



UN-HABITAT

2025 SECOND MEETING OF THE BUREAU OF EXECUTIVE BOARD

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1. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the provisional Agenda.
2. Preparations for the 2025 first session of the Executive Board to be held from 25 to 27 March 2025:
 - a. Organization of work to consider Ramadhan.
 - b. Status of documentation for the session.
 - c. Registration for the session.
 - d. Status of the draft outcomes to be considered by the Executive Board.
3. Dates of the second and third sessions of the Executive Board and elections of the next Bureau.
4. Consideration of dates and possible arrangements for second session of the open-ended Intergovernmental Expert Working Group on Adequate Housing for All.
5. Any other matters.

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2A. ORGANIZATION OF WORK TO CONSIDER RAMADHAN.

Day/date	Time (UTC + 3)	Agenda item
Tuesday, 25 March	9 a.m.to 12 noon	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Opening of the session. 2. Organizational matters: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Adoption of the agenda and the workplan for the first session of 2025; (b) Adoption of the report of the Executive Board on the work of its second session of 2024. 3.Reports of the chairs of the ad hoc working groups. 4.Financial, budgetary and administrative matters.
	12 noon to 1pm	Informal consultations on draft outcomes
	1.30 p.m.to 4.30pm	5.Update on the draft work programme of UN-Habitat and the draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2026.
	4.30pm to 5.30pm	Informal consultations on draft outcomes.
Wednesday, 26 March	9 a.m.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6.Update on the preparation of, and possible recommendation of, the draft strategic plan of UN-Habitat for the period 2026–2029. 7.Briefing on the Sustainable Cities and Communities Foundation.
	12 noon to 1pm	Informal consultations on draft outcomes.
	1.30 p.m.to 4.30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 8.Implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, including reporting on the programmatic activities of UN Habitat in 2024 and the implementation of its subprogrammes, flagship programmes and technical cooperation activities. 9.Update on the implementation of the resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly.
	4.30pm to 5.30pm	Informal consultations on draft outcomes.
Thursday, 27 March	9 a.m to 12 noon	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10.Implementation by UN-Habitat of the reform of the development system and management of the United Nations. 11.Action by UN-Habitat to strengthen protection against sexual or any other type of exploitation and abuse and against sexual harassment in the workplace. 12. Annual report on action by the Executive Director to update and improve the internal management, policies and procedures of UN-Habitat.
	12 noon to 1pm	Informal consultations on draft outcomes.
	1.30 p.m.to 4.30pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 13.Consideration and adoption of the outcomes of the session, including the provisional agenda for the second session of 2025. 14.Other matters. 15.Closure of the session

2B. STATUS OF DOCUMENTATION FOR THE SESSION

- All **pre-session documents** are now available online on the session's website at : <https://unhabitat.org/meetings/first-session-of-2025-of-the-executive-board>
- Availability of documents was communicated to all Member States on 26 February 2025, four weeks prior to the session
- Focus is on projected **in-session documents** : the latest financial status of the organization as at 28 February 2025, the draft strategic plan 2026 to 2029, and the draft international guidelines on people centered smart cities.

2C. REGISTRATION FOR THE SESSION

Online registration:

- Wednesday, **5 February 2025 to on Friday, 21 March 2025** at 12:00PM (UTC + 3:00), through UN-Habitat's Global Events Management System website.
- Member States requested to **upload** a Note Verbale or a formal communication reflecting the names of their representatives to the session when registering.

Onsite registration :

- Monday, 24 March 2025 from 08:00 to 16:00, East Africa Time (EAT).
- Tuesday, 25 March 2025 from 08:00 to 16:00, East Africa Time (EAT).

2D. STATUS OF THE DRAFT OUTCOMES TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

- The **draft outcomes** to be considered by the Executive Board contain four draft decisions as follows:
 1. Draft decision 2025/[A]: Financial, budgetary and administrative matters of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, the Sustainable Cities and Communities Foundation, draft work programme of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme and draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2026, and the strategic plan 2026-2029 of UN-Habitat.
 2. Draft decision 2025/[B]: Implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat.
 3. Draft Decision 2025/C: Update on the implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly.
 4. Draft decision 2025/D: Methods of work of the Executive Board and the workplan of the Executive Board for 2025.
- The outcomes are under discussions in the ad hoc working group on Programmatic, Budgetary and Administrative matters.

AGENDA ITEM 3 : DATES OF THE SECOND AND THIRD SESSIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND ELECTIONS OF THE NEXT BUREAU

3. DATES OF THE SECOND AND THIRD SESSIONS OF 2025

(a) Dates of the second session of the Executive Board for the year 2025:

- The 2025 second session of the Executive Board is proposed to be held on **30 May 2025** to elect a new Bureau of the Board.

(b) Dates of the third session of the Executive Board for the year 2025 and for the second open-ended expert working group on Housing

- **7-9 October**
- **21-24 October**
- **25-27 November**

3C: ELECTIONS OF THE NEXT BUREAU

- The **composition** of the next Bureau for the period 2025 to 2026 to be elected at the second session of 2025 is as follows:

Chair: Western European and Others – WEOG

Vice-Chairs:

- Asia-Pacific States :
- Eastern European States
- Latin American and Caribbean States

Rapporteur: African States

AGENDA ITEM 4: CONSIDERATION OF DATES AND POSSIBLE ARRANGEMENTS FOR SECOND SESSION OF THE OPEN-ENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON ADE-QUATE HOUSING FOR ALL.

4: ARRANGEMENTS FOR SECOND SESSION OF THE OPEN-ENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL EXPERT WORKING GROUP ON ADE-QUATE HOUSING FOR ALL

- The next meeting of the open-ended working group is to take place in Nairobi,
- Dates available are:
 - 7-9 October
 - 21-24 October
 - 25-27 November

- Budget constrains in 2025 for the second session of the expert working group
- An option to hosted outside Nairobi by a host country
- UN-Habitat remains committed to this important process.

5. ANY OTHER MATTERS.

Thank you!

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