

# CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT of the Administrative Agent

# Joint Progamme Climate Security Mechanism

for the period 1 January to 31 December 2023

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## **DEFINITIONS**

#### Allocation/Total Approved Budget

Amount approved by the Steering Committee for the Joint Programme. The total approved budget represents the cumulative amount of allocations approved by the Steering Committee.

## **Approved Joint Programme**

A Joint Programme including budget, etc., that is approved by the Steering Committee for fund allocation purposes.

# **Contributor Commitment**

Amount(s) committed by a contributor to a Joint Programme in a signed donor agreement with the UNDP Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office (MPTF Office), in its capacity as the Administrative Agent. A commitment may be paid or pending payment.

#### **Contributor Deposit**

Cash deposit received by the MPTF Office for the Fund from a contributor in accordance with a signed donor agreement.

# **Delivery Rate**

The percentage of funds that have been utilized, calculated by comparing expenditures reported by a Participating Organization and Non-UN organization against the 'net funded amount'. This does not include expense commitments by Participating Organizations.

## **Donor Agreement**

Standard Administrative Arrangement and/or European Commission contribution agreement between contributor/donor and MPTF Office.

# **Net Funded Amount**

Amount transferred to a Participating Organization less any refunds transferred back to the MPTF Office by a Participating Organization.

# **Participating Organization**

A UN Organization that is partner in a Fund, as represented by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the MPTF Office for a particular Fund.

# Joint Programme Expenditure

The sum of expenses and/or expenditure reported by all Participating Organizations for a Joint Programme irrespective of which basis of accounting each Participating Organization follows for donor reporting.

# Joint Programme Financial Closure

A Joint Programme is considered financially closed when all financial obligations of an operationally completed Joint Programme have been settled, and no further financial charges may be incurred. MPTF Office will report a Joint Programme financially closed once the financial report(s) has been received and any balance of funds refunded.

# **Joint Programme Operational Closure**

A Joint Programme is considered operationally closed when all programmatic activities for which Participating Organization(s) received funding have been completed, and the Steering Committee has approved the final narrative report

# Joint Programme Start Date

Joint Programme start date as per the programmatic document.

## **Transferred Funds**

Funds transferred to Participating Organizations by the Administrative Agent in accordance with the Steering Committee's request.

# **US Dollar Amount**

The financial data in the report is recorded in US Dollars



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## INTRODUCTION

This Consolidated Annual Financial Report of the Joint Programme Climate Security

Mechanism (JP Climate Security Mechanism) is prepared by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office (MPTF Office) in fulfillment of its obligations as Administrative Agent, as per the Joint Programme Document, the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between the UNDP MPTF Office and the Participating Organizations, and the Standard Administrative Arrangement (SAA) signed with contributors.

The MPTF Office, as Administrative Agent, is responsible for concluding an MOU with Participating Organizations and SAAs with contributors. It receives, administers and

manages contributions, and disburses these funds to the Participating Organizations. The Administrative Agent prepares and submits annual consolidated financial reports and financial statements, for transmission to stakeholders.

This consolidated financial report covers the period 1 January to 31 December 2023 and provides financial data on progress made in the implementation of projects of the **JP Climate Security Mechanism**. It is posted on the MPTF Office GATEWAY (https://mptf.undp.org/fund/jxe00).



## **2023 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**

This chapter presents financial data and analysis of the JP Climate Security Mechanism using the pass-through funding modality as of 31 December 2023. Financial information for this Joint Programme is also available on the MPTF Office GATEWAY, at the following address: <a href="https://mptf.undp.org/fund/jxe00">https://mptf.undp.org/fund/jxe00</a>.

## 1. SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS

As of 31 December 2023, 8 contributors deposited US\$ 14,154,926 and US\$ 39,273 was earned in interest.

The cumulative source of funds was US\$ 14,194,199.

Of this amount, US\$ 13,090,270 has been net funded to 4 Participating Organizations, of which US\$ 6,185,756 has been reported as expenditure. The Administrative Agent fee has been charged at the approved rate of 1% on deposits and amounts to US\$ 141,549. Table 1 provides an overview of the overall sources, uses, and balance of the JP Climate Security Mechanism as of 31 December 2023.

Table 1 Financial Overview, as of 31 December 2023 (in US Dollars)

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	Prior Years up to 31 Dec 2022	Financial Year Jan-Dec 2023	Total
Sources of Funds			
Contributions from donors	8,323,097	5,831,829	14,154,926
Sub-total Contributions	8,323,097	5,831,829	14,154,926
Fund Interest and Investment Income Earned	15,844	23,429	39,273
Total: Sources of Funds	8,338,941	5,855,258	14,194,199
Use of Funds			
Transfers to Participating Organizations	6,823,175	6,267,095	13,090,270
Sub-Total Transfers	6,823,175	6,267,095	13,090,270
Administrative Agent Fees	83,231	58,318	141,549
Bank Charges	84	54	138
Total: Uses of Funds	6,906,490	6,325,467	13,231,957
Change in Fund cash balance with Administrative Agent	1,432,452	(470,209)	962,242
Opening Fund balance (1 January)	777,600	1,432,452	-
Closing Fund balance (31 December)	1,432,452	962,242	962,242
Net Funded Amount	6,823,175	6,267,095	13,090,270
Participating Organizations Expenditure	2,855,419	3,330,337	6,185,756
Balance of Funds with Participating Organizations	3,967,756	2,936,758	6,904,514



# 2. PARTNER CONTRIBUTIONS

Table 2 provides information on cumulative contributions received from all contributors to this Joint Programme as of 31 December **2023**.

The **JP Climate Security Mechanism** is currently being financed by **8** contributors, as listed in the table below.

The table includes financial commitments made by the contributors through signed Standard Administrative Agreements with an anticipated deposit date as per the schedule of payments by 31 December 2023 and deposits received by the same date. It does not include commitments that were made to the Joint Programme beyond 2023.

Table 2. Contributions, as of 31 December 2023 (in US Dollars)

Contributors	Total Commitments	Total Deposits
Government of Austria	107,306	107,306
Government of France	500,000	500,000
Government of Germany	4,290,868	4,290,868
Government of Ireland	920,680	920,680
Government of Norway	1,211,931	1,211,931
Government of Switzerland	250,000	250,000
Government of the United Kingdom	3,941,956	3,941,956
Government Offices of Sweden	2,932,184	2,932,184
Grand Total	14,154,926	14,154,926



# 3. INTEREST EARNED

Interest income is earned in two ways: 1) on the balance of funds held by the Administrative Agent (Fund earned interest), and 2) on the balance of funds held by the Participating Organizations (Agency earned interest) where their Financial Regulations and Rules allow return of interest to the AA.

As of 31 December **2023**, Fund earned interest amounts to US\$ **39,273**.

No interest received from Participating Organizations. Details are provided in the table below.

Table 3. Sources of Interest and Investment Income, as of 31 December 2023 (in US Dollars)

Interest Earned	Prior Years up to 31-Dec-2022	Financial Year Jan-Dec-2023	Total
Administrative Agent			
Fund Interest and Investment Income Earned	15,844	23,429	39,273
Total: Fund Interest Earned	15,844	23,429	39,273
Participating Organization			
Total: Agency Interest Earned	-	-	-
Grand Total	15,844	23,429	39,273



# 4. TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Allocations to Participating Organizations are approved by the Steering Committee and disbursed by the Administrative Agent. As of 31 December 2023, the AA has transferred US\$ 13,090,270 to 4 Participating Organizations (see list below).

Table 4 provides additional information on the refunds received by the MPTF Office, and the net funded amount for each of the Participating Organizations.

Table 4. Transfer, Refund, and Net Funded Amount by Participating Organization (in US Dollars)

		Prior Years o 31-Dec-202	22		inancial Year an-Dec-2023			Total	
Participating Organization		Refunds	Net Funded	Transfers	Refunds	Net Funded	Transfers	Refunds	Net Funded
UNDP	3,845,788	-	3,845,788	3,082,164	-	3,082,164	6,927,952	-	6,927,952
UNDPO	-	-	-	564,156	-	564,156	564,156	-	564,156
UNDPPA	1,415,115	-	1,415,115	1,430,199	-	1,430,199	2,845,314	-	2,845,314
UNEP	1,562,272	-	1,562,272	1,190,576	-	1,190,576	2,752,848	-	2,752,848
Grand Total	6,823,175	-	6,823,175	6,267,095	-	6,267,095	13,090,270	-	13,090,270



# 5. EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL DELIVERY RATES

All final expenditures reported are submitted as certified financial information by the Headquarters of the Participating Organizations. These were consolidated by the MPTF Office.

Joint Programme expenditures are incurred and monitored by each Participating Organization, and are reported to the Administrative Agent as per the agreed upon categories for inter-agency harmonized reporting. The expenditures are reported via the MPTF Office's online expenditure reporting tool. The 2023 expenditure data has been posted on the MPTF Office GATEWAY at <a href="https://mptf.undp.org/fund/jxe00">https://mptf.undp.org/fund/jxe00</a>.

# 5.1 EXPENDITURE REPORTED BY PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATION

In **2023**, US\$ **6,267,095** was net funded to Participating Organizations, and US\$ **3,330,337** was reported in expenditure.

As shown in table below, the cumulative net funded amount is US\$ 13,090,270 and cumulative expenditures reported by the Participating Organizations amount to US\$ 6,185,756. This equates to an overall Joint Programme expenditure delivery rate of 47.25 percent.

Table 5.1 Net Funded Amount and Reported Expenditures by Participating Organization, as of 31 December 2023 (in US Dollars)

Participating Organization	Approved Amount	Net Funded Amount	Expenditure			Delivery Rate %
			Prior Years up to 31-Dec-2022	Financial Year Jan-Dec-2023	Cumulative	
UNDP	12,061,748	6,927,952	1,571,374	1,698,577	3,269,951	47.20
UNDPO	9,609,146	564,156	-	40,134	40,134	7.11
UNDPPA	4,424,889	2,845,314	457,900	919,300	1,377,200	48.40
UNEP	4,127,951	2,752,848	826,145	672,325	1,498,470	54.43
Grand Total	30,223,734	13,090,270	2,855,419	3,330,337	6,185,756	47.25



# 5.2. Expenditures Reported by Category

Joint Programme expenditures are incurred and monitored by each Participating Organization and are reported as per the agreed categories for inter-agency harmonized reporting. In 2006 the UN Development Group (UNDG) established six categories against which UN entities must report inter-agency project expenditures. Effective 1 January 2012, the UN Chief Executives Board (CEB) modified these categories as a result of IPSAS adoption to comprise eight categories.

Table 5.2. Expenditure by UNSDG Budget Category, as of 31 December 2023 (in US Dollars)

Category		Percentage of Total Programme Cost		
	Prior Years up to 31-Dec-2022	Financial Year Jan-Dec-2023	Total	
Staff & Personnel Cost	1,224,298	2,073,818	3,298,116	56.95
Supplies, commodities and materials	28,397	168,099	196,496	3.39
Equipment, vehicles, furniture and depreciation	54,446	52,943	107,389	1.85
Contractual Services Expenses	128,575	355,868	484,443	8.36
Travel	99,085	235,678	334,763	5.78
Transfers and Grants	1,085,303	84,346	1,169,649	20.20
General Operating	56,566	143,946	200,512	3.46
Programme Costs Total	2,676,670	3,114,699	5,791,368	100.00
<sup>1</sup> Indirect Support Costs Total	178,749	215,638	394,387	6.81
Grand Total	2,855,419	3,330,337	6,185,756	-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> **Indirect Support Costs** charged by Participating Organization, based on their financial regulations, can be deducted upfront or at a later stage during implementation. The percentage may therefore appear to exceed the 7% agreed -upon for on-going projects. Once projects are financially closed, this number is not to exceed 7%.



# 6. COST RECOVERY

Cost recovery policies for the Joint Programme are guided by the applicable provisions of the Joint Programme Document, the MOU concluded between the Administrative Agent and Participating Organizations, and the SAAs concluded between the Administrative Agent and Contributors, based on rates approved by UNDG.

The policies in place, as of 31 December 2023, were as follows:

- The Administrative Agent (AA) fee: 1% is charged at the time of contributor deposit and covers services provided on that contribution for the entire duration of the Fund. Cumulatively, as of 31 December 2023, US\$ 141,549 has been charged in AAfees.
- Indirect Costs of Participating
   Organizations: A general cost that cannot be directly related to any particular programme or activity of the Participating Organizations. Participating Organizations may charge 7% indirect costs based on UNSDG policy, establishing an indirect cost rate as a percentage of the programmable costs for interagency pass-through pool funds. In the current reporting period US\$
   215,638 was deducted in indirect costs by Participating Organizations. Cumulatively, indirect costs amount to US\$ 394,387 as of 31 December 2023.

## 7. ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY

In order to effectively provide fund administration services and facilitate monitoring and reporting to the UN system and its partners, the MPTF Office has developed a public website, the MPTF Office Gateway (<a href="https://mptf.undp.org">https://mptf.undp.org</a>). Refreshed daily from an internal enterprise resource planning system, the MPTF Office Gateway has become a standard setter for providing transparent and accountable trust fund administration services.

The Gateway provides financial information including: contributor commitments and deposits, approved programme budgets, transfers to and expenditures reported by Participating Organizations, interest income and other expenses. In addition, the Gateway provides an overview of the MPTF Office portfolio and extensive information on individual Funds and Joint Programmes, including their purpose, governance structure and key documents. By providing easy access to the growing number of narrative and financial reports, as well as related project documents, the Gateway collects and preserves important institutional knowledge and facilitates knowledge sharing and management among UN Organizations and their development partners, thereby contributing to UN coherence and development effectiveness.



# **Contributors**



Government of Austria



Government of Norway



Government of France



Government of Switzerland



Government of Germany



Government of the United Kingdom (other)



Government of Ireland



Government
Offices of Sweden

# **UN Participating Organizations**







