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**Amendment to the Draft Programme and Budget for 2008-2009 (34 C/5 2nd version)**

Submitted by **JORDAN**

**Part II.A – Programmes:**

Major Programme: III – SOCIAL AND HUMAN SCIENCES

Resolution No.: 03000

Biennial Sectoral Priority: 1 Promoting principles, practices and ethical norms relevant for scientific and technological development

Paragraph: (i)

Budgetary implications  
indicated by the sponsor: None

Source of financing  
proposed by the sponsor: –

**Proposed modification:**

- (i) promote the ethics of science and technology in order to foster international, regional and national debate on ethical issues relating to the development of science and technology, in particular through the work of the Commission on the Ethics of Science and Technology, and support given to national ethics committees; raise public awareness on key ethical issues; undertake explorative studies regarding environmental ethics and the ethics principles of the Recommendation on the Status of Scientific Researchers as well as of the Declaration on Science and the Use of Scientific knowledge; ensure the availability of teaching expertise and teaching materials and of capacity-building through training in developing nations as well as of updated data bases on ethics legislation and contribute to the identification of ethical issues related to emerging technologies;

\* This proposal was received by the Secretariat on 30 August 2007.

**Explanatory note:**

The adoption by the General Conference of UNESCO at its 33rd session in Paris of the Universal Declaration on Bioethics and Human Rights and the resolution's treatment of related ethical issues raised by medicine, life sciences and associated technologies as applied to human beings, taking into account their social, legal and environmental dimensions, meet the pressing need for developing nations to affirm in their policies the importance of careful use of bioethics and the ethics of technology. In the pursuit of sustainable development by developing nations, there is an observable weakness in the national capabilities and capacities necessary to address ethical issues relating to biology and emerging technologies, resulting in the need to provide financial and technical assistance to these developing nations to build expertise in the principles of environmental ethics and the ethics of technology and prepare the necessary educational materials in this field. The issue of the availability of expertise depends primarily on the development of national capacities through the provision of ongoing training programmes on these ethical issues to ensure that they are taken into consideration and promoted in the areas of public health and research.