

Future Membership of the Budgetary Sub-Committee

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The Committee is requested to:

- **Confirm** future membership and **advise** the F&A Committee on vacant seats.

Introduction

Membership of the Budgetary Sub-Committee (BSC) is composed of representatives from each capacity to pay group, along with two seats open to any Contracting Government. The two highest paying members in Group 4 (USA and UK) are permanent members.

Following a change adopted at IWC65 in 2014, BSC members representing capacity to pay groups serve for a four-year term, the open seats serve a two-year term.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, membership durations were extended.

The current membership is given in the table below, along with the expected future membership. The number of years served for each member is given in brackets.

	Term of membership (years)	Current membership from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2024	Future membership from 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2026
Group 1	4	Liberia (2)	Liberia (4)
		Marshall Islands (2)	Marshall Islands (4)
Group 2	4	St Kitts & Nevis (2)	St Kitts & Nevis (4)
		Tanzania (2)	Tanzania (4)
Group 3	4	Portugal (4)	Slovenia (2)
		Slovak Republic (2)	Slovak Republic (4)
Group 4	4	Germany (2)	Germany (4)
		UK	UK
		USA	USA
Open Seats	2	Australia	<i>Vacant</i>
		Switzerland	<i>Vacant</i>
Chair	4	Margie Eddington (AU)	Margie Eddington (AU)
Vice-Chair	4	<i>Vacant</i>	<i>Vacant</i>

Next Steps

Members are invited to nominate other members or themselves for vacant seats.

Members are requested to consider succession-planning and handover of workload.