Committee of Experts on Public Administration

21st session, 4-8 April 2022

Conference Room 1, United Nations Headquarters and virtual

For full details and background documentation, please visit CEPA online at https://pre-publicadministration.un.org/intergovernmental-support/cepa/21st-session. The session will also be streamed live in six languages on UN Web TV. Some participants will attend remotely.

Programme outline

Monday, 4 April	
Morning meeting 10 a.m1 p.m.	Opening of the session Election of officers (Item 1) Remarks by H.E. Mr. Collen Vixen Kelapile, President of the Economic and Social Council Remarks by Mr. Liu Zhenmin, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (Item 2) Governance and public administration aspects of the theme of the 2022 session of ECOSOC and the 2022 HLPF (Item 3) Expert panel with Louis Meuleman, Yamini Aiyar and Lan Xue – moderated by the Chair Together with: Consideration of CEPA contribution to the HLPF and ECOSOC theme for 2022 by all members
1-3 p.m.	No meeting scheduled
Afternoon meeting 3-6 p.m.	Building strong institutions to combat climate change and its impacts and for the sustainable management, protection and restoration of natural resources (Item 4) Expert panel with Linda Bilmes, Soonae Park (remote participant) and Aminata Touré (remote participant) – moderated by the Vice-Chair Remarks by Bert Kroese, Chair of the UN Committee of Experts on Environmental- Economic Accounting and Deputy Director-General and Chief Information Officer, Statistics Netherlands (remote participant) Reflections on national and regional experiences

Integrating the environmental dimension of the SDGs in five-year plans – remarks by Lan Xue $\,$

Addressing tensions between urban expansion, climate impacts and biodiversity in Latin American cities – remarks by Mauricio Rodas

Interactive dialogue with CEPA members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations

Tuesday, 5 April	
Morning meeting 10 a.m1 p.m.	Issues of governance and institution-building in conflict-affected countries (Item 5) Expert panel with Paul Jackson and Augustin Fosú (remote participant) – moderated by the Vice-Chair Remarks by Mr. Tarik Alami, Director, Emerging and Conflict Related Issues Division, UN Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (remote participant) Interactive dialogue with CEPA members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations
1-3 p.m.	No meeting scheduled
Afternoon meeting 3-6 p.m.	Application of the principles of effective governance for sustainable development at the subnational level (Item 6) Expert panel with Najat Zarrouk, Mauricio Rodas and Rolf Alter – moderated by the Vice-Chair Stakeholder perspectives: Remarks by Professor Eddy Maloka, Chief Executive Officer, African Peer Review Mechanism Ms. Aline Matta, Policy Analyst, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities, OECD (remote participant) Interactive dialogue with CEPA members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations

Wednesday, 6 April

Morning meeting 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Dedicated consultation with observers

Theme: Transforming institutions and governance to build forward better towards 2030

Moderated by the Chair

Mr. Vital do Rêgo Filho, Minister, Supreme Court of Auditors, Brazil

Ms. Irina Elisabeta Kovács, Senator, Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean

Ms. Alina Tatarenko, Head, Democratic Governance Division, Council of Europe (remote participant)

Mr. Alexander Mejia, Director, Division for People and Social Inclusion, United Nations Institute for Training and Research (remote participant)

Mr. Prajapati Trivedi, Special Envoy for SDG Implementation, Commonwealth Secretariat (remote participant)

Mr. Larry D. Johnson, Permanent Observer, International Anti-Corruption Academy

Mr. Bernard Mwape, Director General, Eastern and Southern African Management Institute

Ms. Laila El Baradei, Professor of Public Administration, American University of Cairo and Founder, Policy Hub (remote participant)

Mr. Gilles LeVasseur, Professor, Business and Law institute, University of Ottawa

Mr. Marcel Ramírez, Professor, School of Public Administration, Universidad del Pacífico (remote participant)

Responses and reflections by CEPA members

Followed by:

Dialogue with youth organizations

Mr. Khaled Emam, Organizing Partner, Major Group for Children and Youth

Mr. Charles Kajoloweka, Founder and Executive Director, Youth and Society and participant, UNDP Youth Global Programme 16x16 Initiative (remote participant)

Mr. Simon Lindkaer Andersen, Board Member, European Youth Forum (remote participant)

Ms. Marisa Gálvez, Ibero-American Youth Organization (remote participant)

Open discussion

1-3 p.m.

No meeting scheduled

Afternoon meeting 3-6 p.m.

Issues in public financial management and budgeting for the SDGs (Item 7)

Expert panel with Juraj Nemec and Katarina Ott – moderated by the Vice-Chair

Interactive dialogue with CEPA members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations

Followed by:

Public sector workforce matters (Item 8)

Expert panel with Alketa Peci and Devon Rowe – moderated by the Vice-Chair

Interactive dialogue with CEPA members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations

Thursday, 7 April

Morning meeting 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Dialogue with voluntary national review countries and voluntary local review cities on institutional aspects of SDG 16 (Item 10)

Moderated by the Vice-Chair

Ms. Mara Cossu, Directorate-General for Circular Economy, Ministry of Ecological Transition, Italy (remote participant)

Mr. Ahmed Laamoumri, Secretary-General, Department of Administrative Reform, Ministry of Digital Transition and Administrative Reform, Morocco (remote participant)

Ms. Diana Alarcón González, Chief Advisor to the Mayor and International Affairs Coordinator, Mexico City, Mexico (remote participant)

Ms. Annie Syazrin Ismail, Senior Assistant Director, Sustainable Development Unit, Shah Alam City Council, Selangor, Malaysia (remote participant)

Reflections and suggestions by CEPA members

Followed by informal consultation on the use of peer exchange platforms in relation to SDG 16:

Representative of the Friends of Governance for Sustainable Development (tbc)

Ms. Sara Tawfik Hamouda, Agenda 2063 and SDGs Expert, African Peer Review Mechanism

Mr. Ernesto Morales, Senior Policy Analyst, Directorate for Public Governance, OECD (remote participant)

Ms. Rosa Malango, Director, Regional Commissions New York Office

	Ms. Maisaa Youssef, Cluster Leader, 2030 Agenda and SDG Coordination, UN Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (remote participant) Ms. Ainara Fernandez, Research Officer, United Cities and Local Governments (remote participant)
1-3 p.m.	No meeting scheduled
Afternoon meeting 3-6 p.m.	Issues in digital government (Item 9) Expert panel with Carlos Santiso (remote participant), Henry Sardaryan (remote participant) and David Sengeh – moderated by the Vice-Chair Dialogue with CEPA members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations

Friday, 8 April	
Morning meeting 10 a.m1 p.m. [Closed meeting]	Provisional agenda of the 22 nd session (Item 11) Moderated by the Chair Discussion of proposals and documentation requirements Discussion of working methods Adoption of the draft provisional agenda of the 22 nd session
1-3 p.m.	No meeting scheduled
Afternoon meeting 3-6 p.m.	Adoption of the report on the 21st session (Item 12) Moderated by the Chair Informal report of the working group on the United Nations Public Service Awards Presentation of draft report by the Rapporteur Review of recommendations and matters to be brought to the attention of the Economic and Social Council Adoption of the draft report on the 21st session Closing of the session