UNICEF Executive Board

2024 programme of work

The annual programme of work for UNICEF Executive Board sessions is prepared and updated by the secretariat in consultation with the Bureau of the Executive Board, based on statutory requirements, requests arising from specific decisions by or discussions within the Executive Board, or proposals made by the secretariat.

The programme of work serves as a flexible framework and is subject to revision, as appropriate, in the course of the year.

The 2024 programme of work was presented to the Executive Board at its 2023 second regular session. Below is the most recent version of the 2024 programme of work, as at **15 February 2024**.

Joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP, 31 May 2024

First regular session 6–8 February 2024	Annual session 11–14 June 2024	Second regular session 3–6 September 2024		
Organizational and procedural matters	Organizational and procedural matters	Organizational and procedural matters		
Election of the President and Vice- Presidents of the Executive Board (D) (10 January 2024)		Proposed programme of work for the Executive Board sessions in 2025 (I)		
Programme and policy matters	Programme and policy matters	Programme and policy matters		
UNICEF programme cooperation: Country programme documents (D) Report on UNICEF follow-up to recommendations and decisions of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) Programme Coordinating Board meetings) (I) Update on UNICEF humanitarian action (I) Update on the implementation of the recommendations in the evaluation of the UNICEF Level 3 response to the global coronavirus disease(COVID-19) pandemic, and on the ongoing COVID-19 transition and recovery efforts being implemented by UNICEF ² (I)	Report on the midterm review of the UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2022–2025 and annual report for 2023 of the Executive Director of UNICEF (D) UNICEF report on the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit ³ (I) Annual report on UNICEF humanitarian action (D) Annual report on the implementation of the UNICEF Gender Action Plan, 2022–2025 (I) UNICEF programme cooperation: ⁴ Extensions of ongoing country programmes (D) Update on protection from sexual exploitation and abuse (D)	UNICEF programme cooperation: Country programme documents (D) Extensions of ongoing country programmes (D) Structured dialogue on financing the results of the UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2022–2025 (D) Oral update on UNICEF humanitarian action (I)		

¹ The sub-item "Extensions of ongoing country programmes (D)" has been removed from the first regular session of 2024, given that no extensions requests will be presented to the Board.

² The document title has been updated by the UNICEF secretariat.

³ The report will be considered under the agenda item "Report on the midterm review of the UNICEF Strategic Plan, 2022–2025 and annual report for 2023 of the Executive Director of UNICEF".

⁴ The sub-item "Country programme documents (*D*) has been removed from the annual session of 2024, given that no new country programme documents will be presented to the Board.

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	Update on organizational culture and diversity (D)	
	Update on implementation efforts on the repositioning of the United Nations development system (D)	
Evaluation, audit and oversight matters	Evaluation, audit and oversight matters	Evaluation, audit and oversight matters
Evaluation reports and management responses (D) Update on the development of an overarching system for enterprise risk management (D)	Annual report for 2023 on the evaluation function in UNICEF, and management response (D)	
	Evaluation report and management response (D)	
	Report of the Ethics Office of UNICEF for 2023, and management response (D)	
	UNICEF Office of Internal Audit and Investigations 2023 annual report to the Executive Board, and management response (D)	
	UNICEF Audit Advisory Committee 2023 annual report (<i>I</i>)	
	Assessment of how the Executive Board executes its governance and oversight functions $(D)^5$	
	UNICEF evolved enterprise risk management framework $(D)^6$	
Resource, financial and budgetary matters	Resource, financial and budgetary matters	Resource, financial and budgetary matters
UNICEF financial report and audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 and report of the Board of Auditors, and management response (D)	Midterm review of the UNICEF integrated budget, 2022–2025 (D)	UNICEF Strategic Plan: updated financial estimates, 2024–2027 (D)
	Private Fundraising and Partnerships: financial report for the year ended 31 December 2023 (<i>D</i>)	Joint comprehensive review of the cost-recovery policy and its implementation (D)
Private Fundraising and Partnerships: 2024 workplan and proposed budget ⁷ (D)		

 $^{^{5}}$ The item was changed from "for information" to "for decision" following Bureau meeting of 13 December 2023.

⁶ The item was added to the programme of work pursuant to Executive Board decision 2024/3.

⁷ The item will include an update on the World Bank instrument to facilitate sustained investment in private sector fundraising and an oral update on the work of the National Committees for UNICEF.

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Other matters	Other matters	Other matters
Report of the joint field visit to Senegal by members of the Executive Boards of UNICEF, UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, WFP and UN-Women ⁸ (I) Provisional list of agenda items for the annual session of 2024 (I)	Address by the Chairperson of the UNICEF Global Staff Association Provisional list of agenda items for the second regular session of 2024 (I)	Reports of the field visit (2024) of the Executive Board of UNICEF and the joint field visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP (I) Provisional list of agenda items for the first regular session of 2025 (I)

Note

(D) For decision: The secretariat prepares documentation on the agenda item. The Executive Board is expected to discuss and adopt a decision under the agenda item.

(I) For information: The secretariat prepares documentation for information. The Executive Board may opt to take a decision under the agenda item

⁸ The report of the field visit (2023) of the Executive Board of UNICEF has been removed from this document.