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# Provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and workplan

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# Item 1 Organizational matters

Under this item, the Executive Board will adopt the agenda for the second regular session 2023 and agree on the workplan for the session as presented by the Secretary of the Board. The Board may wish to approve the report of its annual session 2023. A draft report was distributed to members of the Board for their comments; the final report reflects the comments received.

In accordance with decision 96/25, a draft workplan for 2024 is being submitted to the Executive Board. The document will be finalized by the secretariat in close consultation with the Bureau of the Board and will be submitted to the Board for adoption at its first regular session 2024.

#### Documentation:

Provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and workplan (DP/2023/L.3)

Report of the annual session 2023 (DP/2023/24)

Decisions adopted at the annual session 2023 (DP/2023/25)

Draft annual workplan of the Executive Board for 2024 (DP/2023/CRP.2)

# **UNDP** segment

# Item 2 Structured funding dialogue

Under this item, the Board will have before it the report on the structured dialogue on financing the results of the UNDP Strategic Plan, 2022-2025. The report, which will serve as background for a candid dialogue on pertinent funding issues among Member States and UNDP, responds to Executive Board decisions on the UNDP structured funding dialogue, including decision 2019/18, in which the Board requested UNDP to present harmonized annual reporting on the entity-specific commitments of the funding compact. The report provides an update on the structured funding dialogues, an overview of resource trends, and progress made in supporting the UNDP Strategic Plan, 2022-2025. A full review of the 2022 financial situation is presented in annex I, and progress on the entity-specific commitments of the funding compact is detailed in annex II. Decision 2022/18 requested UNDP to provide an analysis of factors contributing to the decline of regular resources, which is presented in annex III. The annexes are available separately on the Executive Board secretariat website.

The Executive Board may wish to adopt a decision, elements of which are contained in the report.

Under this item, the Board will also have before it the report on the annual review of the financial situation of the United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) for 2022. The annual review of the financial situation, 2022 provides an overview of the financial position of UNCDF at the end of 2021 and of the financial performance of UNCDF for 2022. In 2022, UNCDF maintained an overall positive financial position and liquidity, with an increase of 20 per cent in expenses. That increase is mainly due to improved programme delivery in both the inclusive digital economies and local transformative finance focus areas. Despite increased diversification of its funding partner base in recent years, UNCDF continues to be dependent on a limited number of funding partners for contributions to regular resources. Regular resources contributions remain short of the \$25 million annual target required to ensure meaningful presence in all 46 least developed countries, as envisaged in the UNCDF strategic framework, 2022-2025. This shortfall strains the ability of UNCDF to

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innovate, pilot new financing solutions, and continue to ensure highest standards of transparency, accountability, and impact monitoring.

#### Documentation:

Structured dialogue on financing the results of the UNDP Strategic Plan, 2022-2025 (DP/2023/26 and annexes)

Annual review of the financial situation of the United Nations Capital Development Fund, 2022 (DP/2023/27)

# Item 3

## Country programmes and related matters

Under this item, the Executive Board will be asked to (a) approve the fifth two-year extension of the country programme for Afghanistan, the third two-year extension of the country programme for Burkina Faso, and the second one-year extension of the country programme for Myanmar; and (b) review and approve, in accordance with Executive Board decision 2014/7, the country programme documents for Angola, Benin, Burundi, Chad, Equatorial Guinea, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritania, Senegal, Togo and Papua New Guinea.

#### Documentation:

Extensions of country programmes (DP/2023/28)

Africa

Country programme document for Angola (DP/DCP/AGO/5)

Country programme document for Benin (DP/DCP/BEN/4)

Country programme document for Burundi (DP/DCP/BDI/5)

Country programme document for Chad (DP/DCP/TCD/4)

Country programme document for Equatorial Guinea (DP/DCP/GNQ/4)

Country programme document for Lesotho (DP/DCP/LSO/4)

Country programme document for Malawi (DP/DCP/MWI/4)

Country programme document for Mauritania (DP/DCP/MRT/4)

Country programme document for Senegal (DP/DCP/SEN/4)

Country programme document for Togo (DP/DCP/TGO/4)

Asia-Pacific

Country programme document for Papua New Guinea (DP/DCP/PNG/3)

# **UNFPA** segment

#### Item 4

#### **UNFPA** structured funding dialogue

Under this item, the Executive Board will consider the report on the UNFPA structured funding dialogue, 2022-2023. It is prepared in response to General Assembly resolution 75/233 to further improve the functioning and effectiveness of structured dialogues on how to fund the development results agreed in the strategic plans, including through the implementation of the United Nations funding compact commitments.

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In line with relevant Executive Board decisions, this report includes reporting on the annual implementation of entity-specific commitments and contributions to the funding compact. It also provides an overview of resource trends, the current situation and funding perspectives, considering both core and non-core resources, and the organization's trajectory from funding to funding and financing, and diversification of support. The report also presents forward-looking perspectives on UNFPA funding in 2023. The report concludes with elements of a decision. Annexes to the report are available separately on the UNFPA website.

The Board may wish to adopt a decision on the UNFPA structured funding dialogue.

Documentation:

Report on the structured funding dialogue, 2022-2023 (DP/FPA/2023/8)

#### Item 5

### Country programmes and related matters

The Executive Board will be asked to:

- (a) Approve, in accordance with decision 2014/7, the UNFPA country programme documents for Angola, Benin, Burundi, Chad, Equatorial Guinea, Lesotho, Libya, Malawi, Mauritania, Senegal and Togo;
- (b) Take note of the first one-year extension, approved by the UNFPA Executive Director, of the UNFPA country programmes for Sierra Leone;
- (c) Approve the second one-year extension of the country programme for Myanmar; the second, two-year extension of the country programme for Afghanistan; the third one-year extension of the country programme for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; and the third, two-year extension of the country programme for Burkina Faso.

#### Documentation:

Country programme documents for:

Angola (DP/FPA/CPD/AGO/9); Benin (DP/FPA/CPD/BEN/10); Burundi (DP/FPA/CPD/BDI/9); Chad (DP/FPA/CPD/TCD/8); Equatorial Guinea (DP/FPA/CPD/GNQ/8); Lesotho (DP/FPA/CPD/LSO/8); Libya (DP/FPA/CPD/LBY/2); Malawi (DP/FPA/CPD/MWI/9); Mauritania (DP/FPA/CPD/MRT/9); Senegal (DP/FPA/CPD/SEN/9); Togo (DP/FPA/CPD/TGO/8).

Extensions of UNFPA country programmes (DP/FPA/2023/9)

# **UNOPS** segment

# Item 6 United Nations Office for Project Services

UNOPS has aligned its budget for the 2024-2025 biennium with the harmonized presentation adopted by UNDP, UNFPA, the United Nations Children's Fund and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women, based on decision 2020/12, in which the Executive Board approved harmonized approaches for cost classification, results-based budgeting and budget presentation. Resources are presented for each functional cluster alongside the contribution and management goals. The budget estimates for the 2024-2025 biennium are rooted in the restated UNOPS Strategic Plan, 2022-2025. The budget supports the strategic ambitions expressed in its three contribution goals with four management goals, which frame its management ambitions across the four perspectives of its balanced scorecard: people

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culture, partner trust, process excellence and financial stewardship. The Board may wish to adopt a decision on this item, elements of which are contained in the report.

UNOPS proposes to the Board, for approval, a fair and transparent methodology, and timeframe for distributing, within 12 months following receipt of the United Nations Board of Auditors report for the financial period of 2023, any excess reserves accumulated in the 2022-2023 budget cycle to paying entities, including those of the United Nations paying entities. UNOPS notes that, looking ahead, a similar submission will be required at every second regular session at which the UNOPS biennial budget is considered.

The Executive Director of UNOPS also submits the report on procurement by organizations of the United Nations system to the Executive Board pursuant to its decision 2007/38. The complete annual statistical report on United Nations procurement may be obtained in the language of submission from the Executive Board secretariat and at the United Nations Global Marketplace website. The annual statistical report, 2022, contains: (a) a trend analysis of United Nations procurement by organization, goods and services, sector and category of goods and services, countries, and regions of supply; (b) analysis of United Nations procurement from suppliers in least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States; (c) analysis of collaborative procurement among United Nations organizations; and (d) analysis of sustainable procurement practices in the United Nations system. The 31 organizations that submitted data for inclusion in the annual statistical report, 2022, procured goods and services worth \$29.6 billion in 2022, representing a marginal decrease of 0.03 per cent, or \$7.8 million, compared to 2021. Procurement from least developed countries reached \$5.4 billion, or 18.1 per cent of total United Nations procurement. The Board may wish to adopt a decision on this item, the elements of which are contained in the report.

UNOPS also provides the Board an update on the comprehensive response plan, including the plan to implement decision 2023/1, paragraph 11. The Board may wish to adopt a decision on this item.

#### Documentation:

UNOPS budget estimates for the biennium, 2024-2025 (DP/OPS/2023/7)

Report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions UNOPS budget estimates for the biennium, 2024-2025 (DP/OPS/2023/8)

Annual statistical report on the procurement activities of United Nations system, 2022 (DP/OPS/2023/9)

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# Item 7 Other matters

# TENTATIVE WORKPLAN EXECUTIVE BOARD OF UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS SECOND REGULAR SESSION 2023

(28 – 31 August 2023, New York)

Day/date	Time	Item	Subject
Monday, 28 August	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	1	ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS  • Adoption of the agenda and workplan for the session • Adoption of the report of the annual session 2023 • Draft workplan of the Executive Board for 2024  UNFPA SEGMENT  STATEMENT BY THE UNFPA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
	3 – 6 p.m.	4 5	UNFPA STRUCTURED FUNDING DIALOGUE  • Report on the UNFPA structured funding dialogue 2022-2023  UNFPA COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS  • Presentation and approval of country programme documents
Tuesday, 29 August	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.		Extensions of country programmes  UNOPS SEGMENT  STATEMENT BY THE UNOPS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE
	3 – 5 p.m.	6	<ul> <li>UNOPS SEGMENT (con't)</li> <li>UNITED NATIONS OFFICE FOR PROJECT SERVICES</li> <li>UNOPS budget estimates for the biennium 2024-2025</li> <li>Report of the ACABQ on the UNOPS budget estimates for the biennium 2024-2025</li> <li>Annual statistical report on the procurement activities of United Nations system organizations, 2022</li> </ul>
Wednesday, 30 August	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.		UNDP SEGMENT INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE WITH THE UNDP ADMINISTRATOR
	3 – 5 p.m.	2	<ul> <li>UNDP STRUCTURED FUNDING DIALOGUE</li> <li>Structured dialogue on financing the results of the UNDP Strategic Plan, 2022-2025</li> <li>Annual review of the financial situation of the United Nations Capital Development Fund, 2022</li> </ul>

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Thursday, 31 August	10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	3	UNDP SEGMENT (cont'd)  UNDP COUNTRY PROGRAMMES AND RELATED MATTERS  • Presentation and approval of country programme documents  • Extensions of country programmes
	3 – 5 p.m.	7	OTHER MATTERS  • Adoption of decisions  ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS
		1	<ul> <li>Draft annual workplan of the Executive Board for 2024</li> <li>Adoption of the tentative workplan for the first regular session 2024</li> <li>Closing of the session</li> </ul>

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