

**TWENTIETH MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF SESAME
CERN, Geneva, Switzerland, 15-16 May 2012**

Decisions

The Council of SESAME took the following decisions at its 20th meeting:

1. The proposed regular budget of US\$2,827,555.00 for 2013 and a 20% increase in Members' contributions for the said year are provisionally approved and delegates will do their utmost to obtain their Authorities' authorization for this. This will imply the following contributions: Bahrain US\$251,163.28, Cyprus US\$251,163.28, Egypt US\$258,899.11, Iran US\$442,047.38, Israel US\$442,047.38, Jordan US\$251,163.28, Pakistan US\$442,047.38, Palestinian Authority US\$60,000.00, and Turkey US\$442,047.38.
2. With effect from 1 June 2012, there will be a P0 grade below the P1 grade for staff in the professional category. This new grade will be for fresh graduates. Staff will hold this position for a maximum of three years.
3. A decision on what back payments to the operational budget and capital investment a new Member will be liable to on accession to membership will be made on a case-by-cases basis. (*Decision taken during the closed session*)
4. Dr Erhard Huttel (Germany) will be offered the position of Technical Director for four years with effect from 1 January 2013. He will be offered a consultancy contract for any work he may have to carry out in the intervening period. (*Decision taken during the closed session*)
5. Professor Tarek Hussein (Egypt) will be re-appointed co-Vice-President of the Council for a further term of two years commencing with immediate effect. (*Decision taken during the closed session*)