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**Item No. 6 on the Agenda: Information on extra-budgetary contributions  
received in 2024 and on their allocation to  
Institute activities and projects**

(prepared by the UNIDROIT Secretariat)

<i>Summary</i>	<i>For information of the Members of the Finance Committee</i>
<i>Action to be taken</i>	<i>None</i>
<i>Related document</i>	<i>None</i>

1. The Annexe to this document shows a summary of extra-budgetary contributions received in 2024 as well as the expenditure that has, or will be, funded accordingly. It is to be noted that other third-party contributions in kind to the work of the Institute (i.e., direct organisation of meetings, payment of travel and accommodation expenses of members of the staff, participation of persons external to the Institute) are not indicated in this table.

2. For ease of reference, and in order to better illustrate the allocation of resources, this information is provided in the form of tables indicating, for each activity or project, the balance carried over from the 2023 financial year, if any, the amount actually received in 2024 or expected to be received before the end of the year, and the actual or anticipated expenditure for the year 2024.

**Description of Extra-budgetary Contributions**

3. Over the past years, the Institute has been successful in obtaining a number of sources of supplementary funding from third parties. Every year, UNIDROIT receives funding within the framework of the Cape Town Convention Academic Project which serves to meet expenses incurred in support of a range of activities dedicated to the study and promotion of the Cape Town Convention and its Protocols. In 2024, the Secretariat received € 78,120.65 to this end, which was used *inter alia* for the organisation of the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Cape Town Convention Academic Conference held in Cambridge in September 2024.

4. Furthermore, a number of donors contribute funding to a general scholarship fund that supports interns and scholars seeking to come and undertake research at the Institute. The Secretariat wishes to particularly thank the People's Republic of China for its generous donation in 2024 of € 22,900 to the UNIDROIT Scholarship, Internship and Research Programme.

5. The Secretariat would also like to express its gratitude to the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI) for its unwavering support to the Institute and its generous donation of € 110,000 for the organisation of the third edition of the UNIDROIT International Programme for Law and Development (IPLD). This year's edition, which took place from 6 June to 4 July 2024, involved 18 participants (including judges, public prosecutors and legislative drafters) from 15 African countries and was a great success. The IPLD's focus on participants from Africa is in line with UNIDROIT's ambition to increase presence and membership on the African continent. Furthermore, the Secretariat is most grateful for the commitment of MAECI to fund the fourth edition of the IPLD in 2025, which would be a special edition focusing on Africa and the Balkan region.

6. In addition, UNIDROIT has received a contribution of € 97,001 in 2024 from Yingke law firm in support of the UNIDROIT Asian Transnational Law Centre (ATLC), a new initiative under the UNIDROIT Academy that aims at (i) promoting the work of UNIDROIT, including its instruments and projects, in the Asia-Pacific region, and (ii) strengthening connections between relevant stakeholders from Asia and UNIDROIT.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The ATLC's activities will include the translation of UNIDROIT instruments into Asian languages; provision of legal publications from the Asia-Pacific region for the Library; sponsorship of talented legal scholars and law students from the Asia-Pacific region to undertake research stays and internships at UNIDROIT; support for experts from the Asia-Pacific region to participate in UNIDROIT projects and activities; organisation of consultation and promotion events for UNIDROIT projects and instruments in the Asia-Pacific.

**ANNEX**

<b>UNIDROIT Information on Extrabudgetary Contributions in 2024</b>	
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<b>Initial Balance</b>	<b>Receipts*</b>	<b>Expenditure **</b>	<b>Balance ***</b>
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<b>Principles on Netting of Financial Instruments</b>	€	<b>Initial Balance</b>	<b>Receipts*</b>	<b>Expenditure **</b>	<b>Balance ***</b>
<b>Receipts</b>					
Donor Association of German Banks		281,39			281,39
<b>Expenditure</b>					
<b>Total</b>	€	<b>281,39</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>281,39</b>

<b>UROLA - Prize</b>	€	<b>Initial Balance</b>	<b>Receipts*</b>	<b>Expenditure **</b>	<b>Balance ***</b>
<b>Receipts</b>					
Donor United Rule of Law Appeal - Prize		8799,56			8.799,56
<b>Total</b>	€	<b>8.799,56</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>8.799,56</b>

<b>ORPHAN OBJECTS PROJECT</b>	€	<b>Initial Balance</b>	<b>Receipts*</b>	<b>Expenditure **</b>	<b>Balance ***</b>
<b>Receipts</b>					
Donor Gandur fund		24.131,40			24.131,40
<b>Expenditure</b>					
<b>Total</b>	€				<b>24.131,40</b>

<b>Cape Town Convention Academic Project</b>	€	<b>Initial Balance</b>	<b>Receipts*</b>	<b>Expenditure **</b>	<b>Balance ***</b>
<b>Receipts</b>					
Donor CTCAP		48.706,09	78.120,65	59.517,53	67.309,21
<b>Total</b>	€	<b>48.706,09</b>	<b>78.120,65</b>	<b>59.517,53</b>	<b>67.309,21</b>

<b>Research Scholarship Programme</b>		€	<b>Initial Balance</b>	<b>Receipts*</b>	<b>Expenditure **</b>	<b>Balance ***</b>
<b>Receipts</b>						
Donor	Scholarship General Fund		7.190,41	15.640,80	22.540,89	290,32
	Sir Roy Goode Scholarship		10.085,70	28.918,64	7.143,45	31.860,89
	People's Republic of China		55.338,32	22.900,00	20.521,85	57.716,47
			14.810,58	110.000,00	88.418,24	36.392,34
<b>Expenditure</b>						
<b>Total</b>						
		€	<b>87.425,01</b>	<b>177.459,44</b>	<b>138.624,43</b>	<b>126.260,02</b>

<b>UNIDROIT Library</b>		€	<b>Initial Balance</b>	<b>Receipts*</b>	<b>Expenditure **</b>	<b>Balance ***</b>
<b>Receipts</b>						
Donor	Various Italian Law Firms		10.113,99			10.113,99
<b>Expenditure</b>						
	Purchase of books and journals					
<b>Total</b>						
			<b>10.113,99</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>	<b>10.113,99</b>

<b>MAECI</b>						
EC FUND	Private Law and Agriculture		<b>47.914,17</b>		<b>28.187,61</b>	<b>19.726,56</b>
PALAZZO	ALDOBRANDINI WORK		<b>735.600,00</b>		<b>29.703,14</b>	<b>705.896,86</b>
<b>BANCA D'ITALIA</b>			<b>25.000,00</b>		<b>25.000,00</b>	<b>0,00</b>
<b>ATLC</b>				<b>97.001,00</b>	<b>11.609,93</b>	<b>85.391,07</b>
<b>UNIFORM LAW FOUNDATION</b>			<b>65.828,36</b>	<b>18.000,00</b>	<b>83.828,36</b>	<b>0,00</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>						
		€	<b>1.053.799,97</b>	<b>370.581,09</b>	<b>376.471,00</b>	<b>1.047.910,06</b>

\* Estimated total receipts as at 30 September 2024 including any amounts carried over from 2023

\*\* Estimated expenditure as of 30 September 2024

\*\*\* Estimated balance as of 30 September 2024