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Committee on Social Development
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Cairo, 3 June 2024



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 proposed organization of work for the fifteenth session of the Committee on Social Development to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within time limitations. The proposed organization of work is presented to the Committee for adoption in its current or amended form.
2. The Committee will hold an opening meeting at 9.30 a.m. on Monday, 3 June 2024, in Cairo. It is scheduled to hold two meetings on that day and conclude its proceedings at 5 p.m.
3. Each presentation made by the representative of the ESCWA secretariat will last 10 to 15 minutes to allow time for discussions. Should the discussion of an item be completed in less than the specified time, participants will move on to the next item.

Proposed organization of work

Date/Time	Agenda item and documentation	
<u>Monday, 3 June 2024</u>		
9.00-9.30 a.m.		Registration of participants.
9.30-10.00 a.m.	<u>Item 1</u>	Opening of the session. Statement by the representative of the State that chaired the fourteenth session of the Committee. Statement by the ESCWA secretariat.
10.00 a.m.-1 p.m.		First meeting
	<u>Item 2</u>	Election of officers.
	<u>Item 3</u>	Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters. <i>For discussion</i> Provisional agenda and annotations E/ESCWA/C.2/2024/L.1 Organization of work E/ESCWA/C.2/2024/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 Social Development at its fourteenth session. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/C.2/2024/3
	<u>Item 5</u>	Technical cooperation activities. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/C.2/2024/4
	<u>Item 6</u>	Activities of the Intersessional Group of Experts on Disability. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/C.2/2024/5
	<u>Item 7</u>	Activities of the Expert Group on Social Protection Reform. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/C.2/2024/6

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Monday, 3 June 2024 (*continued*)

2 p.m.-5 p.m.

Second meeting

- Item 8 Reducing inequality in times of crisis.
For discussion
Document E/ESCWA/C.2/2024/7
- Item 9 Growth and inequality challenges and responses in the Arab region.
For discussion
Document E/ESCWA/C.2/2024/8
- Item 10 The squeezing of the middle class in the Arab region.
For discussion
Document E/ESCWA/C.2/2024/9
- Item 11 Date and venue of the sixteenth session of the Committee on Social Development.
- Item 12 Other matters.
- Item 13 Adoption of the recommendations made by the Committee at its fifteenth session.

Draft recommendations will be submitted for discussion and adoption.
