The Executive Board: Governing Body

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Executive Board Secretary
Governance: a multi-tiered intergovernmental structure

General Assembly

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The Executive Board roles and responsibilities

The Executive Board functions: IG Governing Body

- Provide strategic guidance to ED and Direct implementation of Entity’s mandate;
- Overseeing the Entity’s operational and coordination activities;
- Overseeing functions such as evaluation, financial control and audit;
- Being kept informed and consulted on policies and other managerial matters;
- Approving overall governing documents such as 4-year Strategic Plan, and integrated budget;
- Providing inter-governmental support to UN-Women leadership.
The Executive Board Membership in 2020

**African States (10)**
- Angola (2021)
- Burundi (2022)
- The Democratic Republic of Congo (2022)
- Equatorial Guinea (2021)
- Ghana (2021)
- Kenya (2021)
- Madagascar (2022)
- Morocco (2021)
- Nigeria (2022)
- Sierra Leone (2022)

**Asia-Pacific States (10)**
- Bangladesh (2021)
- China (2022)
- India (2021)
- Japan (2022)
- Kazakhstan (2022)
- Lebanon (2022)
- Mongolia (2021)
- Nepal (2021)
- Republic of Korea (2022)
- Saudi Arabia (2021)
The Executive Board Membership in 2020 (cont’d)

Eastern European States (4)
- Georgia (2021)
- Hungary (2021)
- Lithuania (2022)
- The Russian Federation (2022)

Latin American and Caribbean States (6)
- Argentina (2022)
- Brazil (2022)
- Chile (2021)
- Colombia (2021)
- Cuba (2021)
- Mexico (2022)
Western European and other States (5)

Belgium (2021)
Canada (2021)
Germany (2022)
New Zealand (2022)
Switzerland (2022)
Contributing Countries (4)

Finland (2022)
Sweden (2022)
United Kingdom (2022)
United States (2022)

Contributing Countries not Members of the OECD/DAC (2)

Senegal (2022)
Turkey (2022)
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Executive Board Secretariat and Bureau

- Interface between Member States and UN-Women and focal point for Executive Board matters;
- Organize official sessions, informal consultations, briefings, Bureau meetings and field visits;
- Produce, edit and translate documentation presented to the Executive Board;
- Maintain repository of decisions of the Executive Board;
- Maintain (and archive) all documentation and website of the Executive Board;
- Inter-agency coordination with Secretariats of other Executive Boards.
Election of the Bureau, 14 January 2020

Interactive dialogue on mobilizing for the Generation Equality Forum, 16 January 2020

Joint briefing on the working methods of the Executive Boards, 22 January 2020

Joint briefing on the options to improve structured dialogue on financing, 23 January 2020

Joint briefing on cost recovery, 23 January 2020

Pre-Session and orientation, 27 January 2020
Informal briefing on update on the mid-term review of the Strategic Plan 2018-2021, 27 January 2020

Informal briefing on an update on the implementation of General Assembly Resolution 72/279, 28 January 2020

Informal briefing on the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 and Management Response on the Report of the Board of Auditors, 29 January 2020

First Regular Session, 14 February 2020

Joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP, 29 May 2020
Pre-Session and informal briefing, 8 June 2020

Annual Session, 22-24 June 2020

Pre-Session and informal briefing, 25 August 2020

Second Regular Session, 14-16 September 2020
First regular session: 14 February 2020

- Update on the Implementation of General Assembly Resolution 72/279 on Repositioning of the United Nations Development System
- Update on the working methods of the Executive Boards
- UN Board of Auditors Report
- Joint preliminary comprehensive proposal on cost-recovery policy
- Structured dialogue on financing

Briefings on policy and programme matters:

- Update on the midterm review of the Strategic Plan 2018-2021
- Operational response at the regional level
- Mobilizing the Generation Equality Forum
Annual session: 22-24 June 2020

- Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women on progress made on the Strategic Plan 2018-2021, including the midterm review

- Reports of the internal audit and investigation activities for the period of 1 January to 31 December 2019; the Advisory Committee on Oversight for the same period; and the Management response to the JIU reports issued in 2019.

- Report on the evaluation function of UN-Women 2019
Annual session: 22-24 June 2020 cont’d

Briefings

• Operational response at the regional level
• Follow-up to the recommendations and decisions of the Joint UN Programme on HIV/AIDS Programme Coordinating Board meeting
• Update on the management response to the Independent review of UN-Women’s policies and procedures for tackling Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (SEA) and Sexual Harassment (SH)
Second regular session: 14-16 September 2020

- Report on the structured dialogue on financing
- Joint comprehensive proposal on the cost-recovery policy
Joint Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF and UN-Women

The Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP engage in a Joint Meeting of the Boards (JMB) every year. The organization and coordination of the Joint Meeting of the Boards rotates each year among the 6 agencies, and UN-Women is the coordinating agency for joint Board activities in 2020.

Joint Field Visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP help Board members understand the extent and ways in which United Nations organizations contribute to the achievement of national development plans and global United Nations programmes. This year Indonesia

As mandated by Decision 2017/8, UN-Women organizes an annual field visit, funded by voluntary contributions, of 5 members of the Executive Board representing each regional group to a country identified in consultation with the host country and the UN-Women Bureau, and by proposing visits coordinated with a JFV in the same country or neighbouring countries. This year Egypt
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