



Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific**Seventy-first session**

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Agenda item 12

Adoption of the report of Commission**Revised draft decisions****Agenda Item 2****Special Body on Least Developed, Landlocked Developing and Pacific Island Developing Countries****(d) Key challenges and prospects for Asia-Pacific countries with special needs****Draft decision 71/1**

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the summary of the Asia-Pacific countries with special needs development report (E/ESCAP/71/39).

Agenda Item 3**Review of issues pertinent to the subsidiary structure of the Commission, including the work of the regional institutions****Draft decision 71/2**

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the summary of progress in the implementation of Commission resolutions (E/ESCAP/71/4/Rev.1).

Draft decision 71/3

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the interim programme performance report for the biennium 2014-2015 (E/ESCAP/71/5).

Agenda item 3 (a)**Macroeconomic policy, poverty reduction and inclusive development****Draft decision 71/4**

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report on financing for sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific (E/ESCAP/71/6).

Draft decision 71/5

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the report of the Governing Council of the Centre for Alleviation of Poverty through Sustainable Agriculture on its eleventh session (E/ESCAP/71/7).

Agenda item 3 (b)
Trade and investment

Draft decision 71/6

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report on global value chains, regional integration and sustainable development: linkages and policy implications (E/ESCAP/71/8 and Corr.1).

Draft decision 71/7

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the report of the Governing Council of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology on its tenth session (E/ESCAP/71/9).

Draft decision 71/8

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the report of the Governing Council of the Centre for Sustainable Agricultural Mechanization on its tenth session (E/ESCAP/71/10).

Draft decision 71/9

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report of the First Meeting of the Interim Intergovernmental Steering Group on Cross-border Paperless Trade Facilitation (E/ESCAP/71/41).

Agenda item 3 (c)
Transport

Draft decision 71/10

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report on integrated intermodal transport and logistics systems under the sustainable development agenda (E/ESCAP/71/11).

Draft decision 71/11

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the report of the Committee on Transport on its fourth session (E/ESCAP/71/12).

Agenda item 3 (d)
Environment and development

Draft decision 71/12

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission generally welcomed the recommendations contained in the report “Towards a sustainable, inclusive and resilient urban future for Asia and the Pacific” (E/ESCAP/71/13).

Draft decision 71/13

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the report of the Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development on its second session (E/ESCAP/71/14).

Draft decision 71/14

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report on the intergovernmental consultative process on the future architecture of the Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development (E/ESCAP/71/15).

Draft decision 71/15

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report of the Coordinating Committee for Geoscience Programmes in East and Southeast Asia (E/ESCAP/71/INF/1).

Draft decision 71/16

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report of the Mekong River Commission (E/ESCAP/71/INF/2).

Agenda item 3 (e)**Information and communications technology****Agenda item 3 (f)****Disaster risk reduction and management****Draft decision 71/17**

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report on the Asia-Pacific information superhighway: for inclusive and seamless connectivity (E/ESCAP/71/16).

Draft decision 71/18

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report on building resilience to disasters: protecting the gains from sustainable development (E/ESCAP/71/17).

Draft decision 71/19

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the report of the Committee on Information and Communications Technology on its fourth session (E/ESCAP/71/18).

Draft decision 71/20

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the report of the Governing Council of the Asian and Pacific Training Centre for Information and Communication Technology for Development on its ninth session (E/ESCAP/71/19).

Draft decision 71/21

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report of the Typhoon Committee (E/ESCAP/71/INF/3).

Draft decision 71/22

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report of the Panel on Tropical Cyclones (E/ESCAP/71/INF/4).

Agenda item 3 (g)
Social development

Draft decision 71/23

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report on key issues and challenges in achieving the social-sector-related Millennium Development Goals (E/ESCAP/71/20).

Draft decision 71/24

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the report of the Committee on Social Development on its third session (E/ESCAP/71/21).

Draft decision 71/25

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the report of the Asia-Pacific Intergovernmental Meeting on HIV and AIDS (E/ESCAP/71/23).

Agenda item 3 (h)
Statistics

Draft decision 71/26

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the progress made towards implementation of resolution 69/15 on implementing the outcome of the High-level Meeting on the Improvement of Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and the Pacific (E/ESCAP/71/4/Rev.1) and, in this regard, endorsed the draft revised terms of reference of the Regional Steering Group for Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and the Pacific (E/ESCAP/71/INF/9) and decided that the composition of its membership for the term spanning 2015-2017 shall be as follows:

Member States:

- (1) Armenia
- (2) Australia
- (3) Bangladesh
- (4) Cook Islands
- (5) Fiji
- (6) India
- (7) Indonesia
- (8) Iran (Islamic Republic of)
- (9) Kazakhstan
- (10) Malaysia
- (11) Mongolia
- (12) New Zealand
- (13) Pakistan
- (14) Philippines
- (15) Republic of Korea
- (16) Thailand

- (17) Turkey
- (18) United States of America
- (19) Vanuatu
- (20) Vacant
- (21) Vacant
- (22) Vacant

Organizations:

- (23) United Nations Children's Fund
- (24) Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
- (25) World Health Organization
- (26) World Bank Group
- (27) Brisbane Accord Group
- (28) Data2X
- (29) Plan International
- (30) World Vision International

The Commission also decided to entrust the constituted Regional Steering Group with overseeing a process to fill the three vacant membership positions as soon as possible.

Draft decision 71/27

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report on statistics for the development agenda beyond 2015 in Asia and the Pacific: leveraging the data revolution (E/ESCAP/71/24).

Draft decision 71/28

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the report of the Committee on Statistics on its fourth session (E/ESCAP/71/25).

Draft decision 71/29

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the summaries of special sessions of the Ministerial Conference on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and the Pacific (E/ESCAP/71/INF/5).

Draft decision 71/30

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report of the Governing Council of the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific on its tenth session (E/ESCAP/71/INF/7)

Agenda item 3 (i)
Subregional activities for development

Draft decision 71/31

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report on subprogramme overview: issues and challenges related to inclusive and sustainable economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific (E/ESCAP/71/28).

Draft decision 71/32

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the report of the Governing Council of the Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia on its ninth session (E/ESCAP/71/29).

Agenda Item 4
Management issues

(a) Draft programme of work for the biennium 2016-2017

Draft decision 71/33

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the draft programme of work for the biennium 2016-2017 (E/ESCAP/71/30).

(b) Programme changes for the biennium 2014-2015

Draft decision 71/34

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission endorsed the proposed programme changes for the biennium 2014-2015 (E/ESCAP/71/31).

(c) Partnerships and extrabudgetary contributions

Draft decision 71/35

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the overview of partnerships and extrabudgetary contributions (E/ESCAP/71/32) and expressed its appreciation for the following contributions pledged by members and associate members for 2015:

1. *Brunei Darussalam.* The secretariat had received written notification that the Government of Brunei Darussalam would make the following contributions:

Pacific Trust Fund	\$1 000
SIAP	\$15 000

2. *China.* The delegation of China indicated that its Government would make the following contributions:

China-ESCAP Cooperation Programme	\$200 000
and	RMB 1 500 000
CSAM	\$30 000
SIAP	\$70 000

3. *India.* The delegation of India announced that its Government would make the following contributions:

APCICT	\$20 000
APCTT	\$200 000
CSAM	\$15 000
SIAP	\$25 000
Subregional Office for South and South-West Asia	\$79 000
Multi-Donor Trust Fund for Tsunami, Disaster and Climate Preparedness in Indian Ocean and Southeast Asian Countries	\$1 000 000

4. *Indonesia.* The delegation of Indonesia informed the Commission that its Government intended to make an in-kind contribution to APCICT equivalent to \$500,000 for 2015 for rolling out academy and training workshops for 500 government officials at central and local institutions throughout the country and for providing master degree scholarships for 40 government officials. The secretariat had also received written notification that the Government of Indonesia would make the following contributions:

APCTT	\$10 000
CAPSA	Rp 767 000 000
CSAM	\$ 30 000
SIAP	\$ 30 000

In addition, the delegation of Indonesia notified the secretariat that its Government would make a contribution in kind to CAPSA in the amount of Rp 1,300,000,000.

5. *Japan.* The delegation of Japan announced that its Government would make the following contributions for the period from April 2015 to March 2016:

Japan-ESCAP Cooperation Fund	\$27 145
SIAP	\$1 750 300

In addition, the delegation of Japan announced that its Government intended to make a contribution in-kind equivalent to \$1,017,827 to SIAP for the period from April 2015 to March 2016. Furthermore, as part of its technical cooperation programme through the Japan International Cooperation Agency, in cooperation with SIAP, the delegation announced its Government's intention to provide fellowships for 55 participants in specific training courses on official statistics. The delegation also noted that its Government might provide a contribution for disaster risk reduction-related work in the Pacific.

6. *Macao, China.* The secretariat had received written notification that the Government of Macao, China, would make the following contributions:

APCICT	\$5 000
APCTT	\$5 000
CAPSA	\$3 000
SIAP	\$20 000

7. *Malaysia.* The secretariat had received written notification that the Government of Malaysia would make the following contributions:

APCTT	\$15 000
CAPSA	\$10 000
SIAP	\$20 000

8. *Republic of Korea.* The delegation of the Republic of Korea announced that its Government would make the following contribution:

APCICT	\$2 000 000
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In addition, the delegation of the Republic of Korea informed the Commission that its Government intended to make an in-kind contribution to APCICT equivalent to \$200,000.

The delegation also informed the Commission that its Government intended to make in-cash and in-kind contributions to the Seoul Initiative on Green Growth for a further five years from 2016-2020.

9. *Russian Federation.* The delegation of the Russian Federation announced that its Government would make the following contributions:

ESCAP Technical Cooperation Programme	\$1 200 000
SIAP	\$15 000

10. *Sri Lanka*. The delegation of Sri Lanka announced that its Government would make the following contribution:

APCICT	\$10 000
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In addition, the delegation of Sri Lanka informed the Commission that its Government intended to make an in-kind contribution to APCICT equivalent to \$10,000.

11. *Thailand*. The delegation of Thailand announced that its Government would make the following contributions:

APCICT	THB 955 000
APCTT	\$15 000
CAPSA	\$10 000
CSAM	\$15 000
SIAP	\$20 000

12. *Viet Nam*. The delegation of Viet Nam announced that its Government would make the following contributions:

APCTT	\$10 000
SIAP	\$15 000

Agenda item 5

Review of the conference structure of the Commission in implementation of resolution 69/1

Draft decision 71/36

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report on the outcomes of the changes to the conference structure in implementation of resolution 69/1 (E/ESCAP/71/40), and decided that, effective from the seventy-second session onwards, the annual theme study and the *Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific* should be produced as separate publications.

Agenda item 7

Activities of the Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission

Draft decision 71/37

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission took note of the report of the Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission (E/ESCAP/71/35).

Agenda item 8

Dates, venue and theme topic for the seventy-second session of the Commission (2016)

Draft decision 71/38

At its fifth plenary meeting, on 29 May 2015, the Commission decided that its seventy-second session would be held in April or May 2016; the actual dates would be determined in consultation with the Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission. The Commission also decided that the theme topic for its seventy-second session would be: “Science, technology and innovation for sustainable development”.