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## Commission on Sustainable Development

### Intergovernmental Preparatory Meeting

New York, 23-27 February 2009

Item 1 of the provisional agenda

### Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

## Annotated provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
2. Policy options and possible actions to expedite implementation:
  - (a) Agriculture;
  - (b) Rural development;
  - (c) Land;
  - (d) Drought;
  - (e) Desertification;
  - (f) Africa.
3. Adoption of the report of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Meeting.

## Annotations

### 1. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

In its resolution 2003/61, entitled “Future programme, organization and methods of work of the Commission on Sustainable Development”, the Economic and Social Council decided that, in the policy year of its two-year implementation cycle, the Commission on Sustainable Development would convene an intergovernmental preparatory meeting for one week in New York in February/March to discuss policy options and possible actions to address the constraints and obstacles in the process of implementation identified during the review year, and that the Bureau of the Commission would recommend specific organizational modalities for Commission meetings.

In accordance with rule 7 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, the Intergovernmental Preparatory Meeting shall, at the beginning of its meeting, adopt the agenda for its meeting on the basis of the provisional agenda. The proposed programme of work for the Meeting is contained



in annex I below. The membership of the Commission at its seventeenth session is given in annex II below.

**2. Policy options and possible actions to expedite implementation:**

- (a) **Agriculture**
- (b) **Rural development**
- (c) **Land**
- (d) **Drought**
- (e) **Desertification**
- (f) **Africa.**

In resolution 2003/61, the Council also decided that the discussions of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Meeting would be based on the outcome of the Commission's review session, reports by the Secretary-General and other relevant inputs. Based on those discussions, the Chairman will prepare a draft negotiating document for consideration at the Commission's policy session.

Accordingly, the Bureau of the seventeenth session of the Commission, through consultations with member States, decided that the Meeting would focus on the discussions of policy options and possible actions to expedite implementation in the thematic cluster of agriculture, rural development, land, drought, desertification and Africa.

**Documentation**

Report of the Secretary-General entitled "Policy options and possible actions to expedite implementation: agriculture" (E/CN.17/2009/3)

Report of the Secretary-General entitled "Policy options and possible actions to expedite implementation: rural development" (E/CN.17/2009/4)

Report of the Secretary-General entitled "Policy options and possible actions to expedite implementation: land" (E/CN.17/2009/5)

Report of the Secretary-General entitled "Policy options and possible actions to expedite implementation: drought" (E/CN.17/2009/6)

Report of the Secretary-General entitled "Policy options and possible actions to expedite implementation: desertification" (E/CN.17/2009/7)

Report of the Secretary-General entitled "Policy options and possible actions to expedite implementation: Africa" (E/CN.17/2009/8)

Report of the Secretary-General entitled "Policy options and possible actions to expedite implementation: interlinkages and cross-cutting issues" (E/CN.17/2009/9)

Note by the Secretariat on major groups' priorities for action (E/CN.17/2009/10)

**3. Adoption of the report of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Meeting**

In accordance with the provisions contained in Economic and Social Council resolution 2003/61 and established practice, the Meeting will submit a report to the Commission for consideration at its seventeenth session.

**Documentation**

Draft report of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Meeting (E/CN.17/IPM/2009/\_\_\_)

## Annex I

**Proposed organization of work for the Intergovernmental Preparatory Meeting, 23-27 February 2009<sup>a</sup>**

| <i>Date/time</i>            | <i>Agenda item/programme</i>  |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <b>Monday, 23 February</b>  |   |
| 10 a.m.-1 p.m.              | Opening of the session  |
|                             | 1. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work                          |
|                             | 2. Policy options and possible actions to expedite implementation:          |
|                             | (a) Agriculture   |
|                             | (b) Rural development   |
|                             | (c) Land  |
|                             | (d) Drought   |
|                             | (e) Desertification   |
|                             | (f) Africa  |
|                             | Presentations of the results of relevant intersessional meetings and events |
|                             | Introduction of the reports of the Secretary-General                        |
|                             | Presentations of regional perspectives                                      |
|                             | Dialogue with major groups  |
| 3-6 p.m.                    | 2. ( <i>continued</i> )   |
|                             | Presentations on policy options   |
|                             | Interactive discussions   |
| <b>Tuesday, 24 February</b> |   |
| 10 a.m.-1 p.m.              | 2. ( <i>continued</i> )   |
|                             | Presentations on policy options   |
|                             | Interactive discussions   |
| 3-6 p.m.                    | 2. ( <i>continued</i> )   |
|                             | Presentations on policy options   |
|                             | Interactive discussions   |

<sup>a</sup> Prepared on the basis of recommendations made by the Bureau.

| <i>Date/time</i>              | <i>Agenda item/programme</i>   |
|-------------------------------|--|
| <b>Wednesday, 25 February</b> |  |
| 10 a.m.-1 p.m.                | 2. ( <i>continued</i> )<br>Presentations on policy options<br>Interactive discussions  |
| 3-6 p.m.                      | 2. ( <i>continued</i> )<br>Presentations on policy options<br>Interactive discussions  |
| <b>Thursday, 26 February</b>  |  |
| 10 a.m.-1 p.m.                | 2. ( <i>continued</i> )<br>Presentations on policy options<br>Interactive discussions  |
| 3-6 p.m.                      | 2. ( <i>continued</i> )<br>Presentations on policy options<br>Interactive discussions  |
| <b>Friday, 27 February</b>    |  |
| 10 a.m.-1 p.m.                | 2. ( <i>continued</i> )<br>Presentations on policy options<br>Interactive discussions  |
| 3-6 p.m.                      | 2. ( <i>concluded</i> )<br>Introduction of the Chairperson's draft negotiating text<br>Factual comments by delegations on the Chairperson's draft negotiating text<br>3. Adoption of the report of the Intergovernmental Preparatory Meeting<br>Closing of the session |

**Annex II****Membership of the Commission on Sustainable Development at its seventeenth session**

|                                  |   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| Antigua and Barbuda              | Japan   |
| Argentina                        | Kuwait  |
| Australia                        | Libyan Arab Jamahiriya                                  |
| Bahrain                          | Malawi  |
| Bangladesh                       | Monaco  |
| Belgium                          | Namibia   |
| Brazil                           | Netherlands   |
| Canada                           | Pakistan  |
| Cape Verde                       | Peru  |
| Chile                            | Poland  |
| Costa Rica                       | Republic of Korea                                       |
| Croatia                          | Romania   |
| Czech Republic                   | Russian Federation                                      |
| Democratic Republic of the Congo | Saudi Arabia  |
| Djibouti                         | Senegal   |
| Estonia                          | South Africa  |
| France                           | Spain   |
| Gabon                            | Sudan   |
| Gambia                           | Sweden  |
| Germany                          | United Arab Emirates                                    |
| Guatemala                        | United Kingdom of Great Britain and<br>Northern Ireland |
| Guinea                           | United Republic of Tanzania                             |
| Haiti                            | United States of America                                |
| India                            | Uruguay   |
| Indonesia                        | Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)                      |
| Iran (Islamic Republic of)       |   |
| Israel                           |   |

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