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Organization of Work of the Commission on Population and Development

Note by Secretariat

1. The draft Programme of Work of the Commission on Population and Development in the Annex has been prepared in order to facilitate the Commission's consideration of the item on "Ensuring healthy lives and promoting well-being for all at all ages".

Length of statements

2. The Commission recommends a time limit of 45 seconds for individual Member States during the General Debate and 1 minute for delegates speaking on behalf of a political group.

Conference facilities and meetings arrangements

3. Taking into account the availability of conference services for the Commission on Population and Development, six meetings have been scheduled. Unless otherwise specified, six meetings will be held from 1:30 p.m. -5:00 p.m., on 10 February 2026; 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., 1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. on 11 February 2026; 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. on 12 February 2026; and 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. on 13 February 2026. In this connection, the Commission wishes to remind delegations that punctuality is of the utmost importance in the interest of ensuring an effective and orderly discussion of the assigned agenda item.

Informal Consultations

4. Informal meetings should serve the purpose of reaching consensus on one draft resolution on “Population, education and sustainable development”. If consensus is not reached, the resolution will be withdrawn.
5. The Bureau may serve as, or appoint, facilitators in order to contribute to the process of reaching consensus.
6. Some of the informal meetings allocated to the Commission may be utilized for consultations under the chairmanship of Bureau members, facilitators or other delegates. In accordance with established practice, informal consultations may be used for expressing general observations on the proposals and for proposing amendments.

Conclusions of the work of the Commission

7. Bearing in mind the number of meetings scheduled for the Commission, a target date of 13 February 2026 at 12:00 pm is set for the conclusion of its work..

Annex

Draft Programme of Work of the Commission on Population and Development

10 February 2026 – Tuesday

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Delegate training (mandatory for all delegates)

1:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Adoption of Organization of Work

1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Interactive Session with Expert

2:45 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

General Debate

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Review of Zero Draft in Regional Groups

11 February 2026 – Wednesday

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

General Discussion on Zero Draft

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Informal Consultations to propose amendments

1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Informal Consultations to propose and negotiate amendments

12 February 2026 – Thursday

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Review of amendments in regional groups

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Informal Consultations to propose and negotiate amendments

1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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Informal Consultations to propose and negotiate amendments

13 February 2026 – Friday

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Wrap up debate of amendments and Final review of the Draft Resolution

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Final Formal Meeting to adopt Resolution