

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

AGENDA ITEM 6: BRIEFING ON THE UPCOMING RESUMED SECOND SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS HABITAT ASSEMBLY TO BE HELD IN MAY 2025

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DECISION 2/2: DATES OF THE RESUMED SECOND SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS HABITAT ASSEMBLY

The United Nations Habitat Assembly, in paragraph 1 of Decision 2/2 on the Dates of the resumed second session of the United Nations Habitat Assembly decided as follows:

"Decides, in accordance with rule 9 of the rules of procedure, **to adjourn its second regular session and to resume the session for a duration of two days, on 29 and 30 May 2025**, in order to achieve the alignment of the planning cycle of UN-Habitat with the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for the development of the United Nations system".



REVIEW OF THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE RESUMED SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE UN-HABITAT ASSEMBLY:

DECISION 2/2: AGENDA OF THE RESUMED SECOND SESSION OF THE UNITED NATIONS HABITAT ASSEMBLY

The United Nations Habitat Assembly, in paragraph 2 of Decision 2/2 decided that

the provisional Agenda for the resumed second session should be as follows:

- 1. Opening of the session.
- 2. Adoption of the agenda.
- 3. Report of the Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives.
- 4. Credentials of representatives.
- 5. Election of the members of the Executive Board.
- 6. Strategic plan for the period 2026–2029.
- 7. Adoption of the outcomes of the meeting.
- 8. Provisional agenda and other arrangements for the third session of the United Nations Habitat Assembly.
- 9. Election of officers.
- 10. Other matters.
- 11. Closure of the session.



THE RESUMED SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE UN-HABITAT ASSEMBLY

Provisions of rule 10, 11 and 12 on drawing up the provisional agenda and supplementary items

- The Bureau may wish to review , confirm and recommend the provisional Agenda which is to be adopted at the start of the resumed second regular session of the UN-Habitat Assembly.
- The provisional Agenda in line with rule 12 may or may not benefit from further supplementary items by:
 - a) The UN-Habitat Assembly;
 - (b) States Members of the United Nations and members of the United Nations specialized agencies;
 - (c) The General Assembly;
 - (d) The Economic and Social Council;
 - (e) The Executive Director.
- 4. In line with Rule 12, supplementary items must be presented for inclusion in that agenda not **less than 49 days in advance of the opening date** of the session, and be examined by the CPR at its preparatory meeting prior to the session.



2.THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE SECOND SESSION OF THE UN-HABITAT ASSEMBLY

Considerations for the review of the provisional Agenda

Any review of the provisional agenda may take into account the following:

 Resolutions and decisions adopted by the UN-Habitat Assmebly at its adjourned second session held from 6n to 9 June 2023 which require further action at the resumed second session.

For example:

- a. Consideration and adoption of the draft Smart Cities Guidelines in line with Resolution 2/1 of the UN-Habitat Assembly.
- b. Consideration and adoption of the draft stakeholder engagement policy in line with Decision 2/5 of the UN-Habitat Assembly
- The Bureau and Member States may also consider other items based on current or emerging issues given that the next session of the UN-Habitat Assembly will be in 2029. For example, the matters related to the Summit of the future and maintaining the relevance of sustainable urbanization in that regard.



3. KEY TIMELINES IN THE PREPARATIONS OF THE RESUMED SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE UN-HABITAT ASSEMBLY.



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a. Notification by the Executive Director by November 2024 (Rule 8)

- 1.The Executive Director shall send notification of the date of each session of the UN-Habitat Assembly and its provisional agenda to the following:
- (a) All States Members of the United Nations;
- (b) The chairs of the intersessional organs of the UN-Habitat Assembly, as appropriate;
- (c) The United Nations specialized agencies, related organizations and other United Nations bodies;
- (d) The entities, intergovernmental organizations and other entities referred to in rule 66;
- (e) The organizations referred to in rules 67 and 68 and other relevant stakeholders.
- 2. The notification shall be addressed to the President of the General Assembly, the President of the Economic and Social Council and the organizations and institutions referred to in rule 68.
- 3. The notification for a regular session, be sent in the official and working languages of the UN-Habitat Assembly, **not less than 6 months prior to the opening of the session.**
- A. Notification and Agenda for the second session must therefore be ready by end of September 2024 for editing and translation in time for distribution by 30 November 2024.

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b. Some key timelines in the roadmap

- **30 September 2024:** Submission to the Division of Conference Services the Notification and Provisional Agenda for editing and translation.
- 30 November 2024: Transmission of the Notification of the Executive Director and provisional Agenda in all six languages to Member States and key organs of the United Nations and partners.
- First week of December 2024: Second session of the Executive Board for the year 2024 with possible recommendations for the UN-Habitat Assembly, particularly n the draft Strategic plan 2026-2029 and the draft Stakeholder engagement policy
- January 2025: Invitations to high level Government officials for the second session of the Assembly, particularly Ministers of Foreign Affairs and line Ministers.

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b. Some key timelines in the roadmap

 End of March 2025- Early April 2025 : First session of the Executive Board for the year 2025 with final recommendations for the UN-Habitat Assembly.
March 2025: Final submission of supplementary items to the provisional Agenda of the session in line with Rule 10.3 for further consideration by the CPR.

• April 2025: Transmission of pre-session documents for the UN-Habitat Assembly to all Member States in all languages.

•26 -28 May 2025: third open-ended meeting of the CPR to prepare for the resumed second session of the UN-Habitat Assembly. And possibly for a high level mid-term review



Thank you!

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