



# CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT of the Administrative Agent

## The Nature Facility

for the period 1 January to 31 December 2024

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## DEFINITIONS

### **Allocation/Total Approved Budget**

Amount approved by the Steering Committee for a project/programme. The total approved budget represents the cumulative amount of allocations approved by the Steering Committee.

### **Approved Project/Programme**

A project/programme including budget, etc., that is approved by the Steering Committee for funds' allocation purposes.

### **Contributor Commitment**

Amount(s) committed by a contributor to a Fund 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 or 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 or Non-UN Organization that is a partner in a Fund, as represented by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) or a Framework Agreement with the MPTF Office for a particular Fund.

### **Project Expenditure**

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

### **Project Financial Closure**

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

### **Project Operational Closure**

A project or programme is deemed operationally closed once all activities funded for Participating Organization(s) have been concluded, and the Steering Committee has approved the final narrative report.

### **Project Start Date**

Project/ Joint programme start date as per the programmatic document.

### **US Dollar Amount**

The financial data in the report is recorded in US Dollars.

### **Transferred Funds**

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



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## INTRODUCTION

This Consolidated Annual Financial Report of the **The Nature Facility** 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 Terms of Reference (TOR), the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between the UNDP MPTF Office and the Participating Organizations, and the donor agreement signed with contributors/donors.

The MPTF Office, as Administrative Agent, is responsible for concluding an MOU with Participating Organizations and donor agreements with contributors/donors. It receives, administers and manages contributions,

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

This consolidated financial report covers the period 1 January to 31 December 2024 and provides financial data on progress made in the implementation of projects of **the Nature Facility**. It is posted on the MPTF Office GATEWAY (<https://mptf.undp.org/fund/naf00>).



## 2024 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

This chapter presents financial data and analysis of the **The Nature Facility** using the pass-through funding modality as of 31 December **2024**.

Financial information for this Fund is also available on the MPTF Office GATEWAY, at the following address:

<https://mptf.undp.org/fund/naf00>.

### 1. SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS

As of 31 December **2024**, **1** contributor deposited US\$ **2,000,000** and US\$ **44,807** was earned in interest.

The cumulative source of funds was US\$ **2,044,807**.

Of this amount, US\$ **1,475,330** has been net funded to **3** Participating Organizations, of which US\$ **590,462** has been reported as expenditure. The Administrative Agent fee has been charged at the approved rate of 1% on deposits and amounts to US\$ **20,000**. Table 1 provides an overview of the overall sources, uses, and balance of the **The Nature Facility** as of 31 December 2024.

**Table 1 Financial Overview, as of 31 December 2024 (in US Dollars)**

	Prior Years up to 31 Dec 2023	Financial Year Jan-Dec 2024	Total
<b>Sources of Funds</b>			
Contributions from donors	1,000,000	1,000,000	2,000,000
<b>Sub-total Contributions</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>1,000,000</b>	<b>2,000,000</b>
Fund Interest and Investment Income Earned	13,876	30,930	44,807
<b>Total: Sources of Funds</b>	<b>1,013,876</b>	<b>1,030,930</b>	<b>2,044,807</b>
<b>Use of Funds</b>			
Transfers to Participating Organizations	450,000	885,330	1,335,330
Transfers to Participating Organizations for Direct Cost - Fund Secretariat etc	140,000	-	140,000
<b>Sub-Total Transfers</b>	<b>590,000</b>	<b>885,330</b>	<b>1,475,330</b>
Administrative Agent Fees	10,000	10,000	20,000
Bank Charges	12	18	30
<b>Total: Uses of Funds</b>	<b>600,012</b>	<b>895,348</b>	<b>1,495,360</b>
<b>Change in Fund cash balance with Administrative Agent</b>	<b>413,864</b>	<b>135,582</b>	<b>549,446</b>
Opening Fund balance (1 January)	-	413,864	-
<b>Closing Fund balance (31 December)</b>	<b>413,864</b>	<b>549,446</b>	<b>549,446</b>
Net Funded Amount (Includes Direct Cost)	590,000	885,330	1,475,330
Participating Organizations Expenditure (Includes Direct Cost)	-	590,462	590,462
<b>Balance of Funds with Participating Organizations</b>	<b>590,000</b>	<b>294,868</b>	<b>884,868</b>



## 2. PARTNER CONTRIBUTIONS

Table 2 provides information on cumulative contributions received from all contributors to this fund as of 31 December **2024**.

**The Nature Facility** is currently being financed by **1** contributor, 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 **2024** and deposits received by the same date. It does not include commitments that were made to the fund beyond **2024**.

Table 2. Contributions, as of 31 December 2024 (in US Dollars)

Contributors	Total Commitments	Total Deposits
Cartier Philanthropy	2,000,000	2,000,000
Grand Total	2,000,000	2,000,000



### 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 **2024**, Fund earned interest amounts to US\$ **44,807**.

Details are provided in the table below.

**Table 3. Sources of Interest and Investment Income, as of 31 December 2024 (in US Dollars)**

Interest Earned	Prior Years up to 31-Dec-2023	Financial Year Jan-Dec-2024	Total
<b>Administrative Agent</b>			
Fund Interest and Investment Income Earned	13,876	30,930	44,807
<b>Total: Fund Interest Earned</b>	13,876	30,930	44,807
<b>Participating Organization</b>			
<b>Total: Agency Interest Earned</b>	-	-	-
<b>Grand Total</b>	13,876	30,930	44,807



#### 4. TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Allocations to Participating Organizations are approved by the Steering Committee and disbursed by the Administrative Agent. As of 31 December **2024**, the AA has transferred US\$ **1,475,330** to **3** 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 to Participating Organization (in US Dollars)**

Participating Organization	Prior Years up to 31-Dec-2023			Financial Year Jan-Dec-2024			Total		
	Transfers	Refunds	Net Funded	Transfers	Refunds	Net Funded	Transfers	Refunds	Net Funded
UNCDF	375,000	-	375,000	375,000	-	375,000	750,000	-	750,000
UNDP	140,000	-	140,000	369,204	-	369,204	509,204	-	509,204
UNESCO	75,000	-	75,000	141,126	-	141,126	216,126	-	216,126
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>590,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>590,000</b>	<b>885,330</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>885,330</b>	<b>1,475,330</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,475,330</b>





## 5. EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL DELIVERY RATES

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

Joint Programme/ project 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 **2024** expenditure data has been posted on the MPTF Office GATEWAY at <https://mptf.undp.org/fund/naf00>.

## 5.1 EXPENDITURE REPORTED BY PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATION

In **2024**, US\$ **885,330** was net funded to Participating Organizations, and US\$ **590,462** was reported in expenditure.

As shown in the table below, the cumulative net funded amount is US\$ **1,475,330** and cumulative expenditures reported by the Participating Organizations amount to **US\$ 590,462**. This equates to an overall Fund expenditure delivery rate of **40.02** percent.

**Table 5.1 Net Funded Amount and Reported Expenditures by Participating Organization, as of 31 December 2024 (in US Dollars)**

Participating Organization	Approved Amount	Net Funded Amount	Expenditure			Delivery Rate %
			Prior Years up to 31-Dec-2023	Financial Year Jan-Dec-2024	Cumulative	
UNCDF	1,875,000	750,000	-	375,700	375,700	50.09
UNDP	2,049,370	509,204	-	118,339	118,339	23.24
UNESCO	705,630	216,126	-	96,424	96,424	44.61
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>4,630,000</b>	<b>1,475,330</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>590,462</b>	<b>590,462</b>	<b>40.02</b>



## 5.2. Expenditures Reported by Category

Project 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 2024 (in US Dollars)**

Category	Expenditures			Percentage of Total Programme Cost
	Prior Years up to 31-Dec-2023	Financial Year Jan-Dec-2024	Total	
Staff & Personnel Cost	-	52,888	52,888	9.58
Supplies, commodities and materials	-	8,186	8,186	1.48
Equipment, vehicles, furniture and depreciation	-	5,165	5,165	0.94
Contractual Services Expenses	-	402,185	402,185	72.83
Travel	-	73,348	73,348	13.28
General Operating	-	10,426	10,426	1.89
<b>Programme Costs Total</b>	-	<b>552,198</b>	<b>552,198</b>	<b>100.00</b>
<sup>1</sup> Indirect Support Costs Total	-	38,264	38,264	6.93
<b>Grand Total</b>	-	<b>590,462</b>	<b>590,462</b>	-

**1 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 is financially closed, this number is not to exceed 7%.



## 6. COST RECOVERY

Cost recovery policies for the Fund are guided by the applicable provisions of the Terms of Reference, 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 2024, were as follows:

- **The Administrative Agent (AA) fee:** 1% is charged at the time of the contributor deposit and covers services provided on that contribution for the entire duration of the Fund. Cumulatively, as of 31 December 2024, US\$ **20,000** has been charged in AA fees.
- **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\$ **38,264** was deducted in indirect costs by Participating Organizations. Cumulatively, indirect costs amount to US\$ **38,264** as of 31 December **2024**.

## 8. DIRECT COSTS

The Fund governance mechanism may approve an allocation to a Participating Organization to cover costs associated with Fund coordination covering overall coordination, and fund level reviews and evaluations. These allocations are referred to as 'direct costs'. Cumulatively, as of 31 December 2024, US\$ 140,000 has been charged as Direct Costs.

Participating Organization	Approved Amount	Net Funded Amount	Expenditure			Delivery Rate %
			Prior Years up to 31-Dec-2023	Financial Year Jan-Dec-2024	Cumulative	
UNDP	280,000	140,000	-	118,339	118,339	84.53
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>280,000</b>	<b>140,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>118,339</b>	<b>118,339</b>	<b>84.53</b>

## 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 (<https://mptf.undp.org>). 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, 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.



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## Annex to Financial Report



## Annex 1. EXPENDITURE BY PROJECT GROUPED BY GLOBAL and INTERREGIONAL

Annex 1 displays the net funded amounts, expenditures reported and the financial delivery rates by Global and Interregional by project/ joint programme and Participating Organization

### Annex 1 Expenditure by Project grouped by Global and Interregional

Theme/Outcome / Project No. and Project Title	Participating Organization	Project Status	Total Approved Amount	Net Funded Amount	Total Expenditure	Delivery Rate %
Asia Region						
00140973 Investments in Tiger Landscape	UNDP	On Going	1,769,370	369,204	-	-
00140973 Investments in Tiger Landscape	UNESCO	On Going	330,630	66,126	-	-
Asia Region: Total			2,100,000	435,330	-	-

Theme/Outcome / Project No. and Project Title	Participating Organization	Project Status	Total Approved Amount	Net Funded Amount	Total Expenditure	Delivery Rate %
Africa Region						
00140332 Kahuzi Biega and Kibira Forest	UNCDF	On Going	1,875,000	750,000	375,700	50.09
00140332 Kahuzi Biega and Kibira Forest	UNESCO	On Going	375,000	150,000	96,424	64.28
Africa Region: Total			2,250,000	900,000	472,123	52.46

Theme/Outcome / Project No. and Project Title	Participating Organization	Project Status	Total Approved Amount	Net Funded Amount	Total Expenditure	Delivery Rate %
Direct Cost Budget						
00140333 Secretariat of the Nature Faci	UNDP	On Going	280,000	140,000	118,339	84.53
Direct Cost Budget: Total			280,000	140,000	118,339	84.53

Grand Total			4,630,000	1,475,330	590,462	40.02
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## Contributors

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**Cartier Philanthropy**

## UN Participating Organizations

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