



**The Vice-President
of the
Economic and Social Council**

29 March 2022

Excellency,

Following my letter of 23 February 2022, I am pleased to share the attached roadmap for the ongoing review of the work of the subsidiary bodies of the Economic and Social Council mandated by General Assembly resolution 75/290 A of June 2021.

As I mentioned in my previous letter, the engagement of Member States in this review process is fundamental for it to lead to impactful results, real improvements and greater coherence and synergies in the work of the ECOSOC system. This is what will ultimately provide Member States the support we seek from the Council and its subsidiary bodies.

The informal consultations that will be launched in April will be open to the full membership of the United Nations.

The substantive recommendations as well as the format of the outcome of the review process will be discussed collectively during those consultations, building on the assessments of the work of subsidiary bodies shared by their respective Bureaus and the related analysis and suggestions of the ECOSOC Bureau. My objective is for us to reach an outcome before early June. All information on the review is available at the [ECOSOC subsidiary bodies website](#).

I will reach out to regional groups and other delegations to reflect on the review. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss the review or share your own assessment or proposals related to the work of subsidiary bodies, within the mandate given by the General Assembly.

I count on your support and active participation in the review process.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lachezara Stoeva'.

Lachezara Stoeva

Vice-President, Economic and Social Council

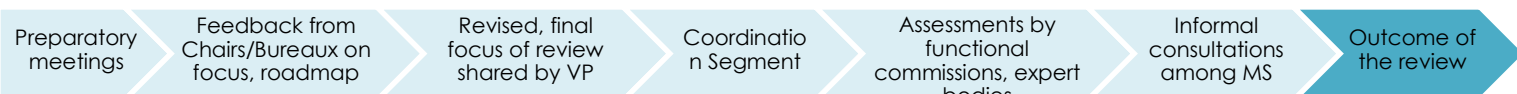
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Indicative roadmap of the review of the work of ECOSOC subsidiary bodies^{1,2}

Preparatory meetings		Feedback from Chairs/Bureaux on focus, roadmap	Revised, final focus of review shared by VP	Coordination in Segment	Assessments by functional commissions, expert bodies	Informal consultations among MS	Outcome of the review
Date	Activity						
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	22 October 2021	Meeting convened by the President of ECOSOC with the Chairs of functional commissions and expert bodies to discuss the follow-up to GA res 75/290 A on the review of the work of subsidiary bodies.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	29 November 2021	Meeting convened by the Vice-President of ECOSOC (Bulgaria) with the Chairs of functional commissions and expert bodies on the review process.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10 December 2021	Chairs and Bureaux of functional commissions and expert bodies appoint focal points and send feedback on the proposed focus and roadmap for the review.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	24 January 2022	Briefing by the Vice-President of ECOSOC (Bulgaria) to Member States on the review process.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3 February 2022	Letter by the Vice-President of ECOSOC (Bulgaria) to the Chairs of functional commissions and expert bodies containing revised questions to support the review based on the feedback received.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	23 February 2022	Letter by the Vice-President of ECOSOC (Bulgaria) to Member States to inform them about the review process and mobilize their support and engagement.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	28 February 2022	Meeting of the Vice-President of ECOSOC (Bulgaria) with the focal points nominated by the Bureaux of functional commissions and expert bodies for the review.					
<input type="checkbox"/>	February-March 2022	Bureaux of subsidiary bodies prepare and submit their assessments of the work of their respective bodies.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	23 March 2022	Vice-President of ECOSOC (Bulgaria) consults the ECOSOC Bureau on her proposed roadmap for the consultation process.					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	29 March 2022	Vice-President of ECOSOC (Bulgaria) sends to Member States her proposed roadmap on the way forward and general information on the scope and focus of the review.					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Last week of March 2022	Meetings of the Vice-President of ECOSOC (Bulgaria) with regional and other groupings, and civil society on the scope and focus of the process, and on the roadmap for the informal consultations.					
<input type="checkbox"/>	First week of April 2022	Vice-President of ECOSOC (Bulgaria) prepares her synthesis of the assessments and recommendations submitted by the Bureaux of functional commissions and expert bodies, with the support of the Secretariat.					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Second week of April 2022	Vice-President of ECOSOC (Bulgaria) presents her synthesis of the assessments with recommendations to the Bureau of ECOSOC. The comments of the Bureau are reflected in the document.					
<input type="checkbox"/>	By 15 April 2022	Meeting convened by the Vice-President of ECOSOC (Bulgaria) with the Chairs of functional commissions and expert bodies to brief on the assessment and recommendations.					
<input type="checkbox"/>	18 April 2022	ECOSOC Bureau's assessment and recommendations are shared with all Member States.					
<input type="checkbox"/>	21 April 2022 [3 – 6pm ECOSOC Chamber]	Launch of the informal consultations involving all Member States. The first session will focus on general comments of Member States on the paper prepared by the ECOSOC Bureau with an assessment and recommendations based on the assessments/recommendations received from the Bureaux of subsidiary bodies.					

¹ The review will apply to the functional commissions and expert bodies of ECOSOC. In addition to their different governance structure, which includes their Committee of the Whole chaired by the Member State presiding the session, regional commissions are not included in this review also due to the fact that their work has already been reviewed within the context of the process of the repositioning of the UN development system, particularly the repositioning of the regional assets of the UN development system.

² Documents are available on the ECOSOC subsidiary bodies [website](#).



	Date	Activity
<input type="checkbox"/>	29 April 2022 [10am – 1pm ECOSOC Chamber]	Informal consultations on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic cluster I, “Aligning with the 2030 Agenda” (based on the relevant section of the bureau's paper), and • Thematic cluster II, “Working methods, including expert nature of reports and outcomes, ensuring continuity in the work, etc” (based on the relevant section of the bureau's paper).
<input type="checkbox"/>	9 May 2022 [10am – 1pm ECOSOC Chamber]	Informal consultations on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thematic cluster III, “Coordination issues among subsidiary bodies, areas for synergies possible duplications and gaps” (based on the relevant section of the bureau's paper), and • Thematic cluster IV, “How ECOSOC can best use outcomes of subsidiary bodies” (based on the relevant section of the bureau's paper).
<input type="checkbox"/>	By 20 May 2022	Finalization of the outcome of the review.
<input type="checkbox"/>	8-9 June 2022	<u>Management Segment</u> meetings, where the outcome of the review would be considered .