

Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

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Annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the second regular session 9 and 10 September 2019

Note by the Executive Board secretariat

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Annotations

Item 1

Organizational matters

The Executive Board will adopt the agenda and workplan for its second regular session 2019, agree on the agenda and workplan for the first regular session 2020 and discuss the draft annual workplan for 2020. The Executive Board may also adopt the report on its annual session 2019, held from 18 to 20 June 2019.

Documentation

Annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the second regular session 2019 (UNW/2019/L.4)





Proposed provisional agenda and workplan for the first regular session 2020 (UNW/2019/CRP.4)

Draft annual workplan for 2020 (UNW/2019/CRP.5)

Report on the annual session 2019 (UNW/2019/5)

Item 2

Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

The Executive Board will consider the integrated budget estimates for the biennium 2020–2021.

As the financial plan that allows the organization to have the financial and institutional capacity to implement the UN-Women Strategic Plan 2018–2021, it covers all cost categories and funding sources, both regular and other resources, within a single, consolidated proposal. The integrated budget is grounded in results-based management principles and aligned with the integrated results framework of its Strategic Plan. The Executive Board will also be presented with the management response to the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ).

In its decision 2018/6, the Executive Board requests that UN-Women, together with UNDP, UNFPA and UNICEF, jointly review existing cost definitions and classifications of activities and associated costs, with a view to further harmonizing their approaches by determining common definitions of cost categories and corresponding activities and functions at a granular level, while taking into account the different business models of the individual entities. This exercise fosters a thorough understanding of each category's composition and the options for the possible alignment of similar functions to the same cost classifications across entities, and continues to provide a basis for comparisons among entities, as well as alignment with their strategic plans. As such, the Executive Board will be presented with a joint review of the existing cost definitions and classifications of activities and associated costs.

Documentation

Integrated budget of UN-Women for the biennium 2020–2021 (UNW/2019/6)

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) (UNW/2019/7)

Management response to the ACABQ Report

Cost recovery: joint review of the existing cost definitions and classifications of activities and associated costs

Item 3

Structured dialogue on financing

Pursuant to decisions 2019/4, 2018/5, 2017/7, 2016/4, 2015/5, 2014/6 of the Executive Board of UN-Women, this report contributes to an ongoing structured dialogue on the financing of the development and organizational effectiveness and efficiency results of the UN-Women Strategic Plan 2018–2021. The overarching objective of a structured dialogue is that the UN-Women biennium integrated budgets (IBs) for the 2018–2019 and 2020–2021 periods are fully financed in support of the comprehensive implementation of the Strategic Plan 2018–2021. The dialogue is held in the context of General Assembly resolution 71/243 on the quadrennial comprehensive policy review (QCPR) of operational activities for the United Nations

system, and General Assembly resolution 72/279 on repositioning of the United Nations development system.

Documentation

Report on structured dialogue on financing (UNW/2019/8)

Item 4

Update on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/279

UN-Women is committed to engaging with the Executive Board on providing updates on the status of implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/279 on the repositioning of the United Nations development system.

Documentation

Update on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/279

Item 5

Update on the working methods of the Executive Boards

In its decision 2019/8, the Executive Board requests that the secretariat of the Executive Board of UN-Women, in collaboration with the secretariats of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF and WFP, present initial proposals to improve the working methods of the joint meeting of the Boards, propose alternatives dates for the second regular session, and present practical proposals for improving the efficiency of the sessions of the Executive Board, for consideration by Member States at the second regular session 2019.

Documentation

Joint response on working methods

Item 6 Evaluation

The Executive Board will be presented with findings of a meta-analysis of evaluations conducted in 2018, and a corporate evaluation of the contributions made by UN-Women to humanitarian action.

Documentation

Meta-analysis of evaluations managed by UN-Women in 2018 (UNW/2019/CRP.7)

Management response to the meta-analysis of evaluations managed by UN-Women in 2018

Corporate evaluation of UN-Women's contribution to humanitarian action (UNW/2019/CRP.6)

Management response to the corporate evaluation of UN-Women's contribution to humanitarian action and its annex

Item 7 Field visit

The Executive Board will be presented with a report of the joint field visit of the Executive Board of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS and the Executive Boards of UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP to Colombia.

The Executive Board will also be presented with a report on the UN-Women field visit to the Caribbean.

Documentation

Report on the joint field visit of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services and the Executive Boards of the United Nations Children's Fund, UN-Women and the World Food Programme to Colombia

Report on the field visit of the UN-Women Executive Board to the Caribbean

Item 8

Policy and programme matters

The Executive Board will receive two briefings on policy and programme matters, including a briefing on the UN-Women operational response in the Pacific by the Fiji Multi-Country Office (MCO), and a briefing on the plan for the twenty-fifth anniversary of the adoption of the Beijing Declaration and Platform of Action (Beijing+25).

Documentation

Background paper on the operational response in the Pacific by the Fiji Multi-Country Office (MCO)

Background paper on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the adoption of the Beijing Declaration and Platform of Action (Beijing+25)

Item 9 Other matters

The Executive Board will discuss and take action on any other issue that may arise.

Documentation

No advance documentation is expected.

Provisional workplan

Day	Time	Item	Subject
Monday, 9 September	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.		Election of the Bureau 2019 (cont'd)
			Opening of the session
			 Statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Under- Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women
		1	Organizational matters
			• Adoption of the annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the second regular session 2019
			• Adoption of the report on the annual session 2019
		2	Financial, budgetary and administrative matters
			• Integrated budget of UN-Women for the biennium 2020–2021
			• Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ)
			Management response to the ACABQ Report
			• Cost recovery: joint review of the existing cost definitions and classifications of activities and associated costs
	1.15 p.m. – 2.45 p.m.		Informal consultations on draft decisions
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	2	Financial, budgetary and administrative matters (cont'd)
		3	Structured dialogue on financing
			Report on the structured dialogue on financing
	Post meeting		Informal consultations on draft decisions
Tuesday, 10 September	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	4	Update on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/279
			• Update on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 72/279
		5	Update on the working methods of the Executive Boards
			• Joint response on working methods
		6	Evaluation
			• Meta-analysis of evaluations managed by UN-Women in 2018
			• Corporate evaluation of UN-Women's contribution to humanitarian action
			Related management responses
			• Briefing on humanitarian action, disaster risk reduction, resilience and crisis response
	1.15 p.m. – 2.45 p.m.		Informal consultations on draft decisions
	3 p.m. – 6 p.m.	7	Field visit

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			 Report on the joint field visit of the Executive Board of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS and the Executive Boards of UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP to Colombia
			• Report on the field visit of the UN-Women Executive Board to the Caribbean
		8	Policy and programme matters
			• Briefing on UN-Women operational response in the Pacific by the Fiji Multi-Country Office (MCO)
			• Briefing on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the adoption of the Beijing Declaration and Platform of Action (Beijing+25)
		9	Other matters
			Adoption of draft decisions
		1	Organizational matters
			• Approval of the provisional agenda and workplan for the first regular session 2020
			• Discussion of the draft annual workplan for 2020
			Closing of the session
			• Statements by the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women and the President of the Executive Board