



UN-HABITAT

Executive Board of the United Nations
Human Settlements Programme
Third session of 2025
Nairobi, 25 and 26 November 2025
Item 2 (a) of the provisional agenda*

**Organizational matters: adoption of the agenda and the
workplan for the third session of 2025**

Annotated provisional agenda

Item 1

Opening of the session

1. The Executive Board of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) held its first session of 2025 from 25 to 27 March 2025. The report of the Executive Board on its work at that session is set out in document HSP/EB.2025/14, and the decisions adopted by the Board at the session are set out in document HSP/EB.2025/12.
2. At that session, in decision 2025/4, the Executive Board decided that its second session of 2025 would be held on 30 May 2025 in conjunction with the resumed second session of the United Nations Habitat Assembly (UN-Habitat Assembly), in a manner that did not conflict with the proceedings of the session of the Assembly. The Board also decided that its third session of 2025 would be held for a duration of two days on 25 and 26 November 2025.
3. Subsequently, the second session was held on 30 May 2025. The report of the Executive Board on the work of that session is set out in document HSP/EB.2025/15.
4. At its second session of 2025, the Executive Board decided on the provisional agenda for its third session of 2025, subject to additional consideration by the Bureau in accordance with paragraph 2 of rule 10 of the rules of procedure of the Executive Board.
5. The Board also elected its Bureau for the period 2025–2026. The geographical distribution of the Bureau that will preside over the conduct of the third session of 2025 is as follows:

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| Chair: | Germany (Western European and other States) |
| Vice-Chairs: | China (Asia-Pacific States) |
| | Slovakia (Eastern European States) |
| | Brazil (Latin American and Caribbean States) |
| Rapporteur: | Cameroon (African States) |
6. Under item 1 of the provisional agenda, the Chair will declare the third session of 2025 of the Executive Board open and propose the procedures to be applied for the session.

The Chair of the Executive Board will open the session.

* HSP/EB.2025/16.

Item 2**Organizational matters****(a) Adoption of the agenda and the workplan for the third session of 2025**

7. Under this sub-item, the Chair will propose the organization of work for the session, which is expected to be held fully in person. The Chair will inform the members that plenary meetings will be held from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and from 2 to 5 p.m. each day with interpretation in the six official languages of the United Nations.

8. The Executive Board will consider and adopt the draft provisional agenda for the session and decide on the organization of its work. The proposed timetable and organization of work can be found in the notification by the Executive Director of UN-Habitat, while the provisional agenda as decided upon in decision 2025/5 and further recommended by the Bureau is set out in document HSP/EB.2025/16.

The Executive Board is expected to adopt the agenda and agree on the workplan for the third session of 2025.

Documentation

Provisional agenda (HSP/EB.2025/16)

Annotated provisional agenda (HSP/EB.2025/16/Add.1)

List of documents for the third session of 2025 of the Executive Board (HSP/EB.2025/INF/13)

(b) Adoption of the report of the Executive Board on the work of its first session of 2025

9. Under this sub-item, and on the basis of a recommendation by the Rapporteur, the Executive Board will be invited to adopt the report on the work of its first session of 2025.

The Executive Board is expected to consider and adopt the report on the work of its first session of 2025.

Documentation

Draft report of the Executive Board of UN-Habitat on the work of its first session of 2025 (HSP/EB.2025/14)

Decisions adopted by the Executive Board at its first session of 2025 (HSP/EB.2025/12)

(c) Adoption of the report of the Executive Board on the work of its second session of 2025

10. Under this sub-item, and on the basis of a recommendation by the Rapporteur, the Executive Board will be invited to adopt the report on the work of its second session of 2025.

The Executive Board is expected to consider and adopt the report on the work of its second session of 2025.

Documentation

Draft report of the Executive Board of UN-Habitat on the work of its second session of 2025 (HSP/EB.2025/15)

Item 3**Report by the chair of the ad hoc working group on programmatic, budgetary and administrative matters of the Executive Board**

11. In accordance with the decisions of the Executive Board, and in particular paragraph 7 of decision 2019/2, in which the Board decided to establish an ad hoc working group on programmatic, budgetary and administrative matters, the chair of the working group will be invited to report to the Executive Board on the work of the group, including on possible draft decisions for consideration by and recommendations to the Executive Board.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the report of the chair of the ad hoc working group and provide further guidance on the formulation of the outcomes of the session as appropriate.

Item 4**Report by the Co-Chairs of the Open-ended Intergovernmental Expert Working Group on Adequate Housing for All**

12. In accordance with UN-Habitat Assembly resolution 2/7 establishing the Open-ended Intergovernmental Expert Working Group on Adequate Housing for All, the Co-Chairs of the Working Group will report to the Executive Board on the Working Group's activities.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the report of the Co-Chairs and provide guidance as appropriate.

Documentation

Report of the Open-ended Intergovernmental Expert Working Group on Adequate Housing for All on the work of its first session (HSP/OEWG-H.2024/8)

Report of the Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on Adequate Housing for All on the work of its second session (if available)

Item 5**Financial, budgetary and administrative matters, including updates on the structure and human resources of UN-Habitat and an updated draft version of the scalability model for the non-earmarked budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation**

13. Under this item, the secretariat will introduce the report of the Executive Director on the financial status of UN-Habitat as at 30 June 2025 and 30 September 2025, in accordance with paragraph 5 of decision 2019/4 of the Executive Board.

14. In addition, in accordance with paragraph 8 of decision 2025/1, the Executive Director will provide a briefing to the Executive Board on the structure and human resources of UN-Habitat, in particular with regard to posts funded from the United Nations regular budget and the non-earmarked budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation.

15. The Executive Director will also provide a briefing to the Executive Board on financial, budgetary and administrative matters of UN-Habitat.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the briefing and of the relevant documentation and provide further guidance on the formulation of the outcomes of the session as appropriate.

Documentation

Report of the Executive Director on the financial status of UN-Habitat as at 30 June 2025 (HSP/EB.2025/17)

Report of the Executive Director on the financial status of UN-Habitat as at 30 September 2025 (in-session document)

Report of the Executive Director on updates on the structure and human resources of UN-Habitat and an updated draft version of the scalability model for the non-earmarked budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation (HSP/EB.2025/INF/14)

Item 6**Implementation of the strategic plan of UN-Habitat****(a) Annual report for 2024 on the implementation of the strategic plan for the period 2020–2025**

16. Pursuant to decision 2025/5, under this sub-item, the Executive Board will be invited to consider the annual report for 2024 on the implementation of the strategic plan of UN-Habitat for the period 2020–2025.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the briefing and of the relevant documentation and provide further guidance on the formulation of the outcomes of the session as appropriate.

Documentation

Summary of the annual report for 2024 on the strategic plan for the period 2020–2025 (HSP/EB.2025/18)

(b) Update on the structure and division of responsibilities within the organization for the implementation of the strategic plan for the period 2026–2029

17. In accordance with paragraph 8 of decision 2025/1, the Executive Director will provide a briefing to the Executive Board on the proposed structure and division of responsibilities within UN-Habitat for the implementation of the strategic plan for the period 2026–2029.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the briefing and of the relevant documentation and provide further guidance on the formulation of the outcomes of the session as appropriate.

Documentation

Updated structure and division of responsibilities for the implementation of the strategic plan for the period 2026–2029 (HSP/EB.2025/19)

(c) Draft monitoring framework for the strategic plan for the period 2026–2029

18. In accordance with paragraph 2 of decision 2/6 of the UN-Habitat Assembly, the Executive Director will present to the Executive Board the proposed monitoring framework in line with a results-based management approach for the strategic plan for the period 2026–2029.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the briefing and of the relevant documentation and consider the proposed monitoring framework for possible approval.

Documentation

Draft monitoring framework for the strategic plan for the period 2026–2029 (HSP/EB.2025/20)

Strategic plan of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme for the period 2026–2029 (HSP/HA.2/13/Rev.1)

Item 7**Consideration and possible approval of the draft work programme of UN-Habitat and the draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2026**

19. In accordance with decision 2025/1, under this item the Executive Director will present the draft annual work programme of UN-Habitat and the draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2026, taking into account feedback from the Committee for Programme and Coordination and from the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions for further consideration and possible approval by the Executive Board.

The Executive Board may wish to consider the draft annual work programme of UN-Habitat and the draft budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for 2026 for approval.

Documentation

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.2025/21)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions 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.2025/21/Add.1)

Item 8**Normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, including reporting on the programmatic activities of UN-Habitat and the implementation of subprogrammes, flagship programmes and technical cooperation activities and the engagement of UN-Habitat in countries, territories and areas affected by conflict and disaster**

20. In accordance with paragraph 6 (b) of decision 2019/4, paragraphs 4 and 5 of decision 2024/6 and paragraph 1 of decision 2025/2, under this item, the Executive Director will provide a briefing on the implementation of the normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, including reporting on the programmatic activities of UN-Habitat in 2025 and the implementation of its subprogrammes, flagship programmes and technical cooperation activities, and UN-Habitat engagement in countries, territories and areas affected by conflicts and disasters.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the briefing and of the relevant documentation and provide further guidance on the formulation of the outcomes of the session as appropriate.

Documentation

Report of the Executive Director on normative and operational activities of UN-Habitat, focusing on updates from the Nigeria and Philippines country programmes, trends and innovations in cooperation with local and regional governments, and initiatives on urban crises prevention and response (HSP/EB.2025/22)

Report of the Executive Director on activities of UN-Habitat for the period January–June 2025 (HSP/EB.2025/INF/15)

Report on the transition of flagship programmes (HSP/EB.2025/INF/16)

Report of the Executive Director on efforts to reconstruct human settlements affected by conflict in Ukraine (HSP/EB.2025/INF/17)

Item 9

Preparations for the thirteenth session of the World Urban Forum

21. Under this item, the Executive Director will brief the Executive Board on the status of preparations for the thirteenth session of the World Urban Forum.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the briefing and of the relevant documentation and provide further guidance on the formulation of the outcomes of the session as appropriate.

Documentation

Report of the Executive Director on preparations for the thirteenth session of the World Urban Forum (HSP/EB.2025/23)

Item 10

Preparations for the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the midterm review of the New Urban Agenda

22. Under this item, the Executive Director will brief the Executive Board on the preparations for the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the midterm review of the New Urban Agenda, to be held in 2026 in accordance with General Assembly resolution 79/214.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the briefing and of the relevant documentation and provide further guidance on the formulation of the outcomes of the session as appropriate.

Documentation

Update on the preparations for the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the midterm review of the New Urban Agenda (in-session document)

General Assembly resolution 79/214 on implementation of the outcomes of the United Nations Conferences on Human Settlements and on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)

Item 11

Reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services and of the Ethics Office to the Executive Board

23. In accordance with paragraph 6 (c) of decision 2019/4, under this item, the secretariat will provide a briefing on the reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services and of the Ethics Office.

The Executive Board may wish to take note of the briefing and of the relevant documentation and provide further guidance on the formulation of the outcomes of the session as appropriate.

Documentation

Summary of the reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services and of the Ethics Office to the Executive Board (HSP/EB.2025/24)

Item 12

Consideration and adoption of the outcomes of the session, including the provisional agenda for the first session of 2026

24. Under this item, the Executive Board will consider draft decisions and outcomes of its third session of 2025.

25. The Executive Board will also consider the provisional agenda for its first session of 2026 and decide on the dates for that session as part of the outcomes of the third session of 2025.

The Executive Board is expected to consider and adopt any draft decisions of its third session of 2025 and agree on the dates and draft provisional agenda for its first session of 2026.

Documentation

In-session draft decisions to be submitted by the Bureau and Member States (to be set out in a conference room paper)

Item 13

Other matters

26. Under this item, the Executive Board may wish to consider any other matters that, although not covered under any particular agenda item, are deemed to warrant its attention.

Item 14

Closure of the session

27. It is expected that the Executive Board will conclude the work of its third session of 2025 by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, 26 November 2025.
