



## Activities of the Working Group on Resource Mobilization

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- At the 45<sup>th</sup> GCM(2016), three WGs were established
  - WG on Financial Gap Analysis and Resource Mobilization
    - ✓ Need of identifying funding gaps for the cycle 2018/2019, 2020/2021
    - ✓ Need of resource mobilization to fill the gap: extrabudgetary contributions, strategies for increasing the EB
  - WG on Human Resource Development
  - WG on MTS 2018-2023 Coordination
- The 46<sup>th</sup> GCM(2017) decided that the WG HRD and WG FGA and RM should continue their efforts but be merged into the WG MTSC for efficiency.

- To explore and identify strategic directions for increasing and managing extra-budgetary contributions in support for the RCA Programme
- To identify and develop approaches for expanding partnerships
- To explore ways to mobilize national/regional resources such as high quality of technical and logistical support of the Government Parties in implementing RCA projects

## Mechanism for GPs to contribute extra-budgetary funding

### <Creation of RCA Fund>

- Meeting of the WG FGA & RM(Feb. 2017)
  - Recommended to consider the feasibility of the institution of an AFRA-style fund in the region
- The 46<sup>th</sup> GCM(2017) agreed to seek advice from their Governments on the potential for establishing and committing to voluntary contributions to a RCA fund, based on a model similar to that used by AFRA
- Third meeting of the WG MTSC (March 2018, merged)
  - Recommended NRs endorse a model whereby GPs contribute EB funding to the RCA according to the existing modality
  - Not recommend the establishment of a RCA Fund according to the ARFA model
  - Require a new administrative process, governance structure, difficulties to accept a fixed target for annual contributions
  - Recommended to endorse a goal of collectively raising 400,000(equivalent to 25% of TCF for RCA) euros per year of EB funding for the RCA Programm with every GPs making a voluntary contribution at an amount of their choice
  - A Declaration from a NR meeting should be written as a shared commitment to act, specifying the total quantum of EB funding sought and the intent for every GP to make a voluntary contribution
- The 40<sup>th</sup> NRM(2018) decided not to establish the RCA Fund.

## <Declaration as a shared commitment>

- First Declaration by the 40<sup>th</sup> NRM, 47<sup>th</sup> GCM(2018)
  - Instead of establishing a RCA Fund, a declaration should be written as a shared commitment to act, specifying the total quantum of EB funding sought and the intent for every GP to make a voluntary contribution
  - No response from GPs
- Second Declaration by the 42<sup>nd</sup> NRM(2020), 43<sup>rd</sup> NRM(2021)
  - Endorsed the letter which follows up on the 2018 Declaration and highlights that the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the RCA would be an opportune time for EB contributions
  - No response from GPs

## <Extra-budgetary funding to projects>

- EB funded project
- Footnote a/ activity
- Funding through RCA project management

## Potential mechanism for mobilization of financial resources for RCA Programme

- Increasing RCA funding from TCAP
  - RCA funding from TCAP has remained flat for several years, meaning that in real terms the amount of funding has been decreasing
  - Possibility of increasing the proportion of TCAP being allocated to the RCA Programme
  
- Obtaining funding from external organizations
  - Development and implementation of a smaller number of large projects (or 'flagship' ) project which can have wide-ranging impact
    - : the typical size of RCA projects had difficulties in attracting the attention of major donors
  - High quality project
  - Mechanism to identify potential donors

- RCA's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary : Ministerial Conference during the IAEA GC in 2022
  
- Recommendations to the WG on drafting the MTS 2024-2029
  - Development of a flagship project which can have wide-ranging impact
  - Mechanism to identify potential donors
  - Strategies for partnerships



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**THANK YOU**

