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<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 documents</i>	UNIDROIT 2024 – F.C. (98) 10 ; UNIDROIT 2025 – F.C. (99) 3

I. INTRODUCTION

1. At the 98th session of the Finance Committee in October 2024, it was agreed that the Finance Committee would be informed at each spring session of in-kind support received by the Institute in the previous calendar year (e.g., payment of expenses of staff members to participate in events related to the implementation of the Institute’s mandate, see [F.C. \(98\) 10](#)). The Finance Committee received a first overview of such in-kind contributions at its 99th session in March 2025 ([F.C. \(99\) 3](#)).

2. The Annexe to this document provides an overview of the activities and events for which UNIDROIT received total or partial travel, accommodation, or organisational support in 2025. The events and respective donors are listed without providing any financial details, which are otherwise unknown to the Secretariat.

II. ACTION TO BE TAKEN

3. *The Finance Committee is invited to take note of this update.*

Annexe

Activity/event	Support provided by	Date(s)
Training for the Judiciary in Albania on the Fight against Illicit trafficking in Cultural Property (Tirana, Albania)	Organised by the UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science and Culture in Europe (Venice); funded by the European Union <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	16-17 January 2025
BCBS-FSI "High-Level Meeting for Africa" (Cape Town, South Africa)	Hosted by South African Reserve Bank <i>Provided for domestic transfers</i>	17-18 January 2025
"Conférence Rencontre entre la Science et le Droit dans le Numérique" on Digital Assets, Digital Inheritance and Digital Afterlife	University of Lausanne <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	6 February 2025
Consultation event on "Advancing the MAC Protocol – Shaping the future of EU Equipment Financing" (Brussels, Belgium)	European Construction Equipment Association (CECE) and the European Agricultural Machinery Association (CEMA) <i>Co-organised and hosted</i>	26 February 2025
Launch Red list Greece and celebration 25 years of Red Lists (Athens, Greece)	Organised by International Council of Museums (ICOM) <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	10-12 March 2025
Event "Leading the sustainable transition" (Luxembourg, Luxembourg)	University of Trento and European Investment Bank <i>Tavel and accommodation</i>	13-14 March 2025
Training for ASEAN countries (Vicenza, Italy)	Organised by the Carabinieri Tutela Patrimonio Culturale and financed by Italian MAECI <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	24-25 March 2025
Fifth session of the Working Group on International Investment Contracts (Paris, France)	ICC Institute of World Business Law <i>Hosted</i>	1-3 April 2025

<p>"International Conference on Global Challenges in the Digital Era: Digital Asset Transaction and Legal Protection" (Beijing, People's Republic of China)</p>	<p>Beijing Arbitration Commission/Beijing International Arbitration Centre (BAC/BIAC), and the Beijing International Dispute Resolution Centre (BIDRC), with support from Zhongnan University of Economics and Law (ZUEL)</p> <p><i>Co-organised and hosted</i></p>	<p>8 April 2025</p>
<p>Third session of the Working Group on a Guide to Enactment to the Model Law on Factoring (Beijing, People's Republic of China)</p>	<p>Beijing Arbitration Commission</p> <p><i>Hosted, travel and accommodation</i></p>	<p>9-11 April 2025</p>
<p>International Forum on "Culture Education for Integrated Heritage Protection" followed by Education modules (Abu Dhabi, UAE)</p>	<p>Organised and financed by the Department of Culture and Tourism of Abu Dhabi</p> <p><i>Travel and accommodation</i></p>	<p>29 April-7 May 2025</p>
<p>World Law Congress (Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic)</p>	<p>Organised by the World Jurist Association, at the invitation of the Department of Justice of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China (HKSAR DoJ)</p> <p><i>Travel and accommodation provided by HKSAR DoJ</i></p>	<p>5 May 2025</p>
<p>Conference on "Optimising Supply Chain Finance: Unlocking Safe, Secure, Affordable Solutions" (London, United Kingdom)</p>	<p>The QMUL- UNIDROIT Institute for Transnational Commercial Law in partnership with ICC UK, UNCITRAL, EBRD, Factors Chain International (FCI), the UK Warehousing Association, and the Centre for Applied Sustainable Transition Law</p> <p><i>Co-organised and hosted</i></p>	<p>12 May 2025</p>
<p>Conference entitled "Les Principes d'UNIDROIT et l'arbitrage international: un cadre émergent pour le règlement des conflits dans la région MENA" (Tunis, Tunisia)</p>	<p>ICC Tunisia and UNIDROIT Correspondent Dhafer Dridi's law firm</p> <p><i>Co-organised and hosted</i></p>	<p>16 May 2025</p>
<p>Conference Digital and Sustainable Futures: What role for Digital Assets and Private Law? (Manchester, United Kingdom)</p>	<p>University of Manchester Hallsworth Funds</p>	<p>19 May 2025</p>

	<i>Travel and accommodation</i>	
Sixth session of the Working Group on International Investment Contracts (Paris, France)	ICC Institute of World Business Law <i>Hosted</i>	10-12 June 2025
Policy meeting on Bank Liquidation (Basel, Switzerland)	Financial Stability Institute (FSI) of the Bank for International Settlements (BIS) <i>Co-organised and hosted</i>	9 July 2025
Seminar entitled "Hong Kong as a Gateway to the Asia-Pacific" (Rome, Italy)	UNIDROIT ATLC, department of Justice of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) (co-hosted) with the support of ICC Italy and the Milan Chamber of Arbitration <i>Co-organised</i>	10 July 2025
Conference entitled "Facilitating economic growth and trade through equipment finance - a focus on the Mining, Agriculture and Construction (MAC) Protocol and Rail Protocol" (London, United Kingdom)	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development <i>Co-organised and hosted</i>	5 September 2025
UNIDROIT Summer School 1 st edition (Wuhan, People's Republic of China)	Zhongnan University of Economics and Law (ZUEL) <i>Co-organised, hosted, travel and accommodation</i>	10-12 September 2025
22 nd China-ASEAN Business and Investment Summit and China-ASEAN Commercial Law Forum	Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) <i>Co-organised and hosted</i>	17-18 September 2025
4th Doha Conference on Combating the Illicit Trafficking of Cultural Property (Doha, Qatar)	Organised and financed by Qatar National Library (QNL) <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	21-24 September 2025
Fourth Forum on Rule of Law in Global Digital Trade (Hangzhou, People's Republic of China)	Co-organised by the Free Trade Development Board of Zhejiang Province, the Hangzhou Municipal Bureau of Commerce, the Zhejiang Law Society Digital Law Research Institute, and Zhejiang Gongshang University School of Law	26 September 2025

	<i>Accommodation</i>	
International Astronautical Congress (Sydney, Australia)	International Astronautical Federation <i>Organised, hosted, provided free registration</i>	1-2 October 2025
Workshop entitled "Secured Finance to Facilitate Sustainable Economic Growth and Improve Food Security" (Tokyo, Japan)	Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Economic Committee <i>Organised, hosted, travel and accommodation</i>	6-8 October 2025
15 th International Congress on Insolvency and Restructuring (Madrid, Spain)	Complutense University of Madrid <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	16-17 October 2025
<i>International Conference and Capacity Building Workshop on Fighting the Illicit Trafficking of Cultural Properties in Pakistan</i> (Karachi, Pakistan)	Organised by the UNESCO Office in Islamabad <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	21-23 October 2025
UN Job Fair (Wuhan, People's Republic of China)	China Scholarship Council (CSC) and hosted by the Huazhong University of Science and Technology in Wuhan and by Guangdong University of Foreign Studies in Guangzhou <i>Accommodation and domestic travel</i>	24-28 October 2025
<i>International Conference on Combating Illicit Trafficking of Cultural Property</i> , Riyadh (Kingdom of Saudi Arabia)	Organised by the Saudi Heritage Commission <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	29-30 October 2025
Launch event of the PRICL (London, United Kingdom)	Lloyd's Market Association, the University of Zurich, the House of Finance - Goethe University Frankfurt, and the University College London (UCL) Faculty of Laws <i>Co-organised and hosted</i>	3 November 2025
UPICC International Arbitration Moot 1 st edition, Asia Round (Shanghai, People's Republic of China)	Shanghai International Arbitration Centre (SHIAC) <i>Co-organised, hosted, travel and accommodation</i>	3-5 November 2025

International conference on the benefits of the Luxembourg Rail and the MAC Protocols for China (Beijing, People's Republic of China)	UNIDROIT ATLC, China University of Political Science and Law (CUPL) and the China Society of Private International Law <i>Co-organised, hosted, travel and accommodation</i>	7 November 2025
General Conference of the International Council of Museums (ICOM) (Dubai, UAE)	<i>Travel and accommodation</i>	12 November 2025
Roma Tre-UNIDROIT Centre for Transnational Commercial Law and International Arbitration second Annual Conference entitled "The Governance of Risk in a Risk Society: Perspectives from Private, Public and International Law" (Rome, Italy)	Bank of Italy <i>Hosted</i>	13 November 2025
Workshop on the fight against illicit trafficking of cultural property (Chisinau, Moldova)	Organised by the UNESCO Regional Bureau for Science and Culture in Europe (Venice); funded by the European Union <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	18-20 November 2025
Seminar entitled "Transnational Commercial Law: Trade and Finance in the Digital Age: UNIDROIT's Role and Future Work" (Hong Kong, People's Republic of China)	UNIDROIT ATLC, University of Hong Kong (HKU) Asian Institute of International Financial Law (AIIFL) <i>Co-organised and hosted</i>	26 November 2025
Eighth Annual Conference on International Coordination of Secured Transactions Reform (Hong Kong, People's Republic of China)	University of Hong Kong <i>Co-organised and hosted</i>	27-28 November 2025
Conference entitled "Sustainable Justice: Law, Environment, and Other Pathways to Achieving SDG 16" - Workshop on the UPICC (Dammam, Saudi Arabia)	Prince Mohammad Bin Fahd University (PMU) <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	1-4 December 2025
Digital Assets Round Table Experts Series (DARTE) session 1.0 on the application of the UNIDROIT Principles on Digital Assets and Private Law in civil law jurisdictions	DARTE in collaboration with the European Commission and Bybit EU <i>Co-organised</i>	5 December 2025
Virtual workshop on the UNIDROIT-ICC Preliminary Draft Instrument on International Investment Contracts for ADB officials (online)	Asian Development Bank	9 December 2025

	<i>Co-organised</i>	
Governing Council members¹		
Participation of Ms Stefania Bariatti in 105 th session of the UNIDROIT Governing Council	<i>Travel</i>	20-23 May 2025
Participation of appointed representative of Mr Rémi Decout-Paolini in 105 th session of the UNIDROIT Governing Council	Government of France <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	20-23 May 2025
Participation of Mr Daniel Denman in 105 th session of the UNIDROIT Governing Council	Government of United Kingdom <i>Travel</i>	20-23 May 2025
Participation of Mr Lars Entelmann in 105 th session of the UNIDROIT Governing Council	Government of Germany <i>Travel</i>	20-23 May 2025
Participation of Mr Hideki Kanda in fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh session of the Working Group on the Legal Nature of Verified Carbon Credits	Government of Japan <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	15-17 January 2025; 2-4 April 2025; 10-12 September 2025; 17- 19 December 2025
Participation of Mr Hideki Kanda in 105 th session of the UNIDROIT Governing Council		20-23 May 2025
Participation of Mr Niklaus Meier in 105 th session of the UNIDROIT Governing Council	Government of Switzerland <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	20-23 May 2025
Participation of Ms Sharon Ong in 105 th session of the UNIDROIT Governing Council	Government of Singapore <i>Travel</i>	20-23 May 2025
Participation of Mr Lauris Rasnacs in 105 th session of the UNIDROIT Governing Council	<i>Travel and accommodation</i>	20-23 May 2025

¹ Please note that this overview lists the Governing Council members who have not asked for the reimbursement of expenses to attend Governing Council sessions; such expenses might either be covered by their government or by them personally.

Participation of Ms Kathryn Sabo in tenth and eleventh session of the Working Group on Best Practices for Effective Enforcement	Government of Canada <i>Travel and accommodation</i>	10-12 March 2025; 13-15 October 2025
Participation of Ms Kathryn Sabo in 105 th session of the UNIDROIT Governing Council		20-23 May 2025
Participation of Mr Jorge Sanchez Cordero in 105 th session of the UNIDROIT Governing Council	<i>Travel and accommodation</i>	20-23 May 2025
Participation of Mr Andrzej Szumanski in fifth, sixth, and seventh session of the Working Group on International Investment Contracts	<i>Travel and accommodation</i>	1-3 April 2025; 10-12 June 2025; 27-29 October 2025
Participation of Mr Andrzej Szumanski in 105 th session of the UNIDROIT Governing Council	<i>Travel</i>	20-23 May 2025
Translations		
Arabic translation of the black-letter rules of the UPICC 2016	Individual experts Professor Omaia Elwan; Professor Hossam Loutfi; Professor Mohieddin Alameddin	May 2025
Portuguese translation of the integral version of the UPICC 2016	Individual expert Professor Lauro Gama	June 2025 ²
Japanese translation of the UNIDROIT Principles on Digital Assets and Private Law	Individual experts Professors Hiroo Sono (Hokkaido University) and Souichirou Kozuka (Gakushuin University) under the supervision of Professor Hideki Kanda (Professor Emeritus, University of Tokyo; Chair of Digital Assets and Private Law Working Group)	October 2025
Japanese translation of the UNIDROIT Legislative Guide on Bank Liquidation	Deposit Insurance Corporation of Japan	November 2025

² The Portuguese translation of the UPICC 2016 was published by Quartier Latin (Brazil) in June 2025; it will become available on UNIDROIT's website in June 2026.

Ukrainian translation of the black-letter rules of the ELI- UNIDROIT Model European Rules of Civil Procedure	Individual expert Professor Iryna Izarova	November 2025
Chinese translation of the UNIDROIT Principles on Digital Assets and Private Law	Individual experts Professors Huang Meiling (Zhongnan University of Economics and Law, Principal Legal Officer and Co-Director of the UNIDROIT Asian Transnational Law Centre) and Zhang Jing (Zhongnan University of Economics and Law)	December 2025
Spanish translation of the UNIDROIT Model Law on Factoring	Individual experts coordinated by Professor Alejandro Garro (Columbia University), thanks to funding from the Government of Spain	December 2025 (print version)
Translation of the UPICC 2016 into Latvian and Georgian	Individual experts	Ongoing in 2025
Translation of the UNIDROIT Legislative Guide on Bank Liquidation into Chinese	China Deposit Insurance Corporation	Ongoing in 2025
Translation of the UNIDROIT Legislative Guide on Bank Liquidation into Spanish	Individual experts, thanks to funding from the Government of Spain	Ongoing in 2025
Translation of the UNIDROIT Model Law on Factoring into Arabic, Japanese, and Turkish	Individual experts	Ongoing in 2025
Translation of the UNIDROIT Principles on Digital Assets and Private Law into Korean	Individual expert (Byung Jun Lee, Dean of Korea University School of Interdisciplinary Studies)	Ongoing in 2025