

## **PROPOSED PROGRAMME AND BUDGET 2022–2023 – ADDENDUM 1**

1. The Secretariat organized two sessions of virtual Financing Dialogue to engage with Governing Council Representatives on 2 and 3 February 2021. The Financing Dialogue allowed for direct and transparent exchanges on the details of IARC's proposed Programme and Budget for the biennium 2022–2023 and financing scenario, as contained in the [Document SC/57/6](#), offering an opportunity to clarify questions and concerns.

2. By and large, Governing Council Representatives support the proposed Programme. However, the proposed increased budget was not agreed citing the continued zero-nominal growth policy, and concern on the financing gap.

3. The Secretariat was then asked to prepare and submit a revised budget, effectively at €3.3 million less than the proposal. Such a decrease has a significant impact on the Agency's ability to implement the ambitious goal set in its new Medium-Term Strategy 2021–2025 and will have to scale down activities initially proposed for the next biennium 2022–2023. To this end, the Secretariat proposes to decrease its investment in the following areas:

- Cancer data and statistics (Objective 1.1) and cancer registry (Objective 1.2),
- Bioinformatics (Objective 2.3),
- Prevention intervention (Objective 3.1),
- IARC Handbooks (Objective 4.3), and IARC Monographs programmes (Objective 4.4),
- Strategic engagement and advocacy function (Objective 5.3), and
- Some enabling function directly supporting the scientific programmes (Objective 6.1).