UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME



FUNDING COMPENDIUM 2019

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Foreword

UNDP in 2019 continued its focus on delivering impactful development results against the priorities of its Strategic Plan. The year also witnessed significant achievements in our efforts towards transparency and accountability, continued measurable improvements in our efficiency, accompanied by an increase in regular resources allocated to development programmes. These helped solidify our position as a key player in the UN Development System (UNDS), including in its reform, and as a compelling partner for development investments. By way of example, the Partnerships Survey launched in 2019 reaffirmed the trust in UNDP, with 80% of partners surveyed considering UNDP to be a valued partner, and the Aid Transparency Index by *Publish What You Fund* ranking UNDP as the most transparent UN organization and the world's third highest.

2019 was also a far-reaching year for UNDS reform, and UNDP played a key role in supporting its various workstreams. UNDP itself underwent an exceptionally rapid institutional transition in light of the separation of the UN coordination function. The transition witnessed the extensive provision of operational services to over 100 UN Resident Coordinator offices and the seconding of 63 UNDP staff in service as UN Resident Coordinators. At the same time, UNDP successfully recruited its own new cadre of 127 Resident Representatives within a year, with the added success of these positions being fully gender- and geographically-balanced.

As this *Funding Compendium* is being released, the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic continues to manifest itself globally, reversing many hard-earned gains, and setting back progress on human development for the first time in decades. As a multifaceted crisis with health, socio-economic, governance and many other implications, UNDP is committed to working with partners in the service of Member States to stabilize their paths and commitments towards realizing the 2030 Agenda with a view to "Building Better Forward". Our vision and commitment in response to the crisis was presented widely to our stakeholders in our offer entitled, *Beyond Recovery: Towards 2030*. The measures we are taking to address the many impacts of the pandemic will require mobilizing partnerships and resources as never before. The pandemic revealed the limitations of our current institutional structures and response capacities, as well as highlighted the value and importance of multilateralism

and the UN System. A fundamental element of an effective multilateral response is the flexible funding that organizations like UNDP receive to be able to provide programmatic and operational responses efficiently and with agility.

We sincerely thank our resource partners who invested in UNDP, especially those who contributed to core resources. Core resources are critical for rapid responses in countries most in need, for laying the foundational work in programme design to attract funding from other sources and achieve results in underfunded areas.

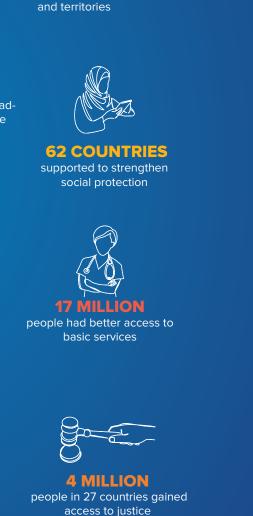
As a result of the pandemic, economic forecasts predict an overall contraction in the global economy which will most likely lead to a global decline in Official Development Assistance (ODA) levels. A world with less ODA faces greater self-interest, less cooperation for development policy coherence, and less collective responsibility for the well-being of people and planet. Without solidarity and common large-scale actions, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) will not be attainable. We must not allow this to transpire, making a conscious choice as a global community to demonstrate the best of what we have learned from prior crises. Truly, this is a test for the international community to prove the value of cooperation and shared outcomes.

We look forward to continuing our partnership with our public and private partners, with a view to advancing the cause of poverty alleviation and protecting the planet, and ensuring that peace and prosperity are enjoyed by all peoples.

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Executive Summary

The Funding Compendium presents the annual contributions received by UNDP from its funding partners through a variety of channels including un-earmarked Regular Resources ("core") and Other Resources, which are earmarked contributions for programmes. Other Resources range from softly earmarked thematic funds to tightly earmarked funds for specific programmes or projects.

UNDP refined its accounting policy in 2019 in line with International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS). UNDP now records the full value of funding agreements as revenue when signed, even when cash has not been received. Any uncollected cash associated with funding agreements is held as a receivable.

In this document, "annual contributions" are presented to align with the past revenue recognition policies for contributions (i.e., cash received in a reporting year, plus receivables due in a reporting year).

- Total annual contributions to UNDP. Total annual contributions to UNDP in 2019 decreased by 7% to \$4.8 billion from \$5.2 billion in 2018. Of this total, \$2.0 billion or 43% was from donor country governments, \$1.9 billion or 39% from multilateral partners, and \$0.9 billion or 18% from programme country governments.
- Regular resources. Contributions to regular resources increased by 1% to \$629 million* from \$624 million in 2018, marking a second year of increasing regular resources. The proportion of regular resources, however, remained at 13%. Multi-year commitments to regular resources increased by 14% from \$271 million in 2018 to \$363 million in 2019.
- Other resources. Other resources contributions decreased to \$4.2 billion from \$4.6 billion in 2018. However, United Nations pooled funding and thematic funding increased by 28% and 54%, respectively.

With the resources entrusted to it, UNDP and its partners have achieved significant results in 2019, including consistent achievements in transparency and accountability, continued improvement in the efficiency ratio and increased regular resources allocated to development programmes, solidifying UNDP's position as a strong investment partner and a key player in United Nations reform.

UNDP will continue to strengthen partnerships to secure stable, predictable, and flexible funding to achieve the objectives of its Strategic Plan and better respond to emerging development needs such as the global COVID-19 pandemic.

* Taking into account a \$12 million contribution for 2019 from the United States which was received in 2020.

Highlights in 2019

- 54% INCREASE IN THEMATIC FUNDING WINDOWS
 UNDP received \$103 million for its thematic Funding Windows, the largest total since its inception in 2016
- 28% INCREASE IN ENGAGEMENT WITH POOLED FUNDS
 UNDP received \$477 million from UN Multi-Partner Trust Fund (MPTF) pooled funds, up from
 \$372 million in 2018
- \$5 MILLION INCREASE IN CORE RESOURCES
 Increase in regular resource contributions in 2019 from \$624 million to \$629 million^{*}
- 14% INCREASE IN MULTI-YEAR PLEDGES TO REGULAR OR "CORE" RESOURCES
 \$363 million in contributions to UNDP's core resources came from multi-year pledges
 a 14% increase compared to 2018

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Commitment to transparency and accountability

MOST TRANSPARENT UN ORGANIZATION

As a member of the International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI) since its creation in 2008, UNDP has led outreach efforts with partner countries and UN agencies to champion the aid transparency standard and make it relevant for national development planning, public financial management and mutual accountability of aid, as well as development and humanitarian funding. In the <u>2020 Aid Transparency Index by</u> <u>Publish What You Fund</u>, UNDP is ranked as the third most transparent development agency in the world, and the highest ranked UN organization.

IMPROVING THE TRANSPARENCY PORTAL

UNDP's Transparency Portal was renewed in 2018, featuring a number of innovations to allow key information on UNDP's work to be accessed and understood by partners and the wider public. The portal allows users to see how UNDP is contributing to development by country, by thematic issues and by contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals. The portal also offers an online training platform on the IATI Standard, open to all. In 2020, UNDP added a COVID-19 page which provides key financial and project information on UNDP's COVID-19 response.

PROMOTING TRANSPARENCY ACROSS THE UN SYSTEM

UNDP actively participated in defining and implementing a set of UN data standards (UN Data Cube) for system-wide financial reporting.

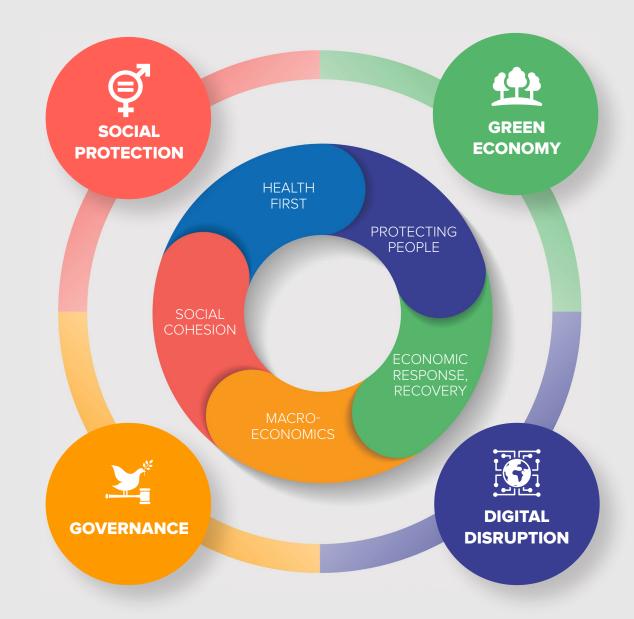
PUBLISHING AUDIT REPORTS

UNDP has been <u>publishing audit reports</u> issued by the Office of Audit and Investigations since 2012 and has had unqualified audit opinions for 15 consecutive years.

Responding to COVID-19

UNDP's COVID-19 crisis response is designed to help decision-makers look beyond recovery, towards 2030, making choices and managing complexity and uncertainty in four main areas: governance, social protection, green economy, and digital disruption – encompassing UNDP's role in technically leading the UN's socio-economic response.

UNDP has established a series of integrated policy and programme offers that, if combined and sequenced to meet local needs, will help to achieve results in these four areas, while accelerating progress against UNDP's Strategic Plan.



RESOURCES BY FUNDING TYPE

Regular and other resources, 2019

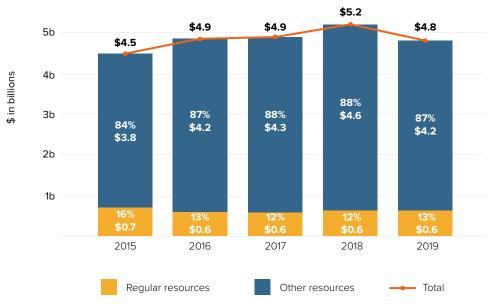
In 2019, annual contributions to UNDP amounted to \$4.8 billion, representing a decline of 7% compared to 2018. Contributions to regular resources increased by 1% to \$629 million*, while contributions to other resources decreased to \$4.2 billion from \$4.6 billion in 2018. Regular resources are critical for UNDP to support low-income and least developed countries to eradicate poverty, respond to crises with agility, test innovative approaches and fill resource gaps in underfunded areas.



Regular and other resources trend, 2015-2019

Over the past five years, UNDP has seen a modest growth in annual contributions from \$4.5 billion in 2015 to \$4.8 billion in 2019.

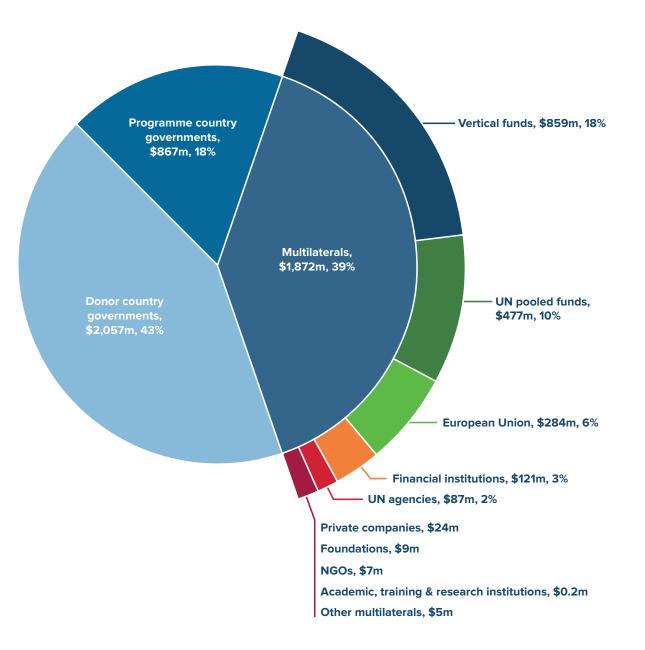
However, the proportion of regular resources has dropped to 13% from 16% in 2015, driven by the increasing growth of earmarked other resources, undermining the investments required for long-term sustainability.



* Includes a \$12 million contribution to regular resources for 2019 which was received in 2020.

UNDP is funded from a variety of partners – Member States, multilateral organizations, nongovernmental entities, private and philanthropic sectors, and financing institutions. UNDP values all types of funding it receives, allowing it to deliver on its commitments. The chart below shows a by partner breakdown of total annual contributions received by UNDP in 2019. Donor country governments remain the biggest contributors, followed by multilateral partners and programme country governments.

Resources by partner group, 2019



RESOURCES BY FUNDING PARTNER

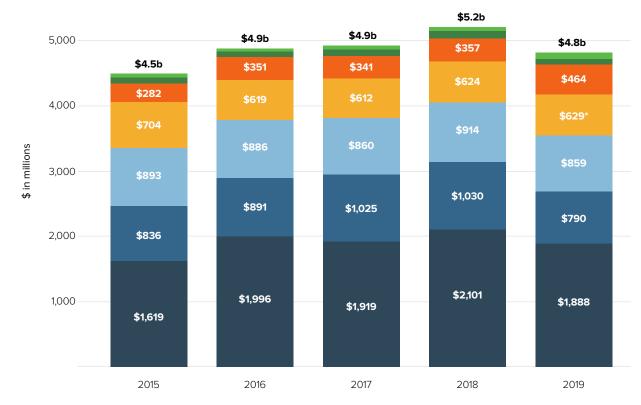
Top 30 regular and other resources partners, 2019

UNDP thanks its top 30 resource partners who contributed \$4.1 billion, or 87% of total contributions in 2019.





Resources by funding channel, 2015 – 2019



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REGULAR RESOURCES

Unearmarked funds that are foundational to delivering results across the Strategic Plan.

OTHER RESOURCES

Earmarked funds for specific themes, programmes or projects.

Government Financing

A voluntary funding mechanism by which programme country governments entrust their domestic resources, or loans extended by International Financial Institutions (IFIs), to UNDP to assist in the implementation of development initiatives in their respective countries.

Thematic Funds

Softly earmarked pooled funds designed to support the achievement of outcomes aligned with the Strategic Plan, and address issues that cut across thematic areas.

Third Party Cost Sharing

Earmarked contributions for a specific programme, project, region, or country.

UN Pooled Funds

A UN inter-agency financing mechanism supporting clearly defined programmatic scopes and results frameworks, enabling global and local responses to humanitarian, development, environmental, and peace-related challenges.

Vertical Funds

Earmarked funds for a single area of development – e.g., health or environment.

Reimbursable Support Services

Funds for management and support services, including for UN Volunteers and the Junior Professional Officer (JPO) Programme.

RESOURCES BY FUNDING CHANNEL

UNDP receives its funding through various channels, as described on page 15. In 2019, while total annual contributions declined by 7%, funding from regular resources, United Nations pooled funding and thematic funding increased by 1%, 28% and 54%, respectively. The share of earmarked resources, however, continues to make up 87% of total contributions, with regular resources remaining at 13% and thematic funding at 2%.

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