from fourteen countries in transition and the secretariat in the joint meeting of the Bureau and the Working Group on Implementation, Warsaw, 14 September 2005
	<b>1,081 e/</b>	Participation of the secretariat in the 2nd consultation for points of contact within the UNECE Industrial Accident Notification System and 1st meeting of the task force to review the communication procedure, Rome, 19-21 October 2005
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>39,588 e/</b>	

Assistance programme	<b>47,584 e/</b>	Participation of representatives from seventeen EECCA and SEE countries in the High-level Commitment Meeting, Geneva, 14-15 December 2005
	<b>37,851 e/</b>	Cost of the programme support officer's post
Subtotal	<b>85,435 e/</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>125,023 e/</b>	
<b>2006</b>	<b>312 e/</b>	Promoting of the Convention, participation of the secretariat in the Emergency & Crisis Management Conference, Amsterdam, 16-17 January 2006
	<b>38,848 e/</b>	Participation of experts from eleven countries in transition and the secretariat in the workshop on the prevention of accidents on gas transmission pipelines, The Hague, 8-9 March 2006
	<b>5,240 e/</b>	Participation of experts from five countries in transition in the 2nd meeting of the Working Group on the Development of the Convention, Geneva, Geneva, 28 March 2006
	<b>2,704 e/</b>	Participation of an expert from one country in transition and the secretariat in the 4th meeting of the Working Group on Implementation, Vienna, 3-5 April 2006
	<b>5,220 e/</b>	Participation of experts from four countries in transition in the 7th meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Geneva, 10-11 April 2006
	<b>3,390 e/</b>	Participation of an expert from one country in transition and the secretariat in the 9th meeting of the Bureau, Warsaw, 22-23 May 2006
Subtotal	<b>55,714 e/</b>	
Assistance programme	<b>981 e/</b>	Briefing for team leaders of fact-finding teams, Geneva, 24 April 2006
	<b>68,648 e/</b>	Costs of services and participation of experts in thirteen fact-finding missions
	<b>110,000 e/</b>	Cost of the programme support officer's post including costs of necessary equipment
Subtotal	<b>179,629 e/</b>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>235,343 e/</b>	

e/ provisional figure

**TABLE 3: Details of contributions through direct financing and/or organization of meetings (2000-2006)**

<b>2000</b>	<b>Poland</b>	Financing and organization of the 2nd meeting of the open-ended group to prepare the 1st meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Warsaw, 27-28 January 2000
	<b>Hungary</b>	Financing and organization of a meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Budapest, 6-7 April 2000
	<b>Italy</b>	Financing and organization of the 3rd meeting of the open-ended group to prepare the 1st meeting of the Conference of the Parties, including participation of experts from countries in transition, Rome, 8-9 June 2000
	<b>European Commission</b>	Financing and organization of the 1st meeting of the Conference of the Parties and financing of the participation of experts from countries in transition, Brussels, 22-24 November 2000
<b>2001</b>	<b>Switzerland</b>	Financing of the participation of experts from countries in transition in the joint special session of the Governing Bodies of the Industrial Accidents and the Water Conventions, Geneva, 2-3 July 2001
	<b>Germany</b>	Financing of the organization of two meetings of an open-ended group to prepare the workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies, including the participation of experts from countries in transition and the Convention's secretariat, Chisinau, 5-6 July and 26-27 November 2001
	<b>Republic of Moldova</b>	Organization of two meetings of an open-ended group to prepare the workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies, Chisinau, 5-6 July and 26-27 November 2001
	<b>Germany</b>	Financing and organization of the first meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, including the participation of experts from countries in transition and the Conventions' secretariats, Berlin, 18-19 October 2001
	<b>Hungary</b>	Financing and organization of the International workshop and exercise on industrial safety and water protection in transboundary river basins, Tiszaújváros, Hungary, 3-5 October 2001
	<b>UN/OCHA</b>	Financing of the participation of experts from countries in transition in the International workshop and exercise on industrial safety and water protection in transboundary river basins, Tiszaújváros, 3-5 October 2001
<b>2002</b>	<b>Hungary</b>	Financing and organization of the second meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Budapest, 15-16 April 2002
	<b>Poland</b>	Financing and organization of the Polish-Russian transboundary response exercise "KOTKI -2002" and international seminar on the preparedness for and response to industrial accidents and the mitigation of their transboundary effects, Ketrzyn, 13-15 June 2002
	<b>Germany</b>	Financing of the organization of the third meeting of an open-ended group to prepare the workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies, including the participation of experts from countries in transition, Chisinau, 16-17 September 2002
	<b>Republic of Moldova</b>	Organization of the third meeting of an open-ended group to prepare the workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies, Chisinau, 16-17 September 2002
	<b>Germany</b>	Financing of the organization of the workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies, Chisinau, 4-5 November 2002
	<b>Italy</b>	Financing of the organization of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Chisinau, 6-8 November 2002
	<b>Republic of Moldova</b>	Organization of the workshop on the facilitation of the exchange of safety management systems and safety technologies and the 2 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Chisinau, 4-5 and 6-8 November 2002

<b>2003</b>	<b>Armenia</b>	Organization of the Subregional workshop on the implementation of the Convention, Erevan, 13-15 March 2003
	<b>Italy</b>	Financing and organization of the fourth Bureau meeting, Cagliari, 17-18 October 2003
	<b>Russian Federation</b>	Financing and organization of the 4 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Kaliningrad, 30-31 October 2003
	<b>Slovakia</b>	Financing and organization of the first consultation and training session for the points of contact within the framework of the UNECE Industrial Accident Notification System, Bratislava, 10-11 November 2003
<b>2004</b>	<b>Hungary</b>	Financing and organization of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Working Group on Implementation, Budapest, 16-17 March 2004
	<b>Hungary</b>	Financing and organization of the 5 <sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting, Budapest, 18-19 March 2004
	<b>Hungary</b>	Financing and organization of the 5 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Budapest, 26 October 2004
	<b>Hungary</b>	Financing and organization of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Conference of the Parties, Budapest, 27-30 October 2004
<b>2005</b>	<b>Poland</b>	Financing and organization of 6 <sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting, Warsaw, 10-11 March 2005
	<b>Germany</b>	Financing and organization of the first meeting of the steering group to draw up safety guidelines for pipelines, Berlin, 17-18 March 2005
	<b>Germany</b>	Financing and organization of the workshop on the prevention of water pollution due to pipeline accidents, Berlin, 8-9 June 2005
	<b>Poland</b>	Financing and organization of the Training session on drawing up national implementation reports, Warsaw, 12-13 September 2005
	<b>Poland</b>	Financing and organization of the joint meeting of the Bureau and the Working Group on Implementation, Warsaw, 14 September 2005
	<b>Italy</b>	Financing and organization of the second consultation for the points of contact within the framework of the UNECE Industrial Accident Notification System and a meeting of the task force on communication procedures, Rome, 19-21 October 2005
	<b>Germany</b>	Financing of participation of experts in the 6 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Joint Expert Group on Water and Industrial Accidents, Geneva, 16 December 2005
	<b>Contributions to the assistance programme</b>	
	<b>United Kingdom</b>	Financing of an integration event during the High-level Commitment Meeting (14-15 December 2005)

<b>2006</b>	<b>Netherlands</b>	Financing and organization of the workshop on the prevention of accidents of gas transmission pipelines, The Hague, 8-9 March 2006
	<b>Austria</b>	Financing and organization of the 5 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Working Group on Implementation, Vienna, 3-5 April 2006
	<b>Poland</b>	Financing and organization of the 9 <sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting, Warsaw, 22-23 May 2006
	<b>Italy</b>	<i>Financing and organization of the 10<sup>th</sup> Bureau meeting, Rome, 14 November 2006</i>
	<b>Italy</b>	<i>Financing and organization of the 4th meeting of the Conference of the Parties</i>
	<b>Contributions to the assistance programme:</b>	
	<b>Czech Republic</b>	<i>Financing of the services of an expert in two fact-finding mission</i>
	<b>Hungary</b>	<i>Financing of the services and participation of an expert in one pre-mission and the services of one expert in one fact-finding mission</i>
	<b>Italy</b>	<i>Financing of the services and participation of experts in six fact-finding missions</i>
	<b>Norway</b>	Financing of the services and participation of an expert in one fact-finding missions
	<b>Poland</b>	Financing of the services of an expert in one fact-finding mission
	<b>Slovakia</b>	<i>Financing of the services and participation of an expert in two fact-finding mission</i>
	<b>Slovenia</b>	<i>Financing of the services and participation of an expert in one pre-mission and in one fact-finding mission</i>
	<b>Sweden</b>	<i>Financing of the services and participation of experts in three fact-finding missions</i>
<b>Regional Environmental Centre</b>	<i>Financing of services of an expert in two fact-finding missions (participation covered from resources made available by Switzerland to the "Environment and Security" initiative and earmarked for the Industrial Accidents Convention's assistance programme)</i>	
<b>Environment and Security Initiative</b>	<i>Financing of the services and participation of experts in seven fact-finding missions through resources made available by Switzerland and earmarked for the Industrial Accidents Convention's assistance programme</i>	

## Balance of financial resources earmarked for the assistance programme

The following table contains information on contributions, expenditures and balance of financial resources for activities within the programme's preparatory phase (2005-2006) and in the first two years of its implementation phase (2007-2008)

Donors of financial resources to the trust fund under the Convention

<i>Donor country</i>	<i>in US dollars</i>
Italy	106,764
Netherlands	79,576
Switzerland	49,877
Norway	37,998
Czech Republic	4,000
Slovenia	6,024
Poland	5,882
Austria	5,000



Year	Contributors	Total contributions	Purpose of expenditures	Expenditures in \$	Balance In \$	Balance In Euro (rounded)
<b>2004</b>	Netherlands	79,576				
	Norway	13,263				
	Other	5,121				
<b>Total</b>		<b>97,960</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>97,960</b>	<b>82,000</b>
<b>2005</b>	Switzerland	26,316	High-level Meeting	85,435 1/		
	Norway	12,970	Programme support			
	Italy	76,764				
	Slovenia	6,024				
	Czech Republic	4,000				
	Poland	5,882				
	Switzerland	23,561				
	Norway	11,765				
	Austria	5,000				
	Other	8,697				
<b>Total</b>		<b>180,979</b>		<b>85,435 1/</b>	<b>193,504 1/</b>	<b>161,000 1/</b>
<b>2006</b>	Italy	30,000 1/	Coordination with countries	179,629 1/		
	0		Fact-finding missions			
			Reporting to CoP			
			Programme support			
<b>Total</b>		<b>30,000 1/</b>		<b>179,629 1/</b>	<b>43,875 1/</b>	<b>37,000 1/</b>
<b>2007</b>	.....		Completion of fact-finding missions	448,512 1/		
			Three capacity-building workshops			
			Tech. & legal advisory serv. 3 months			
			Programme support			
<b>Total</b>				<b>448,512 1/</b>	<b>-404,637 1/</b>	<b>-337,000 1/</b>
<b>2008</b>	.....		Four capacity-building workshops	478,000 1/		
			Tech. & legal advisory serv. 9 months			
			Programme support			
<b>Total</b>				<b>478,000 1/</b>	<b>-882,637 1/</b>	<b>-736,000 1/</b>

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