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Agenda item 2: Briefing on the assessment of the seventh session of the United Nations Environment Assembly.

This document has been prepared by the Secretariat for consideration under agenda item 2, entitled “*Briefing on the assessment of the seventh session of the United Nations Environment Assembly*” and outlines a summary of the final expenditures and financial status of the seventh session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-7) held from 8 to 12 December 2025.

Summary of the final expenditures, financial status and travel support for the seventh session of the United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA-7)

Funding analysis

Summary of funding sources	USD	% of the total funds
Regular budget (RB) [UNEP and UNON]	908,538	27%
Voluntary contributions	1,378,843	41%
UNEP Funds	1,047,332	31%
Subtotal funding	3,334,713	100%

Voluntary contributions: resource mobilization efforts

- Resource mobilization efforts resulted in **contributions from 14 Member States, the European Commission and the European Investment Bank**, totaling US\$ 1,378,843.00.
- 11 contributions were earmarked for activities, including travel support for delegates from developing countries, support for civil society participation, the Youth Environment Assembly and communications activities.

Donor	UNEA-6 Contribution amount	UNEA-7 Contribution amount
Australia	20,100.00	20,000.00
Azerbaijan	11,730.00	10,000.00
Belgium	32,503.00	28,902.00
Denmark	-	153,955.00
European Commission	600,000.00	600,000.00
European Commission (2 nd contribution to YEA)	-	12,840.00
European Investment Bank	13,143.00	14,019.00
Finland	43,812.00	22,936.00
France	229,856.00	-
GEF Secretariat	12,000.00	-
Germany	16,234.00	52,680.00
Germany (2 nd contribution to YEA)	-	34,749.00
Hungary	10,843.00	11,210.00
Luxembourg	-	28,935.00
Monaco	-	63,778.00
Morocco*	20,000.00	-
New Zealand	6,209.00	-
Oman*	-	100,000.00
Philippines	-	10,000.00
Portugal	53,937.00	58,685.00
Sweden	109,492.00	73,830.00
Sweden/SIDA (2 nd contribution to participation of youth from Kenya in the YEA)	-	51,000.00
Switzerland	25,000.00	31,324.00
United Kingdom	96,234.00	-
	1,301,093.00	1,378,843.00

Resource utilization

	Received USD	Expenditure USD
Regular budget	908,538	
UNON allocation of RB (documentation and 2 teams of interpreters)	708,000	708,000
UNEP allocation of RB amount of UNON costs (security, facilities, medical, conference AV and ICTS costs)	200,538	198,122
Subtotal Regular budget	908,538	906,122
Voluntary contributions from donors	1,378,843	
Travel		
Support to 165 delegates from 100 countries		1,009,676
Support to 30 Major Groups participants and meetings cost (partial)		117,818
Support to 28 international and 80 local Youth to the Youth Environment Assembly		151,349
Communication and outreach activities (EC)		98,917
Event planning costs (EC)		1,083
Subtotal voluntary contributions from donors	1,378,843	1,378,843
UNEP Funds	1,047,332	
Communications		297,075
Hospitality, UNEA App & UN Web TV		39,382
Digital Coordinator and associated support costs		116,889
Associated activities - Event management company costs		428,998
Major Groups participation and meetings cost (remaining cost)		17,939
Other UNON costs not covered by UNEP RB allocation (security, medical, IT services, facilities management)		142,646
Disability inclusion		4,403
Subtotal UNEP Funds	1,047,332	1,047,332
Total activity cost UNEA-7	3,334,713	3,332,297

UNEA-7 estimates vs actuals

Budget item categories	Estimates	Actuals	Variance	Comments
RB allocation to UNON for mandated services for UNEA (documentation and interpretation).	708,000	708,000	-	Mandated services for UNEA such as documentation, translation, interpretations, and conference room servicing.
RB allocation to UNEP for non-mandated activities for UNEA.	200,538	198,122	2,416	Non-mandated services for UNEA such as security, facilities, medical services and technical support. This amount is payable to UNON.
Other additional UNON costs not covered by UNEP RB allocation (security, medical, IT services, facilities management)	149,119	35,142	113,977	Reduction of the UNON bill due to changes in requirements such as internet bandwidth, reductions on security and conference staff overtimes.
Additional team of interpreters (due to RB reductions and DGACM austerity measures)	121,295	86,175	35,120	Final costs for the second team of interpreters covering individual's daily fees and travel, in accordance with the final bill issued by UNON.
Support to participants from developing countries (2 pax per country for OECPR and UNEA)	1,600,083	1,009,676	590,407	Support to 165 delegates from 100 countries for 10.45 days on average.
Major Groups participation and meetings cost	163,780	135,757	28,023	30 Major Groups participation and meetings cost.
Youth Environment Assembly participation and meeting cost	112,151	151,349	(39,198)	Support was provided to 28 international and 80 local youth participants at the Youth Environment Assembly. The increase followed a request and additional dedicated funding from Sweden (SIDA) to enhance local youth participation.
Communication activities	300,000	297,075	2,925	Venue branding, media room costs, website translation and events coverage.
Reporting services, hospitality, App, registration scanners, etc.	156,383	138,299	18,084	The overall cost decreased as a result of reducing IISD costs by excluding coverage for YEA, as well as lowering travel costs for UN Web TV staff from UNHQ by reducing the number of days and only having 2 persons travel to Nairobi.
Event management vendor	600,008	430,081	169,927	Cost reductions associated to saving measures that led to the decision to reduce AV requirements in Conference Rooms initially budgeted for USD168,000.
Renting UN Events Centre	46,816	21,329	25,487	Renting cost adjusted to the actual use of venues.
Digital Coordinator and associated support costs	67,546	116,889	(49,343)	Digital Coordinator contract (content management and main focal point for e-deleGATE, UNEA website and Mobile App). Additional support to the Governing Bodies Unit.
Disability inclusion	-	4,403	(4,403)	Simultaneous close captioning of plenary meetings in English.
Grand Total	4,225,719	3,332,297	893,422	

Travel support data

UNEA-7:¹

- 165 Member States delegates from 100 developing countries received travel support.
- 30 individuals from the Major Groups and Stakeholders (MGS) from 19 countries received travel support.
- 29 individuals from 23 countries received travel support to attend the Youth Environment Assembly.

Member States delegates that received travel support

Breakdown by region

UN Regions	Countries	Delegates
African States	44	70
Asia-Pacific States	30	53
Latin American and Caribbean States	24	38
Others (Cook Islands and Niue)	2	4
Grand Total	100	165

Breakdown by country and comparison with delegation size

Countries	UNEA-7 Travel support (individuals)	UNEA-7 capital based ²	Difference
Algeria	2	2	0
Angola	2	3	1
Antigua and Barbuda	1	1	0
Argentina	2	2	0
Bahrain	2	2	0
Bangladesh	2	3	1
Barbados	2	5	3
Bhutan	2	4	2
Botswana	2	5	3
Brazil	2	11	9
Burkina Faso	2	5	3
Burundi	2	12	10
Cambodia	2	2	0
Cameroon	1	2	1
Chad	2	2	0
Chile	2	4	2
China	2	28	26
Colombia	2	7	5
Comoros	1	1	0
Congo	2	5	3
Cook Islands	2	2	0
Costa Rica	2	3	1
Côte d'Ivoire	2	2	0
Cuba	2	2	0
Democratic Republic of the Congo	1	11	10
Djibouti	1	3	2
Dominica	1	1	0
Dominican Republic	1	1	0
Ecuador	2	2	0
Egypt	1	9	8
Eswatini	2	3	1
Ethiopia	1	3	2
Fiji	2	8	6
Gabon	1	4	3
Gambia	2	4	2
Ghana	1	21	20
Grenada	1	1	0
Guinea	2	2	0
Guinea-Bissau	1	1	0
Haiti	1	1	0

¹ UNEA-6: travel support was provided to 173 representatives from 99 Member States, 29 individuals from the Major Groups and Stakeholders, and 28 youth participants for the Youth Environment Assembly.

² Figures are extracted from the Indico registration portal and: (i) includes individuals whose badges were printed; and (ii) reflects only delegates who traveled to Kenya, thereby excluding delegates based in Kenya.

India	1	8	7
Indonesia	2	10	8
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	2	13	11
Iraq	2	3	1
Jamaica	2	3	1
Jordan	1	2	1
Lao People's Democratic Republic	2	2	0
Liberia	2	2	0
Libya	1	2	1
Madagascar	1	1	0
Malawi	2	4	2
Maldives	2	3	1
Mali	2	4	2
Mauritania	1	1	0
Mauritius	2	2	0
Mexico	1	2	1
Micronesia (Federated States of)	2	2	0
Morocco	2	17	15
Mozambique	1	1	0
Nauru	2	2	0
Nepal	2	2	0
Nicaragua	1	1	0
Niger	1	1	0
Nigeria	2	19	17
Niue	2	3	1
Pakistan	1	3	2
Palau	2	3	1
Panama	1	3	2
Paraguay	2	2	0
Peru	3	3	0
Philippines	2	2	0
Rwanda	2	5	3
Saint Kitts and Nevis	3	4	1
Saint Lucia	1	1	0
Samoa	2	2	0
Senegal	2	7	5
Seychelles	2	3	1
Sierra Leone	2	5	3
Somalia	2	22	20
South Africa	1	11	10
South Sudan	2	6	4
Sri Lanka	2	5	3
Sudan	1	5	4
Suriname	1	2	1
Syrian Arab Republic	2	2	0
Thailand	2	14	12
Timor-Leste	1	1	0
Tonga	1	2	1
Tunisia	2	3	1
Türkiye	2	17	15
Tuvalu	2	4	2
Uganda	1	6	5
United Republic of Tanzania	2	27	25
Uruguay	1	2	1
Vanuatu	1	4	3
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	1	1	0
Viet Nam	2	2	0
Yemen	1	2	1
Zambia	1	4	3
Zimbabwe	2	17	15
TOTAL (100 countries)	165 delegates		