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**Organizational matters**

**Provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents  
and workplan**

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## Annotations and list of documents

### Item 1

#### Organizational matters

In accordance with Executive Board decision 2006/14 and rule 7 of the rules of procedure of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, the Board will elect a new Bureau consisting of a President and four Vice-Presidents. The election will take place on 11 January 2016. According to the established pattern of rotation of posts among the various regional groups, the President of the Executive Board for 2016 should be elected from the Board members of the Eastern European group.

Under this item, the Executive Board will adopt the agenda and agree on the workplan for the session as presented by the Secretary of the Board. The Board will also approve the report of its second regular session 2015. A draft report was distributed to Board members for their comments; the final report contains comments received by or before the deadline.

In accordance with decision 96/25, a workplan for 2016 was prepared by the secretariat in consultation with the Bureau of the Executive Board and is submitted to the Board for adoption.

#### *Documentation:*

Provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and workplan ([DP/2016/L.1](#))

Report of the second regular session 2015 ([DP/2016/1](#))

Decisions adopted by the Executive Board during 2015 ([DP/2016/2](#))

Annual workplan of the Executive Board for 2016 ([DP/2016/CRP.1](#))

## UNDP segment

### Item 2

#### Country programmes and related matters

Under this item, the Executive Board will be asked to: (a) take note of the first one-year extensions of the country programmes for Brazil, the Lao People's Democratic Republic and Trinidad and Tobago from 1 January to 31 December 2016; (b) take note of the first one-year extensions of the country programmes for the Dominican Republic, Ghana, and Ukraine from 1 January to 31 December 2017; (c) approve the two-year extension of the country programme for the Philippines from 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2018; and (d) review and approve, in accordance with Executive Board decision 2014/7, the country programme documents for Ethiopia, the United Republic of Tanzania, Iraq, the Syrian Arab Republic, Azerbaijan, Argentina and Uruguay.

#### *Documentation:*

Extensions of country programmes ([DP/2016/3](#))

*Africa*

Country programme document for Ethiopia ([DP/DCP/ETH/3](#))

Country programme document for the United Republic of Tanzania ([DP/DCP/TZA/2](#))

*Arab States*

Country programme document for Iraq ([DP/DCP/IRQ/2](#))

Country programme document for the Syrian Arab Republic ([DP/DCP/SYR/3](#))

*Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States*

Country programme document for Azerbaijan ([DP/DCP/AZE/4](#))

*Latin America and the Caribbean*

Country programme document for Argentina ([DP/DCP/ARG/3](#))

Country programme document for Uruguay ([DP/DCP/URY/3](#))

### **Item 3 Evaluation**

An evaluation of the UNDP contribution to mine action is presented to the Board for consideration at the present session. The objective of the evaluation was to determine, to the fullest degree possible, the UNDP contribution to mine action, taking into account its global programme and considering evidence at country and community levels. The evaluation includes a global portfolio analysis covering all UNDP global, regional and country-based mine action programmes and projects since the beginning of UNDP involvement in mine action in the mid-1990s. The evaluation then considers a small sample of UNDP interventions at the country and community level, from which a more detailed exploration of UNDP contribution to mine action is undertaken, including some consideration of impact. The evaluation is accompanied by the management response. The Board may wish to consider the conclusions and recommendations from the evaluation and may urge UNDP to factor the evaluation recommendations into future programming.

*Documentation:*

Evaluation of the UNDP contribution to mine action ([DP/2016/4](#))

Management response to the evaluation of the UNDP contribution to mine action ([DP/2016/5](#))

## **UNFPA segment**

### **Item 4 Country programmes and related matters**

The Executive Board will be asked to: (a) approve, in accordance with decision 2014/7, the country programme documents for Ethiopia, Iraq, Syrian Arab Republic, United Republic of Tanzania and Uruguay; (b) take note of the first one-year extensions of the country programmes for Ghana and Yemen; and (c) approve the

second one-year extension of the country programme for Algeria and the two-year extension of the country programme for the Philippines.

*Documentation:*

Country programme document for Ethiopia ([DP/FPA/CPD/ETH/8](#))

Country programme document for Iraq ([DP/FPA/CPD/IRQ/2](#))

Country programme document for Syrian Arab Republic ([DP/FPA/CPD/SYR/8](#))

Country programme document for United Republic of Tanzania ([DP/FPA/CPD/TAN/8](#))

Country programme document for Uruguay ([DP/FPA/CPD/URY/3](#))

Extensions of country programmes ([DP/FPA/2016/2](#))

## **UNOPS segment**

### **Item 5**

#### **United Nations Office for Project Services**

The Executive Director of UNOPS will deliver her statement to the Executive Board.

## **Joint segment**

### **Item 6**

#### **Recommendations of the Board of Auditors**

The UNDP and UNCDF report on the implementation of the recommendations of the United Nations Board of Auditors for 2014 reviews the notable progress made in addressing the top eight audit-related management priorities for 2014-2015 (as presented in document [DP/2015/8](#) and supported by the Board in its decision 2015/5); presents the ongoing management efforts to fully address the top eight audit-related priorities; and reports on the implementation status of the recommendations of the United Nations Board of Auditors for the year ended 31 December 2014 and prior years for UNDP and UNCDF. Pursuant to Executive Board decision 2010/9, details of the implementation status of the audit recommendations and the full audit report of the United Nations Board of Auditors for UNDP and UNCDF ([A/70/5/Add.1](#) and [Add.2](#), respectively) are available on the Executive Board website.

Pursuant to decision 97/2 of the Executive Board, the Executive Director of UNFPA reports on the implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the United Nations Board of Auditors for the financial period that ended on 31 December 2014 ([A/70/5/Add.8](#)). The United Nations Board of Auditors acknowledges that UNFPA is in good financial health, and provides an unqualified audit opinion for the organization's financial statements for the year that ended on 31 December 2014. A separate table, available on the UNFPA website, provides an updated status of the implementation of the audit recommendations. UNFPA also provided a management response to the issues mentioned in the report of the Director, Office of Audit and Investigation Services, on UNFPA internal audit and

investigation activities in 2014 ([DP/FPA/2015/7](#)), presented at the annual session 2015 of the Executive Board.

UNOPS is pleased to respond to the recommendations made in the report of the United Nations Board of Auditors ([A/70/5/Add.11](#)) and to provide an update on the current status of implementation. The report of the United Nations Board of Auditors for the year ended 31 December 2014 was unqualified.

The Executive Board may wish to adopt a decision on the reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS on the implementation of the recommendations of the United Nations Board of Auditors for 2014.

*Documentation:*

UNDP and UNCDF: Report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors, 2014 ([DP/2016/6](#))

UNFPA: Follow-up to the report of the United Nations Board of Auditors for 2014: status of implementation of the recommendations ([DP/FPA/2016/1](#))

UNOPS: Report on the implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors for 2014 ([DP/OPS/2016/1](#))

**Item 7**  
**Other matters**

**TENTATIVE WORKPLAN  
EXECUTIVE BOARD OF UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION 2016  
(25-29 January 2016, New York)**

<i>Day/Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Subject</i>
<b>Monday, 11 January</b>	10-11:30 a.m.		Election of the Bureau of the Executive Board for 2016
<b>Monday, 25 January</b>	10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	1	ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adoption of the agenda and workplan for the session</li> <li>• Adoption of the report of the second regular session 2015</li> <li>• Adoption of the annual workplan 2016 of the Executive Board</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>UNDP SEGMENT</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">STATEMENT BY THE ADMINISTRATOR</p>
		2	COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation and approval of country programme documents</li> <li>• Extensions of country programmes</li> </ul>
	3-4:30 p.m.	2	COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS (cont'd)
	4:30-5:30 p.m.	3	EVALUATION <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluation of the impact of UNDP support to mine action and management response</li> </ul>
	5:30 to 6 p.m.		<i>Informal consultations on draft decisions</i>
<b>Tuesday, 26 January</b>	10 a.m.-1 a.m.		<b>UNFPA SEGMENT</b> <p style="text-align: center;">STATEMENT BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR</p>
		4	COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presentation and approval of country programme documents</li> <li>• Extensions of country programmes</li> </ul>
	3-5:30 p.m.	4	COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS (cont'd)
	5:30-6 p.m.		<i>Informal consultations on draft decisions</i>
<b>Wednesday, 27 January</b>	10 a.m.-1 p.m.	5	<b>UNOPS SEGMENT</b> <p style="text-align: center;">STATEMENT BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR</p>
	3-4:30 p.m.	6	<b>JOINT SEGMENT</b> <p>RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE BOARD OF AUDITORS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reports of UNDP and UNOPS on the status of implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors for 2014</li> <li>• UNFPA report on the follow-up to the report of the United Nations Board of Auditors for 2014: Status of implementation of recommendations</li> </ul>
	4:30-6 p.m.		<i>Briefing on implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development</i>

<b>Thursday, 28 January</b>	10 a.m.-1 p.m.		UNFPA SPECIAL EVENT Partnerships for addressing maternal and child health and realising the demographic dividend: African faith-based organisations in the lead
	3-4 p.m.	7	OTHER MATTERS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adoption of pending decisions</li> </ul>
		1	ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adoption of the tentative workplan for the annual session 2016</li> </ul>
<b>Friday, 29 January</b>			