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Programme questions: proposed programme budget for 2026

Review of the proposed programme plan for 2026 by sectoral, functional and regional bodies

Note by the Secretariat

1. The table below provides an overview of action taken or planned by relevant sectoral, functional and regional bodies and the Secretariat in relation to the review of the proposed programme plan for 2026. The relevant documents, when available, can be provided to the Committee for Programme and Coordination, as necessary.

2. During its sixty-fifth session, the Committee will be informed of any modifications to the proposed programme plan for 2026 resulting from further decisions made by relevant intergovernmental bodies before the conclusion of the session.

<i>Programme and subprogramme</i>	<i>Sectoral, functional or regional body</i>	<i>Document</i>	<i>Comments</i>
1. General Assembly and Economic and Social Council affairs and conference management	None	—	—
2. Political affairs			
Subprogramme 5, Question of Palestine	Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People	—	The Bureau of the Committee will review the proposed programme plan at its next meeting, to be held later in 2025
3. Disarmament	None	—	—
4. Peacekeeping operations	None	—	—



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5. Peaceful uses of outer space	Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space	—	The proposed programme plan will be considered at the sixty-eighth session of the Committee, to be held from 25 June to 4 July 2025
6. Legal affairs			
Subprogramme 3, Progressive development and codification of international law	International Law Commission	—	The proposed programme plan will be shared with the Commission during its seventy-sixth session, to be held from 28 April to 30 May 2025
Subprogramme 5, Progressive harmonization, modernization and unification of the law of international trade	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law	—	The proposed programme plan will be considered at the fifty-eighth session of the Commission, to be held from 7 to 25 July 2025
7. Economic and social affairs			
Subprogramme 2, Inclusive social development	Commission for Social Development	E/2025/26-E/CN.5/2025/6	At the tenth meeting of the sixty-third session of the Commission, held from 10 to 14 February 2025, the Director of the Division for Inclusive Social Development of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs introduced the proposed programme plan
Subprogramme 4, Statistics	Statistical Commission	E/2025/24-E/CN.3/2025/37	The Commission, during its fifty-sixth session, held from 4 to 7 March 2025, took note of the oral report by the Director of the Statistics Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and requested the Bureau to review substantively the programme proposals for 2026

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Subprogramme 5, Population	Commission on Population and Development	—	The proposed programme plan will be considered during the fifty-eighth session of the Commission, to be held from 7 to 11 April 2025
Subprogramme 8, Sustainable forest management	United Nations Forum on Forests	Economic and Social Council resolution 2024/15	The proposed programme plan is derived from the programme of work of the Forum for the period 2025–2028
8. Least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States	None	—	—
9. United Nations system support for the African Union's Agenda 2063: The Africa We Want – strategic partnership for progress towards implementation	None	—	—
10. Trade and development			
Subprogrammes 1 to 5, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development	Trade and Development Board, Working Party on the Programme Plan and Programme Performance	TD/B/WP/335	The Working Party reviewed and took note of the proposed programme plan at its eighty-ninth session, held from 20 to 24 January 2025
Subprogramme 6, International Trade Centre	Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre	—	The proposed programme plan is derived from the mandates and the draft strategic plan for the period 2026–2030, as well as comments received at the fifty-eighth session of the Joint Advisory Group, held on 25 June 2024. The Joint Advisory Group will review the draft strategic plan during its fifty-ninth session, to be held on 27 June 2025

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11. Environment	United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme	United Nations Environment Assembly decision 6/7	All substantive elements of the proposed programme plan are derived from the United Nations Environment Programme draft medium-term strategy for the period 2026–2029 and the draft programme of work and budget for the biennium 2026–2027, to be considered by the United Nations Environment Assembly at its seventh session, to be held from 8 to 12 December 2025
12. Human settlements	United Nations Habitat Assembly of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) and the Executive Board of UN-Habitat	HSP/EB.2025/INF/6	The Executive Board considered the proposed programme plan at its first session of 2025, held from 25 to 27 March 2025, and will consider it further at its third session, to be held on 25 and 26 November 2025
13. International drug control, crime and terrorism prevention and criminal justice	Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and Commission on Narcotic Drugs	E/2024/28/Add.1-E/CN.7/2024/15/Add.1 E/2024/30/Add.1-E/CN.15/2024/16/Add.1	At the reconvened sixty-seventh session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, held jointly with the reconvened thirty-third session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on 5 and 6 December 2024, the Commissions considered the proposed programme plan
14. Gender equality and the empowerment of women	Commission on the Status of Women	—	During its sixty-ninth session, held from 10 to 21 March 2025, the Commission was informed that the proposed programme plan was under preparation

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15. Economic and social development in Africa	Economic Commission for Africa, Conference of African Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development	E/ECA/CM/57/6	The proposed programme plan was adopted by the Committee of Experts of the Conference of African Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development during the fifty-seventh session of the Conference, held from 12 to 18 March 2025
16. Economic and social development in Asia and the Pacific	Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission	ESCAP/81/23	The proposed programme plan will be considered at the eighty-first session of the Commission, to be held from 21 to 25 April 2025
17. Economic development in Europe	Economic Commission for Europe, Executive Committee	EXCOM/CONCLU/137	At its 137th meeting, held on 9 December 2024, the Executive Committee took note of the proposed programme plan
18. Economic and social development in Latin America and the Caribbean	Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, Committee of the Whole	Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean resolution 777(XL)	All substantive elements of the proposed programme plan are derived from the programme of work of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean for 2026, which was adopted by the Commission at its fortieth session, held from 9 to 11 October 2024
19. Economic and social development in Western Asia	Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia, Executive Committee	E/ESCWA/EC.9/2024/17 /Report	The Executive Committee reviewed and welcomed the proposed programme plan as submitted at its ninth meeting, held on 18 and 19 December 2024

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20. Human rights	Human Rights Council	—	The United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights will share the proposed programme plan with member States of the Human Rights Council at an informal briefing in May 2025
21. International protection, durable solutions and assistance to refugees	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Standing Committee	EC/76/SC/CRP.7	The Standing Committee took note of the proposed programme plan at its ninety-second meeting, held from 11 to 13 March 2025
22. Palestine refugees	None	—	—
23. Humanitarian assistance	None	—	—
24. Global communications	None	—	—
25. Management and support services	None	—	—
26. Internal oversight	None	—	—
27. Jointly financed activities	None	—	—
28. Safety and security	None	—	—