

**The First Session of the United Nations Habitat Assembly of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme  
(UN-Habitat Assembly)  
Notification by the Executive Director**

## **I. General Information to Member States**

### **Strengthening of the Governance of UN-Habitat**

1. On 20 December 2018, the General Assembly of the United Nations in its resolution A/RES/73/239 decided to dissolve the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) and to replace it with a United Nations Habitat Assembly (UN-Habitat Assembly), composed of universal membership
2. That resolution welcomes the work of the open-ended Working Group established by the Chair of the Committee of Permanent Representatives of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (CPR) pursuant to General Assembly resolution 72/226 of 20 December 2018, and also endorses the findings and recommendations of the open-ended Working Group on changing the governance structure of UN-Habitat.
3. Resolution 73/239 also provides that the first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly will be held in May 2019, building upon the preparations already carried out for the twenty-seventh session of the Governing Council, and further decides that this shall take effect upon commencement of the first session.
4. That resolution further provides that in 2019, the Executive Board, after the election of its members by the UN-Habitat Assembly, shall meet for its first session in Nairobi for a duration of three days.
5. Finally, that resolution requests the Committee of Permanent Representatives of UN-Habitat to prepare draft rules of procedure for the UN-Habitat Assembly, to be completed no later than April or May 2019, with a view to its adoption at the first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly.

## **II. Dates, venue and participation**

6. Based upon the provisions in the above mentioned resolution and on the recent decision by the Governing Council on 14 December 2018, to alter the date of the twenty-seventh session of the Governing Council from 8-12 April 2019 to 27-31 May 2019, this Notification is to confirm that the first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly will be held from 27-31 May 2019, at the headquarters of UN-Habitat in Nairobi. A copy of the Provisional Agenda and the list of documents for the session are attached to the present Notification as **Annex I and II** respectively. The substantive documents for the session will be issued six weeks prior to the beginning of the session.
7. It is anticipated that the session will be opened on Monday, 27 May 2019, at 9a.m. Pursuant to the relevant rules of the General Assembly of the United Nations, Member States of the United Nations may participate in the deliberations of the UN-Habitat Assembly. A State which is a member of a Specialized Agency, or State Non-Members of the United Nations may participate in the deliberations of the UN-Habitat Assembly in the capacity of an observer.

## II: Theme of the First Session of the UN-Habitat Assembly

9. In line with the relevant paragraphs of resolution 20/21 of the Governing Council, reflected as **Annex III** of this document, the special theme for the UN-Habitat Assembly, as discussed and subsequently endorsed during the 71<sup>st</sup> Regular Meeting of the CPR on 4 December 2018 is: “**Innovation for Better Quality of Life in Cities and Communities**”. The Committee of Permanent Representatives also endorsed the Sub theme as: “**Accelerated implementation of the New Urban Agenda towards achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals**”

## III. Key issues to be discussed

10. Among the key issues to be considered by the UN-Habitat Assembly at the forthcoming session are the following:

- a. Approval of the draft Strategic Plan 2020-2025, and decision on the of alignment Strategic Plan of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme with cycles of the UN-Habitat Assembly.
- b. Progress in implementation of the New Urban Agenda including a review of the Secretary-General’s quadrennial report on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda
- c. Review major trends related to human settlements and urbanization
- d. Examination of global norms and standards in human settlements and sustainable urbanization
- e. Recommendation of strategies for coherent implementation of urban and human settlements dimensions of the 2030 Agenda, the New Urban Agenda and other global agendas, including of the work of the United Nations System
- f. Adoption of the Report of the Executive Board including the Programme of Work of UN-Habitat for the year 2020 as approved the Executive Board at its first meeting during the session.

## IV. Informal consultations

11. To facilitate the work of the UN-Habitat Assembly, arrangements will be made for informal consultations to be held between the regional groups on various matters, in particular the election of officers, on Sunday, 26 May 2019 provisionally from 11 a.m. The first issue of the Journal for the session will be published on Sunday, 26 May 2019, and will include information on the allocation of rooms and timings for those meetings. Attention is drawn to the document on geographical distribution of officers elected at previous Governing Council sessions attached as **Annex IV**.

12. In addition, it is expected that various partners and stakeholders, notably subnational governments, parliamentarians and non-governmental organizations, will convene their own informal consultations, events and activities prior to and during the session. Detailed information on these events will be communicated to all participants by the secretariat as soon as it is available.

## V. Composition of Government Delegations for Consideration

13. Member States are encouraged to participate fully in the five-day session. Given that the UN-Habitat Assembly is expected to continue with significant decisions on the governance of the UN-Habitat, it is anticipated that States will attach great significance to the need for high-level representation, including at the policymaking level, and for substantive representation at the session.

14. The Executive Director wishes to bring to the attention of Governments, resolution 16/12 of the Governing Council, in which Governments were invited to include in their delegations to future sessions of the Governing Council, in this case the UN-Habitat Assembly, representatives of subnational governments and relevant civil society actors, in particular from the private sector, non-governmental organizations and

research organizations in the fields of adequate shelter for all and sustainable human settlements development. In that regard, the Executive Director also wishes to highlight the importance given to the decisions of the second United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II), held in Istanbul from 3 to 14 June 1996, and to the decision of the third United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) held in Quito, Ecuador from 17-20 October 2016 with regard to the roles of subnational governments and members of civil society.

15. It should be noted that, pursuant to the request by the General Assembly of the United Nations in its resolution 56/206, the rules of procedure of the Governing Council was amended to provide for the effective participation of subnational governments and other Habitat Agenda partners in its deliberations. These provisions are contained in rules 64 to 67 of the current rules of procedure of the Governing Council.

16. The Executive Director would also like to emphasize that both UN-Habitat and Member States would benefit greatly if States were to include in their delegations their Permanent Representatives to UN-Habitat or representatives of other focal points in Nairobi with whom UN-Habitat is continuously engaged. The Executive Director would therefore be grateful if States would provide information on the composition of their delegations as soon as possible, preferably by 15 April 2019. In accordance with rule 16 of the current rules of procedure of the Governing Council, the credentials of representatives should be submitted to the Executive Director no later than by end of the first meeting of the session which is 27 May 2019.

## **VI. Proposed organizational arrangements for first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly**

17. The Executive Director proposes for consideration by the Member States, for the efficient conduct of work during the UN-Habitat Assembly, the proposed organizational arrangements and timetable set out herein as **Annex V**. This proposal has been prepared in line with General Assembly resolution 73/239 which states that preparations for the first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly should build upon the preparations already carried out for the twenty-seventh session of the Governing Council. The preparations for the Governing Council have been guided by, among others, the recommendations of resolution 20/21, on the organization and themes for future sessions of the Governing Council, by which it called upon the Committee of Permanent Representatives, acting as the intersessional subsidiary body of the Governing Council, to recommend to the Council further proposals for improving the structure and organization of the twenty-first and future sessions of the Governing Council. At its twenty-third meeting on 7 December 2006, the Committee of Permanent Representatives approved a set of such proposals for the twenty-first session and all future sessions which is reflected in the present Notification, in particular, with regard to the high-level segment, the dialogue and the theme. The UN-Habitat Assembly may wish to consider its own organizational arrangements at the appropriate time

### **Bureau**

18. It is anticipated that in line with rule 17 of the current rules of procedure of the Governing Council, the Bureau should comprise of the President, Vice-Presidents and the Rapporteur of the UN-Habitat Assembly, elected with due regard to the principle of equitable geographical distribution by rotation among the regional groups of States. As indicated earlier, **Annex IV** of this document shows the geographical distribution of the Bureau members at previous Governing Council sessions. The UN-Habitat Assembly may wish to consider the size of the incoming Bureau in light of the universal and therefore expanded nature of the UN-Habitat Assembly

19. As provided for in rule 18 of the rules of procedure of the Governing Council, one Vice-President should be designated to chair the sessional Committee of the Whole (COW) referred to in paragraph 33 below. The remaining Vice-Presidents would assist the President directly in his or her duties at the Plenary meetings and in the chairing of the ad-hoc Drafting Committee referred to in paragraph 34 below.

### **Plenary**

20. Following previous practice of the Governing Council, it is recommended that work in the Plenary meetings should be divided into two segments as follows: **a.** a high-level segment with interventions which would be held on the first and second days and **b.** a dialogue of Governments with subnational governments and other Habitat Agenda partners. It should be noted that part of the morning meeting on the first day will be devoted to organizational matters, including elections.

### **High-level segment**

21. It is suggested that the high-level segment focus its discussions on the theme for the session, along with aspects related to Provisional Agenda Item 9, Activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, including coordination matters and, Item 13 of the Provisional Agenda on the Strategic Plan for the Period 2020-2025 pursuant to the findings and recommendations of the open-ended Working Group which was endorsed by the United Nations General Assembly resolution 73/239. It is expected that in accordance with the findings and recommendations of the open-ended Working Group, the Work Programme of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme and Budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for the biennium 2020 should be referred to the Executive Board when it is established.

22. To accommodate the many delegations expected to attend the UN-Habitat Assembly sessions, it is recommended that, during the high-level segment, each delegation be allowed a maximum of five minutes of speaking time, and that this limit be strictly adhered to.

23. In establishing the list of speakers for the high-level segment, precedence will be given to Heads of State and Government, Ministers and Deputy Ministers. They will be followed by other heads of government delegation, then by a limited number of representatives of subnational governments, other Habitat Agenda partners and other stakeholders, in accordance with rules 64 and 65 of the current rules of procedure of the Governing Council.

### **Dialogue with local authorities and other partners**

24. It should be recalled that in paragraph 2 of its resolution 16/12, the Governing Council decided to provide, at future sessions, opportunities for partners to engage in a dialogue among themselves and with Governments. Such dialogues may, as appropriate, serve as an input to the deliberations of the up-coming session of the UN-Habitat Assembly.

25. In line with the relevant paragraphs of resolution 20/21 of the Governing Council, the Executive Director of UN-Habitat, in consultation with the Committee of Permanent Representatives, the theme of the UN-Habitat Assembly has already been chosen as indicated in paragraph 9 above and will form the basis of the dialogue.

26. With a view to increasing the participation in and contribution of subnational governments and other partners to the work of the UN-Habitat Assembly, and towards the attainment of common goals to achieve the implementation of the New Urban Agenda, the Agenda 2030 and Sustainable Development Goals, arrangements have been made for the dialogue with subnational governments and other partners to be held during the Plenary meeting on the third day as indicated in the proposed organization of work and timetable for the first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly attached as **Annex V**.

27. To that end, subnational governments and other partners are encouraged to submit in advance, a written summary of their presentation to the secretariat for distribution to all participants ahead of the dialogue session.

28. It should be further recalled that by its resolution 20/21 of the Governing Council, the theme of the dialogue should establish a link between the high-level segment and the dialogue of Governments with subnational governments and other Habitat Agenda partners and provide for cohesion in the policy discussions in Plenary meetings.

29. It is expected that the presentations to be made by representatives of subnational governments and other partners will be the outcome of consultations by those groups, with non-governmental organizations, parliamentarians, the private sector, professionals, researchers and labour unions. Arrangements will be made for subnational governments and other partners, should they so wish, to hold consultations in Nairobi immediately prior to the session.

30. Detailed information on the organization of the dialogue will be forthcoming.

### **Summary by the President**

31. At the end of the high-level segment and the dialogue, the President of the UN-Habitat Assembly, drawing on the deliberations of the two Plenary meetings, will prepare a summary of the main issues raised

in the high-level segment and the conclusions or recommendations made during the dialogue. That summary will reflect the main thrust of the discussions and key positions set out during the two segments and will be submitted for endorsement at the Plenary meeting. Any draft resolution that may emerge out of the discussions at those Plenary meetings will be referred to the Drafting Committee for action.

32. Once endorsed by the UN-Habitat Assembly as an accurate reflection of discussions during the high-level segment and the dialogue, and subsequent to the required legislative process, the conclusions and recommendations of the President of the UN-Habitat Assembly will serve as guidelines for follow-up action by Governments, subnational governments and other partners and the secretariat, specifically in support of the current focus areas of the UN-Habitat Work Programme, Strategic Plan and the Work Programme and Budget.

#### **Sessional Committee of the Whole.**

33. Bearing in mind the organization of work from previous sessions of the Governing Council and the above recommendations on the work at the Plenary meetings, the UN-Habitat Assembly may wish to establish a sessional Committee of the Whole that would be accorded responsibility for the detailed consideration of Agenda Items 9, 10, 11, and 13.

#### **Drafting Committee**

34. At its nineteenth session, on an informal basis, the Governing Council established an ad-hoc open-ended Drafting Committee, chaired by one of the Vice-Presidents, to pre-screen draft resolutions submitted by delegations with a view to merging, reconciling or clarifying them, as necessary, prior to their consideration by the Governing Council at the Plenary meeting. The UN-Habitat Assembly may wish to continue this practice, which was widely considered to have enhanced the efficiency of its work, with the report of the Drafting Committee first passing through the Committee of the Whole for endorsement prior to final adoption by the UN-Habitat Assembly.

#### **Overview of main activities at the Assembly**

35. As earlier indicated the proposed organisational arrangements and timetable for the session is provided in **Annex V**. While the Provisional Agenda for the UN-Habitat Assembly is yet to be adopted and in addition to the key issues to be discussed, below is a broad and tentative overview of the activities that are expected to take place during the period of the UN-Habitat Assembly:

Saturday 25 May 2019

- Stakeholders Forum

Sunday 26 May 2019

- Stakeholders Forum
- Meetings of Regional Groups

Monday 27 May 2019

- Election of the Assembly President and other officials of the Bureau
- Election of Members of the Executive Board
- Adoption of Rules of Procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly and the Executive Board
- Opening Ceremony
- Policy Statement of the Executive Director
- Statements by Member States
- Review of the Progress Report of the Executive Director of UN-Habitat
- Press Conference
- Opening of Exhibition
- Side events

Tuesday 28 May 2019

- High Level Financing Dialogue, followed by Pledging Session
- Review of the Progress Report of the Executive Director of UN-Habitat
- Review of Progress report on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and the SDGs

- Statements by Member States and observers
- Side events
- Exhibition

Wednesday 29 May 2019

- Interactive Strategic Dialogue between Member States, local authorities and other partners on the special Theme of the Assembly: Innovation for Better Quality of Life in Cities and Communities
- Review of Progress report on the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and the SDGs
- Review of the Report on the World Urban Forum
- Review of the Strategic Plan of UN-Habitat for the 2020-2025
- Deliberations on UN-Habitat Assembly resolutions
- Side events and Exhibition

Thursday 30 May 2019

- First -Meeting of the Executive Board
- Review of the UN-Habitat Work Programme and Budget for 2020
- Review of the Report on the World Urban Forum
- Review of the Strategic Plan of UN-Habitat for the 2020-2025
- Deliberations on Assembly resolutions
- Side events and Exhibition

Friday 31 May 2019

- Adoption of UN-Habitat Assembly decisions and resolutions
- Exhibition
- Press Conference
- Closing Ceremony

## VII: First Meeting of the Executive Board

36. Following consultations with the Bureau of the Committee of Permanent Representatives, it is recommended that upon the establishment of the Executive Board, elections of its Members and adoption of its rules of procedure by the UN-Habitat Assembly, the first meeting of the Executive Board should be held on the margins of the UN-Habitat Assembly. It is proposed that a one-day meeting be held to primarily consider organisational matters, review and approve the Annual Work Programme and Budget 2020 for the Organisation. The Bureau of the Committee of Permanent Representatives has also recommended that the meeting of the Executive Board be scheduled in a manner so as not to conflict with the Plenary meeting of the UN-Habitat Assembly.

37. The Bureau of the Committee of Permanent Representatives has further recommended the Provisional Agenda of the first meeting of the Executive Board as indicated in **Annex VI** with a list of documents recommended for the Board attached as **Annex VII**

38. In light of the expected first meeting of the Executive Board and pursuant to resolution 73/239 of the United Nations general Assembly, Members States through their regional groups of States are encouraged to begin caucusing on the nomination to the 36-member Executive Board to be elected during the first plenary meeting of the UN-Habitat Assembly.

## VIII. Registration for the session

39. Delegates are encouraged to pre-register online at <https://unhabitat.org/habitatassembly/> from **28 February 2019**. Participation is restricted to Member States, subnational governments and other Habitat Agenda partners. On-site registration will begin at 11 a.m. on Thursday, 23 May 2019. To avoid long queues on the opening day, a detailed schedule of the operating hours of the on-site registration is found on the website. Participants from civil society organizations and other stakeholders, who are not accredited to Habitat II, Istanbul +5, Habitat III and not in consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) will be required to submit an online application for ad-hoc accreditation. by attaching all the required documents as indicated VII on the website.

40. Information for participants regarding such matters as accommodation, visas and medical requirements will be available on the UN-Habitat website <https://unhabitat.org/habitatassembly-information-package/> from the date of commencement of online registration. Enquiries regarding these or any other matters concerning the organizational aspects of the session should be directed to Mr. Chris Mensah at the following address:

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## **Annexes to the Notification by the Executive Director**

### **Annex I: Proposed Provisional agenda for the first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly**

1. Opening of the session.
2. Election of the President of the UN-Habitat Assembly.
3. Adoption of the rules of procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly
4. Adoption of the Agenda.
5. Election of Officers other than the President.
6. Credentials of representatives of the UN-Habitat Assembly.
  - (a) Appointment of Members of the Credentials Committee
7. Organization of Work, including the establishment of the UN-Habitat Executive Board and Adoption of the rules of procedure of the Executive Board
8. Election of the Members of the Executive Board.
9. Activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, including coordination matters.
10. Review of progress in the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
11. Report of the World Urban Forum.
12. Dialogue on the special theme for the first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly
13. Strategic plan for the period 2020–2025 of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme
14. Provisional agenda and other arrangements for the second session of the UN-Habitat Assembly.
15. Adoption of the report of the session and the report of the first meeting of the Executive Board
16. Other matters.
17. Closure of the session

## Annex II: Tentative List of documents before the first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly

Agenda item	Title
Agenda item 1	General Assembly Resolution A/RES/73/239 on Implementation of the outcomes of the United Nations Conferences on Human Settlements and on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)
Agenda item 1	Findings and Recommendations of the Open -ended Working Group: Report of the Chair
Agenda item 3	Draft Rules of Procedure of the UN-Habitat Assembly
Agenda item 4	Provisional agenda for UN-Habitat Assembly
Agenda item 4	Annotations to the provisional agenda including organization of work: addendum to the note by the secretariat
Agenda item 7	Draft Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board of UN-Habitat
Agenda item 9	Progress report of the Executive Director on activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme
Agenda item 9	Joint activities in the urban environment: joint progress report of the Executive Directors of the United Nations Environment Programme and the United Nations Human Settlements Programme: addendum to the report of the Executive Director
Agenda item 9	Cooperation with agencies and organizations within the United Nations system, intergovernmental organizations outside the United Nations system, non-governmental organizations and other UN-Habitat partners in the implementation of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme 2014-2019 Strategic Plan: addendum to the report of the Executive Director
Agenda item 9	Draft Stakeholder Engagement Policy
Agenda item 9	Draft UN system wide Guidelines on Safer Cities
Agenda item 9	Country activities report 2018:
Agenda item 9	Report of the Committee of Permanent Representatives on its work during the intersessional period
Agenda item 9	Note by the secretariat on draft resolutions prepared by the Committee of Permanent Representatives: addendum to the report of the Committee of Permanent Representatives
Agenda item 9	Report of the Committee of Permanent Representatives on its work during the intersessional period (Report of final CPR meeting before GC- 72 <sup>nd</sup> regular session)

Agenda item 9	Report of the Chair of the Working Group on Work Programme and Budget
Agenda item 10	Report of the Executive Director on progress in the implementation of the New Urban Agenda and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
Agenda item 11	Report of the Executive Director on the World Urban Forum
Agenda item 11	Report on the ninth session of the World Urban Forum
Agenda item 12	Dialogue on the special theme of the first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly: report of the Executive Director
Agenda item 13	Report of the Executive Director on the proposed Strategic Plan of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme and proposed budget of the United Nations Habitat for the period biennium 2020–2025
Agenda item 13	Note by the secretariat on the status of voluntary contributions to the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation as at 1 March 2019

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## **Annex III: Resolution 20/21: Organization and themes for future sessions of the Governing Council**

*The Governing Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 5/15 of 7 May 1982, in which it decided to designate the subjects of the special themes of its sessions two years in advance,

*Also recalling* its resolution 16/12 of 7 May 1997, in which it decided to provide, at future sessions of the Council, opportunities for partners to engage in a dialogue among themselves and with Governments,

*Further recalling* its resolution 19/5 of 9 May 2003, in which it decided that a continuing focus of its twentieth and future sessions should be the implementation and monitoring of the goal of the United Nations Millennium Declaration<sup>1</sup> on improving the lives of slum-dwellers,

*Noting* that the World Urban Forum now provides an opportunity for extensive dialogue among Governments, local authorities and other Habitat Agenda partners,

*Recognizing* the importance during sessions of the Governing Council of a focused, interactive high-level segment on priority policy issues,

1. *Endorses* the recommendations of the Committee of Permanent Representatives on improving preparations for the Governing Council, which are contained in the appendix to the present resolution;

2. *Decides* that the special themes referred to in resolution 5/15 shall no longer be chosen two years in advance, but shall instead be selected by the Bureau of the Governing Council at least six months before the start of each session of the Governing Council, on the basis of advice from the Executive Director, in consultation with the Committee of Permanent Representatives, taking into account the outcome of the sessions of the World Urban Forum and the requirement for a continuing focus on the implementation and monitoring of the goal of the Millennium Declaration on improving the lives of slum dwellers;

3. *Also decides* that the high-level segment and the dialogues referred to in its resolution 16/12 should normally focus on those special themes and should constitute the substantive debate on the special themes;

4. *Requests* the Committee of Permanent Representatives to recommend to the Governing Council at its twenty-first session, through the Bureau of the Governing Council, further proposals for improving the structure and organizational arrangements of the twenty-first and future sessions of the Governing Council including, in particular, the high-level segment;

5. *Also requests* the Executive Director to prepare a background paper for use by the Committee of Permanent Representatives in complying with the request set forth in the preceding paragraph.

8 April 2005

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1 General Assembly resolution 55/2.

## Annex IV: Geographical distribution of officers elected at previous sessions of the Governing Council of UN-Habitat and which may inform the geographical distribution for the first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly

Below is the distribution of offers for past sessions of the Governing Council.

<i>Year</i>	<i>Session of the Governing Council</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>Vice-Presidents</i>	<i>Rapporteur</i>
1978	First	Western European and other States (Sweden)	African States (Malawi) Eastern European States (Poland) Latin American States (Mexico)	Asian States (Philippines)
1979	Second	African States (Kenya)	Asian States (Pakistan) Latin American States (Mexico) Western European and other States (Sweden)	Eastern European States (Poland)
1980	Third	Latin American States (Mexico)	African States (Nigeria) Asian States (Iraq) Eastern European States (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics)	Western European and other States (Netherlands)
1981	Fourth	Asian States (Philippines)	African States (Lesotho) Eastern European States (Hungary) Western European and other States (Federal Republic of Germany)	Latin American States (Jamaica)
1982	Fifth	Eastern European States (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics)	Asian States (Sri Lanka) Latin American States (Jamaica) Western European and other States (Canada)	African States (Egypt)
1983	Sixth	Western European and other States (Finland)	African States (Zambia) Eastern European States (Bulgaria) Latin American States (Argentina)	Asian States (Bangladesh)
1984	Seventh	African States (Gabon)	Asian States (India) Latin American States (Chile) Western European and other States (United States of America)	Eastern European States (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics)
1985	Eighth	Latin American States (Jamaica)	African States (Tunisia) Asian States (Sri Lanka) Eastern European States (Hungary)	Western European and other States (Greece)
1986	Ninth	Western European and other States (Turkey)	African States (Kenya) Asian States (Bangladesh) Eastern European States (Poland)	Latin American States (Chile)
1987	Tenth	Eastern European States (Bulgaria)	Asian States (Indonesia) Latin American States (Colombia) Western European and other States (Finland)	African States (Kenya)
1988	Eleventh	Asian States (India)	African States (Botswana) Latin American States (Brazil) Western European and other States (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)	Eastern European States (Poland)

1989	Twelfth	Latin American States (Colombia)	African States (Gabon) Eastern European States (Hungary) Western European and other States (United States of America)	Asian States (Sri Lanka)
1991	Thirteenth	African States (Zimbabwe)	Asian States (Sri Lanka) Eastern European States (Soviet Union) Latin American States (Brazil)	Western European and other States (Netherlands)
1993	Fourteenth	Western European and other States (Finland)	African States (Uganda) Asian States (Philippines) Eastern European States (Romania)	Latin American States (Chile)
1995	Fifteenth	Eastern European States (Russian Federation)	Asian States (Indonesia) Latin American States (Venezuela) Western European and other States (United Kingdom)	African States (Cameroon)
1997	Sixteenth	Asian States (Bangladesh)	African States (Kenya) Latin American States (Mexico) Western European and other States (Norway)	Eastern European States (Romania)
1999	Seventeenth	Latin American States (Colombia)	African States (Senegal) Eastern European States (Bulgaria) Western European and other States (Sweden)	Asian States (Iran (Islamic Republic of))
2001	Eighteenth	African States (Algeria)	Asian States (Bangladesh) Eastern European States (Russian Federation) Latin American States (Argentina)	Western European and other States (Turkey)
2003	Nineteenth	Western European and other States (Sweden)	African States (Malawi) Asian States (Sri Lanka) Eastern European States (Poland)	Latin American States (Chile)
2005	Twentieth	Eastern European States (Czech Republic)	Asian States (Philippines) Latin American States (Argentina) Western European and other States (Germany)	African States (Nigeria)
2007	Twenty-first	Asian States (India)	African States (Uganda) Latin American States (Argentina) Western European and other States (Canada)	Eastern European States (Russian Federation)
2009	Twenty-second	Latin American States (Jamaica)	African States (Zambia) Eastern European States (Czech Republic) Western European and other States (Germany)	Asian States (Pakistan)
2011	Twenty-third	African States (Rwanda)	Asian States (China) Eastern European States (Russian Federation) Latin American States (Chile)	Western European and other States (Finland)
2013	Twenty-fourth	African States (Nigeria)	Eastern European States (Russian Fed.) Latin American States (Argentina) Asia-Pacific States (Bangladesh)	Western European and other States (Germany)
2015	Twenty-fifth	Eastern European States (Slovakia)	African States (Ghana) Western European and other States (Germany) Asia-Pacific States (India)	Latin American States (Uruguay)

<i>Year</i>	<i>Session of the Governing Council</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>Vice-Presidents</i>	<i>Rapporteur</i>
2017	Twenty-sixth	Asia Pacific States (India)	African States (Kenya) Western European and other States (Germany) Latin America States (Guatemala)	Eastern European States (Russia)

Under the principle of geographical rotation provided for in paragraph 2 of rule 17 of the rules of procedure of the Governing Council, the following regional groups should provide candidates for the offices in question for the first session of UN-Habitat Assembly:

<b>Offices for the first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly</b>	
2019	President: Latin American States
	Vice Presidents: i) African States, ii) Eastern European States; iii) Western European and other States
	Rapporteur: Asia Pacific States

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**Annex V: Proposed organization of work and timetable for the first session of the UN-Habitat Assembly, 27-31 May 2019**

Day/Date	Time	Plenary	Committee of the Whole	Drafting committee
Monday, 27 May	a.m.	Opening of the session Organizational matters High-level segment: Agenda items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6	Agenda item 9,10	Consultations on draft resolutions
	p.m.	High-level segment: Agenda items 6,7,8 and 9		
Tuesday, 28 May	a.m.	High-level segment: Agenda items 9,10, 11	Agenda item 9 Agenda item 10 Agenda item 11	Consultations on draft resolutions
	p.m.	Continuation of the high-level segment		
Wednesday, 29 May	a.m. and p.m.	Dialogue among Governments and other Habitat Agenda partners: Special theme, agenda item 12	Agenda item 10 Agenda item 11 Agenda item 13	Consultations on draft resolutions
Thursday, 30 May	a.m.	<b><u>First Meeting of the Executive Board</u></b>	Review of Draft Resolutions from Drafting Committee	Consultations on draft resolutions
	p.m.	Plenary: Approval of draft reports on items 9,10, and 11 and report on draft decision on item 14.		
Friday, 31 May	a.m.	Plenary: Chair's summary of the high-level segment and dialogue. Draft reports of plenary on items 12 and 13	Review of Draft Resolutions from Drafting Committee	
	p.m.	Draft reports of the Committee of the Whole Report on draft resolutions and agenda item 15		

## **Annex VI: Proposed Provisional Agenda of the first Meeting of the Executive Board of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, 30 May 2019**

1. Opening of the Meeting
2. Organizational Matters
  - a. Adoption of the Agenda for the first meeting of the Executive Board
  - b. Election of the Bureau of the Executive Board
  - c. Consideration of the tentative Workplan for 2019-2020 for the Executive Board including its Bureau meetings, frequency of its meetings, items to be regularly considered, dates of its next meeting and approval of the Workplan.
3. Approval of the Annual Work Programme and Budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for the year 2020
4. Other Matters.

## **Annex VII: List of documents before the first session of the Executive Board**

<b>Agenda item</b>	<b>Title</b>
Agenda item 2	Provisional agenda for the Executive Board of UN-Habitat
Agenda item 2	Annotations to the provisional agenda including organization of work: addendum to the note by the secretariat
Agenda item 3	Report of the Executive Director on the proposed work programme of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme and proposed budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for the biennium 2020–2021
Agenda item 3	Note by the secretariat on the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions: addendum to the report of the Executive Director
Agenda item 3	Annual report of the Executive Director on the implementation of the strategic plan 2014-2019, for the year 2018
Agenda item 3	Report of the United Nations Board of Auditors