



Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

Committee on Social Development
Eighth session
Beirut, 24-25 March 2011

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 for the eighth session of the Committee on Social Development 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 annex to this document and shall adopt it in that or an amended form.
2. The first meeting of the eighth session will be convened on Thursday, 24 March 2011 at 10 a.m. The Committee is scheduled to hold two meetings, one in the morning and another in the afternoon, on each of the two days of the session as shown in the annex. The session will conclude on Friday, 25 March 2011 at 4 p.m.
3. Each presentation given by the secretariat shall be limited to 15-20 minutes and the following discussion to 15-30 minutes. Should the discussion of an agenda item be concluded ahead of schedule, the next agenda item will be brought forward for discussion.

Annex

Proposed organization of work

Date/Time	Agenda item and documentation	
<u>Thursday, 24 March 2011</u>		
Morning session		
9-10 a.m.		Registration of participants.
10 a.m.-1.30 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/SDD/2011/IG.1/L.1 Organization of work E/ESCWA/SDD/2011/IG.1/L.2
	<u>Item 4</u>	Progress achieved in implementing social development-related activities and recommendations under ESCWA programme of work since the seventh session of the Committee on Social Development.
		<i>For discussion</i>
		Document E/ESCWA/SDD/2011/IG.1/3
	<u>Item 5</u>	Follow-up on priority issues in the field of social development:
		(a) Proposed methods for combatting poverty among persons with disability.
		<i>For discussion</i>
		Document E/ESCWA/SDD/2011/IG.1/4(Part I)
Afternoon session		
2.30-5 p.m.		(b) Civil society participation in public policy processes;
		(c) National youth policies.
		<i>For discussion</i>
		Document E/ESCWA/SDD/2011/IG.1/4(Part III)
<u>Friday, 25 March 2011</u>		
Morning session		
10 a.m.-1 p.m.	<u>Item 6</u>	Proposed programme of work for the biennium 2012-2013 in the field of social development.

Date/Time	Agenda item and documentation
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Friday, 25 March 2011 (*continued*)

For discussion

Document E/ESCWA/SDD/2011/IG.1/5

Item 7 Date and venue of the ninth session of the Committee on Social Development.

Item 8 Other matters.

Afternoon session

2-4 p.m.

Item 9 Adoption of the report of the Committee on Social Development on its eighth session.

Draft report will be submitted for discussion and adoption
