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Budget of the International Seabed Authority

Proposed budget for the International Seabed Authority for the financial period 2025–2026

Report of the Secretary-General

Addendum

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Proposed budgetary requirements for the International Seabed Authority for the period from 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2026

(United States dollars)

<i>Section</i>	<i>Budget line</i>	<i>Approved for 2023–2024</i>	<i>Proposed 2025</i>	<i>Proposed 2026</i>	<i>Total, 2025–2026</i>
Section 1	Administrative expenditures of the secretariat				
	Established posts	7 930 000	4 511 000	4 612 000	9 123 000
	Common staff costs	3 910 000	2 541 000	2 548 000	5 089 000
	General temporary assistance	41 000	23 000	23 000	46 000
	Overtime	27 000	15 000	16 000	31 000
	Consultants (non-programme)	35 000	20 000	19 000	39 000
	Training	132 000	70 000	75 000	145 000
	Official travel (non-programme)	200 000	110 000	90 000	200 000
	Communications	188 000	90 000	101 000	191 000
	Library books and supplies	140 000	75 000	65 000	140 000
	External printing (20 per cent non-programme)	10 000	7 000	7 000	14 000
	Supplies and materials	125 000	74 000	74 000	148 000
	Official hospitality	14 000	8 000	9 000	17 000
	Information technology	122 000	60 000	65 000	125 000
	Acquisition of equipment and furniture and others	132 000	63 000	70 000	133 000
	Rental and maintenance of equipment and furniture	43 000	23 000	24 000	47 000
	United Nations common system	245 000	125 000	130 000	255 000
	Miscellaneous services and costs	179 000	93 000	105 000	198 000
	Audit fees	48 000	20 000	22 000	42 000
	Building management	835 000	465 000	496 000	961 000
	International Public Sector Accounting Standards/ enterprise resource planning	57 000	40 000	45 000	85 000
	Software licences and subscriptions	–	82 000	82 000	164 000
	Total, section 1	14 413 000	8 515 000	8 678 000	17 193 000
Section 2	Conference services				
	Printing and supplies	2 500	1 000	1 000	2 000
	Miscellaneous conference service costs	190 000	92 000	92 000	184 000
	Rental of Jamaica Conference Centre	160 000	86 000	88 000	174 000
	Temporary assistance (meetings)	100 000	65 000	65 000	130 000
	Rental of equipment	57 500	28 000	29 000	57 000
	Local transportation	13 000	7 000	7 000	14 000
	Interpretation services	1 460 000	725 000	735 000	1 460 000
	Documentation	1 350 000	660 000	700 000	1 360 000
	Reception	27 000	13 000	13 000	26 000
	Total, section 2	3 360 000	1 677 000	1 730 000	3 407 000

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Section 3	Programme expenditure				
Programme 3.1	Development of the regulatory framework for activities in the Area				
	Consultants	290 000	163 000	163 000	326 000
	External printing	10 000	5 000	5 000	10 000
	Travel	60 000	27 000	33 000	60 000
	Workshops	140 000	78 000	76 000	154 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.1	500 000	273 000	277 000	550 000
Programme 3.2	Protection of the marine environment, including regional environmental management plans				
	Consultants	300 000	162 000	164 000	326 000
	External printing	20 000	11 000	11 000	22 000
	Travel	110 000	54 000	60 000	114 000
	Workshops	250 000	135 000	136 000	271 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.2	680 000	362 000	371 000	733 000
Programme 3.4	Data management (resources and environment)				
	Consultants	150 000	81 000	82 000	163 000
	External printing	10 000	5 000	5 000	10 000
	Travel	50 000	22 000	27 000	49 000
	Workshops	135 000	73 000	74 000	147 000
	Information technology	30 000	16 000	16 000	32 000
	Maintenance and support	150 000	81 000	82 000	163 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.4	525 000	278 000	286 000	564 000
Programme 3.5	Promotion and encouragement of marine scientific research in the Area				
	Consultants	140 000	76 000	76 000	152 000
	External printing	16 000	8 500	9 000	17 500
	Travel	80 000	38 000	44 000	82 000
	Workshops	150 000	81 000	82 000	163 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.5	386 000	203 500	211 000	414 500
Programme 3.6	Communications and outreach activities				
	Consultants	124 000	67 000	68 000	135 000
	External printing	52 000	28 000	28 000	56 000
	Travel	69 000	32 000	38 000	70 000
	Workshops	6 000	3 000	3 000	6 000
	Equipment	16 000	9 000	8 500	17 500
	Training	10 000	5 000	5 000	10 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.6	277 000	144 000	150 500	294 500

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Programme 3.7	Capacity development and technical cooperation				
	Consultants	35 000	19 000	19 000	38 000
	External printing	35 000	19 000	19 000	38 000
	Travel	120 000	60 000	65 000	125 000
	Workshops	175 000	95 000	95 000	190 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.7	365 000	193 000	198 000	391 000
Programme 3.8	Critical mineral resources and mining technologies				
	Consultants	130 000	70 000	71 000	141 000
	External printing	10 000	5 000	5 000	10 000
	Travel	60 000	27 000	33 000	60 000
	Workshops	190 000	103 000	104 000	207 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.8	390 000	205 000	213 000	418 000
Programme 3.9	2025 United Nations Ocean Conference				
		–	100 000	–	100 000
	Subtotal, programme 3.9	–	100 000	–	100 000
	Total, section 3	3 123 000	1 758 500	1 706 500	3 465 000
Section 4	Compliance Assurance and Regulatory Management Unit				
	Salaries	766 000	475 000	525 000	1 000 000
	Common staff costs	363 000	233 000	240 000	473 000
	Travel	36 000	32 000	37 000	69 000
	Workshops	30 000	28 000	28 000	56 000
	Consultants	115 000	68 000	68 000	136 000
	Equipment and printing	50 000	12 000	12 000	24 000
	Total, section 4	1 360 000	848 000	910 000	1 758 000
Section 5	The Enterprise				
	Staff costs	384 400	266 000	280 000	546 000
	Information and communications technology	12 000	7 000	6 000	13 000
	Travel	19 000	20 000	25 000	45 000
	Support costs	41 540	–	–	–
	Total, section 5	456 940	293 000	311 000	604 000
Total, sections 1 to 5		22 712 940	13 091 500	13 335 500	26 427 000

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)		
Chief of Staff and Head of the Strategic Planning Unit	1 (D-1)		
Communications Specialist	1 (P-4)		
Programme Management Officer (Capacity-Building)	1 (P-3)		
Policy and Planning Officer (Capacity-Building)	1 (P-3)		
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
Chief, Compliance Assurance and Regulatory Management Unit	1 (P-5)		
Quality Assurance and Compliance Officer	1 (P-4)		
Environmental Audit Officer (from 2026)	1 (P-4)		
Contract Management Officer	1 (P-3)		
Administrative Assistant			1
Office of Legal Affairs			
Director/Legal Counsel	1 (D-2)		
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	1 (P-3)		
Associate Legal Officer	1 (P-2)		
Documentation and Conference Management Officer		1	
Administrative Assistant			1
Administrative/Library Assistant			1
Office of Environmental Management and Mineral Resources			
Director	1 (D-1)		
Senior Scientific Affairs Officer (Marine Geologist)	1 (P-5)		
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)		
Associate Programme Officer	1 (P-2)		
Senior Information Management Assistant			1
Administrative Assistant			1

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

Abbreviation: USG, Under-Secretary-General.