

Committee of Experts on Public Administration
Fifteenth session, 18-22 April 2016
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Programme of work

Monday, 18 April 2016 (Conference Room 2)

10:00-11:00

Welcome by Ms. Marion Barthelemy, Acting Director, UNDESA Division for Public Administration and Development Management

Election of officers [item 1]

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [item 2]

Opening of the session

Opening remarks by H.E. Ambassador Sven Jürgenson, Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council

Opening remarks by Mr. Wu Hongbo, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs

11:00-13:00

Follow-up to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

1. Mobilizing public institutions to implement the 2030 Agenda by H.E. Mr. Sacha Sergio Llorentty Solíz, Permanent Representative of Bolivia to the United Nations
2. Briefing on the latest developments related to the follow-up and review of 2030 Agenda and implications for CEPA by Mr. Lenni Montiel, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development, UNDESA
3. Update on development of the indicator framework for the 2030 Agenda and on the Praia group on governance statistics by Mr. Matthias Reister, Senior Statistician, UNDESA Statistics Division
4. Briefing on follow-up to the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development by UNDESA Financing for Development Office (tbc)
5. Questions from Committee members

14:00-16:00 Meeting of the United Nations Public Administration Network partners (Conference Room C) [closed]

15:00-18:00

Transforming public institutions to facilitate inclusive policy formulation and integration in the implementation and monitoring of the sustainable development goals [item 3]

1. Interactive panel of experts
 - a. Inclusive policy formulation and integration in the implementation and monitoring of the SDGs – introduction of the topic by *Ms. Margaret Saner*
 - b. Preconditions and process design for successfully transforming public institutions for the implementation of the SDGs – introduction of the topic by *Amb. Walter Fust*
 - c. Global policy coherence in the implementation of the SDGs – introduction of the topic by *Dr. Paul Oquist*
 - d. Sharing responsibilities and resources among levels of government: localizing the SDGs – briefing on the outcome of the expert group meeting by the *Secretariat*
2. Dialogue with CEPA members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations
3. Key messages and conclusions by *Rapporteur*

Tuesday, 19 April 2016 (Conference Room 2)

09:00-10:00 Meeting of the Executive Committee on Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretary-General, Governance and Institution-Building Cluster (Conference Room C) [closed]

10:00-13:00

Ensuring prioritization and decision making that is fair, responsive, inclusive, participatory and accountable at all levels [item 3 (a)]

1. Interactive panel of experts
 - a. Diversity and non-discrimination – introduction of the topic by *Dr. Najat Zarrouk*
 - b. Promotion of diversity in employment and an inclusive workplace culture – introduction of the topic by *Prof. Meredith Edwards*
 - c. Community-driven development – introduction of the topic by *Ms. Angelita Gregorio-Medel*
2. Dialogue with CEPA members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations
3. Key messages and conclusions by *Rapporteur*

15:00-18:00

Improving engagement and communication between government and stakeholders, including through access to information, open government, and electronic and mobile solutions [item 3 (b)]

1. Interactive panel of experts
 - a. Institutional capacity for the administration of public space in sustainable development – introduction of the topic by *Prof. José Castelazo*
 - b. Improving engagement and communication between government and stakeholders through online and mobile solutions – introduction of the topic by *Ms. Rowena Bethel*
 - c. Reviewing open government performance – briefing on the outcome of the expert group meeting by the *Secretariat*
2. Dialogue with CEPA members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations
3. Key messages and conclusions by *Rapporteur*

Wednesday, 20 April 2016 (Conference Room 6)

10:00-13:00

Ensuring effective and innovative implementation, monitoring and impact evaluation of the policies identified in support of the SDGs [item 3 (c)]

1. Interactive panel of experts
 - a. Oversight institutions, mechanisms and standards of government administration – introduction of the topic by *Dr. Palouki Massina*
 - b. Promoting innovation and learning in the course of policy implementation – introduction of the topic by *Ms. Marta Oyhanarte*
2. Dialogue with CEPA members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations
3. Key messages and conclusions by *Rapporteur*

15:00-18:00

Strengthening the confidence of citizens in the effectiveness, validity and integrity of public administration through enhanced, targeted efforts to use good governance to prevent, expose and deal with corruption [item 3 (d)]

1. Interactive panel of experts
 - a. Enhancing efforts to use good governance to prevent, expose and deal with corruption – introduction of the topic (tbc)
 - b. Public and parliamentary oversight of state bodies in the fight against corruption – introduction of the topic by *Dr. Igor Khalevinskiy*
 - c. Status of implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption – overview by *Ms. Yu Ping Chan, Special Policy Adviser, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime*
 - d. Public sector corruption and the SDGs – briefing on the outcome of the expert group meeting by the *Secretariat*
2. Dialogue with CEPA members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations
3. Key messages and conclusions by *Rapporteur*

Thursday, 21 April 2016 (Conference Room 6)

10:00-10:30 Press briefing by the CEPA Chairperson on highlights of the 15th session, Room S-237

10:00-11:30

Developing transformative leadership and enhancing relevant competencies of public servants [item 3 (e)]

1. Developing transformative leadership and enhancing relevant competencies of public servants – introduction of the topic by *Dr. Eko Prasajo*
2. Dialogue with CEPA members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations
3. Key messages and conclusions by *Rapporteur*

11:30-13:00

Transforming public institutions to facilitate inclusive policy formulation and integration in the implementation and monitoring of the sustainable development goals [item 3 (continued)]

1. Interactive panel on regional and national experiences
 - a. Regional experiences in building effective, accountable and inclusive institutions – introduction of the topic by *Mr. Amr Nour, Director, United Nations Regional Commissions New York Office*
 - b. Illustrative work on governance in the context of the SDGs at national level – introduction of the topic by *Mr. Patrick Keuleers, Director, UNDP Governance and Peacebuilding Division, Bureau for Policy and Programme Support*
 - c. Governance in the context of the SDGs in Albania, Indonesia, Rwanda, Tunisia and the United Kingdom – presentations by *representatives of Permanent Missions to the United Nations* (tbc)
2. Dialogue with CEPA members, Member States, United Nations system and civil society organizations
3. Key messages and conclusions by *Rapporteur*

15:00-17:00

Equipping public administration to reach the furthest and most vulnerable and ensure that no one is left behind: CEPA contribution to the High-Level Political Forum – discussion led by the *Chairperson*

17:00-18:00

Towards a set of internationally-recognized principles of governance – discussion led by *Ms. Margaret Saner*

Friday, 22 April 2016 (Conference Room 6)

10:00-11:30

Promoting innovation and excellence in public services for sustainable development: review of the United Nations Public Service Awards – discussion led by *Prof. Mushtaq Khan*

11:30-13:00

Adoption of the report on the 15th session [item 5]

1. Review of draft report (chapters II-III)
2. Recommendations to ECOSOC (chapter I)
3. Adoption of chapters I-III of the report of the 15th session

15:00-18:00

Provisional agenda of the 16th session [item 4]

1. Discussion of proposals
2. Documentation requirements
3. Adoption of the provisional agenda for the 16th session (chapter IV of the report)
4. Review of the working methods of the Committee

Closing of the session