

1996/203. Provisional agenda for the substantive session of 1996 of the Economic and Social Council

At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 9 February 1996, the Economic and Social Council, having considered the proposed basic programme of work for 1996 and 1997,¹²⁶ approved the following provisional agenda for its substantive session of 1996:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

High-level segment

2. International cooperation against the illicit production, sale, demand, traffic and distribution of narcotics and psychotropic substances and related activities.

Coordination segment

3. Coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system related to the following themes:
 - (a) Coordination of the United Nations system activities for poverty eradication;
 - (b) Implementation of the agreed conclusions on the theme of the 1995 coordination segment of the Council.

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation segment

4. Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation:
 - (a) Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly;
 - (b) Coordination of activities on a system-wide basis: strengthening collaboration between the United Nations development system and the Bretton Woods institutions in the areas of social and economic development at all levels, including the field level;
 - (c) Consideration of the reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme.

General segment

5. Social, humanitarian and human rights questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions:
 - (a) Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance;
 - (b) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Third Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination;
 - (c) Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations;
 - (d) Human rights questions;
 - (e) Advancement of women;
 - (f) Social development questions;
 - (g) Crime prevention and criminal justice;
 - (h) Narcotic drugs;
 - (i) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.
6. Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions:
 - (a) Sustainable development;
 - (b) Trade and development;
 - (c) Food and agricultural development;
 - (d) Natural resources;
 - (e) Energy;
 - (f) Cultural development;
 - (g) Population questions;
 - (h) International cooperation in tax matters;
 - (i) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction;
 - (j) Public administration and development;
 - (k) Follow-up to General Assembly resolution 50/106: business and development.

¹²⁶ E/1996/1 and Add.1.

7. Regional cooperation in the economic, social and related fields.
8. Permanent sovereignty over national resources in the occupied Palestinian and other Arab territories.
9. Coordination questions:
 - (a) Reports of the coordination bodies;
 - (b) International cooperation in the field of informatics;
 - (c) Joint and Co-sponsored United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome.
10. Non-governmental organizations.
11. Programme and related questions in the economic, social and related fields.
12. New and innovative ideas for generating funds.¹²⁷

¹²⁷ See Council decision 1996/210.