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Item 2 of the provisional agenda

#### Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

### Provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work

#### Provisional agenda

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## **Annotations**

### **1. Election of officers**

Rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council stipulates that, at the commencement of the first meeting of a regular session, the Commission shall elect from among the representatives of its members a Chair, one or more Vice-Chairs and such other officers as may be required. Following the established practice, the Commission shall elect a Chair and four Vice-Chairs and also designate one of the Vice-Chairs as Rapporteur.

In subparagraph (c) of its decision 2002/210, the Economic and Social Council decided that, immediately following the closure of a regular session, the Commission for Social Development would hold the first meeting of its subsequent regular session for the sole purpose of electing the new Chair and other members of the Bureau. In its resolution 2014/3, the Council reaffirmed that the officers elected to the Bureau of the Commission should continue to be elected for a term of office of two years, in parallel with the review and policy cycle of 2015-2016. Accordingly, the Commission held the first meeting of its fifty-fourth session on 13 February 2015, immediately following the closure of the fifty-third session, and elected by acclamation Luz Andujar (Dominican Republic) as Vice-Chair.

Subsequently, the Eastern European States nominated Ion Jinga (Romania) to replace Simona Mirela Miculescu (Romania) in representing the regional group on the Bureau as Chair. In addition, following the resignation of Janina Hasse-Mohsine (Germany), the Western European and other States nominated Andreas Glossner (Germany) to replace her on the Bureau as Vice-Chair, and following the resignation of Do Hung Viet (Viet Nam), the Asia-Pacific States nominated Mohammad Hassani Nejad Pirkouhi (Islamic Republic of Iran) to replace him on the Bureau as Vice-Chair. At the opening meeting of the fifty-fourth session of the Commission, on 3 February 2016, the three nominees will be elected as Chair and Vice-Chairs, respectively. At the same meeting, the Commission will designate one of its Vice-Chairs as also having rapporteurial responsibilities.

### **2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters**

Rule 7 of the rules of procedure requires that, after the election of its officers at the beginning of each session, the Commission shall adopt the agenda for that session on the basis of the provisional agenda. The provisional agenda and documentation for the fifty-fourth session of the Commission were approved by the Economic and Social Council in its decision 2015/212.

The proposed organization of work of the Commission at its fifty-fourth session (see annex I) has been prepared pursuant to relevant decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within the time frame available and in accordance with the conference services allocated to the Commission. The timetable should be considered tentative and indicative: if the Commission completes its consideration of an item ahead of schedule, it may wish to proceed immediately to the next item.

The Commission is scheduled to meet from Wednesday, 3 February, to Friday, 12 February 2016. Arrangements have been made to hold morning and afternoon meetings during the session: morning meetings will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and afternoon meetings from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

*Documentation*

Provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work ([E/CN.5/2016/1](#))

**3. Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly**

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 55/46 on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the Assembly entitled “World Summit for Social Development and beyond: achieving social development for all in a globalizing world”, the Commission will undertake regular assessment of the implementation of the Copenhagen commitments and the further initiatives adopted in Geneva.

*Documentation*

Report of the Secretary-General on the social dimensions of the New Partnership for Africa’s Development ([E/CN.5/2016/2](#))

**(a) Priority theme: rethinking and strengthening social development in the contemporary world**

In its resolution 2014/3, the Economic and Social Council decided that the priority theme for the 2015-2016 review and policy cycle would be “Rethinking and strengthening social development in the contemporary world”. The Commission reviewed the theme in 2015 at its fifty-third session and will complete the biennial cycle by adopting action-oriented policy recommendations on rethinking and strengthening social development in the contemporary world at its fifty-fourth session, in 2016. The Commission will have before it the report of the Secretary-General on the priority theme.

*Documentation*

Report of the Secretary-General on rethinking and strengthening social development in the contemporary world ([E/CN.5/2016/3](#))

**(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups**

**(i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons**

**(ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities**

**(iii) World Programme of Action for Youth**

**(iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002**

**(v) Family issues, policies and programmes**

The Commission will consider issues pertaining to the situation of social groups.

*Documentation*

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the objectives of the International Year of the Family and its follow-up processes ([A/71/61-E/2016/7](#))

**(c) Emerging issues: implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: moving from commitments to results for achieving social development**

In its resolution 2006/18, the Economic and Social Council decided to include the agenda item entitled “Emerging issues” in the programme of work of the Commission. The members of the Bureau, in consultation with their respective regional groups, agreed that the theme for discussion under this agenda item during the fifty-fourth session would be “Implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: moving from commitments to results for achieving social development”. A note by the Secretariat will be available to facilitate the discussion.

*Documentation*

Note by the Secretariat entitled “Emerging issues: implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: moving from commitments to results for achieving social development” ([E/CN.5/2016/4](#))

**4. Programme questions and other matters**

The Commission will have before it the proposed strategic framework of the Secretariat for the biennium 2018-2019 in the field of social development.

*Documentation*

Conference room paper on the proposed strategic framework for the biennium 2018-2019, subprogramme 2, social policy and development, of programme 7, economic and social affairs ([E/CN.5/2016/CRP.1](#))

**5. Provisional agenda for the fifty-fifth session of the Commission**

In accordance with rule 9 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, the Commission will have before it the draft provisional agenda for its fifty-fifth session, together with an indication of the documentation to be submitted for its consideration.

*Documentation*

Draft provisional agenda for the fifty-fifth session of the Commission ([E/CN.5/2016/L.1](#))<sup>1</sup>

**6. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifty-fourth session**

In accordance with rule 37 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council, the Commission shall submit to the Council a report on the work of its fifty-fourth session.

*Documentation*

Draft report of the Commission on its fifty-fourth session ([E/CN.5/2016/L.2](#))<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> To be issued as an in-session document.

## Annex I

### Proposed organization of work (3-12 February 2016)

| <i>Date</i>                      | <i>Agenda item</i>   | <i>Documentation/programme</i>   |
|----------------------------------|--|--|
| <b>Week of 3-5 February 2016</b> |  |  |
| <b>Wednesday, 3 February</b>     |  |  |
| a.m.                             | 1. Election of officers  |  |
|                                  | 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters   | Provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work ( <a href="#">E/CN.5/2016/1</a> )   |
|                                  | 3. Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly                              | Introduction of documentation under agenda item 3, including its sub-items (a) and (b)<br><br>Report of the Secretary-General on the social dimensions of the New Partnership for Africa's Development ( <a href="#">E/CN.5/2016/2</a> ) |
|                                  | (a) Priority theme: rethinking and strengthening social development in the contemporary world  | Report of the Secretary-General on rethinking and strengthening social development in the contemporary world ( <a href="#">E/CN.5/2016/3</a> )   |
|                                  | (b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups                                  | Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the objectives of the International Year of the Family and its follow-up processes ( <a href="#">A/71/61-E/2016/7</a> )   |
|                                  | (i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons  |  |
|                                  | (ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities   |  |
|                                  | (iii) World Programme of Action for Youth  |  |
|                                  | (iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002   |  |
|                                  | (v) Family issues, policies and programmes   |  |
|                                  | (c) Emerging issues: implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: moving from commitments to results for achieving social development | Note by the Secretariat entitled "Emerging issues: implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: moving from commitments to results for achieving social development" ( <a href="#">E/CN.5/2016/4</a> )                      |

| <i>Date</i>                       | <i>Agenda item</i>                       | <i>Documentation/programme</i>   |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|
|                                   |  | Presentation of the outcome of the civil society forum held on 2 February 2016   |
|                                   |  | Presentation by a youth representative   |
|                                   | 3 (a) ( <i>continued</i> )               | General discussion begins  |
| p.m.                              | 3 (a) ( <i>continued</i> )               | High-level panel discussion on the priority theme: rethinking and strengthening social development in the contemporary world   |
| <b>Thursday, 4 February</b>       |  |  |
| a.m.                              | 3 (c)                                    | Panel discussion   |
| p.m.                              | 3 (a) ( <i>continued</i> )               | General discussion   |
| <b>Friday, 5 February</b>         |  |  |
| a.m.                              | 3 (b)                                    | Panel discussion on the implementation of the post-2015 development agenda in the light of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities   |
| p.m.                              | 3 (b)                                    | General discussion   |
| <b>Week of 8-12 February 2016</b> |  |  |
| <b>Monday, 8 February</b>         |  |  |
| a.m.                              | 3 (a) ( <i>continued</i> )               | General discussion   |
|                                   | 3 (b) ( <i>continued</i> )               | General discussion   |
| p.m.                              | 4. Programme questions and other matters | Conference room paper on the proposed strategic framework for the biennium 2018-2019, subprogramme 2, social policy and development, of programme 7, economic and social affairs ( <a href="#">E/CN.5/2016/CRP.1</a> ) |
| <b>Tuesday, 9 February</b>        |  |  |
| a.m.                              | 3 (a) and (b)                            | Informal consultations<br><b>(no plenary meeting)</b>  |
| p.m.                              | 3 (a) and (b)                            | Informal consultations<br><b>(no plenary meeting)</b><br><b>5 p.m.: deadline for submission of draft proposals</b>   |

| <i>Date</i>                   | <i>Agenda item</i>  | <i>Documentation/programme</i>                                |
|-------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Wednesday, 10 February</b> |   |   |
| a.m.                          | 3 (a) and (b)   | Informal consultations<br><b>(no plenary meeting)</b>         |
| p.m.                          | 3 (a) and (b)   | Informal consultations<br><b>(no plenary meeting)</b>         |
| <b>Thursday, 11 February</b>  |   |   |
| a.m.                          | 3 (a) and (b)   | Informal consultations<br><b>(no plenary meeting)</b>         |
| p.m.                          | 3 (a) and (b)   | Informal consultations<br><b>(no plenary meeting)</b>         |
| <b>Friday, 12 February</b>    |   |   |
| a.m.                          | 3 (a) and (b)   | Introduction of draft proposals<br>Action on draft proposals  |
| p.m.                          | 3 (a) and (b)   | Introduction of proposals<br>Action on proposals              |
|                               | 5. Provisional agenda for the fifty-fifth session of the Commission     | Adoption of the provisional agenda for the next session       |
|                               | 6. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifty-fourth session | Adoption of the report<br>Closure of the session <sup>a</sup> |

<sup>a</sup> In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2002/210, the Commission, immediately following the closure of the fifty-fourth session, will hold the first meeting of its fifty-fifth session for the sole purpose of electing the new Chair and other members of the Bureau, in accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council. In accordance with Council resolution 2014/3, the officers elected to the Bureau of the Commission for the fifty-third and fifty-fourth sessions have been elected for a two-year term.

## Annex II

### Membership of the Commission for Social Development at its fifty-fourth session (2016)

(46 members; four-year term)

| <i>Membership</i>                    | <i>Term expires at close of the session in the year:</i> |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| 1. Algeria                           | 2019   |
| 2. Argentina                         | 2017   |
| 3. Austria                           | 2019   |
| 4. Belarus                           | 2016   |
| 5. Benin                             | 2019   |
| 6. Bolivia (Plurinational State of)  | 2019   |
| 7. Brazil                            | 2017   |
| 8. Burundi                           | 2019   |
| 9. Chile                             | 2017   |
| 10. China                            | 2017   |
| 11. Colombia                         | 2019   |
| 12. Democratic Republic of the Congo | 2017   |
| 13. Dominican Republic               | 2016   |
| 14. Ecuador                          | 2016   |
| 15. El Salvador                      | 2016   |
| 16. Finland                          | 2017   |
| 17. France                           | 2017   |
| 18. Germany                          | 2016   |
| 19. Iran (Islamic Republic of)       | 2019   |
| 20. Iraq                             | 2019   |
| 21. Japan                            | 2016   |
| 22. Kuwait                           | 2017   |
| 23. Liberia                          | 2016   |
| 24. Madagascar                       | 2017   |



| <i>Membership</i>                                 | <i>Term expires at close of<br/>the session in the year:</i> |
|---|--|
| 25. Malawi  | 2017   |
| 26. Mauritania                                    | 2016   |
| 27. Mexico  | 2019   |
| 28. Mongolia                                      | 2016   |
| 29. Namibia                                       | 2019   |
| 30. Nigeria                                       | 2016   |
| 31. Pakistan                                      | 2017   |
| 32. Poland  | 2017   |
| 33. Qatar   | 2019   |
| 34. Republic of Korea                             | 2016   |
| 35. Romania                                       | 2017   |
| 36. Russian Federation                            | 2016   |
| 37. Sudan   | 2016   |
| 38. Switzerland                                   | 2017   |
| 39. Turkmenistan                                  | 2017   |
| 40. Uganda  | 2017   |
| 41. United States of America                      | 2016   |
| 42. (Vacancy — Western European and other States) | 2016   |
| 43. (Vacancy — Western European and other States) | 2017   |
| 44. (Vacancy — Western European and other States) | 2019   |
| 45. (Vacancy — Western European and other States) | 2019   |
| 46. (Vacancy — Eastern European States)           | 2019   |