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

Statistical Committee  
Twelfth session  
Beirut, 4-5 April 2017

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 of the twelfth session of the Statistical Committee in order to facilitate the consideration of the agenda items within the time limitations. The Committee will be presented with the proposed organization of work contained in the next section of this document and shall adopt it in that or an amended form.
2. The first meeting of the twelfth session will be convened at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 4 April 2017. The Committee is scheduled to hold two meetings, one in the morning and one in the afternoon, on each of the two days of the session. It will conclude its proceedings at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, 5 April 2017.
3. Each presentation made by the secretariat shall last 10 to 15 minutes and the following discussion 30 to 45 minutes. Should the discussion of one item be completed in less than the specified time, the discussion will move on to the next item.

### Proposed organization of work

| Date/time                    | Agenda item and documentation   |
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| <u>Tuesday, 4 April 2017</u> |   |
| <b>Morning session</b>       |   |
| 9-10 a.m.                    | Registration of participants.   |
| 10 a.m.-1 p.m.               | <u>Item 1</u> Opening of the session.   |
|                              | <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/SD/2017/IG.1/L.1<br>Organization of work E/ESCWA/SD/2017/IG.1/L.2    |
|                              | <u>Item 4</u> Actions taken in the field of statistics since the previous session of the Statistical Committee: |
|                              | (a) Technical Advisory Group on Demographic and Social Statistics;  |
|                              | <i>For discussion</i>   |
|                              | Document E/ESCWA/SD/2017/IG.1/3(Part I)   |
|                              | (b) Technical Advisory Group on Economic Statistics;  |
|                              | <i>For discussion</i>   |
|                              | Document E/ESCWA/SD/2017/IG.1/3(Part II)  |
|                              | (c) Implementation of statistics-related activities under the programme of work for 2015 and 2016;              |
|                              | <i>For discussion</i>   |
|                              | Document E/ESCWA/SD/2017/IG.1/3(Part III)   |
|                              | (d) Implementation of recommendations made by the Committee   |
|                              | <i>For discussion</i>   |
|                              | Document E/ESCWA/SD/2017/IG.1/3(Part IV)  |

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| <u>Tuesday, 4 April 2017</u>   |                                     |  |
| <b>Afternoon session</b>       |                                     |  |
| 2-4 p.m.                       | <u>Item 5</u>                       | <p>Role of official statistics in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the Arab region:</p> <p>(a) Data availability on the Sustainable Development Goals;</p> <p><i>For discussion</i></p> <p>Document E/ESCWA/SD/2017/IG.1/4(Part I)</p> <p>(b) Assessments by national statistical offices of national data availability;</p> <p><i>For discussion</i></p> <p>Reports presented by national delegations</p> |
| <u>Wednesday, 5 April 2017</u> |                                     |  |
| <b>Morning session</b>         |                                     |  |
| 10 a.m.-12 p.m.                | <u>Item 5</u><br><i>(continued)</i> | <p>Resume presentations by national delegations under item 5 (b)</p> <p>(c) Proposed Arab regional action plan for sustainable development data.</p> <p><i>For discussion</i></p> <p>Document E/ESCWA/SD/2017/IG.1/4(Part II)</p>  |
|                                | <u>Item 6</u>                       | <p>Technical cooperation and statistical capacity development in the Arab region.</p> <p><i>For discussion</i></p> <p>Document E/ESCWA/SD/2017/IG.1/5</p>  |
| <b>Afternoon session</b>       |                                     |  |
| 1-3 p.m.                       | <u>Item 7</u>                       | <p>Proposed programme of work for the biennium 2018-2019.</p> <p><i>For discussion</i></p> <p>Document E/ESCWA/SD/2017/IG.1/6</p>  |
|                                | <u>Item 8</u>                       | <p>Date and venue of the thirteenth session of the Statistical Committee.</p>  |

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| <u>Wednesday, 5 April 2017 (continued)</u> |  |
|  | <u>Item 9</u> Other matters.   |
|  | <u>Item 10</u> Adoption of the recommendations made by the Statistical Committee at its twelfth session. |
|  | <i>Draft recommendations will be submitted for discussion and adoption</i>                               |
| 3.30 p.m                                   | Opening the Workshop on Implementing the SDG Indicators Framework  |

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