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First session

New York, 17 and 18 September 2014 Item 3 of the provisional agenda

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Annotations

The first session of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) will be convened on 17 and 18 September 2014 at United Nations Headquarters in New York, pursuant to paragraph 9 (b) of General Assembly resolution 67/216. The Committee will review the organizational and substantive preparations for the Conference.

1. Opening of the session

Pending the election of the Chair/co-Chairs, the Secretary-General of the Conference will open the session as temporary Chair. The Chair/co-Chairs will be elected. Opening statements will be made by the Chair/co-Chairs of the Committee and the Secretary-General of the Conference.

2. Election of officers

The Preparatory Committee will be invited to elect candidates nominated by the regional chairs to the Bureau.

3. Adoption of the agenda and programme of work

The Preparatory Committee will be invited to adopt the agenda as set out in the present document. The draft programme of work for the first session of the Committee is set out in the annex.

4. Preparations for the Conference: progress report of the Secretary-General of the Conference

The Secretary-General of the Conference will report on the activities undertaken by the secretariat in preparation for the Conference and present proposals for the improved participation of local authorities and other stakeholders in the preparatory process and in the Conference itself. He will also report on an outline of work to be carried out in the period between September 2014 and the holding of the Conference in 2016.

5. Organizational matters

The Preparatory Committee will be invited to adopt the provisional rules of procedure and the arrangements for accreditation and participation of major groups and other relevant stakeholders in the preparatory process and in the Conference. In its resolution 67/216, the General Assembly decided that the Committee, when considering its rules of procedure, should take into consideration the rules of procedure of the second United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) endorsed by the Assembly in its resolution 50/100 and the established practice of the Assembly.

6. Progress to date in the implementation of the outcomes of the second United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and identification of new and emerging challenges on sustainable urban development

The Preparatory Committee will hear an update on the outcomes of Habitat II and the identification of new and emerging challenges on sustainable urban development, which will be followed by a general exchange of views.

7. Financing of the preparatory process and the Conference

The Preparatory Committee will be informed about the budgetary requirements of the preparatory process and the Conference and will be invited to consider support for the Habitat III Trust Fund through voluntary contributions, pursuant to, inter alia, resolutions 67/216, paragraph 13, and 68/239, paragraph 12.

8. Arrangements for future sessions of the Preparatory Committee

The Preparatory Committee will consider proposals relating to arrangements for future sessions.

9. Other matters

The Preparatory Committee will take up other matters.

10. Adoption of the report of the Preparatory Committee on the work of its first session

The Preparatory Committee will adopt the report on the work of its first substantive session.

11. Conclusion of the session

The Preparatory Committee will conclude its first session with closing statements by the Chair/co-Chairs of the Committee and the Secretary-General of the Conference.

Annex

Draft programme of work for the first session of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)

Date/time	Agenda item/programme		
Wednesday, 17 September 2014			
Morning	Plenary		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	1.	Opening of the session	
	2.	Election of officers	
	3.	Adoption of the agenda and programme of work	
	5.	Organizational matters	
	4.	Preparations for the Conference: progress report of the Secretary-General of the Conference.	
	6.	Progress to date in the implementation of the outcomes of the second United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and identification of new and emerging challenges on sustainable urban development (general exchange of views)	
Afternoon	Plenary		
3 p.m.–6 p.m.	6.	Progress to date in the implementation of the outcomes of Habitat II and identification of new and emerging challenges on sustainable urban development (general exchange of views) (continued)	
	Working Group (Operational and Administrative)		
	5.	Organizational matters (continued)	
Thursday, 18 September 2014			
Morning	Plenary		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.			
	6.	Progress to date in the implementation of the outcomes of Habitat II and identification of new and emerging challenges on sustainable urban development (general exchange of views) (continued)	
	Worl	Working Group (Operational and Administrative)	
	7.	Financing of the preparatory process and the Conference	
	8.	Arrangements for future sessions of the Preparatory Committee	

Afternoon	Plenary	
3 p.m.–6 p.m.		Report of the Working Group on items 5, 7 and 8
	9.	Other matters
	10.	Adoption of the report of the Preparatory Committee on the work of its first session
	11.	Closure of the first session of the Preparatory Committee