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Item 2 of the provisional agenda

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Proposed organization of work

Date Agenda item Documentation/programme

Monday, 8 February

a.m. Opening of the session

- 1. Election of officers
- 2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters
- 3. Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly
- (a) Priority theme: Socially just transition towards sustainable development: the role of digital technologies on social development and well-being of all
- (b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups
 - (i) Outcome document of the highlevel meeting of the General Assembly on the realization of the Millennium Development Goals and other internationally agreed development goals for persons with disabilities: the way forward, a disability-inclusive development agenda towards 2015 and beyond

(in-person meeting)

Provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work (E/CN.5/2021/1 and E/CN.5/2021/1/Add.1)

Introduction of documentation under agenda item 3, including its sub-items (a), (b) and (c)

Report of the Secretary-General on the social dimensions of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (E/CN.5/2021/2)

Report of the Secretary-General entitled "Socially just transition towards sustainable development: the role of digital technologies on social development and well-being of all" (E/CN.5/2021/3)

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Date	Agenda item	Documentation/programme
	(ii) World Programme of Action for Youth	Report of the Secretary-General on policies and programmes involving youth (E/CN.5/2021/5)
	(iii) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002	
	(iv) Family issues, policies and programmes	Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the objectives of the International Year of the Family and its follow-up processes (A/76/61-E/2021/4)
	3 (a) and (b)	Introductory statements
	4. Programme questions and other matters	
	(a) Proposed programme plan for 2022	Conference room paper on the proposed programme plan for 2022
	(b) United Nations Research Institute for Social Development	Note by the Secretary-General on the Statute of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (E/CN.5/2021/6)
		Note by the Secretary-General on the nomination of members of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (E/CN.5/2021/7)
		Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Board of the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (E/CN.5/2021/8)
p.m.	3 (a) (continued)	(virtual meeting)
		High-level panel discussion on item 3 (a)
Tuesday, 9	February	
a.m.	3 (continued)	(virtual meeting)
		Ministerial forum: Promoting multilateralism to realize inclusive, resilient and sustainable recovery from COVID-19 in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development and its social dimension
p.m.	3 (a) and (b) (continued)	(virtual meeting)
		General discussion begins
		3 p.m.: deadline for submission of draft proposals
		6 p.m.: inscription for the list of speakers on e-deleGATE closes

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Date	Agenda item	Documentation/programme
Wednesda	y, 10 February	
a.m.	3 (c) Emerging issues: Social policy to promote a more inclusive, resilient and sustainable recovery: building back better post-COVID-19 for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development	(virtual meeting)
		Panel discussion on emerging issues
		Note by the Secretariat entitled "Social policy to promote a more inclusive, resilient and sustainable recovery: building back better post-COVID-19 for the achievement of the 2030 Agenda in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development" (E/CN.5/2021/4)
p.m.	3 (a) and (b) (continued)	(virtual meeting)
		Interactive dialogue with senior officials of the United Nations system on the priority theme
Thursday,	11 February	
a.m.	3 (a) and (b) (continued)	(virtual meeting)
		General discussion
p.m.	3 (a) and (b) (continued)	(virtual meeting)
		General discussion
Friday, 12	February	
a.m.		(no meeting)
p.m.	3 (a) and (b) (continued)	(virtual meeting)
		Multi-stakeholder forum on the priority theme
Monday, 1	5 February	
a.m.	3 (a) and (b) (continued)	(virtual meeting)
		General discussion
p.m.	3 (a) and (b) (continued)	(virtual meeting)
		General discussion
Tuesday, 1	6 February	
a.m.	3 (a) and (b) (continued)	(virtual meeting)
		General discussion
p.m.	3 (a) and (b) (continued)	(virtual meeting)
		General discussion
Wednesda	y, 17 February	
a.m.	3; 3 (a) and (b); and 4 (b) (continued)	(in-person meeting)
		Introduction of draft proposals
		Action on draft proposals

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Date	Agenda item	Documentation/programme
	5. Provisional agenda for the sixtieth session of the Commission	Adoption of the provisional agenda for the next session
		Draft provisional agenda for the sixtieth session of the Commission (E/CN.5/2021/L.1) ^a
	6. Adoption of the report of the	Adoption of the report
	Commission on its fifty-ninth session	Draft report of the Commission on its sixtieth session $(E/CN.5/2021/L.2)^a$
		Closure of the session ^b
p.m.		(in-person meeting)
		Continuation of the morning meeting (if necessary)

^a To be issued as an in-session document.

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^b In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2002/210, the Commission, immediately following the closure of the fifty-ninth session, will hold the first meeting of its sixtieth 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.

Membership of the Commission for Social Development at its fifty-ninth session (2021)

(46 members;^a four-year term)

Member	Year in which term expires at close of session
Argentina	2023
Austria	2023
Brazil	2021
Bulgaria	2021
Chad	2023
China	2021
Colombia	2023
Côte d'Ivoire	2021
Cuba	2024
Democratic Republic of the Congo	2024
Ethiopia	2024
France	2021
Guatemala	2023
Haiti	2021
India	2021
Islamic Republic of Iran	2024
Iraq	2023
Israel	2023
Japan	2024
Kuwait	2021
Libya	2024
Luxembourg	2021
Madagascar	2021
Malawi	2021
Morocco	2023
Nigeria	2024
North Macedonia	2024
Panama	2021
Paraguay	2024

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Member	Year in which term expires at close of session
Portugal	2023
Qatar	2023
Republic of Korea	2024
Romania	2021
Russian Federation	2024
Sierra Leone	2023
South Africa	2023
Sudan	2021
Switzerland	2021
Turkey	2024
Turkmenistan	2021
Ukraine	2023
United States of America	2024

^a In accordance with decision 2020/201 E of 21 July 2020, the Council further postponed the election to the Commission of one member from the Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the fifty-ninth session of the Commission in 2021; one member from the Asia-Pacific States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the sixty-first session of the Commission in 2023; and one member from the Latin American and Caribbean States and one member from the Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the sixty-second session of the Commission in 2024.

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