

Implementation of the programme of work for 2013-2015

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1. Progress and achievements in this area of work in the triennium

- * (Nearly) all planned activities have been implemented, even some additional ones such as contribution to SDG process and other international processes upon request
- * More work in some areas than expected due to high demands
- * No need for changes in the work programme for 2013-2015

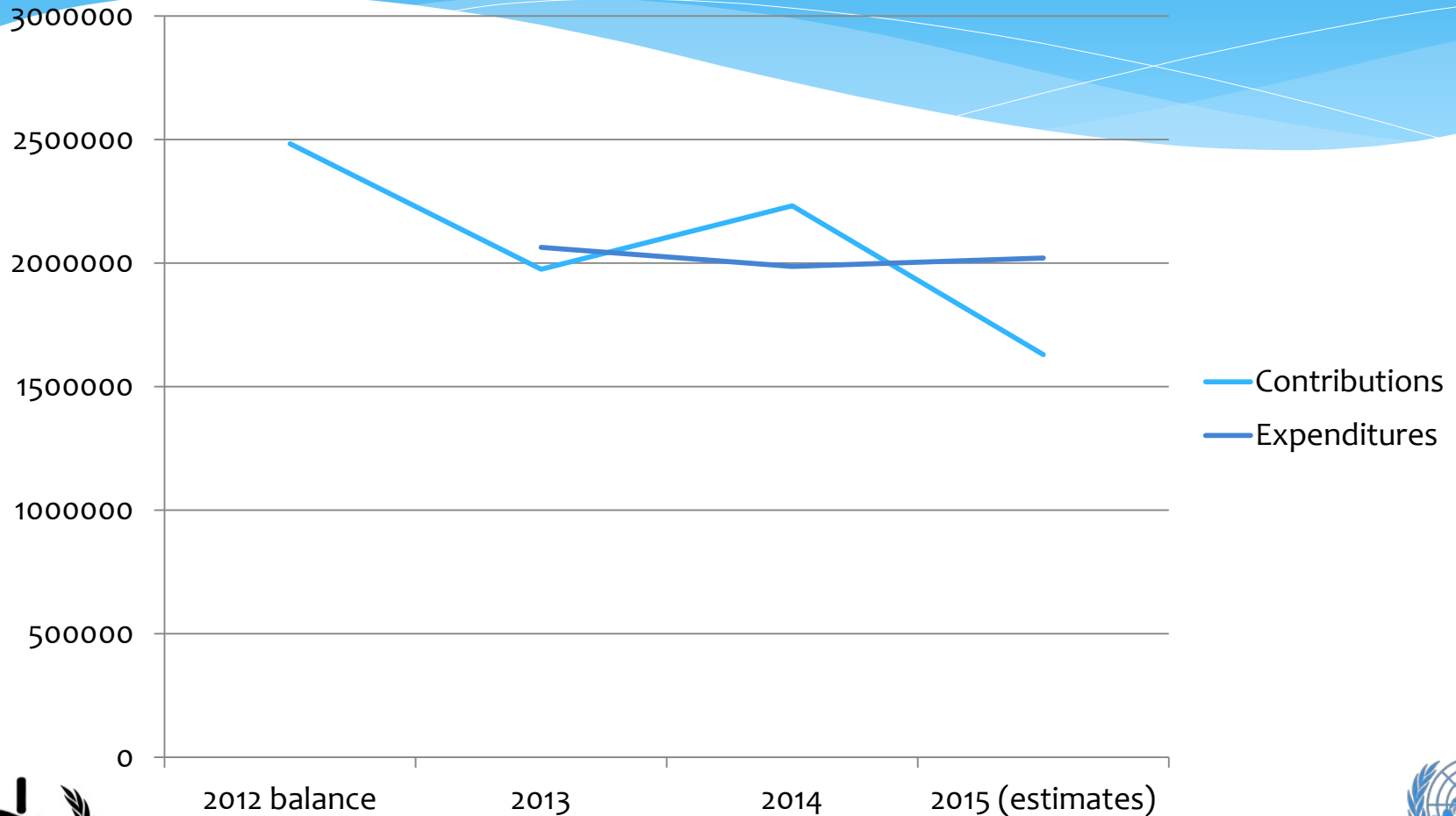


2. Main Lessons learned

- * Global opening gives a new dynamic to the Convention: new funding and partnership opportunities, new experiences and priorities, but also challenges
- * Cooperation with partners is crucial, some new partners in last triennium
- * Importance of closer linkage between different areas of work, e.g. nexus-benefits, NPDs-nexus, climate-nexus
- * Need to have good balance between policy advice/ guidance development, exchange of experience and projects on the ground
- * Importance of ownership by countries , role of lead Parties
- * Increasing administrative difficulties to work on the ground



3. Financial situation



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Conclusions regarding financial situation

- * Still reliance on a few main donors: 13 out of 40 Parties
- * Some new donors, especially from ministries of foreign affairs
- * Sustainability and predictability of funding sometimes problematic, e.g. late receipt of some funds, decreasing trend
- * New trend: fundraising together with partners, but complicated
- * New trend: project-based funding, especially from development cooperation with new requirements
- * Fund-raising is time-consuming and not only responsibility of secretariat
- * Additional resource needs for administrative staff
- * Priority for staff funding – need for advance funding and reserve
- * New financial rules and procedures at UN: IPSAS, UMOJA



Thank you- questions?



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Additional slide on funding

- * Main donors: Switzerland, Finland, Germany, Netherlands, France, Norway, Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy
- * For projects: Sweden, Finland, Russian Federation, Austria
- * For NPDs: EU, Norway, Finland

