Draft decision on targets for a more sustainable and predictable funding of the work under the Convention

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Background

- Convention mainly relies on extrabudgetary resources
- Only a bit more than a third of all the Parties contribute
- Fundraising and reporting is time-consuming

In 2016–2018:
- Only 38 per cent of the Parties financed the programme of work (16 out of 42 Parties).
- 26 per cent of the Parties regularly contributed (11 out of 42 Parties).
- Only 17 per cent of all contributions were unearmarked and did not require individual reports

=> **Challenge for effective implementation of programme of work**
Process towards a draft decision

- MOP8: requested the secretariat, in cooperation with the Bureau, to prepare options for a more sustainable and predictable funding of the work under the Convention for discussion at MOP9
- Bureau Feb. 2019: no mandatory scheme, but development of targets for financial sustainability
- Bureau in Sept. 2019 discussed draft proposal
- 15th WGIWRM (30 September – 2 October 2020) welcomed the targets
- WGIWRM & WGMA (26-28 April 2021) endorsed the draft decision to be submitted to the MOP
- Draft decision: ECE/MP.WAT/2021/8
Why financial targets?

• Contributing to the Convention has numerous benefits:
  ⇒ countries benefit from the capacity-building, exchange of experience, guidance and tools, pilot projects, networking etc.

• Achieving the long-term objectives requires sustainability and predictability in funding

Financial targets => a system of drivers to address the main challenges and uncertainty encountered in financing the programme of work
Proposed targets

**Objective 1:** Achieve a fairer sharing of the burden of financing the implementation of the programme of work (PoW).

**Targets:** By 2024, at least 50% and by 2030, at least 66% of all Parties finance the PoW.

*Baseline in 2016–2018: 38% of Parties*

**Objective 2:** Improve reliability and predictability of funding

**Targets:** By 2024, 50% and by 2030, 66% of all Parties contribute regularly to the implementation of the PoW.

*Baseline in 2016–2018: 26% of Parties*

**Objective 3:** Support a balanced implementation of all programme areas and simplify donors’ requirements to increase efficiency

**Targets:** By 2024, 50% and by 2030, 66% of all contributions are unearmarked and do not require individual reports.

*Baseline in 2016–2018: 17% of all contributions*
Thank you

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