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Executive Committee
Fourth meeting
Beirut, 13-14 December 2017

Item 2 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 of the fourth meeting of the Executive Committee in order to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within time limitations. The Committee will be presented with the proposed organization of work enclosed in this document and shall adopt it in that or an amended form.
2. The Executive Committee will hold an opening session at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 13 December 2017. It will start its working sessions at 10.15 a.m. and will hold two sessions on each of the two days, one in the morning and another in the afternoon, as shown in the next section of this document. The Committee will conclude its proceedings at 2 p.m. on Thursday, 14 December 2017.
3. Each presentation made by the secretariat shall last 10 to 15 minutes and the following discussion 30 to 45 minutes. Should the discussion of one item be completed before the specified time, the meeting will move on to the next item.

Proposed organization of work

Date/time	Agenda item and documentation	
<u>Wednesday, 13 December 2017</u>		
Morning		
9.30-10 a.m.		Registration of participants.
10-10.15 a.m.	<u>Item 1</u>	Opening of the meeting Speech by the representative of Qatar, the country chairing the twenty-ninth session of ESCWA. Speech by Mr. Mohammad Ali Alhakim, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary of ESCWA.
10.15 a.m.-1 p.m.		First session
	<u>Item 2</u>	Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters. <i>For discussion</i> Provisional agenda and annotations E/ESCWA/2017/EC.4/L.1 Organization of work E/ESCWA/2017/EC.4/L.2
	<u>Item 3</u>	Follow-up issues: (a) Implementation of recommendations made by the Executive Committee at its third meeting; <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/2017/EC.4/3(Part I) (b) Action taken pursuant to the Doha Declaration on the Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the Arab States; <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/2017/EC.4/3(Part II)
	<u>Item 4</u>	Regional and global issues: (a) The Arab Financing for Development Scorecard: overall results; <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/2017/EC.4/4(Part I) (b) Implementation mechanisms of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda: global commitments versus Arab priorities in the field of financing for development; <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/2017/EC.4/4(Part II)

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<u>Wednesday, 13 December 2017</u> (continued)	
Afternoon	Second session
2-5 p.m.	<p data-bbox="448 439 584 499"><u>Item 4</u> (continued)</p> <p data-bbox="612 439 1385 465">(c) Proposal for establishing an Arab centre for climate policies; <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/2017/EC.4/4(Part III)</p> <p data-bbox="612 645 1331 705">(d) ESCWA vision for a multimodal transport system in the Arab region; <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/2017/EC.4/4(Part IV)</p> <p data-bbox="612 853 1203 913">(e) Multidimensional poverty in the Arab region; <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/2017/EC.4/4(Part V)</p> <p data-bbox="612 1021 1331 1081">(f) ESCWA vision on post-conflict recovery: towards more effective development outcomes; <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/2017/EC.4/4(Part VI)</p>
<u>Thursday, 14 December 2017</u>	
Morning	Third session
10 a.m.-12 noon	<p data-bbox="612 1406 1219 1433">(g) The economic cost of violence against women. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/2017/EC.4/4(Part VII)</p> <p data-bbox="448 1570 1155 1597"><u>Item 5</u> Session reports of ESCWA subsidiary bodies:</p> <p data-bbox="612 1637 1347 1697">(a) Report of the Statistical Committee on its twelfth session; <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/SD/2017/IG.1/7/Report</p> <p data-bbox="612 1805 1372 1865">(b) Report of the Committee on Energy on its eleventh session; <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/SDPD/2017/IG.1/9/Report</p>

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Thursday, 14 December 2017 (continued)

Item 5 (c) Report of the Committee on Water Resources on its
(continued) twelfth session.

For discussion

Document E/ESCWA/SDPD/2017/IG.2/8/Report

Item 6 The United Nations management reform: plan of the Secretary-General.

For discussion

Visual presentation

Afternoon

Fourth session

1-2 p.m.

Item 7 ESCWA Technical Cooperation Programme: progress in implementing planned activities.

For discussion

Document E/ESCWA/2017/EC.4/6

Item 8 Preparations for the ESCWA thirtieth session.

For discussion

Document E/ESCWA/2017/EC.4/7

Item 9 Date and venue of the fifth meeting of the Executive Committee.

Item 10 Other matters.

Item 11 Adoption of the recommendations made by the Executive Committee at its fourth meeting.

Draft recommendations will be submitted for discussion and adoption.
