



**Joint Bureaux meeting of the Bureau of the UN-Habitat Assembly including Bureau of  
the CPR, with the Bureau of the Executive Board  
Wednesday, 21 May 2025  
16:30 – 18:00 EAT**

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**Speaking notes for the Chair of the Executive Board**

**Mr. Clément Payeur, Deputy Permanent Representative of France to UN-Habitat**

**On behalf of**

**H.E. Mr. Arnaud Suquet, Permanent Representative of France and Chair of the  
Executive Board**

**Agenda item 3: Review of the latest programme of the third OECPR and the resumed  
second session of the Assembly including special events.**

- Thank you, Mr. President. It is my pleasure to attend today's meeting.
- The agenda of the second session of the Executive Board is very straightforward: to elect officers of the Bureau of the Executive Board and to agree on the agenda for the third session.
- On the agenda of the third session of the Executive Board of 2025, it was reviewed and recommended by the Bureau of the Executive Board at its meeting on 16 April 2025. It will also be circulated to all Member States as an in-session document.
- I want to highlight that there is no room for negotiations or discussions on the draft agenda, and I hope we can avoid any discussion on this matter at the Board meeting.
- In this context I also wish to recall that - as per established practice - the agenda will in any case be further reviewed in detail by the Bureau of the Executive Board in advance of the next session, before its formal adoption at the opening of the third meeting.
- I propose that we request the secretariat to prepare a draft decision on the agenda for the 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting that will also include a clarification that reflects that the agenda will be further reviewed by the Bureau of the Executive Board.
- With regard to the election of the Bureau of the new Executive Board, we can only hope that there will be a clean slate presented by all regional groups. If not, I am sure that the secretariat is ready to support the voting by secret ballot.
- With that, I thank you Mr. President and back to you.