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## **Information on the FACTI Panel Secretariat**

## **Staffing**

A total of six, extrabudgetary-funded, posts are included in the project proposal for the independent Secretariat of the High Level Panel on International Financial Accountability, Transparency and Integrity for Achieving the 2030 Agenda, which will be housed in the Financing for Sustainable Development Office of DESA. In addition, the Secretariat will make use of consultants and independent contractors to undertake specific tasks where this is needed.

Four posts at the professional level and two general service posts were advertised at the beginning of 2020. All applicants were screened and selected in accordance with the UN rules and regulations. The two Senior Economic Affairs Officers will each be supported by one Economic Affairs Officer and one Programme Assistant. All professional level staff were recruited in February and March. Due to the lack of need to make travel arrangements, only one Programme Assistant has been recruited. To support work in early stages, two individual contractors were hired to advise on communications.

## **Budget**

The multi-donor project proposal, entitled "Providing effective substantive and logistical support to a High Level Panel on International Financial Transparency and Integrity for Achieving the 2030 Agenda" has a target budget of \$3.75 million. An indicative breakdown of the budget is included in the table below

So far contributions have been received from one donor, Norway. Approximately \$2.68 million has been committed. \$1.34 million has been disbursed to the Secretariat. The Office of the President of the General Assembly has also contributed from its Trust Fund to hire graphic design and website development consultants.

Budget line	Amount
Human resources	
(including expert consultants)	\$1,523,588
Travel	\$1,522,500
Other direct costs	\$275,134
Programme support	\$431,759
TOTAL target budget	\$3,752,981

