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**POLICY ISSUES IN THE ESCWA REGION**

This item will address general policy by considering three issues of importance to the Western Asia region, namely, new challenges in the region and their impact on the work of ESCWA, which will be presented to the Commission in document E/ESCWA/24/4(Part I); confronting the youth unemployment problem in the ESCWA region, which will be presented to the Commission in document E/ESCWA/24/4(Part II); and achieving the Millennium Development Goals in the ESCWA region, which will be presented to the Commission in document E/ESCWA/24/4(Part III).

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