



#### INTERNATIONAL TREATY ON PLANT GENETIC RESOURCES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

#### FIRST MEETING OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE FUNDING STRATEGY AND RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

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### OVERVIEW OF ANNEX 1 TO RESOLUTION 3/2019: THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE FUNDING STRATEGY AND RESOURCE MOBILIZATION

This document contains the slides of a PowerPoint presentation on the Terms of Reference of the Standing Committee on the Funding Strategy and Resource Mobilization contained in *Annex 1* of the Resolution 3/2019 of the Governing Body on the updated Funding Strategy. The presentation contains an overview of the Terms of Reference and an audio narration of approximately six minutes. The presentation with audio narration can be accessed via the Treaty's website here: <a href="https://ssl.fao.org/glis/web/ITPGRFA/Presentations/Presentation3-SFCTermsOfReference.ppsx">https://ssl.fao.org/glis/web/ITPGRFA/Presentations/Presentation3-SFCTermsOfReference.ppsx</a>

It is part of a package of four presentations that have been prepared for the first meeting of the Standing Committee on the Funding Strategy and Resource Mobilization, to provide an introduction to and background information on the different elements of <u>Resolution 3/2019</u>. The other presentations include:

- IT/GB-9/SFC-1/20/Inf.3, Overview of Updated Funding Strategy presentation
- IT/GB-9/SFC-1/20/Inf.4, Overview of Annex 1 of the Updated Funding Strategy, Operations Manual of the Fund for Agreed Purposes presentation
- IT/GB-9/SFC-1/20/Inf.5, Overview of Annex 2 of the Updated Funding Strategy, Operations Manual of the Benefit-sharing Fund presentation







Overview of the Terms of Reference of the Standing Committee on the Funding Strategy and Resource Mobilization

# Terms of Reference of the Standing Funding Committee







# Terms of Reference of the Standing Funding Committee

- Contained in Annex 2 to Resolution 3/2019
- Sets out the basis of the work of the Committee
- Additional tasks are contained in the text of the Resolution and the Updated Funding Strategy
- Terms of Reference also contains an Appendix comprising the Provisionally Populated Matrix of Funding Tools





### Background and operational context

- An Ad Hoc Committee undertook preparatory work to update the new Funding Strategy
- Active since 2007, worked on design of the first Funding Strategy during initial stages of the Treaty implementation.
- At its Eighth session, the Governing Body decided to make the Committee a standing Committee
- Committee to be composed of up to three representatives from each region
- Participation from a wide range of experts and stakeholders encouraged
- Co-Chairs have the capacity to invite Observers
- Global Crop Diversity Trust invited to provide advice to the Committee's work
- Some costs towards meetings and preparatory work included in the Core Administrative Budget
- GB called on donors to support developing countries' participation, and with costs related to the work of the Committee





# Newly established Standing Funding Commitee

- Committee will play a leading role in advancing the realization and monitoring of the Funding Strategy
- The activities listed in the Terms of Reference fall into four main areas:
  - Strategic guidance
  - Cooperation, resource mobilization and coordination
  - Reviewing, assessing, monitoring and re-planning
  - Other tasks as requested
- Paragraphs listed in the following slides display the same alphabetic letter sequencing as contained in the Terms of Reference in Annex 2.





### Strategic guidance

The activities that fall under this area include the following paragraphs from the Terms of Reference contained in Resolution 3/2019:

- **a.** Making recommendations on how to improve the coherence, effectiveness and efficiency of the Funding Strategy;
- **b.** Providing to the Governing Body draft guidance for the implementation of the Funding Strategy, taking into account the reports on the Funding Strategy and other reports, as well as submissions from Contracting Parties and minimizing extra reporting burdens to Contracting Parties;
- **d.** Providing guidance and decisions on the operations of the Benefit-sharing Fund during the biennium, as outlined in the Operational Manual: Benefit-Sharing Fund (Annex 2 of the Funding Strategy);





# Cooperation, resource mobilization and coordination

The activities that fall under this area include the following paragraphs from the Terms of Reference contained in Resolution 3/2019:

- **c.** Developing cooperation for the implementation of the Funding Strategy, and in doing so, Members are encouraged to promote the implementation of the Funding Strategy in their capacity as Funding Committee Members;
- **h.** Strengthening cooperation with the Global Crop Diversity Trust, in its role as an essential element of the Funding Strategy of the Treaty in relation to ex situ conservation;
- i. Providing a forum for communication and continued exchange of information among bodies and entities dealing with finance for agrobiodiversity and climate change in order to promote linkages and coherence, as appropriate;
- j. Maintaining linkages with other relevant subsidiary bodies of the Governing Body;

# Reviewing, assessing, monitoring and re-planning

The activities that fall under this area include the following paragraphs from the Terms of Reference contained in Resolution 3/2019:

- **e.** Monitoring and reviewing the implementation of non-monetary benefit-sharing measures, with a view to recommending any additional measures as appropriate, using a methodology agreed by the Committee;
- **f.** Providing expert input, including through independent reviews and assessments on the implementation of the Funding Strategy;
- **g.** Preparing periodic overviews of finance flows to areas of Treaty implementation, including information on the sources and thematic balance of such flows, and use of the different funding tools, inter alia by continuing to develop the provisionally populated Matrix as contained in the Appendix to these Terms of Reference;
- **k.** Considering options on how to address data gaps in order to revise assumptions and refine estimates, as necessary, to obtain an achievable target for the overall Funding Strategy;

#### Other activities

- The Terms of Reference should be viewed along with Resolution 3/2019, and the Funding Strategy and its Annexes.
- This is referred to in paragraph L of the Terms of Reference:
- **I.** Performing any other functions that may, from time to time, be assigned to it by the Governing Body including the relevant tasks specified in the Funding Strategy adopted by the Governing Body through Resolution 3/2019.
- Other tasks include strategic guidance, operational oversight, improving funding opportunities, and the continued development of the Funding Strategy.





### Matrix of Funding Tools

- ▶ The Appendix to the Terms of Reference contains a Provisionally Populated Matrix of Funding Tools
- Ad Hoc Committee on Funding Strategy and Resource Mobilization oversaw its development
- ▶ The Matrix is an iterative tool to provide a visual snapshot of funding flows to the Treaty
- The Matrix and its accompanying report was populated based on reviews of funding landscape
- Report to the GB-8 of the Ad Hoc Committee emphasized that the Matrix is a strategic tool to enable a better understanding of funding tools that are financially supporting different areas of Treaty and to identify opportunities for building cooperation and synergies
- Further work needed to enhance the Matrix and make it more useful to the Governing Body
- Committee recommendations to enhance the Matrix contained in paragraph 9, of Section 4 of its report (Report on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Meetings of the ad Hoc Committee to GB-8)
- Matrix is referred to in paragraph g of the Terms of Reference, where it is anticipated that the Committee will continue to develop the provisionally populated Matrix over the course of the Funding





### Summary

- New Terms of Reference for the Standing Committee
- ▶ The Committee will play leading role Funding Strategy's implementation
- Activities of Terms of Reference fall into four key areas:
  - Strategic guidance
  - Cooperation, resource mobilization and coordination
  - Reviewing, assessing, monitoring and re-planning
  - Other tasks as requested
- Other tasks include operational oversight, improving funding opportunities, and the continued development of the Funding Strategy
- The Matrix of Funding Tools is included as an Annex to the Terms of Reefences, and is anticipated to continue to be developed to make it more useful to the Governing Body.







# Thank you



