



# Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

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## Annual session 2020

22–23 June 2020

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

### Organizational matters

## Annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the annual session, 22–23 June 2020

### Note by the Executive Board secretariat

#### Provisional agenda

1. Organizational matters
2. Update on the implementation of General Assembly resolution [72/279](#) on the repositioning of the United Nations development system
3. Annual Report of the Executive Director
4. Update on the management response to the independent review of the UN-Women policies and procedures for tackling sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment
5. Audit and investigation matters
6. Evaluation
7. Other matters

#### Annotations

##### Item 1

##### Organizational matters

The Executive Board will adopt the agenda and workplan for its annual session of 2020 and agree on the agenda and workplan for the second regular session of 2020. The Executive Board may also adopt the report on its first regular session of 2020, held on 14 February 2020.

##### *Documentation*

Annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the annual session of 2020 ([UNW/2020/L.3](#))



Proposed provisional agenda and workplan for the second regular session of 2020 ([UNW/2020/CRP.2](#))

Report on the first regular session, 14 February 2020 ([UNW/2020/1](#))

## **Item 2**

### **Update on the implementation of General Assembly resolution [72/279](#) on the repositioning of the United Nations development system**

The Executive Board will hear an update on the implementation of General Assembly resolution [72/279](#) on the repositioning of the United Nations development system.

The Executive Board will be briefed on UN-Women's response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### *Documentation*

Background note on the implementation of General Assembly resolution [72/279](#) on the repositioning of the United Nations development system

Background note on UN-Women's response to the COVID-19 pandemic

## **Item 3**

### **Annual Report of the Executive Director**

Pursuant to paragraph 6 of its decision 2017/5 and paragraph 5 of its decision 2018/1, the Executive Board will consider the Annual Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on the implementation of the Strategic Plan 2018–2021, including the implementation of the Common Chapter, with a specific focus on 2019, as well as throughout the plan's four-year cycle.

In addition, pursuant to paragraph 10 of its decision 2019/7 and paragraph 7 of its decision 2017/5, the Executive Board will consider the midterm review of the UN-Women Strategic Plan 2018–2021, including an assessment of results achieved, cost effectiveness, evaluations and progress towards achieving the plan's vision.

#### *Documentation*

Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on the implementation of the Strategic Plan 2018–2021, including the midterm review of the Strategic Plan, and its annexes ([UNW/2020/2](#))

As part of harmonization with the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS and UNICEF, a consolidated management response to Joint Inspection Unit reports will be published for the Executive Board under this agenda item from 2020 onwards.

**Item 4****Update on the management response to the independent review of the UN-Women policies and procedures for tackling sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment**

Pursuant to paragraph 1 of its decision 2019/9, an update on the implementation of recommendations in the independent review and as noted in the related management response will be provided to the Executive Board at its annual session.

*Documentation*

Update on the implementation of recommendations contained in the independent victim-centred review of the UN-Women policies and processes for tackling sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment and as noted in the related management response

Annual certifications to the Executive Board on Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse and Reporting of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse Allegations and Sexual Harassment

**Item 5****Audit and investigation**

The Executive Board will consider the annual report on the internal audit and investigation activities for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2019, the related management response and its annex.

The report of the Advisory Committee on Oversight for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2019 and the related management responses will also be presented to the Executive Board.

*Documentation*

Report on the internal audit and investigation activities for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2019 ([UNW/2020/3](#)), the related management response and its annex entitled “Report of the Executive Director of UN-Women on disciplinary measures and other actions taken in response to misconduct and wrongdoing by UN-Women staff members, other personnel or third parties and cases of possible criminal behaviour, from 1 January to 31 December 2019”

Report of the Advisory Committee on Oversight for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2019 ([UNW/2020/3/Add.1](#)) and the related management response

**Item 6****Evaluation**

Pursuant to paragraph 6 of its decision 2012/9, the Executive Board will consider the annual report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2019.

The Executive Board will also take action on the revised evaluation policy of UN-Women.

*Documentation*

Report on the evaluation function of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, 2019 ([UNW/2020/4](#))

Revised evaluation policy of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women ([UNW/2020/5](#))

**Item 7**

**Other matters**

The Executive Board will discuss and take action on any other issue that may arise.

*Documentation*

No advance documentation is expected.

## Workplan

<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>subject</i>
<b>Monday, 22 June</b>	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.		Election of the Bureau 2020 ( <i>continued</i> )
			Opening of the session
			Statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women
		1	Organizational matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adoption of the annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the annual session 2020</li> <li>• Adoption of the report of the first regular session 2020</li> </ul>
		2	Update on implementation of General Assembly resolution <a href="#">72/279</a> on the repositioning of the United Nations development system <p>Briefing on the response to the COVID-19 pandemic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on the implementation of General Assembly resolution <a href="#">72/279</a> on the repositioning of the United Nations development system</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday, 23 June</b>	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	3	Annual Report of the Executive Director <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women on progress made on the Strategic Plan 2018–2021, including the midterm review</li> </ul> <p><i>Opening the floor on agenda items 1, 2 and 3</i></p> <p><i>Lunch break and informal consultations on draft decisions</i></p> <p><i>Post meeting: informal consultations on draft decisions</i></p>
			3 p.m. – 6 p.m.
		4	Update on the management response to the independent review of the UN-Women policies and procedures for tackling sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on the implementation of recommendations contained in the independent victim-centred review of the UN-Women policies and processes on tackling sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment and as noted in the related management response</li> </ul>
		5	Audit matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report of the internal audit and investigation activities for the period of 1 January to 31 December 2019</li> </ul>

- Report of the Advisory Committee on Oversight for the period of 1 January to 31 December 2019
  - Management responses
  - Opening the floor on agenda items 4 and 5*
- 6 Evaluation
- Report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2019
- Revised evaluation policy of UN-Women
- Management perspective
- Opening the floor on agenda item 6*
- Lunch break and informal consultations on draft decisions*
- 3 p.m. – 6 p.m. *Informal consultations on draft decisions*
- 7 Other matters
- Adoption of draft decisions*
- 1 Organizational matters
- Approval of the provisional agenda and workplan for the second regular session 2020
- Closing of the session
- Statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women
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