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Item 2 of the provisional agenda

### Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

## Provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work

### Provisional agenda

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  - (b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups:
    - (i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons;
    - (ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities;
    - (iii) World Programme of Action for Youth;
    - (iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002;
    - (v) Family issues, policies and programmes;
  - (c) Emerging issues: the social dimension in the global development agenda beyond 2015.
4. Programme questions and other matters:
  - (a) Proposed programme of work for the biennium 2014-2015;
  - (b) United Nations Research Institute for Social Development.
5. Provisional agenda for the fifty-second session of the Commission.
6. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifty-first session.



## **Annotations**

### **1. Election of officers**

Rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council stipulates that, at the commencement of the first meeting of a regular session, the Commission shall elect from among the representatives of its members a Chair, one or more Vice-Chairs and such other officers as may be required. Following the established practice, the Commission shall elect a Chair and four Vice-Chairs and also designate one of the Vice-Chairs as Rapporteur.

In subparagraph (c) of its decision 2002/210, the Economic and Social Council decided that, immediately following the closure of a regular session, the Commission for Social Development would hold the first meeting of its subsequent regular session for the sole purpose of electing the new Chair and other members of the Bureau. In its resolution 2010/10, the Council recommended that, in order to enhance the effectiveness of the work of the Commission, the officers elected to the Bureau serve for a term of office of two years, in parallel with the review and policy cycle.

Accordingly, the Commission held the first meeting of its fifty-first session on 10 February 2012, immediately following the closure of the fiftieth session, and elected by acclamation Gyan Chandra Acharya (Nepal) as Chair and Larisa Belskaya (Belarus), Amira Fahmy (Egypt) and Emma Aparici (Spain) as Vice-Chairs, with the remaining candidate from the Latin American and Caribbean States still to be nominated.

Subsequently, the Asia-Pacific States nominated Sewa Lamsal Adhikari (Nepal) upon the resignation of Mr. Acharya (Nepal), the Western European and other States nominated Julia Thallinger (Austria) upon the resignation of Ms. Aparici (Spain) and the Latin American and Caribbean States nominated Carlos Enrique García González (El Salvador) to represent their regional groups on the Bureau as Chair and Vice-Chairs, respectively.

The Commission held the second meeting of its fifty-first session on 20 December 2012 and elected by acclamation Sewa Lamsal Adhikari (Nepal) as Chair and Julia Thallinger (Austria) and Carlos Enrique García González (El Salvador) as Vice-Chairs.

At the opening meeting of the fifty-first session, the Commission will designate one of its Vice-Chairs as having rapporteurial responsibilities.

### **2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters**

Rule 7 of the rules of procedure requires that, after the election of its officers at the beginning of each session, the Commission shall adopt the agenda for that session on the basis of the provisional agenda. The provisional agenda and documentation for the fifty-first session of the Commission were approved by the Economic and Social Council in its decision 2012/236.

The proposed organization of work of the Commission at its fifty-first session (see annex I) has been prepared pursuant to relevant decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within the time frame available and in accordance with the conference services allocated to the Commission. The timetable should be considered tentative

and indicative: if the Commission completes its consideration of an item ahead of schedule, it may wish to proceed immediately to the next item.

The Commission is scheduled to meet from Wednesday, 6 February, to Friday, 15 February 2012. Arrangements have been made to hold morning and afternoon meetings during the session: morning meetings will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and afternoon meetings from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

*Documentation*

Provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work (E/CN.5/2013/1)

**3. Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly**

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 55/46 on the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly entitled “World Summit for Social Development and beyond: achieving social development for all in a globalizing world”, the Commission will undertake a regular assessment of the implementation of the Copenhagen commitments and the further initiatives adopted at Geneva.

*Documentation*

Report of the Secretary-General on the social dimensions of the New Partnership for Africa’s Development (E/CN.5/2013/2)

**(a) Priority theme: promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all**

In its resolution 2012/7, the Economic and Social Council decided that the priority theme for the 2013-2014 review and policy cycle would be “Promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all”. The Commission will review the theme at its fifty-first session in 2013. The Commission will have before it the report of the Secretary-General on the priority theme for the review part of the 2013-2014 cycle.

*Documentation*

Report of the Secretary-General on promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all (E/CN.5/2013/3)

**(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups**

- (i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons**
- (ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities**
- (iii) World Programme of Action for Youth**
- (iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002**
- (v) Family issues, policies and programmes**

The Commission will consider issues pertaining to the situation of social groups. The Special Rapporteur on disability of the Commission for Social Development will present a report.

*Documentation*

Report of the Secretary-General on the preparations for and observance of the twentieth anniversary of the International Year of the Family in 2014 (A/68/61-E/2013/3)

Report of the Secretary-General on the second review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002 (E/CN.5/2013/6)

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the World Programme of Action for Youth (E/CN.5/2013/7)

Report of the Secretary-General on a proposed set of indicators for the World Programme of Action for Youth (E/CN.5/2013/8)

Report of the Secretary-General on mainstreaming disability in the development agenda: towards 2015 and beyond (E/CN.5/2013/9)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on disability of the Commission for Social Development on monitoring of the implementation of the Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities (E/CN.5/2013/10)

**(c) Emerging issues**

In its resolution 2006/18, the Economic and Social Council decided to include the agenda item entitled “Emerging issues” in the programme of work of the Commission. The members of the Bureau, in consultation with their respective regional groups, will agree on the theme for discussion under this agenda item during the fifty-first session. A note by the Secretariat will be available to facilitate the discussion.

*Documentation*

Note by the Secretariat on the social dimension in the global development agenda beyond 2015 (E/CN.5/2013/11)

**4. Programme questions and other matters**

**Future organization and methods of work of the Commission**

In its resolution 2012/7 of 26 July 2012, the Economic and Social Council decided that the Commission should keep its methods of work under review and requested the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Commission at its fifty-first session on ways and means to strengthen its work, taking into account the views of Member States.

*Documentation*

Report of the Secretary-General on the review of methods of work of the Commission for Social Development (E/CN.5/2013/12)

(a) **Proposed programme of work for the biennium 2014-2015**

The Commission will have before it the proposed programme of work of the Secretariat for the biennium 2014-2015 in the field of social development.

*Documentation*

Note by the Secretariat on the proposed programme of work of the Division for Social Policy and Development for the biennium 2014-2015 (E/CN.5/2013/CRP.1)

(b) **United Nations Research Institute for Social Development**

*Nomination of members of the Board of the Institute*

The Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development is composed of 10 members, who are nominated by the Commission and confirmed by the Economic and Social Council for a term of four years, renewable once for a further two years, in accordance with Commission resolution 10 (XXV).

The Commission, at its fifty-first session, will be called upon to nominate a number of new members and to renominate some existing members of the Board. The Council will be called upon to confirm those nominated in 2013.

*Documentation*

Note by the Secretary-General on the nomination of members of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (E/CN.5/2013/14)

*Report of the Board of the Institute*

In accordance with its terms of reference, the Board of the Institute submits to the Commission a report on the progress of its work. The Commission will have before it the report of the Board covering the biennium 2014-2015.

*Documentation*

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (E/CN.5/2013/13)

**5. Provisional agenda for the fifty-second session of the Commission**

In accordance with rule 9 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, the Commission will have before it the draft provisional agenda for its fifty-second session, together with an indication of the documentation to be submitted for its consideration.

*Documentation*

Draft provisional agenda for the fifty-second session of the Commission (E/CN.5/2013/L.1)<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> To be issued as in-session documents.

**6. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifty-first session**

In accordance with rule 37 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council, the Commission shall submit to the Council a report on the work of its fifty-first session.

*Documentation*

Draft report of the Commission on its fifty-first session (E/CN.5/2013/L.2)<sup>1</sup>

**Annex I****Proposed organization of work (6-15 February 2013)**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Documentation/programme</i>
<b>Week of 6-8 February 2013</b>		
<b>Wednesday, 6 February</b>		
a.m.	1. Election of officers	
	2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters	Provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work (E/CN.5/2013/1)
	3. Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly	Introduction of documentation under agenda item 3, including its sub-items (a) and (b)
		Report of the Secretary-General on the social dimensions of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (E/CN.5/2013/2)
	(a) Priority theme: promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all	Report of the Secretary-General on promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all (E/CN.5/2013/3)
	(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups	Report of the Secretary-General on the preparations for and observance of the twentieth anniversary of the International Year of the Family in 2014 (A/68/61-E/2013/3)
	(i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons	Report of the Secretary-General on the second review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002 (E/CN.5/2013/6)
	(ii) Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities	Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the World Programme of Action for Youth (E/CN.5/2013/7)
	(iii) World Programme of Action for Youth	
	(iv) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002	Report of the Secretary-General on a proposed set of indicators for the World Programme of Action for Youth (E/CN.5/2013/8)
	(v) Family issues, policies and programmes	

<i>Date</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Documentation/programme</i>
		Report of the Secretary-General on mainstreaming disability in the development agenda: towards 2015 and beyond (E/CN.5/2013/9)
		Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on disability on monitoring of the implementation of the Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities (E/CN.5/2013/10)
		Presentation of the outcome of the Civil Society Forum held on 5 February 2013
	3 (a) ( <i>continued</i> )	General discussion
p.m.	3 (a) ( <i>continued</i> )	Panel discussion on item 3 (a)
<b>Thursday, 7 February</b>		
a.m.	3 (a) ( <i>continued</i> )	General discussion
p.m.	3 (b)	Panel discussion on ageing
<b>Friday, 8 February</b>		
a.m.	3 (a) ( <i>continued and concluded</i> )	General discussion
p.m.	3 (b) ( <i>continued</i> )	Presentation by the Special Rapporteur on disability General discussion
<b>Week of 11-15 February 2013</b>		
<b>Monday, 11 February</b>		
a.m.	3 (c)	Introduction and general discussion Panel discussion Note by the Secretariat on the social dimension in the global development agenda beyond 2015 (E/CN.5/2013/11)
p.m.	3 (b) ( <i>continued</i> )	Meeting devoted to youth



<i>Date</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Documentation/programme</i>
<b>Tuesday, 12 February</b>		
a.m.	3 (b) ( <i>continued and concluded</i> )	General discussion  <b><i>1 p.m.: deadline for submission of proposals</i></b>
p.m.	3 (a) and (b)	Informal consultations  <b>(no plenary meeting)</b>
<b>Wednesday, 13 February</b>		
a.m.	4. Programme questions and other matters  (a) Proposed programme of work for the biennium 2014-2015  (b) United Nations Research Institute for Social Development	Report of the Secretary-General on the review of methods of work of the Commission for Social Development (E/CN.5/2013/12)  Note by the Secretariat on the proposed programme of work of the Division for Social Policy and Development for the biennium 2014-2015 (E/CN.5/2013/CRP.1)  Note by the Secretary-General on the nomination of members of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (E/CN.5/2013/14)  Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (E/CN.5/2013/13)
	3 (a) and (b)	Informal consultations  <b>(following plenary meeting)</b>
p.m.	3 (a) and (b)	Informal consultations  <b>(no plenary meeting)</b>
<b>Thursday, 14 February</b>		
a.m.	3 (a) and (b)	<b>Introduction of proposals</b>  Informal consultations  <b>(following plenary meeting)</b>
p.m.	3 (a) and (b)	Informal consultations  <b>(no plenary meeting)</b>

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<i>Date</i>	<i>Agenda item</i>	<i>Documentation/programme</i>
<b>Friday, 15 February</b>		
a.m. and p.m.	5. Provisional agenda for the fifty-second session of the Commission	Action on proposals Adoption of the provisional agenda for the next session
	6. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifty-first session	Adoption of the report Closure of the session <sup>a</sup>

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<sup>a</sup> In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2002/210, the Commission, immediately following the closure of the fifty-first session, will hold the first meeting of its fifty-second session for the sole purpose of electing the new Chair and other members of the Bureau, in accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council. In accordance with Council resolution 2010/10, the officers elected to the Bureau of the Commission for the fifty-first session will be elected for a two-year term.

## Annex II

### Membership of the Commission for Social Development at its fifty-first session (2013)

(46 members; four-year term)

<i>Membership</i>	<i>Term expires at close of the session in the year:</i>
1. Albania	2013
2. Andorra	2015
3. Austria	2015
4. Bangladesh	2015
5. Belarus	2016
6. Brazil	2013
7. Burkina Faso	2015
8. Cameroon	2015
9. China	2013
10. Cuba	2015
11. Dominican Republic	2016
12. Ecuador	2016
13. Egypt	2015
14. El Salvador	2016
15. Ethiopia	2013
16. Gabon	2013
17. Germany	2016
18. Haiti	2013
19. Iran (Islamic Republic of)	2013
20. Italy	2013
21. Japan	2016
22. Lesotho	2013
23. Liberia	2016
24. Mauritania	2016
25. Mauritius	2013

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<i>Membership</i>	<i>Term expires at close of the session in the year:</i>
26. Mexico	2015
27. Mongolia	2016
28. Nepal	2015
29. Netherlands	2013
30. Nigeria	2016
31. Peru	2015
32. Philippines	2013
33. Qatar	2013
34. Republic of Korea	2016
35. Russian Federation	2016
36. Spain	2015
37. Sudan	2016
38. Sweden	2013
39. Switzerland	2013
40. Ukraine	2015
41. United States of America	2016
42. Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	2013
43. Viet Nam	2015
44. Zimbabwe	2015
45. (Vacancy — Eastern European States)	2013
46. (Vacancy — Western European and other States)	2016

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