Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia
Twenty-second session
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Item 3 of the provisional agenda

AGENDA

1. Opening of the twenty-second session.
2. Election of officers.
3. Adoption of the agenda.
4. Proposed organization of work.
5. Invitation to States Members of the United Nations and/or of the specialized agencies not members of the Commission to participate in the capacity of observer in the twenty-second session of the Commission.
6. Report of the Executive Secretary on the activities of the Commission.
7. General debate: summary of the issues of which the twenty-second session is seized.
8. Adoption of the agreement on international railways in the Arab Mashreq.
9. Issues of importance for the future of the ESCWA region:
   (a) The impact of the lack of stability in the Western Asia region on economic and social development;
   (b) The strengthening of Arab regional cooperation.
11. The role of ESCWA in coordinating regional activities of the United Nations system.
12. Designating the sessions of the Commission as the forum for a biennial pledging conference: resolution 236 (XXI).
13. Time and venue of the twenty-third session of the Commission.
14. Other business.
15. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its twenty-second session.

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