Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

Committee on Water Resources
Eleventh session
Amman, 26-27 March 2015

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 eleventh session of the Committee on Water Resources in order to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within time limitations. The Committee will be presented with the proposed organization of work contained in the annex to this document and shall adopt it in that or an amended form.

2. The first meeting of the eleventh session will be convened on Thursday, 26 March 2015 at 9:30 a.m. The Committee is scheduled to hold two meetings, one in the morning and another in the afternoon, on each of the two days of the session as shown in the annex. The session will conclude on Friday, 27 March 2015 at 4:30 p.m.

3. Each presentation given by the secretariat shall be limited to 10-15 minutes and be followed by a discussion, which must not exceed 30 minutes. Should the discussion of an agenda item be concluded ahead of schedule, the next agenda item will be brought forward for discussion.
Annex

Proposed organization of work

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**Morning session**

9-9.30 a.m.  
Registration of participants.

9.30 a.m.-1 p.m.  
**Item 1**  
Opening of the session.

**Item 2**  
Election of officers.

**Item 3**  
Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

*For discussion*

- Provisional agenda and annotations E/ESCWA/SDPD/2015/IG.2/L.1
- Organization of work E/ESCWA/SDPD/2015/IG.2/L.2

**Afternoon session**

2-4.30 p.m.  
**Item 4**  
Climate change and its impacts on water resources in the Arab region:

(a) Progress achieved in implementing the Regional Initiative for the Assessment of the Impact of Climate Change on Water Resources and Socio-Economic Vulnerability in the Arab Region (RICCAR);

*For discussion*

- Document E/ESCWA/SDPD/2015/IG.2/3(Part I)

(b) Building the capacities of member States in climate change negotiations and preparations for the 21st Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC/COP-21).

*For discussion*

- Document E/ESCWA/SDPD/2015/IG.2/3(Part II)

**Item 5**  
Integrated water resources management in the Arab region:

(a) Progress achieved in implementing the Regional Initiative for Establishing a Regional Mechanism for Improved Monitoring and Reporting on Access to Water Supply and Sanitation Services in the Arab Region (MDG+ Initiative);

*For discussion*

- Document E/ESCWA/SDPD/2015/IG.2/4(Part I)

(b) Regional cooperation for shared water resources management.

*For discussion*

- Document E/ESCWA/SDPD/2015/IG.2/4(Part II)
### Friday, 27 March 2015

#### Morning session

9.00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.  **Item 6**  Natural resources management for sustainable development:

(a) The post-2015 development agenda from the perspective of the Arab region;

*For discussion*

Document E/ESCWA/SDPD/2015/IG.2/5(Part I)

(b) The water-energy-food nexus in the Arab region.

*For discussion*

Document E/ESCWA/SDPD/2015/IG.2/5(Part II)

#### Afternoon session

1:30-4:30 p.m.  **Item 7**  Actions taken in the field of water resources since the tenth session of the Committee on Water Resources:

(a) Implementation of recommendations made by the Committee at its tenth session;

*For discussion*

Document E/ESCWA/SDPD/2015/IG.2/6(Part I)

(b) Implementation of activities under the ESCWA programme of work.

*For discussion*

Document E/ESCWA/SDPD/2015/IG.2/6(Part II)

**Item 8**  Proposed programme of work for the biennium 2016-2017 in the field of water resources.

*For discussion*

Document E/ESCWA/SDPD/2015/IG.2/7

**Item 9**  Date and venue of the twelfth session of the Committee on Water Resources.

**Item 10**  Other matters.

**Item 11**  Adoption of the recommendations of the Committee on Water Resources.

*The draft recommendations will be submitted for discussion and adoption*

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