

**Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)**

Committee on Women
Eleventh session
Beirut, 10-11 October 2023

Item 3 of the provisional agenda

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

1. The secretariat of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) has prepared the proposed organization of work for the eleventh session of the Committee on Women to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within set time limitations. The Committee will be presented with the proposed organization of work contained in the present document and will adopt it in its current or amended form.
2. The eleventh session of the Committee on Women will open in Beirut at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 10 October 2023. The Committee is scheduled to hold two meetings on each of the two days of the session and conclude its proceedings at 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 11 October 2023.
3. Each presentation by the ESCWA secretariat will last 20 to 30 minutes, and the remaining time will be allocated for discussions. If the discussion of an agenda item is concluded ahead of schedule, the next agenda item will be brought forward.

Proposed organization of work

Date/Time	Agenda item and documentation	
<u>Tuesday, 10 October 2023</u>		
9.30–10 a.m.		Registration of participants.
10–10.15 a.m.	<u>Item 1</u>	<p>Opening of the session.</p> <p>Statement by the representative of Kuwait, which chaired the tenth session of the Committee.</p> <p>Statement by the ESCWA secretariat.</p>
10.15 a.m.–1 p.m.		First meeting
	<u>Item 2</u>	Election of officers.
	<u>Item 3</u>	<p>Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.</p> <p><i>For discussion</i></p> <p>Provisional agenda and annotations E/ESCWA/C.7/2023/L.1</p> <p>Organization of work E/ESCWA/C.7/2023/L.2</p>
		Follow-up issues
	<u>Item 4</u>	<p>Implementation of activities on women's issues under the ESCWA programme plan and of recommendations made by the Committee at its tenth session.</p> <p><i>For discussion</i></p> <p>Document E/ESCWA/C.7/2023/3</p>
	<u>Item 5</u>	<p>Technical cooperation activities.</p> <p><i>For discussion</i></p> <p>Document E/ESCWA/C.7/2023/4</p>
	<u>Item 6</u>	<p>Supporting the Subcommittee on Gender Equality and the Sustainable Development Goals.</p> <p><i>For discussion</i></p> <p>Document E/ESCWA/C.7/2023/5</p>
2–5 p.m.		Second meeting
	<u>Item 7</u>	<p>National action to implement the recommendations made by the Committee on Women at its tenth session.</p> <p><i>For discussion</i></p> <p>Country presentations and document E/ESCWA/C.7/2023/6</p>

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<u>Tuesday, 10 October 2023</u> (<i>continued</i>)	
2–5 p.m.	Second meeting
<u>Item 8</u>	Women’s economic empowerment as a catalyst for prosperous national economies.
	Document E/ESCWA/C.7/2023/7
<u>Item 8 (a)</u>	Legislative reforms for women’s economic empowerment in the Arab region.
	<i>For discussion</i>
	Document E/ESCWA/C.7/2023/7(Part I)
<u>Wednesday, 11 October 2023</u>	
9 a.m.–1 p.m.	Third meeting
	Women’s economic empowerment as a catalyst for prosperous national economies (<i>continued</i>)
<u>Item 8 (b)</u>	Safe, accessible, efficient and affordable transport systems as enablers of women’s economic empowerment.
	<i>For discussion</i>
	Document E/ESCWA/C.7/2023/7(Part II)
<u>Item 8 (c)</u>	Addressing sexual harassment in the public sphere.
	<i>For discussion</i>
	Document E/ESCWA/C.7/2023/7(Part III)
<u>Item 8 (d)</u>	Access to land, property and immovable assets and women’s entrepreneurship.
	<i>For discussion</i>
	Document E/ESCWA/C.7/2023/7(Part IV)
2–5 p.m.	Fourth meeting
<u>Item 8 (e)</u>	Advancing care policies in Arab countries.
	<i>For discussion</i>
	Document E/ESCWA/C.7/2023/7(Part V)
<u>Item 8 (f)</u>	Gender-inclusive social protection for fostering women’s economic empowerment.
	<i>For discussion</i>
	Document E/ESCWA/C.7/2023/7(Part VI)

Date/Time

Agenda item and documentation

Wednesday, 11 October 2023 (*continued*)

2–5 p.m.

Item 9 Date and venue of the twelfth session of the Committee on Women.

Item 10 Other matters.

Item 11 Adoption of recommendations made by the Committee on Women at its eleventh session.

The draft recommendations will be submitted for consideration and adoption.
