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**Executive Board of the United Nations  
Human Settlements Programme  
Second session of 2024  
4-6 December 2024  
Item 2 (a) of the provisional agenda  
Organizational matters**

## **Update on the work of the 2024 Bureau of the Executive Board towards preparations of the session.**

1. The first session of the Executive Board for the year 2024 was held from 6 to 8 May 2024. At that session, the Executive Board decided that the 2024 second session of the Executive Board be held for a duration of three days from 4 to 6 December 2024.
2. In the intersessional period, the Bureau of the Executive Board met on 2 September 2024, 18 October 2024, 25 November 2024, and 2 December 2024 in preparations for the second session of the Executive Board for the year 2024.
3. The Bureau confirmed that the second session of the Executive Board for the year 2024 be held for a duration of three days from 4 to 6 December 2024 fully in-person at the UN-Habitat Headquarters in Nairobi.
4. The Bureau also reviewed the proposed provisional Agenda for the first session of the Executive Board based on Decision 2024/4 and recommended the following adjustments to the provisional Agenda:
  - i. An amendment to Agenda item 8 to include the outcomes of the Africa Urban Forum.
  - ii. An amendment to Agenda item 11 to include results of the assessment of the organizational effectiveness of UN-Habitat by the Multilateral Organization Performance Assessment Network.
  - iii. An addition of an item on “Follow-up on implementation of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the review of management and administration in UN-Habitat” which is now reflected as Agenda item 13.
5. The provisional Agenda for the second session of the Executive Board for the year 2024 as recommended by Bureau can be accessed [here](#).
6. The proposed organization of work for the second session of the Executive Board for the year 2024 as recommended by the Bureau can be accessed [here](#).

7. The Bureau also recommended that the draft technical inputs prepared by the Secretariat towards the draft decisions should be first considered by the ad hoc working group on programmatic budgetary and administrative matters during its informal consultations and subsequently by the Executive Board in its second session. The latest draft decisions as further discussed by the ad hoc working group on programmatic budgetary and administrative matters during its informal consultations prior to the session were forwarded by the Chair of the working Group (Colombia) to the Chair of the Executive Board. The Bureau recommended the draft Decisions for further consideration by the Executive Board at its second session for the year 2024.

8. The Bureau further considered the possible options for the elections for the next Bureau of the Executive Board and recommended that Bureau Members consult further on this matter within their Regional Groups.

9. The Bureau recommended that the Executive Board, as part of its workplan for 2025, considers a second session of the Executive Board for the year 2025, for purposes of electing the next Bureau of the Executive Board following the expected elections of the 36 Members of the Executive Board by the United Nations Habitat Assembly at its resumed second session to be held in May 2025.

10. The detailed summaries of discussions emanating from the meetings of the Bureau of the Executive Board can be accessed on the following link <https://unhabitat.org/governance/executive-board> under “Bureau” > “Bureau meetings of the Executive Board”.

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