

25–27 March 2025



PROGRAMME

2025 First session of the Executive Board of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

Nairobi

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The First session of the Executive Board of UN-Habitat for the year 2025 will be held in-person from 25 to 27 March 2025. This draft programme is indicative and may change as may be required in order to adapt to changing circumstances, with a view to ensure the efficient conduct of the meeting.

All timings indicated in this Programme are **East Africa Time**.

1. BUREAU MEETINGS PRIOR TO THE SESSION

Date	Time
Friday, 31 January 2025	10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon
Wednesday, 19 February 2025 (Expanded Bureau meeting with Chairs of Regional Groups)	10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon
Thursday, 6 March 2025	2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
Monday, 24 March 2025	10.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon

2. PRE-SESSION INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS BY MEMBER STATES ON DRAFT DECISIONS OF THE 2025 FIRST SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD UNDER THE AD-HOC WORKING GROUP ON PROGRAMMATIC, BUDGETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Date	Time
Monday 24 February 2025	1.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
Wednesday 5 March 2025	09.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon and 1.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.
Wednesday 12 March 2025	09.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon and 1.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

3. REGIONAL GROUPS CONSULTATIONS DURING THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Date	Region	Time
25 to 27 March 2025	African States	08.00 a.m. – 09.00 a.m.
25 to 27 March 2025	Asia-Pacific States	08.00 a.m. – 09.00 a.m.
25 to 27 March 2025	Latin America and the Caribbean States	08.00 a.m. – 09.00 a.m.
25 to 27 March 2025	Eastern European States	08.00 a.m. – 09.00 a.m.
25 to 27 March 2025	Western European and Other States	08.00 a.m. – 09.00 a.m.

4. PLENARY MEETINGS WITH FULL INTERPRETATION

Date	Morning	Afternoon
Tuesday 25 March 2025	9.00 a.m. – 12 noon	1.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.
Wednesday 26 March 2025	9.00 a.m. – 12 noon	1.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.
Thursday 27 March 2025	9.00 a.m. – 12 noon	1.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.

5. PLENARY MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Day 1, Tuesday, 25 March 2025

9.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon

AGENDA ITEM 1.

Opening of the session.

- Statement by Chair of the Executive Board
- Statement by the Director General of UNON
- Statement by the Republic of Kenya
- Statement by the Executive Director

AGENDA ITEM 2.

Organizational matters.

2 (a). Adoption of the agenda and the workplan for the first session of 2025

Documents:

- Provisional agenda (HSP/EB.2025/1)
- Annotated provisional agenda (HSP/EB.2025/1/Add.1)
- List of documents for the first session of 2025 of the Executive Board (HSP/EB.2025/INF/1)

2 (b). Adoption of the report of the Executive Board on the work of its second session of 2024

Documents:

- Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme on the work of its second session of 2024 (HSP/EB.2024/23)
- Decisions adopted by the Executive Board at its second session of 2024 (HSP/EB.2024/24)

AGENDA ITEM 3.

Reports of the chairs of the ad hoc working groups

Document:

- Draft stakeholder engagement policy (HSP/EB.2025/INF/2)

Consideration of Agenda item 3

AGENDA ITEM 4.

Financial, budgetary and administrative matters

Documents:

- Report of the Executive Director on the financial status of UN-Habitat as at 31 December 2024 (HSP/EB.2025/2)
- Report of the Executive Director on the financial status of UN-Habitat as at 28 February 2025 (set out in a conference room paper)
- Report of the Executive Director on the staffing of UN-Habitat as at 31 December 2024 (HSP/EB.2025/INF/3)
- Report of the Executive Director on recruitment, equitable geographical distribution and gender parity (HSP/EB.2025/INF/4)
- Report of the Executive Director on the status of the implementation of the recommendations of the report of the Board of Auditors (HSP/EB.2025/INF/5)

Consideration of Agenda item 4.

12.00 noon – 1.00 p.m.

Informal consultations on draft decisions

Document: Draft decisions to be recommended by the Bureau and Member States, as prepared through informal consultations under the Ad-Hoc Working Group on programmatic, budgetary and administrative matters.

5. PLENARY MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

1.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 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

Documents:

- Report of the Executive Director on the draft work programme of UN-Habitat and the draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2026 (HSP/EB.2025/3)
- Draft work programme of UN-Habitat and draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2026 (HSP/EB.2025/INF/6)

Consideration of Agenda item 5.

4.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.

Informal consultations on draft decisions

Document:

- Draft decisions to be recommended by the Bureau and Member States, as prepared through informal consultations under the Ad-Hoc Working Group on programmatic, budgetary and administrative matters.

Day 2, Wednesday, 26 March 2025

9.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon

AGENDA ITEM 6.

Update on the preparation of, and possible recommendation of, the draft strategic plan of UN-Habitat for the period 2026–2029

Documents:

- Report of the Executive Director on the development of the strategic plan of UN-Habitat for the period 2026–2029 (HSP/EB.2025/4)
- Draft strategic plan of UN-Habitat for the period 2026–2029 (HSP/EB.2025/INF/7)

Consideration of Agenda item 6.

AGENDA ITEM 7.

Briefing on the Sustainable Cities and Communities Foundation

Document:

- Report of the Executive Director on the Sustainable Cities and Communities Foundations (HSP/EB.2025/5)

Consideration of Agenda item 7.

12.00 noon – 1.00 p.m.

Informal consultations on draft decisions

Document:

- Draft decisions to be recommended by the Bureau and Member States, as prepared through informal consultations under the Ad-Hoc Working Group on programmatic, budgetary and administrative matters.

5. PLENARY MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

1.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 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 UN-Habitat subprogrammes, flagship programmes and technical cooperation activities

Documents:

- Report of the Executive Director on normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, including updates on the Ethiopia and Central America programmes, capacity development initiatives, urban crises prevention and response, and activities for the period July–December 2024 (HSP/EB.2025/6)
- Report of the Executive Director on the implementation plan of the UN-Habitat capacity-building strategy for 2025 (HSP/EB.2025/INF/8)
- Report of the Executive Director on UN-Habitat activities for the period July–December 2024 (HSP/EB.2025/INF/9)

Consideration of Agenda item 8.

AGENDA ITEM 9.

Update on the implementation of the resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly

Documents:

- Report of the Executive Director on the implementation of resolutions adopted by the United Nations Habitat Assembly (HSP/EB.2025/7)
- Draft International Guidelines on people-centred smart cities (HSP/EB.2025/INF/10)

Consideration of Agenda item 9.

4.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.

Informal consultations on draft decisions

Document:

- Draft decisions to be recommended by the Bureau and Member States, as prepared through informal consultations under the Ad-Hoc Working Group on programmatic, budgetary and administrative matters.

Day 3, Thursday, 27 March 2025

9.00 a.m. – 12.00 noon

AGENDA ITEM 10.

Implementation by UN-Habitat of the reform of the development system and management of the United Nations

Documents:

- Note by the secretariat on the implementation of the United Nations development system reform in UN-Habitat (HSP/EB.2025/8)
- Checklist on the implementation of the reform of the United Nations development system by UN-Habitat (HSP/EB.2025/INF/11)

Consideration of Agenda item 10.

AGENDA ITEM 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

Document:

- Report of the Executive Director on action by UN-Habitat to strengthen protection against sexual and any other type of exploitation and abuse and against sexual harassment in the workplace (HSP/EB.2025/9)

Consideration of Agenda item 11.

5. PLENARY MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

AGENDA ITEM 12.

Annual report on action by the Executive Director to update and improve the internal management, policies and procedures of UN-Habitat

Document:

- Report of the Executive Director on actions to update and improve the internal management, policies and procedures of UN-Habitat (HSP/EB.2025/10)

Consideration of Agenda item 12.

12.00 noon – 1.00 p.m.

Informal consultations on draft decisions

Document:

- Draft decisions to be recommended by the Bureau and Member States, as prepared through informal consultations under the Ad-Hoc Working Group on programmatic, budgetary and administrative matters.

1.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 13.

Consideration and adoption of the outcomes of the session, including the provisional agenda for the second session of 2025

Document:

- Results of the survey conducted by the secretariat following the second session of the Executive Board of 2024 to evaluate the effectiveness of that session - Note by the secretariat (HSP/EB.2025/INF/12)
- Draft outcomes of the session (in-session document to be set out in a conference room paper) (HSP/EB.2025/CRP.1)

Consideration of Agenda item 13.

AGENDA ITEM 14.

Other matters

Consideration of Agenda item 14

AGENDA ITEM 15.

Closure of the session