

**1997/306. Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its third session and provisional agenda and documentation for the fourth session of the Commission**

At its 42nd plenary meeting, on 25 July 1997, the Economic and Social Council, without prejudice to the ongoing review being undertaken on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227 of 24 May 1996 with regard to its subsidiary bodies:

(a) Took note of the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its third session,<sup>64</sup>

(b) Approved the provisional agenda and documentation for the fourth session of the Commission set out below.

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA AND DOCUMENTATION  
FOR THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION  
ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR  
DEVELOPMENT**

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
2. Substantive theme: Science and technology partnerships and networking for national capacity-building.

*Documentation*

Report of the Secretary-General

3. Panel on biotechnology.

*Documentation*

Reports of the panel on biotechnology

4. Common vision on the future of science and technology for development on the occasion of the twentieth anniversary of the United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development.

*Documentation*

Report of panels/working groups on common vision on the future of science and technology for development

5. Budget and inter-sessional activities of the Commission.

*Documentation*

Note by the Secretariat

6. Coalition of resources.

*Documentation*

Note by the Secretariat

7. Comprehensive note on implementation of and progress made on decisions taken at the third session of the Commission, including follow-up work on information communication technologies and science, technology and innovation policy review.

*Documentation*

Note by the Secretariat

8. Role and activities of the Commission regarding the coordination of science and technology for development.

*Documentation*

Note by the Secretariat

9. Election of the Chairperson and other officers for the fifth session of the Commission.

10. Provisional agenda and organization of work for the fifth session of the Commission.

11. Other matters.

12. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fourth session.

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<sup>64</sup> *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 1997, Supplement No. 11 and addendum (E/1997/31 and Add.1).*