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Provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work

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Provisional annotated agenda

1. Adoption of the provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work

For decision ([E/ICEF/2022/1](#))

The provisional agenda is prepared in consultation with the Bureau of the Executive Board and is based on the proposed programme of work presented to the Board at its second regular session of 2021. The Board will adopt the agenda for the session, making any amendments that it considers necessary.

2. Opening statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Executive Director of UNICEF

The Executive Board will hear opening statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Executive Director of UNICEF.

Organizational and procedural matters

3. Election of the President and Vice-Presidents of the Executive Board ([E/ICEF/2022/2](#))

In accordance with Executive Board decision 2011/11 and rule 11 of the rules of procedure of the Executive Board of UNICEF, the Board elected a new Bureau consisting of a President and four Vice-Presidents. The President and Vice-Presidents of the Executive Board represent the regional groups of the Member States of the United Nations. In accordance with the rotation scheme established by the Board in its decision 1992/7, the President for 2022 was nominated from among the Latin American and Caribbean States that are members of the Board. The election was held on 11 January 2022.

Programme and policy matters

4. UNICEF programme cooperation

(a) Country programme documents

For decision

The programme documents listed below are presented to the Executive Board for approval on a no-objection basis, in accordance with Executive Board decision 2014/1. Costed evaluation plans are posted on the UNICEF Executive Board website alongside the documents, as is a link to the United Nations Sustainable Development Group website, where the relevant United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Frameworks have been made available, as appropriate.

East Asia and the Pacific

Malaysia ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.1](#))

Thailand ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.2](#))

Viet Nam ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.3](#))

Eastern and Southern Africa

Mozambique ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.4](#))

Europe and Central Asia

Greece ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.5](#))

Latin America and Caribbean

- Belize ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.6](#))
- Eastern Caribbean Area ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.7](#))
- El Salvador ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.8](#))
- Guyana and Suriname ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.9](#))
- Honduras ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.10](#))
- Jamaica ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.11](#))
- Peru ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.12](#))

South Asia

- Maldives ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.13](#))

West and Central Africa

- Guinea-Bissau ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.14](#))

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(b) Extensions of ongoing country programmes

For decision ([E/ICEF/2022/P/L.15](#))

In accordance with Executive Board decision 2009/11, the Board will be (i) informed of the first two-month extensions of the country programmes for the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Costa Rica and the Dominican Republic; and the 10-month extension of the country programme for Morocco, following a two-month extension; and (ii) requested to approve the 11-month extension of the country programme for Afghanistan, following a two-year extension and a three-month extension; the one-year extension of the country programme for Algeria, following a one-year extension and a two-month extension; and the six-month extension of the country programme for the Syrian Arab Republic, following two previous one-year extensions; a nine-month extension; a three-month extension; a two-month extension; a four-month extension; and an eight-month extension.

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5. Oral report on UNICEF follow-up to the recommendations and decisions of the forty-seventh and forty-eighth meetings and two special sessions of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS Programme Coordinating Board

For information (UNICEF/2022/EB/2)

The Executive Board will hear an oral report on the implementation of the recommendations and decisions of the forty-seventh and forty-eighth meetings of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS Programme Coordinating Board, held from 15 to 18 December 2020 and from 29 June to 2 July 2021, respectively, and the two special sessions of the Programme Coordinating Board, held on 24 and 25 March 2021 and on 6 October 2021, respectively.

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6. UNICEF humanitarian action

(a) Update on UNICEF humanitarian action

For information (UNICEF/2022/EB/3)

(b) Establishment of an Assistant Secretary-General position in UNICEF to head the Global COVID-19 Vaccine Delivery Inter-Agency Coordination Structure

For decision (E/ICEF/2022/AB/L.3)

The Executive Board will hear an update on the progress of the implementation of the recommendations made in the report entitled Strengthening UNICEF's Humanitarian Action, The Humanitarian Review: Progress and Implementation, with special focus on actions taken around preparedness, including in public health emergencies, and progress on results achieved on accountability to affected populations. The Board will also be presented with a request to approve the establishment of a new position at the Assistant Secretary-General level to head the Global COVID-19 Vaccine Delivery Inter-Agency Coordination Structure.

UNICEF focal point for the update on humanitarian action:

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Evaluation, audit and oversight matters

7. Joint evaluability assessment of the Global Action Plan for Healthy Lives and Well-being for All, and management response

For decision (E/ICEF/2022/4, E/ICEF/2022/5)

The assessment provided an early, rapid and light-touch independent analysis of pre-conditions for the success of the Global Action Plan, a partnership among 12 United Nations agencies. The assessment also provided an opportunity to highlight progress made as well as any significant gaps, including the need to clarify how the Plan should operate, be resourced and add value to existing initiatives and the need for clear accountabilities within the partnership.

UNICEF focal point for the evaluation report:

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8. Plan for global evaluations, 2022–2025

For decision (E/ICEF/2022/3)

The plan for global evaluations, 2022–2025 has been prepared in line with the revised evaluation policy of UNICEF (E/ICEF/2018/14) and in accordance with relevant Executive Board decisions. The plan presents the guiding principles and

objectives for global evaluations in UNICEF, lessons learned, criteria for the selection of a prioritized list of topics, the approach to implementation, key risks and the reporting arrangements. The draft plan was presented to the Executive Board at its second regular session of 2021.

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9. Update on the implementation of the recommendations made in the independent panel review of the UNICEF response to protection from sexual exploitation and abuse and the report of the Independent Task Force on Workplace Gender-Discrimination, Sexual Harassment, Harassment and Abuse of Authority

For decision (E/ICEF/2022/6)

The Executive Board will hear an update on the implementation of the recommendations of the two reports as well as key results to date, planned initiatives and priorities going forward. The update will include both UNICEF-specific actions and those initiated at the level of the United Nations system.

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Resource, financial and budgetary matters

10. UNICEF financial report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 and report of the Board of Auditors, and management response

For decision (A/76/5/Add.3); for information (E/ICEF/2022/AB/L.2)

The UNICEF 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.¹ A management response to the report of the Board of Auditors is also presented. In addition, the following related reports are available to the Executive Board for information: (a) report of the Secretary-General on the 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 2020 (A/76/307/Add.1) and (b) financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors for the period ended 31 December 2020: report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/76/554).

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¹ The Fifth Committee of the General Assembly considered the report on 6 December 2021.

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11. Private Fundraising and Partnerships: 2022 workplan and proposed budget
For decision (E/ICEF/2022/AB/L.1)

Update on the strategic approach to alternative/innovative finance

For information (UNICEF/2022/EB/5)

Update on the World Bank instrument to facilitate sustained investment in private sector fundraising

For information (UNICEF/2022/EB/6)

The report covers the workplan and proposed budget for 2022 for private fundraising and partnership activities. The Executive Board will also be presented with updates on the strategic approach to alternative/innovative finance and on the World Bank instrument to facilitate sustained investment in private sector fundraising.

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Other matters and adoption of draft decisions

12. Report of the visit of the Executive Board of UNICEF

For information (UNICEF/2022/EB/4)

The Executive Board will hear a report of the visit to the UNICEF Supply Division, Copenhagen, of the UNICEF Executive Board, from 9 to 11 November 2021.

13. Other matters

The Executive Board has before it the provisional list of agenda items for its annual session of 2022 and may consider any other matters under this agenda item.

14. Adoption of draft decisions

15. Closing statements by the Executive Director of UNICEF and the President of the Executive Board

Provisional timetable and organization of work for the 2022 first regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board, 8–11 February 2022²

Tuesday 11 January	a.m. 10:00–11:30	Item 3	Election of the President and Vice-Presidents of the Executive Board	
Tuesday 8 February	a.m. 10:00–1:00	Item 1	Adoption of the provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work	
		Item 2	Opening statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Executive Director of UNICEF General debate	
	p.m. 1:15–2:45		<i>Informal consultations on draft decisions</i>	
	p.m. 3:00–5:00	Item 8	Plan for global evaluations, 2022–2025	
		Item 7	Joint evaluability assessment of the Global Action Plan for Healthy Lives and Well-being for All, and management response	
	p.m. 5:00–6:00		<i>Informal consultations on draft decisions</i>	
Wednesday 9 February	a.m. 10:00–12:00	Item 11	Private Fundraising and Partnerships: 2022 workplan and proposed budget	
		Item 10	UNICEF financial report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020 and report of the Board of Auditors, and management response	
		Item 12	Report of the visit of the Executive Board of UNICEF	
		p.m. 12:30–2:45		<i>Informal consultations on draft decisions</i>
	p.m. 3:00–5:00	Item 9	Update on the implementation of the recommendations made in the independent panel review of the UNICEF response to protection from sexual exploitation and abuse and the report of the Independent Task Force on Workplace Gender-Discrimination, Sexual Harassment, Harassment and Abuse of Authority	
		Item 6	UNICEF humanitarian action	
	p.m. 5:00–6:00		<i>Informal consultations on draft decisions</i>	

² The most updated timetable for each day's meetings will be posted on the Executive Board website and in the *Journal of the United Nations*. When consideration of an agenda item concludes ahead of the allocated time, the next item will be taken up for consideration and the timetable adjusted accordingly.

Thursday 10 February	a.m. 10:00–1:00	Item 4	UNICEF programme cooperation (a) Country programme documents (b) Extensions of ongoing country programmes
	p.m. 2:00–6:00		<i>Informal consultations on draft decisions</i>
Friday 11 February	a.m. 10:00–12:00	Item 5	Oral report on UNICEF follow-up to the recommendations and decisions of the forty-seventh and forty-eighth meetings and two special sessions of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS Programme Coordinating Board
		Item 13	Other matters
		Item 14	Adoption of draft decisions
		Item 15	Closing statements by the Executive Director and the President of the Executive Board