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Item 2 of the provisional agenda

**Organization of work****Note by the secretariat**

1. The secretariat has prepared the proposed organization of work for the seventh special session of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) to facilitate the consideration of the agenda items within set time limitations. The Commission will consider the proposed organization of work set out in the present document, and will adopt it in its current or amended form.
2. The Commission will hold an opening meeting at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 20 December 2022. Two meetings will be convened on each of the two days of the session, one in the morning and another in the afternoon, as shown in the proposed organization of work. The Commission will conclude its proceedings at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, 21 December 2022.
3. Each presentation made by the ESCWA secretariat will last around 10 minutes, followed by a discussion lasting 30 minutes. Should the discussion of an item be completed before the specified time, discussion of the next item will begin.

Proposed organization of work

Date/time	Agenda item and documentation	
<u>Tuesday, 20 December 2022</u>		
Morning		
9–10 a.m.		Registration of participants.
10–10.15 a.m.	<u>Item 1</u>	Opening of the session. Speech by the representative of Tunisia, Chair of the thirtieth ESCWA session. Speech by the representative of the ESCWA secretariat.
10.15 a.m.–1 p.m.		First meeting
	<u>Item 2</u>	Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters. <i>For discussion</i> Provisional agenda and annotations E/ESCWA/S-7/L.1/Rev.1 Organization of work E/ESCWA/S-7/L.2
	<u>Item 3</u>	Consideration of a request from Djibouti for ESCWA membership. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/S-7/3
		Follow-up issues
	<u>Item 4</u>	Implementation of recommendations made by the Executive Committee at its eighth meeting. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/S-7/4
	<u>Item 5</u>	Activities of the ESCWA Technology Centre. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/S-7/5–E/ESCWA/C.8/2022/6
	<u>Item 6</u>	Activities of the Arab Centre for Climate Change Policies. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/S-7/6

Date/time	Agenda item and documentation
<u>Tuesday, 20 December 2022 (continued)</u>	
Afternoon	
2–5 p.m.	Second meeting
	Follow-up issues (continued)
<u>Item 7</u>	<p>Outcomes of the Arab Forum for Sustainable Development 2022. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/S-7/7</p>
	Regional and global issues
<u>Item 8</u>	<p>Survey of economic and social developments in the Arab region. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/S-7/8</p>
<u>Item 9</u>	<p>ESCWA support to Arab least developed countries: Yemen vision for recovery and development. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/S-7/9</p>
<u>Item 10</u>	<p>Digital transformation in the Arab region and ESCWA efforts to support its acceleration. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/S-7/10</p>
<u>Wednesday, 21 December 2022</u>	
Morning	
9 a.m.–1 p.m.	Third meeting
	Regional and global issues (continued)
<u>Item 11</u>	<p>Land electric mobility in the Arab region: options and opportunities. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/S-7/11</p>
<u>Item 12</u>	<p>Preparing transport professions in the Arab region and future challenges. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/S-7/12-E/ESCWA/C.5/2022/8</p>

Date/time	Agenda item and documentation
<u>Wednesday, 21 December 2022</u> (<i>continued</i>)	
Third meeting (continued)	
Programmatic issues	
<u>Item 13</u>	Proposal for the establishment of an Arab integrated road safety observatory.
	<i>For discussion</i>
	Document E/ESCWA/S-7/13
<u>Item 14</u>	Proposal for the establishment of an ESCWA centre for advancing emissions reduction.
	<i>For discussion</i>
	Document E/ESCWA/S-7/14
Afternoon	
2–5 p.m.	Fourth meeting
Programmatic issues (continued)	
<u>Item 15</u>	Reports of the Commission’s subsidiary bodies.
	<i>For discussion</i>
	(a) Report of the Committee on Transport and Logistics on its twenty-second session (E/ESCWA/C.5/2021/8/Report);
	(b) Reports of the Committee on Women on its ninth session (E/ESCWA/C.7/2019/13/Report) and tenth session (E/ESCWA/C.7/2021/8/Report);
	(c) Report of the Committee on Financing for Development in the States members of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia on its second session (E/ESCWA/C.9/2021/12/Report);
	(d) Report of the Committee on Water Resources on its fourteenth session (E/ESCWA/C.4/2021/6/Report);
	(e) Report of the Committee on Energy on its thirteenth session (E/ESCWA/C.3/2021/8/Report).
<u>Item 16</u>	Proposed programme plan for 2024.
	<i>For discussion</i>
	Document E/ESCWA/S-7/16
<u>Item 17</u>	Other matters.
<u>Item 18</u>	Adoption of the resolutions and recommendations made by the Commission at its seventh special session.
	<i>Draft resolutions and recommendations will be submitted for discussion and adoption.</i>
