



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

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## First regular session 2021

15 and 16 February 2021

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

### Organizational matters

## Annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the first regular session, 15–16 February 2021<sup>1</sup>

### Note by the Executive Board secretariat

#### Provisional agenda

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2. Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS Programme Coordinating Board meeting
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#### Annotations

##### Item 1

##### Organizational matters

In accordance with the Executive Board [2014/5](#) on Election of the Bureau of the Executive Board and rule 7 of the rules of procedure of the Executive Board of UN-Women, the Board elects a new Bureau consisting of a President and four Vice-Presidents at the first meeting of its first regular session.

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<sup>1</sup> Note: The present document was processed in its entirety by UN-Women.



The Executive Board will adopt the agenda and workplan for its first regular session 2021, the annual workplan for 2021 and agree on the agenda and workplan for the annual session 2021. The Executive Board may also adopt the report on its second regular session 2020, held from 15 to 16 September 2020.

*Documentation*

Annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the first regular session 2021 ([UNW/2021/L.1](#))

Annual workplan for 2021 ([UNW/2021/L.2](#))

Proposed provisional agenda and workplan for the annual session 2021 ([UNW/2021/CRP.1](#))

Report on the second regular session 2020, 15 and 16 September 2020 ([UNW/2020/8](#))

Compendium of decisions adopted by the Executive Board at its 2020 sessions ([UNW/2020/9](#))

**Item 2**

**Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS Programme Coordinating Board meeting**

As requested at the Executive Board first annual session of 2018, UN-Women is committed to engaging with the Executive Board through regular updates on implementing the decision points of the UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board.

*Documentation*

Update on the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS Programme Coordinating Board meeting

**Item 3**

**Strategic Plan**

Pursuant to decision [2020/3](#), UN-Women will provide an update on the preparations for the next strategic plan, 2022–2025, ensuring that this process is in full consultation with the Executive Board.

*Documentation*

Briefing on the preparation for the Strategic Plan of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, 2022–2025

**Item 4**

**Evaluation**

The Executive Board will be presented with the findings of the corporate evaluation of UN-Women's support to UNSCR 1325 national action plans on women, peace and security and the Effectiveness and Efficiency Assessment of UN-Women Flagship Programme Initiatives and Thematic Priorities of the Strategic Plan 2018–2021. UN-Women management will provide responses to the findings of the reports.

*Documentation*

Corporate evaluation of support provided by UN-Women to United Nations Security Council resolution 1325 national action plans on women, peace and security ([UNW/2021/CRP.2](#))

The Effectiveness and Efficiency Assessment of UN-Women Flagship Programme Initiative and Thematic Priorities of the Strategic Plan, 2018–2021 ([UNW/2021/CRP.3](#))

Management response

#### **Item 5**

##### **Audit matters**

The UN-Women financial report and audited financial statements and report of the Board of Auditors are presented to the Executive Board annually, with the presentation taking place at the first regular session so that the Board can take into account any comments on the report made by the Fifth Committee during the current session of the General Assembly.

In addition, the following related reports are available to the Executive Board: (a) Implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors contained in its reports on the United Nations funds and programmes for the year ended 31 December 2019 and (b) Updated status of UN-Women management actions to address outstanding audit recommendations.

##### *Documentation*

Financial report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019 ([A/75/5/Add.12](#))

Report of the Board of Auditors on the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019 ([A/75/5/Add.12](#))

Implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors contained in its reports on the United Nations funds and programmes for the year ended 31 December 2019 ([A/75/339/Add.1](#))

Updated status of UN-Women management actions to address outstanding audit recommendations

UN-Women management highlights of financial performance

#### **Item 7**

Following the practice of the previous year, the Chair of the UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS and UN-Women Staff Council will address the Executive Board, accompanied by a response on the related management action.

##### *Documentation*

No advance documentation is expected.

#### **Item 8**

##### **Other matters**

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

##### *Documentation*

No advance documentation is expected.

## Provisional workplan

<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Subject</i>		
Monday, 15 February	10 a.m.–1 p.m.	1	<p><b>Organizational matters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adoption of the annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the first regular session 2021</li> <li>• Adoption of the report of the second regular session 2020</li> </ul> <p><b>Opening of the session</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women, including an update on the COVID-19 response</li> </ul> <p><i>Opening the floor for statements</i></p>		
		2	<p><b>Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS Programme Coordinating Board meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Follow-up to the recommendations and decisions of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS Programme Coordinating Board meeting</li> </ul>		
		3	<p><b>Strategic Plan</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Briefing on the preparation for the Strategic Plan, 2022–2025</li> </ul> <p><i>Opening the floor for interventions on Item 2 and Item 3</i></p>		
			1:15 p.m.–2:30 p.m.		<i>Informal consultations on draft decisions, if any</i>
			3 p.m.–6 p.m.	4	<p><b>Evaluation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Corporate evaluation of UN-Women’s support to UNSCR 1325 national action plans on women, peace and security</li> <li>• Effectiveness and Efficiency Assessment of UN-Women Flagship Programme Initiatives and Thematic Priorities of the Strategic Plan 2018–2021</li> <li>• Management perspective and response</li> </ul> <p><i>Post-meeting</i></p> <p><i>Informal consultations on draft decisions, if any</i></p>
Tuesday, 16 February	10 a.m.–1 p.m.	5	<p><b>Audit matters</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019</li> <li>• Report of the Board of Auditors on the financial statements for the year of 31 December 2019</li> <li>• Implementation of the recommendations of the Board of Auditors contained in its reports on the United Nations funds and programmes for the year ended 31 December 2019</li> </ul>		

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	3 p.m.–6 p.m.	6	<b>Policy and programme matters</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Briefing on the operational response at the regional level</li> </ul>
		7	<b>Address by the Chair of the UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS and UN-Women Staff Council and management action</b>
		8	<b>Other matters</b>
		1	<b>Organizational matters</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval of the provisional agenda and workplan for the annual session 2021</li> <li>• Adoption of the annual workplan 2021</li> </ul> <b>Closing of the session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women</li> </ul>