Economic Commission for Africa
Committee on Social Policy, Poverty and Gender
Third session
Addis Ababa, 14 and 15 November 2019
Item 3 of the provisional agenda
Consideration and adoption of the agenda and programme of work

Provisional programme of work

Monday, 14 November 2019

8.30–9 a.m.  Registration

9–10.15 a.m.  Opening session

9–9.15 a.m.  Opening statement by the Chairperson of the outgoing Bureau of the Committee on Social Policy, Poverty and Gender (CSPPG)

9.15–9.30 a.m.  Welcoming remarks:
   -  Representative of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)
   -  Representative of the Government of Ethiopia

9.30–10 a.m.  Election of the Bureau

10–10.15 a.m.  Adoption of the agenda and programme of work (chaired by the incoming Chair of the Bureau)

10.15–10.30 a.m.  Coffee and tea break

10.30–10.45 a.m.  Introduction to the work of the Gender, Poverty and Social Policy Division (ECA)

10.45–11 a.m.  Report to the Committee on the activities of subprogramme 9, Poverty, inequality and social policy (ECA)

11.15–11.30 p.m.  Report to the Committee on the activities of subprogramme 6, Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment (ECA)

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m.  Discussion

1–2 p.m.  Lunch break

2–3.30 p.m.  Parallel sessions

Parallel session 1:  Presentation and discussion on the sub-theme “Progress towards Gender Equality. Insights from
the 2018–2019 African Gender Equality Index Report” (ECA)

**Parallel session 2:** Presentation and discussion on “Population dynamics and sustainable development: Findings and recommendations of the regional review of the International Conference on Population and Development, 2018” (ECA)

**Parallel session 3:** Presentation and discussion on “Urbanization and Development: Strategic Directions 2020–2022” (ECA)

3.30–4 p.m. **Coffee and tea break**
4–5 p.m. Reports from the parallel sessions
5–5.30 p.m. Concluding comments – Chair of the Bureau

### Tuesday, 15 November 2019

9–9.30 a.m. Presentation and discussion on the theme: “Accelerating Africa’s Progress in Eradicating Extreme Poverty and Reducing Inequality” (ECA)

9.30–9.50 a.m. Discussants (representatives of member States)

9.50–10.30 a.m. General discussion

10.30–11 a.m. **Coffee and tea break**

11 a.m.–12.00 p.m. Breakout sessions

12–1.30 p.m. Reports from the breakout sessions

Discussion, wrap up

1.30–2.30 p.m. **Lunch break**

2.30–4.30 p.m. Drafting of the main conclusions and recommendations of the third session

4.30–5.30 p.m. Presentation on the conclusions and recommendations of the third Session

Discussion and adoption

5.30–5.45 p.m. **Closing of the session**

Closing remarks – Chair of the Bureau

Words of thanks – Thokozile Ruzvidzo, Director, Gender, Poverty and Social Policy Division (GPSPD), ECA