

Proposed provisional Agenda for the 2023 first session of the Executive Board

(28-29 March 2023)

*Detailed narrative and comments on the proposed provisional Agenda for the 2023 first session of the Executive Board are set out in **Annex 1** to the present document (page 3)*

1. Opening of the session.
2. Organizational matters:
 - a. Adoption of the agenda and the workplan for the first session of 2023;
 - b. Adoption of the report on the second session of 2022.
3. Reports of the ad hoc working groups established by the Executive Board.
4. Financial status of UN-Habitat including an updated model for the non-earmarked Foundation budget, subject to various funding levels up to \$ 12 million.
5. Findings of the analysis of the risk related to the Sustainable Human Settlements Foundation and overview of earmarked private sector contribution agreements.
6. Working methods of the Executive Board, including a review of the results of the survey after the second session of 2022.
7. The implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, including reporting on the programmatic activities of UN-Habitat in 2022 and the implementation of subprogrammes, flagship programmes and technical cooperation activities.
8. Annual report on action by UN-Habitat to prevent sexual exploitation and abuse and to prevent sexual harassment and other misconduct.
9. Consideration and adoption of the outcomes of the session including the provisional Agenda for the second session of 2023
10. Other matters.
11. Closure of the session.

Proposed provisional Agenda for the 2023 second session of the Executive Board (June 2023)

1. Opening of the session
2. Election of officers of the Bureau.
3. Consideration of the dates and provisional Agenda for the third session of 2023.
4. Other matters.
5. Closure of the session

Proposed provisional Agenda for the 2023 third session of the Executive Board (November 2023)

1. Opening of the session.
2. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Adoption of the agenda and the workplan for the third session of 2023;
 - (b) Adoption of the reports of the first and second sessions of 2023.
3. Reports of the ad hoc working groups established by the Executive Board.
4. Financial, budgetary and administrative matters, including guidelines on the use of the financial reserve, the implementation of the resource mobilization strategy in accordance with the strategic plan and UN-Habitat actions to promote geographical and gender balances in the composition of its staff.
5. Annual report for the year 2022 on the implementation of the strategic plan of UN-Habitat 2020-2023
6. Mid-term evaluation of the implementation of the strategic plan for the period 2020–2023.
7. Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions relevant to the work and activities of UN-Habitat.
8. Consideration and possible approval of the draft work programme of UN-Habitat and budget of the Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2024.
9. The implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, including reporting on the programmatic activities of UN-Habitat in 2022 and the implementation of subprogrammes, flagship programmes and technical cooperation activities.
10. Outcomes of the second session of the United Nations Habitat Assembly.
11. Preparations for the twelfth session of the World Urban Forum.
12. Progress made in the implementation of the reform of the United Nations development system.
13. Annual report on action by the Executive Director to update and improve the internal management, policies and procedures of UN-Habitat.
14. Progress in the implementation of the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit on its review of the management and administration of UN-Habitat
15. Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services.
16. Report of the Ethics Office.
17. Report of the Board of Auditors
18. Working methods of the Executive Board, including a review of the results of the survey after the first session of 2023.
19. Other matters.
20. Closure of the session.

**ANNEX 1- Comments on the proposed provisional Agenda for the 2023 first session of the Executive Board
(28-29 March 2023)**

Agenda item	Comment
1. Opening of the meeting.	Proposed to be retained
2. Organizational matters:	Proposed to be retained
(a) Adoption of the agenda and the workplan for the first session of 2023;	Proposed to be retained
(b) Adoption of the report on the second session of 2022.	Proposed to be retained
3. Reports of the ad hoc working groups established by the Executive Board.	Proposed to be retained (reports can be for both working groups or one working group depending on whether they met or not in the inter-sessional period)
4. Financial status of UN-Habitat , budgetary and administrative matters, including the implementation of the resource mobilization strategy in accordance with the strategic plan and UN-Habitat actions to address geographical and gender imbalances in the composition of its staff.	Proposed to be reformulated to : 4. Financial status of UN-Habitat including an updated model for the non-earmarked Foundation budget, subject to various funding levels up to \$ 12 million (The proposal is to report only on the financial status of UN-Habitat allowing Member States to understand contributions received after the second session for the year 2022. Other sub-items usually under this item will be moved to the second session of 2023. These include i) on-going restructuring ii) gender and geographical balance iii) implementation of the resource mobilization strategy iv) status of staffing)
5. Findings of the analysis of the risk related to the Sustainable Human Settlements Foundation to the Executive Board, and overview of earmarked private sector contribution agreements	Proposed to be retained with supporting documentation in English only
6. Mid-term evaluation of the implementation of the strategic plan for the period 2020–2023.	Proposed to be considered at the third session of 2023 (An update on the mid-term evaluation is more appropriate for the second session of 2023 as the formal extension of the strategic plan until 2025 would have taken place by the UN-Habitat Assembly in June 2023. In addition, the annual report of 2022 would have been prepared and presented to the second session of 2023).
7. Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions relevant to the work and activities of UN-Habitat.	Proposed to be considered at the third session of 2023 (Based on experience, relevant ACABQ report have always been ready only for the second session of each year).
8. Annual work programme of UN-Habitat and budget of the Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2024.	Proposed to be considered at the third session of 2023 (The ad hoc working group on programmatic, budgetary and administrative matters may meet to reconfirm the funding level of the Foundation non-earmarked for 2024 which is likely to stay at USD 3 million based on the recommendation of the Executive Board in 2022 which has been applied to the 2023 budget and which can be foreseen to remain in 2024 in order to offer stability in both budget and expenditure of the Organization. In addition, the work programme for 2024 should ideally be considered and approved by the Executive board only once the UN-Habitat Assembly has approved the extension of the current

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	strategic plan until 2025 upon which the annual work programme for 2024 should be based).
9. Briefing by the Executive Director on the implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, including reporting on the programmatic activities of UN-Habitat in 2022 and the implementation of subprogrammes, flagship programmes and technical cooperation activities.	Proposed to be retained (It will offer a balance between administrative and also thematic work of UN-Habitat. It will include an update by the Executive Director on the need and the possible benefits of the development of the model of SDGs cities certification)
10. Preparations for the second session of the United Nations Habitat Assembly.	Proposed to be deleted (This item is proposed for deletion as it will be in the full purview of the CPR and the main concern of the second open-ended CPR in preparations for the second session of the UN-Habitat Assembly. The Executive Director may however highlight salient points in this regard in her remarks to the Executive Board.)
11. Implementation of the resolutions and decisions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly.	Proposed to be deleted (Most of the resolutions and decisions have been reported to the Executive Board and there is not much meaningful update that could go through the Executive Board, noting that at that time, the preparations of the reporting on these resolutions to the UN-Habitat Assembly would be in process).
12. Briefing by the Executive Director on progress made in the implementation of the reform of the United Nations development system.	Proposed to be considered at the third session of 2023 (There is no urgent update foreseen under this item which could benefit from a better-quality update at the 2023 third session. It will give time to the Organisation to prepare a meaningful update and allow more significant discussions on the same by the Executive Board).
13. Annual report on action by UN-Habitat to strengthen protection against sexual exploitation and abuse and against sexual harassment and any other type of exploitation or abuse in the workplace.	Proposed to be retained
14. Annual report on action by the Executive Director to update and improve the internal management, policies and procedures of UN-Habitat.	Proposed to be considered at the third session of 2023 (There is no urgent update foreseen under this item which could benefit from a better-quality update at the 2023 third session. It will give time to the Organisation to prepare a meaningful update and allow more significant discussions on the same by the Executive Board).
15. Working methods of the Executive Board, including a review of the results of the survey conducted by the secretariat after the second session of 2022.	Proposed to be retained
16. Election of officers of the Bureau.	Proposed to be considered at the second session of 2023 in June 2023
17. Consideration and adoption of the outcomes of the session including the provisional Agenda for the next session of the Executive Board	Proposed to be retained
18. Other matters.	Proposed to be retained
19. Closure of the meeting.	Proposed to be retained