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Agenda Item 3:

Financial resources available



















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Source	Purpose	Status	
United Nations Development Account	Improved environmental monitoring and assessment in support of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda in South-Eastern Europe, Central Asia and the Caucasus, 2018-2021	\$500,000 (ongoing, with UNEP)	
Russian Federation	Support of the Working Group (includes financial support of participants from the Caucasus, Central Asia and Eastern Europe and consultancy for country profiles)	\$80,000, of which about \$13,900 remains, first half 2021 only	
Norway	Promotion of Environmental Protection and Cooperation in the UNECE Region, 2018-2020	Approximately \$5,500 for 2020 (now exhausted)	
Austria	Financial support for participants from South-Eastern Europe	Funds for 2019 exhausted	
	Financial support for participants from South-Eastern Europe, plus for the pan-European assessment	€10,000	





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Switzerland	Support of experts from Central Asia engaged in the work of the Working Group Pan-European environmental assessment	\$20,000 in 2019 \$20,000 in 2020 (funds remain) \$30,000
Others	Pan-European environmental assessment	€15,000??? (awaited)

Outlook:

Pan-European environmental assessment – limited funds, but proceeding Working Group session, spring 2021 – perhaps again a hybrid meeting? Joint Task Force session, autumn 2021 – funds available for 1 (environmental) expert from each of 5 Central Asian States, perhaps for some (environmental) experts from South-Eastern Europe



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Thank you!



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Proposed Decision:

The Working Group:

- a) Takes note of the financial resources available for the implementation of activities under the Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Programme
- b) Requests its members and the secretariat continue their fundraising efforts to enable the full implementation of activities planned for 2021, including for preparation of the pan-European environmental assessment













