



UN-HABITAT

2024 FIRST JOINT MEETING OF BUREAUX OF THE GOVERNING BODIES OF UN-HABITAT

**AGENDA ITEM 5: DISCUSSIONS ON UPCOMING
ELECTIONS OF THE UN-HABITAT GOVERNING
BODIES AND MEMBERSHIP OF THE EXECUTIVE
BOARD**

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WHICH OFFICES ARE TO BE ELECTED IN THE YEAR 2025

- 1. Elections of the Bureau of the Committee of Permanent Representatives for a term of two years (2025 to 2027).**
- 2. Elections of 36 members of the Executive Board for a term of four years (2025 to 2029).**
- 3. Elections of the Bureau of the Executive Board for a term on one year- (2025 to 2026).**
- 4. Elections of the Bureau of the UN-Habitat Assembly for a term of four years (2025 to 2029)**

WHICH ARE THE APPLICABLE RULES ON ELECTIONS

The UN-Habitat Assembly rules of Procedure provide guidance on:

1. Elections of the Bureau of the Committee of Permanent Representatives;
2. Elections of 36 members of the Executive Board;
3. Elections of the Bureau of the UN-Habitat Assembly ;

The Executive Board Rules of Procedure provide guidance on :

1. Elections of the Bureau of the Executive Board for a term on one year- (2025 to 2026).

APPLICABLE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE UN-HABITAT ASSEMBLY ON ELECTIONS

1. Election of the Bureau of the UN-Habitat Assembly ;

Rule 18 of the rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly provides that during the final meeting of a regular session, the UN-Habitat Assembly elects the five members of its Bureau, composed of Member States to hold the offices of President, Rapporteur and three Vice-Presidents. Each of the five regional groups have to be represented in the Bureau. In addition, the five members of the Bureau of the Committee of Permanent Representatives shall jointly serve as additional Vice-Presidents.

2. Election of the Bureau of the Committee of Permanent Representatives;

Guided by the rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly, specifically **Rule 18** as above.

3. Election of 36 Members of the Executive Board

Rule 24 of the rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly:

The Executive Board shall be composed of 36 members, elected by the UN-Habitat Assembly. They serve for a period of 4 years, commencing with their election during a session of the UN-Habitat Assembly.

Rule 7 of the rules of Procedure of the Executive Board on composition of the Executive Board:

10 seats for African States;

8 seats for Asia-Pacific States;

4 seats for Eastern European States;

6 seats for Latin American and Caribbean States; and

8 seats for Western European and other States.

4. Election of the Bureau of the Executive Board

Rule 9 of the rules of procedure of the Executive Board

1. The Executive Board shall, **at its first regular session each year, elect from among its members**, taking into consideration the need to ensure equitable geographical representation, **a Bureau comprising a Chair, three Vice-Chairs and a Rapporteur**, who shall hold office until their successors are elected.
2. Bureau Members are eligible for re-election.
3. The **offices of Chair and Rapporteur shall rotate each year** to a different regional group. Each regional group shall occupy the office of Chair and Rapporteur once during a period of five years.

EXPECTED COMPOSITION OF THE BUREAU OF THE UN-HABITAT ASSEMBLY

CURRENT COMPOSITION 2019- 2025	EXPECTED COMPOSTION 2025 TO 2029
<p>PRESIDENT: MEXICO, Latin American and Caribbean States (GRULAC)</p>	<p>PRESIDENT: Asia – Pacific States</p>
<p>VICE-PRESIDENTS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">GHANA : African StatesPOLAND: Eastern European StatesGERMANY: Western European and Others State (WEOG)	<p>VICE-PRESIDENTS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">African StatesEastern European StatesWestern European and Others State (WEOG)
<p>RAPPORTEUR:</p> <p>CHINA. Asia – Pacific States</p>	<p>RAPPORTEUR: Latin American and Caribbean States (GRULAC)</p>

EXPECTED COMPOSITION OF THE BUREAU OF THE CPR

CURRENT COMPOSITION 2021- 2025	EXPECTED COMPOSITION 2025 TO 2027
CHAIR: PAKISTAN , Asia – Pacific States	CHAIR: Western European and Others State (WEOG)
VICE-CHAIRS: 1. BELGIUM: Western European and Others State (WEOG) 2. COLOMBIA: Latin American and Caribbean States (GRULAC) 3. TANZANIA : African States	VICE-CHAIRS: 1. Asia – Pacific States 2. Eastern European States 3. Latin American and Caribbean States (GRULAC)
RAPPORTEUR: VACANT: Eastern European States - (Represented by presiding Chair of the Group	RAPPORTEUR: African States

EXPECTED COMPOSITION OF THE BUREAU OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

CURRENT COMPOSITION 2023- 2025	EXPECTED COMPOSITION 2025 TO 2026
CHAIR: KENYA , African States	CHAIR: Western European and Others State (WEOG)
VICE-CHAIRS: 1. BRAZIL: Latin American and Caribbean States (GRULAC) 2. PAKISTAN : Asia – Pacific States 3. POLAND: Eastern European States	VICE-CHAIRS: 1. Asia – Pacific States 2. Eastern European States 3. Latin American and Caribbean States (GRULAC)
RAPPORTEUR: FRANCE: Western European and Others State (WEOG)	RAPPORTEUR: African States

EXPECTED COMPOSITION OF THE BUREAU OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD UNTIL 2029

Bureau of the Executive Board 2025-2026	Bureau of the Executive Board 2025-2027	Bureau of the Executive Board 2027-2028	Bureau of the Executive Board 2028-2029
Chair	Chair	Chair	Chair
WESTERN EUROPEAN AND OTHERS – WEOG	ASIA PACIFIC STATES	EASTERN EUROPEAN STATES	GRULAC
Vice-Chairs	Vice-Chairs	Vice-Chairs	Vice-Chairs
Asia-Pacific States	WEOG	Asia-Pacific States	Eastern European States
Eastern European States	GRULAC	African States	Asia-Pacific States
Latin American and Caribbean States	African States	WEOG	African States
Rapporteur	Rapporteur	Rapporteur	Rapporteur
African States	Eastern European States	GRULAC	WEOG

CURRENT MEMBERSHIP OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD UNTIL MAY 2025



Africa Group

1. Angola
2. Cameroon
3. Democratic Republic of Congo
4. Egypt
5. Ethiopia
6. Kenya
7. Malawi
8. Morocco
9. Nigeria
10. Senegal

Asia-Pacific Group

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| 1. China | 5. Japan |
| 2. India | 6. Republic of Korea |
| 3. Indonesia | 7. Pakistan |
| 4. Iran | 8. Sri Lanka |

Latin America and the Caribbean

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| 1. Argentina | 4. Colombia |
| 2. Brazil | 5. Mexico |
| 3. Barbados | 6. Uruguay |

Eastern Europe Group

1. Poland
2. Romania
3. Russian Federation
4. Serbia

WEOG

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| 1. Canada | 5. Spain |
| 2. France | 6. Sweden |
| 3. Germany | 7. Turkey |
| 4. Portugal | 8. United States of America |

WHEN WILL ELECTIONS TAKE PLACE

1. Election of **Bureau of the UN-Habitat Assembly** will take place at the **final meeting of the second resumed regular session** of the UN-Habitat Assembly to be held from 29 to 30 May 2025.
2. Election of **Bureau of the CPR** will take place at the final meeting of **third open-ended meeting of the CPR** just before the second resumed regular session of the UN-Habitat Assembly, presumably to take place between 26 to 28 May 2025.
3. Election of **36 Members of the Executive Board** will take place **during the second resumed regular session** of the UN-Habitat Assembly to be held from 29 to 30 May 2025.
4. Election of the **Bureau of the Executive Board** will take place at a **session of the Executive Board** right after the Elections of the 36 Members of the Executive Board, by the UN-Habitat Assembly, presumably **on the sidelines of the resumed second session** of the UN-Habitat Assembly.

HOW WILL ELECTIONS TAKE PLACE

1. Nomination of representatives by regional Groups through caucusing.
2. Nominees for each office to be formally communicated to the Secretariat by the respective chairs of each regional groups
3. The Secretariat will share with each relevant Bureau the nominees for purposes of preparing for elections.
4. Elections during the relevant sessions of each governing body is conducted, usually by consensus/ acclamation in line with the provisions of the rules of procedure
5. In the rare event that consensus cannot be achieved, election by vote will be conducted.
6. In the event of a vote, rules 52, 54 and 55 of the rules of Procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly will apply.

Rule 52: the UN-Habitat Assembly may decide on any motion or proposal without a vote and shall normally make decisions by consensus. A vote shall, however, be taken if a member of the Assembly requests it.

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