Implementation of the programme of work for 2013-2015

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1. Progress and achievements in this area of work in the triennium

- (Nearly) all planned activities have been implemented, even some additional ones such as contribution to SDG process and other international processes upon request
- More work in some areas than expected due to high demands
- No need for changes in the work programme for 2013-2015
2. Main Lessons learned

- Global opening gives a new dynamic to the Convention: new funding and partnership opportunities, new experiences and priorities, but also challenges
- Cooperation with partners is crucial, some new partners in last triennium
- Importance of closer linkage between different areas of work, e.g. nexus-benefits, NPDs-nexus, climate-nexus
- Need to have good balance between policy advice/guidance development, exchange of experience and projects on the ground
- Importance of ownership by countries, role of lead Parties
- Increasing administrative difficulties to work on the ground
3. Financial situation

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![Graph showing financial situation with contributions and expenditures from 2012 to 2015 estimates.](chart.png)
Conclusions regarding financial situation

* Still reliance on a few main donors: 13 out of 40 Parties
* Some new donors, especially from ministries of foreign affairs
* Sustainability and predictability of funding sometimes problematic, e.g. late receipt of some funds, decreasing trend
* New trend: fundraising together with partners, but complicated
* New trend: project-based funding, especially from development cooperation with new requirements
* Fund-raising is time-consuming and not only responsibility of secretariat
* Additional resource needs for administrative staff
* Priority for saff funding – need for advance funding and reserve
* New financial rules and procedures at UN: IPSAS, UMOJA
Thank you - questions?
Additional slide on funding

- Main donors: Switzerland, Finland, Germany, Netherlands, France, Norway, Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy
- For projects: Sweden, Finland, Russian Federation, Austria
- For NPDs: EU, Norway, Finland