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Overview of contributions and expenditures for the period 1 September 2017 – 31 December 2018 and resources required up to the fifth session of the Meeting of the Parties compared with funds raised

The document was prepared by the joint secretariat for the eleventh meeting of the Working Group on Water and Health (Geneva, 3 and 4 April 2019). The overview provides information on contributions and expenditures for the period 1 September 2017 – 31 December 2018 for the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and World Health Organization (WHO) Regional Office for Europe. It also presents estimated resource needs for the activities supported or partially supported by the joint secretariat until end of December 2019.

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I. UNECE trust fund

A. Balance of earmarked funds on 31 August 2017: US\$ 912,852

B. Contributions received by UNECE from 1 September 2017 to 31 December 2018 (in United States Dollars)

Source of funding	Date received	Amount	Earmarking
Estonia	December 2017	889	
Switzerland	December 2017	50,813	Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting
Netherlands	December 2017	17,773	Safe and efficient management of water supply and sanitation systems
Norway	December 2017	30,500	Working Group on Water and Health
Germany	August 2018	28,571	Compliance Committee and Task Force on Target Setting and Reporting
France	September 2018	116,550	Primarily equitable access
Estonia	September 2018	857	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	September 2018	1,200	
Netherlands	October 2018	29,240	Safe and efficient management of water supply and sanitation systems
Finland	November 2018	45,455	Implementation of national water and health targets in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan
Netherlands	December 2018	45,506	Fifth session of the Meeting of the Parties
Norway	December 2018	29,970	Working Group on Water and Health
Total		397,324	

C. Expenditures by UNECE from 1 September 2017 to 31 December 2018 (in United States Dollars)

Programme of work area	a	b	a + b
	Expenditure of funds earmarked for the Protocol	Expenditure of funds not earmarked for the Protocol	Total expenditure
Implementing bodies of the Protocol	26,064	19,984	46,048
Programme area 1: Improving governance for water and health: support for setting targets and implementing measures	45,310	12,747	58,057
Programme area 2: Prevention and reduction of water-related diseases	0	0	0
Programme area 3: Institutional water, sanitation and hygiene	0	0	0
Programme area 4: Small-scale water supplies and sanitation	0	0	0
Programme area 5: Safe and efficient management of water supply and sanitation systems	0	0	0
Programme area 6: Equitable access to water and sanitation	76,014	50,232	126,246
Programme area 7: Increasing resilience to climate change	1,149	0	1,149
Programme area 8: Assistance to support implementation at the national level	35,253	117,877	153,130
Programme area 9: Compliance procedure	39,444	0	39,444
Total cost of activities	223,228	200,840	424,068
Total costs for staff (programme areas 1 and 5-9)	130,700	234,463	365,163
Programme support costs (13%)	46,011	27,087*	73,098
Total	399,939	462,390	862,329

* Programme support costs for funds not earmarked for the Protocol can be 0%, 7% or 13%, depending on the sources of funding which have different overheads

1. There was significant co-funding of staff, travel and meeting logistics costs from the National Policy Dialogues under the European Union Water Initiative. In particular, the National Policy Dialogues provided significant financial support to promote the work under the Protocol on Water and Health, in particular with regard to the target setting and revision processes in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova and Ukraine with funding from the European Union (EUWI+ programme), in Kazakhstan (through the project “Supporting Kazakhstan’s Transition to a Green Economy Model”) and in Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan, in addition to the financial support provided through the Programme for Finland's Water Sector Support to Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan.

2. UNECE also used resources from the United Nations regular budget to support the work under the Protocol, including for staff salaries and travel; conference costs, including interpretation, for meetings held in the Palais des Nations in Geneva; and for editing and translation of official documents and publications. In addition, in terms of the regular budget resources, the United Nations Development Account has also financed staff and activities to strengthen capacity to ensure equity of access to water and sanitation in countries with economies in transition with a focus on small scale water supplies and sanitation.

D. Balance on 31 December 2018 (in United States Dollars)

Description	Amount
Balance of earmarked funds in UNECE trust fund on 31 August 2017	912,852
Contributions received by UNECE from 1 September 2017 to 31 December 2018	+397,324
Expenditures by UNECE from 1 September 2017 to 31 December 2018	-399,939
Balance of earmarked funds in UNECE trust fund on 31 December 2018	910,237

Note: The balance available in the trust fund includes funds earmarked for projects and specific activities from the programme of work for 2017–2019. The balance at the end of the year has to be sufficient to allow the setting aside (allotment) of funds to cover staff costs and other expected expenditures in the following year, both for field projects and other activities, plus the programme support costs and an operating reserve.

II. WHO Regional Office for Europe voluntary fund

A. Balance of earmarked funds on 31 August 2017: US\$ 242,114

B. Contributions received by the WHO Regional Office for Europe from 1 September 2017 to 31 December 2018 (in United States Dollars)

Source of funding	Date received	Amount	Notes
Hungary	April 2017	5,599	
Estonia	November 2017	868	
Netherlands	January 2018	41,469	Earmarked for programme area 5
Hungary	June 2018	6,039	
Hungary	June 2018	973	Reimbursement of costs related to activities in programme area 3
Finland	June 2018	23,585	
Norway	August 2018	40,000	
Italy	November 2018	9,962	Reimbursement of costs related to activities in programme area 5
Germany	November 2018	2,229	Reimbursement of costs related to activities in programme area 4
Estonia	December 2018	850	
Netherlands	December 2018	28,441	Earmarked for programme area 5
Total		160,015	

Note: In addition to funds earmarked for the Protocol activities, the WHO Regional Office for Europe mobilized funds from other sources to ensure continuity and support implementation of the Protocol's 2017–2019 programme of work. Other sources included funds from Germany and WHO assessed contributions to cover activities, staff salaries and travel.

C. Expenditures by the WHO Regional Office for Europe from 1 September 2017 to 31 December 2018 (in United States Dollars)

Programme of work element	a	b	a + b
	Expenditure of funds earmarked for the Protocol	Expenditure of funds not earmarked for the Protocol	Total expenditure
Implementing bodies of the Protocol	10,721	2,399	13,120
Programme area 1: Improving governance for water and health	0	0	0
Programme area 2: Prevention and reduction of water-related diseases	18,804	11,368	30,172
Programme area 3: Institutional water, sanitation and hygiene	21,231	105,831	127,062
Programme area 4: Small-scale water supplies and sanitation	42,449	17,905	60,354
Programme area 5: Safe and efficient management of water supply and sanitation systems	18,198	28,290	46,488
Programme area 6: Equitable access to water and sanitation	0	0	0
Programme area 7: Increasing resilience to climate change	2,287	1,551	3,838
Programme area 8: Assistance to support implementation at the national level	505	2,149	2,654
Programme area 9: Compliance procedure	0	0	0
Total cost of activities	114,196	169,493	283,698
Total cost for staff	—	309,200	309,200
Programme support costs (13%)	14,845	62,230	77,076
Total	129,041	540,923	669,964

D. Balance on 31 December 2018 (in United States Dollars)

Description	Amount
Balance of earmarked funds in WHO Regional Office for Europe voluntary fund on 31 August 2017	242,114
Contributions received by WHO Regional Office for Europe from 1 September 2017 to 31 December 2018	+160,015
Expenditures by WHO Regional Office for Europe from 1 September 2017 to 31 December 2018	-129,041
Balance of earmarked funds in WHO Regional Office for Europe voluntary fund on 31 December 2018	273,088

III. Direct contributions by Parties to the activities in the Protocol's programme of work

The following direct and in-kind contributions were received:

- (a) Hungary provided a direct contribution to programme area 3, specifically covering costs for extended Lead-Party meeting on water, sanitation and hygiene in schools (Budapest, 7 March 2018) to scope and plan activities under the 2017-2019 programme of work activities, as well as to programme area 6, specifically covering costs related to the 4th meeting of the Expert group on equitable access to water and sanitation (Budapest, 13-14 September 2017).
- (b) Germany provided a direct contribution to programme area 4, specifically covering costs related to Subregional workshop on improving small-scale water supply and sanitation for better health for European Union countries (Dessau, 18-20 June 2018).
- (c) Italy provided a direct contribution to programme area 5, specifically covering costs related to the National capacity building workshop on water safety planning (Rome, 15-17 October 2018).
- (d) France provided a direct contribution to programme area 6, specifically covering costs related to the 5th meeting of the expert group on equitable access to water and sanitation (Paris, 26-27 June 2018).
- (e) Serbia provided a direct contribution to programme area 6, specifically covering costs related to several national workshops for the assessment of the situation of equitable access to water and sanitation and the development of an equitable access action plan.
- (f) The WHO Collaborating Centres at the Drinking Water Inspectorate, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; at the German Environment Agency, Germany; at the National Institute for Public Health and the Environment, the Netherlands; at the University of Bonn; at the University of Surrey, United Kingdom; and at the Watercycle Research Institute, the Netherlands provided in-kind contributions to programme areas 2–5.
- (g) France and Germany provided support to the work under the Protocol through secondment of two Junior Professional Officers to the UNECE secretariat.

IV. Estimated resource needs from 1 January to 31 December 2019 (in United States Dollars)

Planned activities by programme area	Lead Party, country or organization	Estimated resources required	Earmarked funding available	Estimated funding gap till 31 December 2019
Implementing bodies	UNECE and WHO/Europe Serbia and Norway			
5th session of the Meeting of the Parties		115,000	Funding likely available, including from host country	0
Working Group on Water and Health		51,550	30,000	21,550
Bureau		4,000	0	4,000
Travel of WHO staff		3,600	3,600	0
<i>Activity cost sub-total programme area 1</i>		<i>174,150</i>	<i>33,600</i>	<i>25,550</i>
<i>UNECE staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		<i>98,000</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>98,000</i>
<i>WHO/Europe staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		<i>61,000</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>61,000</i>
Programme area 1: Improving governance for water and health: support for setting targets and implementing measures	Romania and Switzerland			
Development and publication of a guidance booklet on how to translate the 2030 Agenda into national targets set under the Protocol		9,000	9,000	0
Other costs (consultants, including costs for the preparation of the regional implementation report, translation of summary reports, exploring possibilities to develop an electronic tool for reporting, etc.)		60,000	0	60,000
<i>Activity cost sub-total programme area 1</i>		<i>69,000</i>	<i>9,000</i>	<i>60,000</i>
<i>UNECE staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		<i>119,550</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>119,550</i>
<i>WHO/Europe staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		<i>16,300</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>16,300</i>

Planned activities by programme area	Lead Party, country or organization	Estimated resources required	Earmarked funding available	Estimated funding gap till 31 December 2019
Programme area 2: Prevention and reduction of water-related diseases	Belarus and Norway			
Development of annotated training modules on water-related disease surveillance		12,000	0	0 Postponed to the programme of work for 2020-2022
One national capacity-building workshop on water-related disease surveillance and outbreak management		10,000	10,000	0
Development of technical guidance document on water-related disease surveillance and outbreak management, including core expert group meetings		40,000	30,000	10,000
Development of advocacy document for decision makers on risk-based surveillance of drinking water quality		20,000	10,000	10,000
Organization of two subregional and national advocacy and capacity-building workshops on risk-based surveillance of drinking water quality		70,000	0	0 Postponed to the programme of work for 2020-2022
<i>Activity cost sub-total programme area 2</i>		<i>152,000</i>	<i>50,000</i>	<i>20,000</i>
<i>WHO/Europe staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		<i>53,000</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>53,000</i>
Programme area 3: Institutional water, sanitation and hygiene	Georgia, Hungary and Republic of Moldova			
Organization of one regional and two subregional workshops on WASH in schools		135,000	0	0 Postponed to the programme of work for 2020-2022
Development of a practical tool for public health authorities to improve surveillance of WASH in schools		20,000	10,000	10,000
Development of a “WASH toolkit” for school administration		20,000	10,000	10,000

Planned activities by programme area	Lead Party, country or organization	Estimated resources required	Earmarked funding available	Estimated funding gap till 31 December 2019
Support baseline analysis of the situation of WASH in health-care facilities in two countries		30,000	25,000	5,000
Support a pilot project on WASH in HCFs: application of WHO risk-based tool and development of improvement plans as a basis for further scale-up in the region		20,000	20,000	0
<i>Activity cost sub-total programme area 3</i>		<i>225,000</i>	<i>65,000</i>	<i>25,000</i>
<i>WHO/Europe staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		<i>41,500</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>41,500</i>
Programme area 4: Small scale water supply and sanitation	Germany and Serbia			
Development of a guidance document on sustainable financing of small-scale water supplies and sanitation in English and Russian		20,000	10,000	10,000
Support situation analysis (e.g., rapid assessments) of small-scale water supplies and sanitation in a selected country as a basis for target setting and developing improvement strategies		35,000	0	35,000
Support a field project on integrated water safety and sanitation safety plans in rural areas		30,000	0	0 Postponed to the programme of work for 2020-2022
Support regional networking and intercountry collaboration through study visits		15,000	0	15,000
<i>Activity cost sub-total programme area 4</i>		<i>100,000</i>	<i>10,000</i>	<i>60,000</i>
<i>WHO/Europe staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		<i>32,900</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>32,900</i>
Programme area 5: Safe and efficient management of water supply and sanitation systems	Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Netherlands and IWA			
Two national capacity-building consultations/workshops on water safety plan approaches to support policy uptake and development of national road maps		25,000	25,000	0
Consultancy cost for sanitation scoping study		28,000	28,000	0
Regional workshop on safe and efficient management of sanitation, including reuse		70,000	70,000	0

Planned activities by programme area	Lead Party, country or organization	Estimated resources required	Earmarked funding available	Estimated funding gap till 31 December 2019
Expert meeting for development of policy/technical guidance tools		40,000	0	0 Postponed to the programme of work for 2020-2022
<i>Activity cost sub-total programme area 5</i>		<i>163,000</i>	<i>123,000</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>UNECE staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		<i>81,350</i>	<i>45,000</i>	<i>36,350</i>
<i>WHO/Europe staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		<i>26,200</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>26,200</i>
Programme area 6: Equitable access to water and sanitation	France and Hungary			
One self-assessment exercise		30,000	10,000	20,000
Support to the development of one equitable access action plan		20,000	0	20,000
One regional workshop		50,000	0	0 Postponed to the programme of work for 2020-2022
Consultancy and other costs for the development of a publication		17,400	17,400	0
<i>Activity cost sub-total programme area 6</i>		<i>117,400</i>	<i>27,400</i>	<i>40,000</i>
<i>UNECE staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		<i>88,200</i>	<i>18,800</i>	<i>69,400</i>
<i>WHO/Europe staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		<i>2,000</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2,000</i>
Programme area 7: Increasing resilience to climate change	Italy and Spain			
Regional workshop on increasing the resilience of cities to water related disasters (disaster preparedness and response, adaptation, wastewater management, recycling and reuse)		50,000	0	0 Postponed to the programme of work for 2020-2022
<i>Activity cost sub-total programme area 7</i>		<i>50,000</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>UNECE staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		<i>81,350</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>81,350</i>

Planned activities by programme area	Lead Party, country or organization	Estimated resources required	Earmarked funding available	Estimated funding gap till 31 December 2019
<i>WHO/Europe staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		9,000	0	9,000
Programme area 8: Assistance to support implementation at the national level	Bureau and the joint secretariat			
Assistance-related activities are to commence upon demand and availability of resources. The following allocations of staff time account for establishing/maintaining dialogue with partners/donors and preparing assistance-related activities		0	0	0
<i>Activity cost sub-total programme area 8</i>		0	0	0
<i>UNECE staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		21,550	0	21,550
<i>WHO/Europe staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		12,100	0	12,100
Programme area 9: Compliance procedure	Compliance Committee			
One meeting of the Compliance Committee		15,000	0	15,000
<i>Activity cost sub-total programme area 9</i>		15,000	0	15,000
<i>UNECE staff costs (pro rata estimate)</i>		81,350	0	81,350
TOTAL costs required for activities		1,065,550	318,000	245,550
TOTAL costs required for the staff of the joint secretariat		825,350	63,800	761,550

All costs indicated above are subject to programme support costs.