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Item 2 of the provisional agenda*

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Proposed organization of work

<i>Date/time</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Programme</i>
Monday, 27 February		
10 a.m.	Item 1	Election of officers
	Item 2	Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters
	Item 3	Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century"
		Opening statements
		Introduction of reports
		General discussion
1 p.m.		Deadline for inscription on the list of speakers for the general discussion
3 p.m.	Item 3 (a) (i)	Implementation of strategic objectives and action in critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives: priority theme: the empowerment of rural women and their role in poverty and hunger eradication, development and current challenges
		High-level round table on experiences, lessons learned and good practices, including results with supporting data, where available, in relation to the implementation of previous commitments made in regard to the priority theme (in two parallel meetings)

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Tuesday, 28 February		
10 a.m.	Item 3 (a) (i) (<i>continued</i>)	Interactive expert panel on key policy initiatives and capacity-building for gender mainstreaming: the empowerment of rural women and their role in poverty and hunger eradication, development and current challenges Focus: economic empowerment of rural women
	Item 3 (c) Gender mainstreaming, situations and programmatic matters	
3 p.m.	Item 3 (<i>continued</i>)	General discussion
Wednesday, 29 February		
10 a.m.	Item 3 (<i>continued</i>)	General discussion
1.15-2.30 p.m.		Preparatory panel for 2013: elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls
3 p.m.	Item 3 (a) (i) and (c) (<i>continued</i>)	Interactive expert panel on key policy initiatives and capacity-building for gender mainstreaming: the empowerment of rural women and their role in poverty and hunger eradication, development and current challenges Focus: the role of gender-responsive governance and institutions for the empowerment of rural women
Thursday, 1 March		
10 a.m.	Item 3 (a) (ii) Implementation of strategic objectives and action in critical areas of concern and further actions and initiatives: review theme: financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women	Interactive dialogue to evaluate progress in the implementation of the agreed conclusions on financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women Focus: national experiences in implementing the agreed conclusions on financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women

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3 p.m.	Item 3 (a) (ii) (<i>continued</i>)	Interactive dialogue to evaluate progress in the implementation of the agreed conclusions on financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women Focus: progress in financing for gender equality from the perspective of international organizations and multilateral development partners
Friday, 2 March		
10 a.m.	Item 3 (a) (i) (<i>continued</i>)	Agreed conclusions (informal consultations)
3 p.m.	Item 3 (a) (i) (<i>continued</i>)	Agreed conclusions (informal consultations)
Monday, 5 March		
10 a.m.	Item 3 (<i>continued</i>)	General discussion
10 a.m. (<i>in parallel</i>)	Item 3 (a) (i) (<i>continued</i>)	Agreed conclusions (informal consultations)
3 p.m.	Item 3 (<i>continued</i>)	General discussion (concludes)
3 p.m. (<i>in parallel</i>)	Item 3 (a) (i) (<i>continued</i>)	Agreed conclusions (informal consultations)
Tuesday, 6 March		
10 a.m.	Item 3 (b) Emerging issues, trends and new approaches to issues affecting the situation of women or equality between women and men	Interactive expert panel discussion on the emerging issue of engaging young women and men, and girls and boys, to advance gender equality
3 p.m.		Deadline for submission of draft proposals
3 p.m.	Item 3 (a) (i) (<i>continued</i>)	Agreed conclusions (informal consultations)

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Wednesday, 7 March		
10 a.m. to 12 noon		Celebration of International Women's Day
12 noon	Item 3 (a) (i) (<i>continued</i>)	Agreed conclusions (informal consultations)
3 p.m.	Item 4 Communications concerning the status of women	Closed meeting to consider the report of the Working Group on Communications on the Status of Women
	Item 3 (a) (i) (<i>continued</i>)	Agreed conclusions (informal consultations)
Thursday, 8 March		
10 a.m.	Item 5 Follow-up to Economic and Social Council resolutions and decisions	Introduction and discussion Introduction of draft proposals
10 a.m. (<i>in parallel</i>)	Item 3 (a) (i) (<i>continued</i>)	Agreed conclusions (informal consultations)
3 p.m.	Item 3 (a) (i) (<i>continued</i>)	Agreed conclusions (informal consultations)
Friday, 9 March		
10 a.m.	Item 3 (<i>continued</i>)	Action on draft proposals
3 p.m.	Item 3 (<i>continued</i>)	Action on draft proposals
	Item 6 Provisional agenda of the fifty-seventh session of the Commission	Adoption of the provisional agenda of the fifty-seventh session of the Commission
	Item 7 Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifty-sixth session	Adoption of the report Closure of the fifty-sixth session