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Item 3 of the provisional agenda

Organization of work**Note by the secretariat**

1. The secretariat of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA) has prepared the proposed organization of work for the thirteenth session of the Committee on Water Resources to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within time limitations. The Committee will be presented with the proposed organization of work set out in the present document and shall adopt it in that or an amended form.
2. The first meeting of the thirteenth session will be convened at 9.30 a.m. on Thursday, 27 June 2019. The Committee is scheduled to hold four meetings over two days, as shown in the next section. The session will conclude at 4 p.m. on Friday, 28 June 2019.
3. Each presentation given by the secretariat shall be limited to 10-15 minutes, followed by a 30-minute discussion. Should the discussion of an agenda item be concluded ahead of schedule, the next agenda item will be brought forward for discussion.
4. In parallel with the thirteenth session of the Committee on Water Resources and the twelfth session of the Committee on Energy, ESCWA, in collaboration with the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Sub-Fund, is organizing a regional capacity-building workshop on linkages between energy and water for sustainable development in the Arab region. The workshop will be held at the United Nations House in Beirut, starting at 12.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 25 June 2019 until the evening of Wednesday, 26 June 2019.

Proposed organization of work

Date/time	Agenda item and documentation	
<u>Thursday, 27 June 2019</u>		
Morning session		
9-9.30 a.m.		Registration of participants.
9.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	<u>Item 1</u>	Opening of the session.
	<u>Item 2</u>	Election of officers.
	<u>Item 3</u>	Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters. <i>For discussion</i> Provisional agenda and annotations E/ESCWA/C.4/2019/L.1 Organization of work E/ESCWA/C.4/2019/L.2
	<u>Item 4</u>	Water in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Integrating the Sustainable Development Goals in national development plans. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2019/3-E/ESCWA/C.3/2019/10
	<u>Item 5</u>	Progress towards achieving the water-related Sustainable Development Goals in the Arab region. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2019/4
	<u>Item 6</u>	Energy-water-food nexus in the Arab region. <i>For discussion</i> Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2019/5-E/ESCWA/C.3/2019/12
Afternoon session		
2 p.m.-4 p.m.	<u>Item 7</u>	Round-table discussion: Water in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The Committee is invited to make interventions on progress in implementing SDG 6 and on the integration of SDG 6 targets in national plans and programmes utilizing the energy-water-food nexus, and to make proposals thereon.

Date/time	Agenda item and documentation
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Thursday, 27 June 2019 (continued)

Regional cooperation on climate change in the Arab region

Item 8 Arab Centre for Climate Change Policies: an integrated approach to climate change.

For discussion

Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2019/6-E/ESCWA/C.3/2019/9

Item 9 Linkages between climate change and disaster risk reduction in the Arab region.

For discussion

Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2019/7

Friday, 28 June 2019

Morning session

9 a.m.-12 p.m.

Progress achieved since the twelfth session of the Committee

Item 10 Implementation of the recommendations made by the Committee on Water Resources at its twelfth session.

For discussion

Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2019/8

Item 11 Implementation of activities under the ESCWA programme of work.

For discussion

Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2019/9

Programmatic issues

Item 12 Proposed programme plan for 2020 in the area of integrated natural resource management for sustainable development.

For discussion

Document E/ESCWA/C.4/2019/10

Afternoon session

2-4 p.m.

Item 13 Date and venue of the fourteenth session of the Committee on Water Resources.

Item 14 Other matters.

Item 15 Adoption of the recommendations made by the Committee on Water Resources at its thirteenth session.

The draft recommendations will be submitted for discussion and adoption.
