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CORPORATE SERVICES DIVISION –

Safeguarding UNEP's interests and enabling effective management

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Corporate Services Division – Key areas of work



Risk Management

Manages **UNEP'S internal and external audits** and coordinates with the auditing bodies and UNEP Divisions and Offices. Leads on **Enterprise Risk Management (ERM)** policies



Human Resources

Leads **HR policies** and services to ensure transparent **recruitment, gender and geographical balance**, organizational workforce planning, performance management, and staff development



Finance & Budget

Provides strategic support and promotes sound, efficient and effective management on the utilization of **UNEP's financial resources**



Procurement

Coordinates annual **procurement planning**. Provides **capacity building** and support to requisitioners. Engages with **services providers** on procurement services



Partnerships & MEAs

Provides **administrative support to UNEP-administered Multilateral Environmental Agreements**. Facilitates engagements with **donors and implementing partners**



Legal Services

Provides **legal advice** to UNEP management, drafts and reviews legal instruments, represents UNEP in **dispute mechanisms**, advises on investigations, delegation of authority



Resource Mobilization

Provides corporate advisory support on **UNEP's resource mobilization** to secure UNEP's financial sustainability, with priority focus on contributions to the Environment Fund and flexible funding

CSD's Current Engagement with CPR

1

Reporting to the CPR – Regular updates and clarifications to Member States on resources and management issues

2

Preparation for UNEA-7 – UNEA-7 Budget and resource mobilization, coordinating administrative/logistical arrangements.

3



2026–2027 Programme of Work & Budget – Preparing budget in conjunction with Policy and Programme Division.

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Resource Mobilization Strategy – Engaging with Member States to expand Environment Fund contributions, piloting tools for flexible (soft-earmarked) funding.

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Audits & Evaluations – Reporting on status of internal and external audits, JIU review of Management and administration and MOPAN assessment.

Always available for bilateral consultations with CPR members!

CORPORATE SERVICES DIVISION - ORGANIGRAM

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**CORPORATE STRATEGY
& MANAGEMENT
CLUSTER**

Legal Unit



**Ms. Sandra
Baffoe-Bonnie**

Resource Mobilization and Donor Relations
Unit



**Ms. Kati
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Financial Management Section



**Mr. Onesmus
Thiong'o**

Operation & Risk Management Unit



**Ms. Annette
Waweru**

Programme & Budget Unit



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Thank you