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Item 10 of the Provisional Agenda: Budgetary provisions for the implementation of the Global Framework Programme for Capacity Building on Natural Heritage

SUMMARY

This document, prepared in response to the Decision 7 EXT.COM 11, presents the proposed budgetary provisions for the implementation of the Global Framework Programme for Capacity Building on natural heritage, which was presented to the World Heritage Committee at its 7th extraordinary session (UNESCO, 2004).

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I. Budgetary Provisions for the implementation of the Global Framework Programme for Capacity Building on Natural Heritage

1. The World Heritage Committee reviewed progress in relation to the Global Training Strategy at its 7th extraordinary session in December 2004. At that time IUCN presented a progress report on implementation efforts for natural heritage, along with a draft Global Framework Programme for Capacity Building on Natural Heritage. The decision of the World Heritage Committee on this topic included, inter alia, a request to the Director of the World Heritage Centre to “submit at its 29th session a proposal on budgetary provisions for the implementation of such a Global Framework Programme.”
2. The indicative budget for the implementation of a Global Framework Programme which was presented to the 7th extraordinary session of the Committee in Document *WHC-04/7.EXT.COM/11*, of which an excerpt is attached again herewith as Annex, had proposed a mix of budgetary input from the World Heritage Fund and from extra-budgetary sources. The total indicative budget for the Framework Programme was US\$ 688,000 over the period 2005-2010, of which was proposed that US\$ 200,400 come from the World Heritage Fund and the balance from other sources.
3. The current funding allocated to IUCN for training in relation to natural and mixed sites has been US\$ 65,000 over the 2004 to 2005 biennium. A similar amount is currently foreshadowed over the 2006 to 2007 biennium (refer Document *WHC-05/29.COM/16*). This funding allows for limited training activities, including the development in 2004/2005 of key Resource Manuals on the preparation of nominations for natural properties, and the preparation of management plans for natural properties, as well as IUCN participation in World Heritage training workshops. This amount however does not allow for the more ambitious Framework Programme outlined in the Annex to be implemented or for IUCN to take on a broad leadership role in training.
4. It is noted that the allocation to ICCROM for training in relation to cultural heritage over the biennium 2004-2005 was US\$ 130,000 and a slight increase is proposed for 2006-2007.
5. It is proposed that the Committee consider increasing the amount of funding to IUCN for training from US\$ 65,000 to a total of US\$ 105,000, for the 2006 to 2007 biennium to allow for increased attention to this critically important matter. This would allow for the development and implementation of an action plan focusing on raising extra-budgetary funds for the implementation of the Framework Programme.

II. Draft Decision

Draft Decision : 29 COM 10

The World Heritage Committee,

1. *Having examined document **WHC-05/29.COM/10**,*
2. *Recalling Decision **7 EXT.COM 11**, adopted at its 7th extraordinary session (UNESCO, 2004),*
3. *Notes that the funding to IUCN foreseen in the Proposed Budget 2006-2007 is inadequate to effectively lead on the implementation of the Global Framework Programme for Capacity Building on Natural Heritage;*
4. *Allocates an amount of US\$40,000 to IUCN under the World Heritage Fund budget-line 1.2 for Advisory Bodies' services in addition to the current proposal of US\$65,000 for the biennium 2006-2007, to allow for the development and implementation of an action plan for raising extra-budgetary funds to support the implementation of the Global Framework Programme for natural heritage training and capacity building, by transferring the equivalent amount from the budget-line 3.2.1 for International Assistance for Training and Research;*
5. *Requests IUCN to report on progress in this regard to the World Heritage Committee at its 31st session in 2007;*
6. *Urges States Parties and NGOs to collaborate with IUCN and provide support to the strategic implementation of the Global Framework Programme for Capacity Building on Natural Heritage.*

Annex Excerpt from WHC-04.7.EXT.COM/11 Progress report on the Global Training Strategy

Table 1 – Levels of implementation of the Capacity Building Framework and Priority Actions

Level of Implementation	Priority Activities	Indicative Budget (USD)
<p>1. Site level – Oriented to provide tools and knowledge on how to maintain the integrity of sites.</p> <p>Key Target audiences: (a) On-ground site managers (b) Community groups and key local stakeholders. (c) Private sector and key resource use institutions.</p>	<p>1.1. To develop and test in at least 10 sites a module on management planning building upon WCPA Best Practice Guidelines on this issue. <i>Timeframe: 2006-2007.</i></p> <p>1.2. To develop and test in at least 10 sites a module on co-management, including participatory processes and conflict resolution, in WH sites. <i>Timeframe: 2006-2010.</i></p> <p>1.3. To develop and test in at least 10 sites a module on sustainable finance for site management, including building broader support through marketing of the “WH label”. <i>Timeframe: 2006-2010</i></p> <p>1.4. To develop a set of simple guidelines with check lists for use by site managers on “How to use WH status to strengthen site management”</p> <p>1.5. To prepare, based on the experience from the “Enhancing our Heritage” project, a module on how to assess management effectiveness to be applied in at least 20 sites. <i>Timeframe: 2005-2008.</i></p> <p>1.6. To monitor and assess the effectiveness in using these modules in enhancing the management of WH sites and report to the Committee on progress achieved. <i>Timeframe: 2007-2010.</i></p>	<p>USD 60,000 (for development and testing of training modules under priority activities 1.1, 1.2, 1.3 and 1.4)</p> <p>USD 250,000 (for pilot testing of all modules)</p> <p>USD 10,000 (for on-going monitoring, assessment and reporting to WH Committee)</p> <p>Sub-total - USD 320,000 From WHF¹ – USD 90,000 From other sources – USD 230,000</p>
<p>2. National Policy Level – Oriented to develop the capacity of State Parties to effectively implement the Convention.</p> <p>Key Target Audiences: (a) Agencies responsible for managing WH sites. (b) Policy and decision makers. (c) National training institutions. (d) Media organizations/journalists.</p>	<p>2.1 To develop and widely distribute (including to local governments and NGOs) a module on how to prepare quality nominations using the new <i>Operational Guidelines</i>. <i>Timeframe: 2005-2006.</i></p> <p>2.2 To develop and widely distribute (including to local governments and NGOs) a module on how to prepare global comparative analysis. This module would be useful not only in preparing nominations but also in reviewing national tentative lists and harmonizing them at the regional level. The development of this module would be linked to the Periodic Reporting exercises. <i>Timeframe: 2005-2006.</i></p> <p>2.3 To develop and widely distribute the information kit “10 things to know on the UNESCO <i>World Heritage Convention</i>”. This information kit would include: (a) <i>tools for public awareness; (b) tools for media campaigns, and; (c) tools to use in getting politicians’ attention.</i> <i>Timeframe: 2005-2006.</i></p> <p>2.4 To develop and distribute an information kit on how to prepare International Assistance Requests for designing and implementing national capacity development activities. <i>Timeframe: 2005-2006.</i></p> <p>2.5 To develop and widely distribute a module on integrating WH site management into land/sea use planning. <i>Timeframe: 2006-2007.</i></p> <p>2.6 To pilot test the application of the module on integrating WH site management into land/sea use planning in 3 countries (to be determined). <i>Timeframe: 2008-2010.</i></p> <p>2.7 To monitor and assess the effectiveness in using these modules in enhancing the implementation of the Convention. <i>Timeframe 2007-2010.</i></p>	<p>USD 30,000 (for development of 3 training modules under priority activities 2.1, 2.2, and 2.5)</p> <p>USD 10,000 (to implement priority activity 2.3)</p> <p>USD 5,000 (to implement priority activity 2.4).</p> <p>USD 90,000 (to implement priority activity 2.6)</p> <p>USD 10,000 (for on-going monitoring, assessment and reporting to WH Committee)</p> <p>Sub-total - USD 145,000 From WHF – USD 43,500 From other sources – USD 101,500</p>

¹ WHF – World Heritage Fund

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<p>3. International Level – <i>Oriented to enhance the work of the Convention as a mechanism for international cooperation.</i></p> <p>Key Target Audiences: (a) State Parties. (b) Regional Training Centres. (c) Advisory Bodies. (d) World Heritage Centre.</p>	<p>3.1. To adopt as an Annex to the <i>Operational Guidelines</i> the criteria prepared by the Advisory Bodies for reviewing International Assistance Requests on training and capacity development. <i>Timeframe: 2005.</i></p> <p>3.2. To develop criteria and performance indicators for the WH Committee to assess the implementation of the Global Training Strategy and to prioritise the allocation of the limited resources available from WHF for this activity. <i>Timeframe: 2005.</i></p> <p>3.3. To develop a “business case” for ensuring the long-term financial sustainability of a WH Capacity Development Programme. <i>Timeframe: 2005-2006.</i></p> <p>3.4. To develop, based on results from Periodic Reporting, regionally tailored capacity development programmes for 3 regions (to be determined). <i>Timeframe: 2005-2006.</i></p> <p>3.5. To implement the regional capacity development programmes developed under priority activity 3.4 above. <i>Timeframe: 2007-2010.</i></p> <p>3.6. To create a web-based database on existing training and capacity development programmes and modules that can contribute to develop the core competencies of WH site managers. <i>Timeframe: 2005-2006.</i></p> <p>3.7. To translate into at least 4 languages (to be determined) and widely distribute (including on the web) the full kit of IUCN-WCPA Best Practice Guidelines to be used as reference materials for the capacity development programmes. <i>Timeframe: 2006-2010.</i></p> <p>3.8. To create a Consortium on Natural World Heritage Capacity Development formed by key institutions than can contribute to the promotion and implementation of this Framework Programme and that would be guided by the WH Committee under agreed Terms of Reference and work plan. <i>Timeframe: 2006-2008</i></p>	<p>USD 5,000 (to implement priority activity 3.2)</p> <p>USD 20,000 (to implement priority activity 3.3)</p> <p>USD 45,000 (to implement priority 3.4).</p> <p>USD 90,000 (to implement priority activity 3.5).</p> <p>USD 8,000 (to implement priority activity 3.6).</p> <p>USD 45,000 (to implement priority activity 3.7).</p> <p>USD 10,000 (to implement priority activity 3.8).</p> <p>Sub-total - USD 223,000 From WHF – USD 66,900 From other sources – USD 156,100</p>
		<p>TOTAL - USD 688,000 From WHF – USD 200,400 From other sources – USD 487,600</p>