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Proposed budget for the International Seabed Authority for the financial period 2027–2028

Report of the Secretary-General

Addendum

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Proposed budgetary requirements for the International Seabed Authority for the financial period 2027–2028

(United States dollars)

<i>Section</i>	<i>Budget line</i>	<i>Approved for 2025–2026</i>	<i>Proposed 2027</i>	<i>Proposed 2028</i>	<i>Total, 2027–2028</i>
Section 1	Administrative expenditures of the secretariat				
	Established posts	9 123 000	5 616 000	5 668 000	11 284 000
	Common staff costs	5 089 000	3 071 000	3 185 000	6 256 000
	General temporary assistance	46 000	25 000	25 000	50 000
	Overtime	31 000	16 000	17 000	33 000
	Consultants (non-programme)	39 000	19 000	20 000	39 000
	Training	145 000	75 000	80 000	155 000
	Official travel (non-programme)	200 000	125 000	125 000	250 000
	Communications technology	191 000	98 000	102 000	200 000
	Library books and supplies	140 000	60 000	60 000	120 000
	External printing	14 000	—	—	—
	Supplies and materials	148 000	78 000	78 000	156 000
	Official hospitality	17 000	9 000	10 000	19 000
	Information technology	125 000	39 000	34 000	73 000
	Acquisition of equipment and furniture and other	133 000	37 000	37 000	74 000
	Rental and maintenance of equipment and furniture	47 000	55 000	26 000	81 000
	United Nations common system	255 000	130 000	135 000	265 000
	Miscellaneous services and costs	198 000	119 000	124 000	243 000
	Audit fees	42 000	24 000	24 000	48 000
	Building management	961 000	636 000	502 000	1 138 000
	International Public Sector Accounting Standards/ enterprise resource planning	85 000	65 000	65 000	130 000
	Software licences and subscriptions	164 000	104 000	104 000	208 000
Total, section 1		17 193 000	10 401 000	10 421 000	20 822 000
Section 2	Conference services				
	Printing and supplies	2 000	1 000	1 000	2 000
	Miscellaneous conference service costs	184 000	92 000	92 000	184 000
	Rental of Jamaica Conference Centre	174 000	167 000	172 000	339 000
	Temporary assistance (meetings)	130 000	65 000	65 000	130 000
	Rental of equipment	57 000	15 000	15 000	30 000
	Local transportation	14 000	10 000	10 000	20 000
	Interpretation services	1 460 000	938 000	938 000	1 876 000
	Documentation	1 360 000	528 000	572 000	1 100 000
	Reception	26 000	13 000	13 000	26 000
Total, section 2		3 407 000	1 829 000	1 878 000	3 707 000

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Section 3	Programme expenditure				
Programme 3.1	Development of the regulatory framework for activities in the Area				
	Consultants	326 000	413 000	213 000	626 000
	External printing	10 000	–	–	–
	Travel	60 000	31 500	38 500	70 000
	Workshops	154 000	66 000	99 000	165 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.1	550 000	510 500	350 500	861 000
Programme 3.2	Protection of the marine environment				
	Consultants	326 000	223 000	143 000	366 000
	External printing	22 000	–	–	–
	Travel	114 000	57 000	57 000	114 000
	Workshops	271 000	160 000	290 000	450 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.2	733 000	440 000	490 000	930 000
Programme 3.4	Data management (resources and environment)				
	Consultants	163 000	95 000	71 000	166 000
	External printing	10 000	–	–	–
	Travel	49 000	24 000	25 000	49 000
	Workshops	147 000	36 000	51 000	87 000
	Information technology	32 000	102 000	117 000	219 000
	Maintenance and support	163 000	88 000	114 000	202 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.4	564 000	345 000	378 000	723 000
Programme 3.5	Promotion and encouragement of marine scientific research in the Area				
	Consultants	152 000	34 000	4 000	38 000
	External printing	17 500	–	–	–
	Travel	82 000	52 000	62 000	114 000
	Workshops	163 000	138 500	124 000	262 500
	Subtotal, programme 3.5	414 500	224 500	190 000	414 500
Programme 3.6	Strategic communications and global stakeholder engagement				
	Consultants	135 000	94 000	97 000	191 000
	External printing	56 000	–	–	–
	Travel	70 000	35 000	35 000	70 000
	Workshops	6 000	15 000	15 000	30 000
	Marine scientific research and capacity-building amplification	–	35 000	35 000	70 000
	Equipment	17 500	2 500	2 500	5 000
	Training	10 000	–	–	–
	Subtotal, programme 3.6	294 500	181 500	184 500	366 000

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Programme 3.7	Capacity development and technical cooperation				
	Consultants	38 000	35 000	37 500	72 500
	External printing	38 000	–	–	–
	Travel	125 000	75 000	77 000	152 000
	Workshops	190 000	129 000	153 000	282 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.7	391 000	239 000	267 500	506 500
Programme 3.8	Mineral resources and mining technologies				
	Consultants	141 000	112 000	12 000	124 000
	External printing	10 000	–	–	–
	Travel	60 000	33 000	33 000	66 000
	Workshops	207 000	61 000	129 000	190 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.8	418 000	206 000	174 000	380 000
Programme 3.9	2025 United Nations Ocean Conference				
		100 000	–	–	–
	Subtotal, programme 3.9	100 000	–	–	–
Programme 3.10	Data transformation and cybersecurity				
	Consultants	–	78 000	108 000	186 000
	Travel	–	24 000	17 000	41 000
	Workshops	–	26 000	27 000	53 000
	Information technology	–	70 000	70 000	140 000
	Maintenance and support	–	62 000	54 000	116 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.10	–	260 000	276 000	536 000
Total, section 3		3 465 000	2 406 500	2 310 500	4 717 000
Section 4	Contract management				
	Salaries	1 000 000	–	–	–
	Common staff costs	473 000	–	–	–
	Travel	69 000	90 000	96 500	186 500
	Workshops	56 000	77 000	70 500	147 500
	Consultants	136 000	286 000	11 000	297 000
	Equipment and printing	24 000	15 000	15 000	30 000
Total, section 4		1 758 000	468 000	193 000	661 000
Total, sections 1 to 4		25 823 000	15 104 500	14 802 500	29 907 000
Section 5	The Enterprise				
	Salaries and common staff costs	546 000	309 000	315 000	624 000
	Information and communications technology	13 000	7 000	7 000	14 000
	Travel	45 000	30 000	30 000	60 000
	Training	–	2 500	2 500	5 000
	Indirect support cost (13%)	–	45 500	46 000	91 500
Total, section 5		604 000	394 000	400 500	794 500
Total, sections 1 to 5		26 427 000	15 498 500	15 203 000	30 701 500

Staffing table

<i>Functional title</i>	<i>Professional and higher</i>	<i>National Professional Officer</i>	<i>General Service</i>
Executive Office of the Secretary-General			
Secretary-General	1 (USG)		
Deputy to the Secretary-General/Chef de Cabinet	1 (D-2)		
Communications Specialist	1 (P-4)		
Associate Copy Editor	1 (P-2)		
Office Manager	1 (P-2)		
Senior Liaison Assistant, Office of the Permanent Observer for the International Seabed Authority to the United Nations in New York			1
Senior Communications Assistant			1
Administrative Assistant			1
Staff Assistant			1
Office of Contracts Management and Capacity-Building			
Director	1 (D-1)		
Chief, Compliance Assurance and Regulatory Management Unit	1 (P-5)		
Quality Assurance and Compliance Officer	1 (P-4)		
Environmental Audit Officer	1 (P-4)		
Contract Management Officer	1 (P-3)		
Programme Management Officer (Capacity-Building)	1 (P-3)		
Training Coordinator	1 (P-2)		
Administrative Assistant			1
Office of Legal Affairs			
Director/Legal Counsel	1 (D-1)		
Senior Legal Officer	1 (P-5)		
Legal Officer	1 (P-4)		
Legal Officer (Regulatory Affairs)	1 (P-4)		
Legal Officer	1 (P-3)		
Knowledge Management Officer (Legal)	1 (P-3)		
Associate Legal Officer	1 (P-2)		
Documentation and Conference Management Officer		1	
Administrative Assistant			1
Administrative/Library Assistant			1
Office of Stewardship, Environment and Resources			
Director	1 (D-1)		
Scientific Affairs Officer (Marine Geologist)	1 (P-4)		
Environmental Coordinator	1 (P-4)		
Programme Coordinator (Marine Scientific Research)	1 (P-4)		
Programme Manager (Marine Environment)	1 (P-4)		
Scientific Officer (Geographic Information System)	1 (P-3)		
Database Manager	1 (P-3)		
Programme Officer	1 (P-3)		
Senior Information Management Assistant			1

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Administrative Assistant			1
Office of Administrative Services			
Head of Office	1 (P-5)		
Finance Officer	1 (P-4)		
Budget/Internal Oversight Officer	1 (P-4)		
Human Resources Officer	1 (P-4)		
Information and Communications Technology Manager	1 (P-3)		
Associate Procurement Officer	1 (P-2)		
Associate Security and Facilities Officer		1	
Senior Budget and Treasury Assistant			1
Senior Finance Assistant			1
Administrative Assistant			1
Budget Assistant			1
Information and Communications Technology Assistant			1
Travel and Human Resources Assistant			1
Human Resources Assistant			1
Procurement Assistant			1
Finance Assistant			1
Driver/General Services Assistant			1
Driver/General Services Assistant			1
The Enterprise			
Interim Director General	1 (P-5)		
Research Assistant			1
Total	34	2	21

Abbreviation: USG, Under-Secretary-General.