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Preparations for the Conference: organizational and procedural preparations

Draft decision submitted by the Co-Chairs of the Preparatory Committee

Further modalities of the fourth International Conference on Financing for Development

The Preparatory Committee for the fourth International Conference on Financing for Development recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Further modalities of the fourth International Conference on Financing for Development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution [78/231](#) of 22 December 2023, in which it decided to convene the fourth International Conference on Financing for Development in 2025 and welcomed the offer by the Government of Spain to host the Conference,

1. *Decides* that the fourth International Conference on Financing for Development:

(a) Shall be held in Spain in mid-2025, and that the Conference shall be held at the highest possible political level, including Heads of State or Government, relevant ministers, including ministers for finance, foreign affairs and development cooperation and special representatives and other representatives, as appropriate;

(b) Shall result in an intergovernmentally negotiated and agreed outcome and shall also result in summaries of the plenary meetings, round tables and other deliberations of the Conference, to be included in the report of the Conference;

* [A/CONF.227/2024/PC/1](#).



2. *Also decides* that the Conference and its preparatory process shall be open to participation by all States Members of the United Nations or States members of the specialized agencies and observers in the General Assembly, in accordance with arrangements utilized for previous international conferences on financing for development, and looks forward to the efforts of the hosting Governments and the Secretariat to facilitate the participation of all States Members of the United Nations or States members of the specialized agencies and observers in the General Assembly, as needed and appropriate;

3. *Further decides*:

(a) To invite other relevant intergovernmental organizations, international financial institutions and other interested international bodies that were accredited to the previous international conferences on financing for development held in Monterrey, Mexico, in Doha and in Addis Ababa or to their follow-up processes, as well as relevant organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, including associate members of the regional commissions,¹ to participate in the deliberations of the Conference and its preparatory process, as appropriate, in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Conference;

(b) To invite interested intergovernmental organizations that were not accredited to the conferences and meetings referred to in paragraph 3 (a) above to apply for accreditation following the established accreditation procedure, subject to the approval of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference or the General Assembly;

4. *Stresses* the importance of the effective participation of all relevant stakeholders, including civil society, academia and the private sector, in the Conference and its preparatory process, and decides:

(a) To invite non-governmental organizations that are in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council, as well as those that were accredited to the conferences and meetings referred to in paragraph 3 (a) above, to register with the Secretariat in order to participate in the Conference and its preparatory process;

(b) To request the President of the General Assembly to draw up a list of representatives of other relevant non-governmental organizations, civil society organizations, academic institutions and the private sector who may participate in the Conference and its preparatory process, taking into account the principles of transparency and of equitable geographical representation and with due regard for gender parity, and to submit the proposed list to Member States for their consideration on a non-objection basis and bring the list to the attention of the Assembly for a final decision by the Assembly on participation in the Conference and its preparatory process;²

5. *Decides* that substantive preparations should be carried out in a most effective, well-structured and broad participatory manner and that, for this purpose, the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat, through its Financing for Sustainable Development Office, and the relevant

¹ American Samoa, Anguilla, Aruba, Bermuda, the British Virgin Islands, the Cayman Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Curaçao, French Polynesia, Guam, Montserrat, New Caledonia, Puerto Rico, Sint Maarten, the Turks and Caicos Islands and the United States Virgin Islands.

² The list will include proposed as well as final names. The general basis of any objections, if requested by one or more States Members of the United Nations or States members of the specialized agencies, will be made known to the Office of the President of the General Assembly and the requester.

organizations of the United Nations system, including the regional commissions, within their respective mandates and available resources, should provide the necessary support to the Conference and its preparatory process;

6. *Invites* the regional commissions, with the support of regional development banks and other relevant entities, to hold regional consultations, as appropriate, the outcome of which could serve as input to the preparations for the Conference;

7. *Invites* the Economic and Social Council to contribute to the preparations for the Conference, as appropriate, including through its forum on financing for development follow-up and the special high-level meeting with the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development to be held during the forum in 2024.
