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Item 1 of the provisional agenda
Organizational matters

Annotated provisional agenda and workplan

Note by the Executive Board secretariat

Provisional agenda

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Annotations

Item 1

Organizational matters

A new Vice-President, representing the group of Latin American and Caribbean States, will be elected to the Bureau of the Executive Board.

The Executive Board will adopt the agenda and workplan for the second regular session of 2013, agree on the agenda and workplan for the first regular session of 2014 and discuss the draft annual workplan for 2014. The Executive Board may also approve the report on its annual session of 2013, held from 25 to 27 June ([UNW/2013/5](#)).

Documentation

Annotated provisional agenda and workplan ([UNW/2013/L.4](#))

Report on the annual session of 2013 ([UNW/2013/5](#))

Proposed provisional agenda and workplan for the first regular session of 2014

Draft annual workplan for 2014

Item 2

Strategic plan

Under this item, the Executive Board will have before it the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) strategic plan, 2014-2017. The strategic plan, 2014-2017, updates the strategic plan, 2011-2013 ([UNW/2011/9](#)), which laid out the priorities of the organization up to 2017, with a focus on its results frameworks, including clearer results chains, indicators, targets and baselines, strengthening links between outcomes, outputs and indicators, and on reflecting the experiences of UN-Women in responding to national, regional and global needs and priorities and requests from the United Nations system to guide a coherent and coordinated investment in gender equality and women's empowerment.

The plan reflects lessons learned in implementing the strategic plan, 2011-2013; the provisions of General Assembly resolution [67/226](#) on the quadrennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system, adopted by the Assembly on 21 December 2012; the strengthened coordination role of UN-Women; and the Entity's new and strengthened partnerships within the United Nations system and with women's organizations and networks, other civil society organizations, academia and experts, mass media and the private sector.

Documentation

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women strategic plan, 2014-2017 ([UNW/2013/6](#))

Item 3**Financial, budgetary and administrative matters**

Under this item the Executive Board will consider the integrated budget estimates for the biennium 2014-2015. The budget is the financial plan that allows the organization to have the financial and institutional capacity to achieve the results of its strategic plan, 2014-2017, and covers all cost categories and funding sources (both regular and other resources) within a single, consolidated proposal.

The integrated budget for UN-Women is grounded in results-based management principles and aligned with the integrated results framework of its strategic plan, 2014-2017. In order to deliver on the integrated results framework, UN-Women will continue to engage Member States and other partners, in particular to increase regular resources, the bedrock of its activities, as underscored in the quadrennial comprehensive policy review.

Documentation

Integrated budget estimates for the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women for the biennium 2014-2015 ([UNW/2013/7](#))

Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions ([UNW/2013/8](#))

Management response to the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Item 4**Evaluation**

Under this item the Executive Board will discuss the corporate thematic evaluation on the contribution of UN-Women to preventing violence against women and expanding access to services. The thematic evaluation should be read in conjunction with the report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2012 ([UNW/2013/4](#)). During 2012-2013, the Evaluation Office undertook a corporate thematic evaluation of UN-Women and its predecessor entities in the area of preventing violence against women and expanding access to related services. The objectives of the evaluation were to capture key results and lessons learned from the contributions of the four predecessor entities that could inform the Entity's current and future work, and to analyse the extent to which UN-Women has strategically positioned itself to implement its mandate of normative, operational and coordination work in the area of combating violence against women. The scope of this evaluation covered all dimensions of the Entity's work addressing the topic from 2008 to 2013. The evaluation makes six strategic recommendations aimed at strengthening the work of UN-Women in this thematic area.

Documentation

Thematic evaluation on the contribution of UN-Women to preventing violence against women and expanding access to services (available from <http://gate.unwomen.org>)

Management response to the thematic evaluation

Item 5

Audit matters

Under this item the Executive Board will consider the report on internal audit and investigation activities for the period 1 January to 31 December 2012 and the related management response ([UNW/2013/9](#)). The report of the Audit Advisory Committee and related management response ([UNW/2013/9/Add.1](#)) will also be presented to the Executive Board.

Documentation

Report on internal audit and investigation activities for the period 1 January to 31 December 2012 ([UNW/2013/9](#))

Report of the Audit Advisory Committee ([UNW/2013/9/Add.1](#))

Item 6

Other matters

Under this item the Executive Board will discuss and take action on any other issue that may arise.

No advance documentation is expected.

Tentative workplan

<i>Day/time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Subject</i>
Monday, 16 September	10-11:30 a.m.	Opening of the session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Statement by the President and the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director
	1	Organizational matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Election of a Vice-President from the Latin American and Caribbean States to the Bureau of the Executive Board Adoption of the annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the second regular session of 2013 Adoption of the report on the annual session of 2013
	11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.	2 Strategic plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women strategic plan, 2014-2017 (UNW/2013/6)
	1:45-3 p.m.	<i>Introduction of draft decisions and informal consultations on draft decisions</i>
	3-5 p.m.	2 Strategic plan (<i>continued</i>)
	5-6 p.m.	<i>Informal consultations on draft decisions</i>

<i>Day/time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Subject</i>
Tuesday, 17 September	10 a.m.-12 p.m.	3 Financial, budgetary and administrative matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated budget estimates for the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women for the biennium 2014-2015 (UNW/2013/7) • Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (UNW/2013/8) • Management response to the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions
	12-1 p.m.	4 Evaluation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic evaluation on the contribution of UN-Women to preventing violence against women and expanding access to services • Management response to the thematic evaluation
	1:30-2:45 p.m.	<i>Informal consultations on draft decisions</i>
	3-5 p.m.	5 Audit matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on internal audit and investigation activities for the period 1 January to 31 December 2012 (UNW/2013/9) • Report of the Audit Advisory Committee (UNW/2013/9/Add.1)
	5-6 p.m.	Special briefing on the lessons learned in implementing the strategic plan, 2011-2013
Wednesday, 18 September	10 a.m.-1 p.m.	Special briefing on the operational response of UN-Women at the country level <i>Informal consultations on draft decisions</i>
	3-6 p.m.	6 Other matters <i>Adoption of draft decisions</i>
		1 Organizational matters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of the agenda and workplan for the first regular session of 2014 • Discussion of the draft annual workplan for 2014 Closing of the session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statement by the President of the Executive Board and the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director