Annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the annual session, 22-23 June 2020

Note by the Executive Board secretariat

Provisional agenda

1. Organizational matters
2. Update on the implementation of General Assembly Resolution 72/279 on the repositioning of the United Nations Development System
3. Annual Report of the Executive Director
4. Update on the management response to the independent review of UN-Women’s policies and procedures for tackling Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and Sexual Harassment (SH)
5. Audit and investigation matters
6. Evaluation
7. Other matters
Annotations

Item 1
Organizational matters

The Executive Board will adopt the agenda and workplan for its annual session of 2020 and agree on the agenda and workplan for the second regular session of 2020. The Executive Board may also adopt the report on its first regular session of 2020, held on 14 February 2020.

Documentation

Annotated provisional agenda and workplan for the annual session of 2020 (UNW/2020/L.3)
Proposed provisional agenda and workplan for the second regular session of 2020 (UNW/2020/CRP.2)
Report on the first regular session, 14 February 2020 (UNW/2020/1)

Item 2
Update on the implementation of General Assembly Resolution 72/279 on the repositioning of the United Nations Development System

The Executive Board will hear an update on the implementation of General Assembly Resolution 72/279 on the repositioning of the United Nations Development System.

The Executive Board will be briefed on UN-Women’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Documentation

Background note on the implementation of General Assembly Resolution 72/279 on the repositioning of the United Nations Development System
Background note on UN-Women’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic

Item 3
Annual Report of the Executive Director

Pursuant to paragraph 6 of its decision 2017/5 and paragraph 5 of its decision 2018/1, the Executive Board will consider the Annual Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women) on the implementation of its Strategic Plan 2018–2021, including the implementation of the Common Chapter, specifically in 2019 as well as throughout the four-year cycle of the Plan.

In addition, pursuant to paragraph 10 of its decision 2019/7 and paragraph 7 of its decision 2017/5, a midterm review of the UN-Women Strategic Plan 2018–2021
that includes an assessment of results achieved, cost effectiveness, evaluations, and progress made in achieving the vision of the Strategic Plan.

Documentation

Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women on the implementation of the Strategic Plan 2018–2021, including the midterm review of the Strategic Plan, and its annexes (UNW/2020/2).

In harmonization with the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS and UNICEF, a consolidated response from management to Joint Inspection Unit reports will be published for the Executive Board under this agenda item from 2020 onwards.

Item 4

Update on the management response to the independent review of UN-Women’s policies and procedures for tackling Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and Sexual Harassment (SH)

Pursuant to paragraph 1 of decision 2019/9, an update on implementation of recommendations in the independent review and as noted in the related management response will be provided to the Executive Board at its annual session.

Documentation

Update on the implementation of recommendations contained in the independent victim-centred review of UN-Women’s policies and processes on tackling sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment and as noted in the related management response

Annual certifications to the Executive Board on Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and Reporting of SEA Allegations and Sexual Harassment (SH)

Item 5

Audit and investigation

The Executive Board will consider the annual report on the internal audit and investigation activities for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2019, the related management response and its annex.

The report of the Advisory Committee on Oversight for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2019 and the related management responses will also be presented to the Executive Board.

Documentation

Report on the internal audit and investigation activities for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2019 (UNW/2020/3), the related management response and
its annex entitled “Report of the Executive Director of UN-Women on disciplinary measures and other actions taken in response to misconduct and wrongdoing by UN-Women staff members, other personnel or third parties and cases of possible criminal behaviour, 1 January-31 December 2019”

Report of the Advisory Committee on Oversight for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2019 (UNW/2020/3/Add.1) and the related management response

**Item 6**

**Evaluation**

Pursuant to paragraph 6 of its decision 2012/9, the Executive Board will consider the annual report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2019.

The Executive Board will also take actions on the revised evaluation policy of UN-Women.

**Documentation**


Revised evaluation policy of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UNW/2020/5)

**Item 7**

**Other matters**

The Executive Board will discuss and take action on any other issue that may arise.

**Documentation**

No advance documentation is expected.
### Workplan

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*Opening the floor on agenda items 1, 2 and 3

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Post session; Informal consultations on draft decisions*
• Report of the Advisory Committee on Oversight (ACO) for the period of 1 January to 31 December 2019
• Management responses

Opening the floor on agenda items 4 and 5

6 Evaluation
• Report on the evaluation function of UN-Women, 2019
• Revised evaluation policy of UN-Women
• Management perspective

Opening the floor on agenda item 6

Lunch break Informal consultations on draft decisions

3 p.m. – 6 p.m.

7 Other matters

Adoption of draft decisions

1 Organizational matters
• Approval of the provisional agenda and workplan for the second regular session 2020

Closing of the session
• Statements by the President of the Executive Board and the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women