

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

Committee on Water Resources
Fifteenth session
Beirut, 19–20 June 2023



Item 3 of the provisional agenda

Organization of work

Note by the secretariat

1. The secretariat of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) has prepared the present organization of work for the fifteenth session of the Committee on Water Resources to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within time limits. The Committee will be presented with the proposed organization of work contained in the present document and will adopt it in that or an amended form.
2. The Committee will start its meetings at 9 a.m. on Monday, 19 June 2023. It is scheduled to hold four meetings in the two days of the session, as set out in the present document. The session will conclude on Tuesday, 20 June 2023 at 5 p.m.
3. Each presentation given by the secretariat shall be limited to 10–15 minutes, to be followed by a discussion of about 30 minutes. Should the discussion of an agenda item be concluded ahead of schedule, the next agenda item will be introduced.
4. As part of the proceedings of its fifteenth session, the Committee on Water Resources will hold a joint meeting with the ESCWA Committee on Energy on the theme “Advancing the climate change agenda in the water and energy sectors” on Tuesday, 20 June 2023 from 2 to 4 p.m.

Proposed organization of work

Date/time	Agenda item and documentation	
<u>Monday, 19 June 2023</u>		
Morning session		
8.30–9 a.m.		Registration of participants.
9–9.30 a.m.	<u>Item 1</u>	Opening of the session.
	<u>Item 2</u>	Election of officers.
9.30 a.m.–12.30 p.m.		First meeting
	<u>Item 3</u>	Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters. <i>For discussion</i> Provisional agenda and annotations E/ESCWA/C.4/2023/L.1 Organization of work E/ESCWA/C.4/2023/L.2
		Follow-up issues
	<u>Item 4</u>	Implementation of activities under the ESCWA programme plan and of recommendations made by the Committee on Water Resources at its fourteenth session to the ESCWA secretariat. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2023/3
		Water security in the Arab region
	<u>Item 5</u>	Improved groundwater management through innovative knowledge tools. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2023/4
Afternoon session		
1.30–4.30 p.m.		Second meeting
		Water security in the Arab region
	<u>Item 6</u>	Midterm comprehensive review of the Water Action Decade in the Arab region. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2023/5
	<u>Item 7</u>	Water sector finance. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2023/6

Date/time	Agenda item and documentation
Tuesday, 20 June 2023	
Morning session	
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Third meeting
	Water security in the Arab region (<i>continued</i>)
	<u>Item 8</u> Round-table discussion: Progress towards water-related Sustainable Development Goals in the Arab region.
	<i>For discussion</i>
	Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2023/7
	Programmatic issues
	<u>Item 9</u> Proposed programme plan for 2024 in the field of water resources in the light of regional priorities for the period 2021-2025.
	<i>For discussion</i>
	Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2023/8
Afternoon session	
2–5 p.m.	Fourth meeting
	Joint meeting of the ESCWA Committee on Water Resources and the ESCWA Committee on Energy on “Advancing the climate change agenda in the water and energy sectors”.
	<i>For discussion</i>
	Document E/ESCWA/C.3/2023/CRP.1- E/ESCWA/C.4/2023/CRP.1
	<u>Item 10</u> Date and venue of the sixteenth session of the Committee on Water Resources.
	<u>Item 11</u> Other matters.
	<u>Item 12</u> Adoption of recommendations made by the Committee on Water Resources at its fifteenth session.
	<i>Draft recommendations will be submitted for discussion and adoption.</i>
