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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 2009/27 of 30 July 2009, 2011/11 of 22 July 2011, [2013/45](#) of 26 July 2013, [2017/6](#) of 21 April 2017, [2019/13](#) of 7 June 2019, [2021/16](#) of 9 June 2021 and [2023/7](#) of 7 June 2023,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution [62/210](#) of 19 December 2007,

Acknowledging the mission of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research to develop the individual, institutional and organizational capacities of countries and other United Nations stakeholders through high-quality learning solutions and related knowledge products and services to enhance decision-making and to support country-level action for overcoming global challenges,

Acknowledging also the continued alignment of the strategy of the Institute with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development¹ and its Sustainable Development Goals,

Welcoming the convening of the Summit of the Future on 22 and 23 September 2024 at United Nations Headquarters in New York, at which General Assembly resolution [79/1](#), entitled “The Pact for the Future”, and its annexes were adopted,

Welcoming also the growth in beneficiary outreach and the expansion of training programmes into new thematic areas, including digital health services and noncommunicable diseases, digital governance, maritime security, support for victims of terrorism and crisis management, to meet the learning and capacity needs of diverse stakeholders from governments at the national and subnational levels and from non-governmental sectors, in particular from developing countries,

¹ General Assembly resolution [70/1](#).



Welcoming also the development of the Institute's research programmes, including the Sustainable Cycles Programme on e-waste and plastic pollution, as well as the work of the United Nations Satellite Centre, which is enabling an expansion of support to countries for data integration and processing using artificial intelligence for evidence-based decision-making, strategy development and programmatic action,

Acknowledging the preparations under way for the Institute's strategic framework for the period 2026–2029 and in particular the efforts to become future-ready and responsive to shifting global needs, agile and equipped to increase the impact of training and research for stronger institutions and systems in developing countries, so as to advance efforts to achieve the 2030 Agenda and the Goals;

Noting the continued stable overall financial situation of the Institute, and expressing its appreciation to Governments and other strategic partners that have made or pledged voluntary contributions to the Institute,

1. *Takes note with appreciation* of the report of the Secretary-General;²
2. *Encourages* the United Nations Institute for Training and Research to continue to grow its programming in alignment with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and deepen its beneficiary outreach to respond to learning and related capacity needs, in particular those from the most distressed countries, including by leveraging innovative financing tools;
3. *Also encourages* the Institute to continue to build and strengthen partnerships with all stakeholders, including the private sector, academia and civil society, and to strengthen linkages with the United Nations system, particularly at the country level, with a view to scaling up its support for national capacity-building;
4. *Renews its appeal* to Member States and other stakeholders to lend their full support, including through flexible funds, to enable the Institute to invest in scaling up its support for national capacity-building, learning and other needs;
5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council in 2027 on the implementation of the present resolution.

² E/2025/50.