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ADMISSION OF A PARTICIPATING STATE – Morocco

The Governing Council,

Having examined the request from the Government of Morocco for admission as a Participating State in the International Agency for Research on Cancer (Document GC/57/19),

1. DECIDES pursuant to Article XII of the Statute of the Agency, that Morocco be admitted as a Participating State in the Agency; and
2. EXPRESSES great satisfaction at the admission of this new Participating State.

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IARC INTERIM ANNUAL REPORT 2014

The Governing Council,

Having reviewed the IARC Interim Annual Report for 2014 (Document GC/57/2),

1. EXPRESSES its satisfaction with the work accomplished; and
2. COMMENDS the Director and his staff on the Interim Annual Report 2014.



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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Governing Council,

Having reviewed the Director's Report (Document GC/57/3),

1. THANKS the Director for the Report and the Key Performance Indicators provided therein;
2. REQUESTS the Director to continue this standard reporting on an annual basis; and
3. EXPRESSES its satisfaction with the Director's written and oral Reports.

REPORT OF THE SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL (1) – UTILITY OF THE NEW SCORING SYSTEM FOR REVIEWS

The Governing Council,

Having reviewed the Report presented by the Fifty-first Scientific Council (Document GC/57/4),

Recalling its Resolution GC/55/R7 requesting the Scientific Council to report on its assessment of the utility of the new scoring system for reviews in 2015,

Noting the observations made by the Scientific Council (Document GC/57/4) following the experience drawn from two consecutive sessions,

1. NOTES the Report with great interest;
2. DECIDES to maintain the existing (new) scoring system, as recommended by the Scientific Council;
3. NOTES with satisfaction that the Scientific Council will continue to monitor the scoring system and may include this on its agenda for the Fifty-second Session of the Scientific Council in January 2016;
4. CONGRATULATES the members of the Scientific Council for their supportive and excellent work; and
5. COMMENDS the Director for his constructive responses to the recommendations of the Fifty-first Session of the Scientific Council.

REPORT OF THE SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL (2) – ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKING GROUP TO REVIEW THE PRODUCTION OF STANDARD REPORTS

The Governing Council,

Having reviewed the Report presented by the Fifty-first Scientific Council (Document GC/57/4),

Having noted the Director's request to reduce the administrative load on the Agency's resources involved in the production of numerous standard reports,

1. DECIDES to set up a Working Group to review the list of current standard reports and advise the Secretariat on the potential of discontinuing or reducing the frequency of publication for some;
2. Further DECIDES that the Working Group shall be composed, in addition to the Scientific Council Chair (James Bishop), one Scientific Council member (Elisabete Weiderpass-Vainio), the current Governing Council Chair (Mark Palmer), and the Representatives of Canada and the United States of America; and
3. REQUESTS the Working Group, after discussion with the Scientific Council in January 2016, to report back to the Governing Council on its recommendations at the 58th session of the Governing Council in May 2016.



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REPORT OF THE SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL (3) – BIENNIAL REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE EDUCATION AND TRAINING GROUP (ETR)

The Governing Council,

Having considered the Report from the Fifty-first Scientific Council (Document GC/57/4) regarding the Biennial Report of the activities of the Education and Training Group (ETR), as presented to the Scientific Council in Document SC/51/8,

1. THANKS the Scientific Council for reviewing the Biennial Report of ETR activities;
2. AGREES that the production of the Biennial Report of ETR activities be aligned to that of the IARC Biennial Report; and
3. NOTES that the next ETR Biennial Report should cover the years 2016–2017.



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**FINANCIAL REPORT, REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014**

The Governing Council,

Having examined Document GC/57/6 Rev.1 "Financial Report, Report of the External Auditor and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2014 – Revision 1",

1. THANKS the External Auditor for her Report and opinion; and
2. APPROVES the report of the Director on the financial operations of the Agency.

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IARC MEDIUM-TERM STRATEGY FOR 2016–2020, INCLUDING IMPLEMENTATION PLANS

The Governing Council,

Having considered Document GC/57/7 and its Annexes 1–3: “IARC Medium-Term Strategy for 2016–2020, including Implementation Plans”,

1. COMMENDS the Director and his staff on the document which clearly benefited from the wide and transparent process of consultation with stake holders and experts;
2. THANKS the Secretariat and the Working Group, composed of members of the Governing and Scientific Councils, and a Representative of WHO, for considering and finalizing the draft Medium-Term Strategy document;
3. THANKS the Scientific Council for reviewing the draft Medium-Term Strategy document (SC/51/12 and its Annexes 1–3) and for its comments and recommendation for approval by the Governing Council;
4. REQUESTS the Director to make a proposal for an evaluation approach of the Medium-Term Strategy 2016–2020 to the next Governing Council session in 2016; and
5. ADOPTS the Agency’s Medium-Term Strategy for 2016–2020, including Implementation Plans, as contained in Document GC/57/7 and its Annexes 1–3.

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PROPOSED PROGRAMME AND BUDGET (2016–2017)

The Governing Council,

Having reviewed the Agency's Proposed Programme and Budget for the biennium 2016–2017, as contained in Document GC/57/8 and summary tables Revision 1,

1. APPROVES the budget for the biennium 2016–2017 at the level of €43 413 599;
2. ACKNOWLEDGES that the presentation of the proposed budget for 2016–2017 is aligned with the structure set out in the newly introduced IARC Project Tree, presented in the IARC Medium-Term Strategy for 2016–2020 (Document GC/57/7 and Annexes 1–3);
3. DECIDES that the budget shall be financed by annual assessments on Participating States as follows:
 - (1) €21 106 763 shall be assessed on Participating States on 1 January 2016,
 - (2) €21 806 836 shall be assessed on Participating States on 1 January 2017,
4. DECIDES that €500 000 shall be exceptionally funded from the Governing Council Special Fund;
5. RESOLVES to appropriate an amount of €43 413 599 to the six main Level 2 objectives for the biennium 2016–2017 as follows:

Section	IARC Project Tree – Level 2 Objectives	Amount (€)
1.	Describe the occurrence of cancer	3 170 478
2.	Understand the causes of cancer	12 325 676
3.	Evaluate and implement cancer prevention and control strategies	4 420 264
4.	Increase the capacity for cancer research	10 281 347
5.	Provide strategic leadership and enhance the impact of the Agency's contribution to global cancer research	4 458 253
6.	Enable and support the efficient conduct and coordination of research	8 757 581
	Total	43 413 599

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6. DECIDES that the Director shall have authority under Financial Regulations Article III, Paragraph 3.3 to transfer credits between sections of the budget, provided that such transfers do not exceed 15% of the section from which the credit is transferred. Transfers in excess of 15% of the section from which the credit is transferred may be made with the prior written concurrence of the majority of the Members of the Governing Council;
7. DECIDES to grant authority to the Director to use a maximum of €500 000 in the biennium 2016–2017 from the Governing Council Special Fund to cover unforeseen budgetary costs due to currency realignments, subject to availability of cash balances in the Fund, noting the base rate of exchange for 2016–2017 is €0.729/US\$; and
8. REQUESTS the Director to report on the use of the Fund for this purpose in future financial reports.



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REPORT ON PUBLICATION ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING REPORT ON FUNDING ALLOCATION

The Governing Council,

Having reviewed Document GC/57/9 "Report on publication activities, including report on funding allocation",

1. NOTES the Report with great interest;
2. NOTES that 75% of the revenue from the sale of IARC publications in 2014 amounting to €596 420 was allocated to the IARC publication programme in 2015; and
3. REQUESTS the Director to continue reporting annually on publication activities at IARC.

IARC POLICY ON OPEN ACCESS PUBLISHING IN SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS

The Governing Council,

Having reviewed Document GC/57/10 "IARC Policy on open access publishing in scientific journals",

1. REITERATES that, as described in its Statute, the Agency is committed to the dissemination of its research;
2. AGREES with the recommendation from the Scientific Council for a nuanced approach recognizing the financial realities whereby the Agency prioritizes journal articles identified for open access distribution;
3. REQUESTS the Secretariat to present a review and an evaluation of the implementation of its Open Access policy at the Scientific Council in 2017; and
4. APPROVES the use of up to a maximum of €50 000 per annum for three years from the Governing Council Special Fund, subject to there being sufficient cash balances available in the Fund, to cover article processing charges for open access publishing in journals.

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**REQUEST FOR USE OF FUNDS FROM
THE GOVERNING COUNCIL SPECIAL FUND:
A. SCIENTIFIC EQUIPMENT**

The Governing Council,

Having reviewed Document GC/57/11A "Request for use of funds from the Governing Council Special Fund: A. Scientific Equipment",

Noting the support from the Scientific Council on the request to purchase scientific equipment (Document GC/57/4),

AUTHORIZES the Director to use up to a maximum of €496 570 from the Governing Council Special Fund, subject to there being sufficient cash balances available in the Fund, for the acquisition of the following scientific equipment:

	Quantity	Approximate unit price (€)	Total price (€)
a) DNA extraction platform			
Nucleic acid small volume extractor	1	101 470	101 470
96-channel pipetting head	1	59 000	59 000
b) ELISA Plate reader	1	50 000	50 000
c) Vacuum concentrator	1	50 000	50 000
d) PCR platform			
Modular high-throughput thermal cycler	3	28 960	86 880
Real Time detection system	3	22 000	66 000
Digital droplet PCR	1	83 220	83 220
Total			496 570



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**REQUEST FOR USE OF FUNDS FROM
THE GOVERNING COUNCIL SPECIAL FUND:
B. JUNE 2016 CONFERENCE**

The Governing Council,

Having reviewed Document GC/57/11B "Request for use of funds from the Governing Council Special Fund: B. June 2016 Conference",

Recalling its Resolution GC/56/R11 in which it authorized the Director to use up to €50 000 for the production, printing and translation of the book "IARC, the first 50 years: 1965–2015",

1. NOTES that the Director was able to identify alternative sources of financing during 2014–2015 to cover the costs of the aforementioned book and thus did not use the allocated sum from the Governing Council Special Fund for this purpose; and
2. AUTHORIZES the Director to use the previously allocated sum of €50 000 from the Governing Council Special Fund for the 2016 June Conference in case of any shortfall from sponsorship and registration fees.



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PROGRESS REPORT ON POST IPSAS IMPLEMENTATION PROJECTS

The Governing Council,

Having reviewed Document GC/57/11C "Progress report on post IPSAS implementation projects",

Recalling its Resolutions GC/55/R17 and GC/56/R14 and the need for the Director to report on the use of the funds to support the adoption of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS),

THANKS the Director and his staff for this progress report.



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UPDATE ON THE “NOUVEAU CENTRE” PROJECT

The Governing Council,

Having considered Document GC/57/12 “Update on “Nouveau Centre” project”,

1. THANKS the representatives of the Métropole de Lyon for their presentation of the latest information, developments and for their recommendations in relation to the final specifications for the building, its design and cost estimates for the entirety of the “Nouveau Centre” project;
2. RECOGNIZES, with appreciation, the commitments made by the host country and the strong support received from the local counterparts both for IARC’s continued presence in France and in Lyon and the continued efforts to ensure comfortable occupation of the current premises;
3. NOTES, with appreciation, that Participating States are not being requested to make mandatory contributions with regard to the capital costs of the infrastructure project; and
4. AUTHORIZES the Secretariat to sign a contract with the Métropole de Lyon accepting the proposed infrastructure project, which matches the scope approved in Resolution GC/56/R7.

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**ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS AND CONTRACTS,
INCLUDING REPORT ON INTEREST APPORTIONMENT**

The Governing Council,

Having considered Document GC/57/14 "Acceptance of grants and contracts, including report on interest apportionment",

In accordance with IARC Financial Regulations,

1. AUTHORIZES the Director to seek funding for the following:

Five-year extension of the grant to support the IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans [National Institutes of Health/National Cancer Institute (NIH/NCI), USA in an amount of €3 466 065 for 60 months];

2. AUTHORIZES the Director to seek funding for the two projects below, involving collaboration with the private sector, and for which collaborations were formalized with Memoranda of Understanding:

- a) Development, field testing and evaluation of the efficacy of a hand-held, portable and affordable thermo-coagulator to prevent cervical cancer in low- and middle-income countries [National Institutes of Health/National Cancer Institute (NIH/NCI), USA in an amount of €842 895 for 48 months]; and
- b) Development and clinical validation of a multi-type HPV E6-E7 oncoprotein test for cervical cancer screening and triage in low- and middle-income countries [National Institutes of Health/National Cancer Institute (NIH/NCI), USA in an amount of €877 739 for 48 months];

3. NOTES the post facto reporting of grants and contracts accepted by the Director as detailed in Document GC/57/14;

4. NOTES the amounts of interest income apportioned; and

5. COMMENDS the staff on its success in winning competitive research grants.

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ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS

The Governing Council,

Having been informed by Document GC/57/15 of the unconditional donations accepted by the Director under the authority vested in him by Resolution GC/4/R3,

EXPRESSES its deep appreciation to the donors for their contribution to the research activities of the Agency.

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APPOINTMENT OF NEW MEMBERS OF THE SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL

The Governing Council,

In accordance with the provisions of Article VI of the Statute of the Agency,

1. APPOINTS

Dr Jenny Chang-Claude, Germany)	
Dr Lalit Kumar, India)	
Dr Jerome Coffey, Ireland)	
Dr Eugenia Dogliotti, Italy)	
Dr Karima El Rhazi, Morocco)	to serve for four years on the Scientific Council
Dr Giske Ursin, Norway)	
Dr Dukhyoung Lee, Republic of Korea)	
Dr Boris Ya. Alekseev, Russian Federation)	
Dr Jonas Bergh, Sweden)	
Dr Kadir Mutlu Hayran, Turkey)	

2. THANKS the outgoing members of the Scientific Council, Drs Paul W. Dickman (Sweden), Luca Gianni (Italy), Inger Gram (Norway), Murat Gültekin (Turkey), In-Hoo Kim (Republic of Korea), Deirdre Murray (Ireland), Thangarajan Rajkumar (India), Sergei Tjulandin (Russian Federation) and Cornelia Ulrich (Germany) for their valuable work in the Scientific Council and for the contribution which they have made to the research activities of the Agency.



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BIENNIAL REPORT OF THE IARC ETHICS COMMITTEE (2013–2014)

The Governing Council,

Having examined the Biennial Report of the IARC Ethics Committee (2013–2014), as contained in Document GC/57/17,

1. WELCOMES the Biennial Report of the IARC Ethics Committee (2013–2014);
2. THANKS the Chairperson, Professor Béatrice Fervers, for her presentation of the report; and
3. REQUESTS the Director to continue reporting biennially on issues related to ethics at the Agency.



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MEMBERSHIP OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE ADMISSION OF NEW PARTICIPATING STATES

The Governing Council,

Recalling its Resolution GC/18/R14 nominating members of the Subcommittee on the Admission of new Participating States and the requirement to nominate new members at the end of each session of the Council,

Recalling its Resolution GC/53/R20 deciding that the number of members and composition of the Subcommittee shall be agreed upon at each regular session of the Governing Council,

DECIDES that this Subcommittee shall be composed of, in addition to the Chairperson of the Governing Council (member ex officio), the representatives of Australia, Canada, India, Spain and Turkey who shall hold office until the next regular session of the Council.

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DATE OF THE FIFTY-EIGHTH SESSION OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

The Governing Council,

1. DECIDES to hold its next regular session in Lyon, France, on the Thursday and Friday preceding the opening of the World Health Assembly in the year 2016; and
2. REQUESTS the Director to inform members of the Council as soon as these dates are known.