



Inter-American Convention for the Protection and Conservation of Sea Turtles
11th Conference of the Parties
June 11-14, 2024 – Manta, Ecuador

Resolution CIT-COP11-2024-R2

IAC Finances 2025 – 2027

CONSIDERING Article XIII of the Inter-American Convention for the Protection and Conservation of Sea Turtles (IAC) regarding financial resources;

TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION that resolution CIT-COP1-2002-R-2 adopted by the First Conference of Parties established the IAC Special Fund;

FURTHER RECALLING the guidelines for financing the activities of the IAC established in Resolution CIT-COPE1-2007-R2 adopted during the First Extraordinary Meeting of the Parties;

RECOGNIZING that countries have different abilities to make financial contributions;

RECOGNIZING the legal limitations under which the IAC Parties can provide financial contributions;

CONSIDERING that the total amount of contribution goals does not cover the budget need, and that additional funding will need to be obtained;

THE 11th CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION FOR THE PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF SEA TURTLES RESOLVES TO:

1. Adopt 2025, 2026 and 2027 budgets included in Annex I.
2. Authorize the Secretariat to forward an invoice to each of the Parties, in accordance with Annex II, for an amount equal to the contribution goal identified in Annex III.
3. Authorize the renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding with the National Marine Sanctuary Foundation.



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ANNEX I

IAC 2025-2027 Budget (Amounts in US\$)			
Items	2025	2026	2027
1- Staff	198,573	204,773	211,196
Secretary* (base salary \$118,031 - based on host country, in this case USA- costs for dental, health insurance, retirement plan, cost of contracting agency, and 5.31% annual increase in the cost of living)	174,073	180,273	186,696
IAC Secretariat Technical assistant full time estimated cost	24,500	24,500	24,500
2- Other Professional Services	3,000	3,000	3,000
Translations			
3- Communications	3,000	3,000	3,000
Website Maintenance/ Computer /Software	2,300	2,300	2,300
Maintenance IAC Online Reporting System	700	700	700
4- Travel	10,000	10,000	10,000
5- IAC Meeting Support	47,000	67,000	47,000
Scientific Committee (SC)**	42,000	42,000	42,000
Consultative Committee of Experts (CCE)***	5,000	5,000	5,000
Conference of the Parties (COP)		20,000	
Subtotal****	261,573	287,773	274,196
6- Overhead Costs (12%) *****	35,669	39,242	37,390
TOTAL	297,242	327,015	311,586

*Budget based on the contract for the Secretary with *Ocean Associates Inc* as decided at COP9.

**Budget for the SC based on funding (airfare, lodging, meals, meeting room rental, translation) for 20 participants.

***Budget for the CCE is for a virtual meeting via video-conference.

****Projected amounts subject to change depending on the total of actual funds received by IAC.

*****Administrative services provided by the National Marine Sanctuary Foundation (NMSF) for a value of 12%, as stated in the Memorandum of Understanding between IAC COP and NMSF signed at COP11 (CIT-COP11-2024-Doc.2). These are projected amounts subject to change depending on the total of actual funds received by IAC.



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ANNEX II

Invoice for financial contribution

In accordance with:

1. The financial rules (CIT-COPE1-2007-R2) adopted in October 2007 by the Parties of the Inter-American Convention for the Protection and Conservation of Sea Turtles in Lima, Peru;
2. The US\$2,000 suggested minimum financial contribution established during the first Conference of Parties in San José, Costa Rica;
3. The 2025 budget adopted in COP11, the budget for 2026 and 2027; as well as;
4. The table of contribution goals developed by the 4th Conference of Parties in San José, Costa Rica that was updated at COP5 in Bonaire, COP6 Ecuador, COP7 in Mexico, COP8 in Argentina, COP9 in the Dominican Republic, COP10 and COP11 in Ecuador;

The IAC Secretariat hereby presents this invoice to the Government of [insert country].

INVOICE

Party/Country	Year	Suggested Contribution (US\$)	Date

FINANCIAL HISTORY

[insert country] history of financial contributions to the IAC is included below for your reference.

Party/Country	Year	Suggested Contribution	Amount Contributed	Date Received

FUTURE CONTRIBUTIONS

In accordance with the budget for 2025 presented in COP11, the IAC Secretariat suggests the Government of [insert country] plan for and include in your [insert year] budget, a financial contribution for the IAC totaling US\$ [insert amount].



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ANNEX III

IAC Contributions Goals for 2025	
Member Country	Contribution Goal
Argentina	\$2,000
Belize	\$3,500
Brazil	\$7,056
Costa Rica	\$2,000
Chile	\$8,000
Dominican Republic	\$2,000
Ecuador	\$2,000
Guatemala	\$2,000
Honduras	\$2,000
Mexico	\$15,000
The Kingdom of the Netherlands	
Caribbean Netherlands	\$5,000
Curacao	\$5,000
St Maarten	\$5,000
Panama	\$2,000
Peru	\$2,000
The United States	\$65,000
Uruguay	\$2,928
Venezuela	\$3,653
TOTAL	\$136,137