1. PROGRAMME OF CORE MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

Sunday, 7 May

10.30 a.m.–4 p.m. Advisory Group on Gender Issues consultative meeting (by invitation) (conference room 7)

2–5 p.m. African Ministerial meeting (by invitation) (conference room 9)

3.30–6 p.m. Bureau meeting (conference room 6)

Meeting of the Bureau of the twenty-fifth session and the Bureau of the twenty-sixth session

Monday, 8 May

10 a.m.–1 p.m. PLENARY (conference room 2)

Agenda item 1. Opening of the session
President of the Governing Council
Director-General, UNON
Executive Director, UNEP
Executive Director, UN-Habitat
President of the United Nations General Assembly
President of the Republic of Kenya

Agenda item 2. Election of officers
Election of the Bureau of the twenty-sixth session of the Governing Council

Agenda item 3. Credentials

Agenda item 4. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
Policy statement by Mr. Joan Clos, Executive Director, UN-Habitat
Beginning of general debate on agenda items 5, 6, 7 and 8
Agenda item 5. Activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, including coordination matters

Agenda item 6. Review of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)

Agenda item 7. Dialogue on the special theme for the twenty-sixth session of the Governing Council


1–3 p.m. 
Lunch break

1–1.30 p.m. 
Press conference (press centre)

Opening press conference with the Executive Director and the incoming President of the Governing Council

2–3 p.m. 
First Bureau meeting of the newly elected officials (CE 110-112)

Chaired by the President of the Governing Council

3–6 p.m. 
PLENARY: HIGH-LEVEL SEGMENT (conference room 2)

Continuation of general debate

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3–6 p.m. 
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (conference room 1)

Organization of work

Introductory statement by the secretariat

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3–6 p.m. **DRAFTING COMMITTEE** (conference room 6)

Consultations on draft resolutions

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6–7.30 p.m. **Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Housing and Urban Development (APMCHUD) bureau meeting (by invitation) (conference room 7)**

7–9 p.m. **Reception hosted by the Government of Malaysia and UN-Habitat** on the occasion of the launch of the ninth session of the World Urban Forum (by invitation), River Cafe, United Nations Gigiri complex

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**Tuesday, 9 May**

8.30–9.20 a.m. **Second Bureau meeting (CE 110-112)**

Chaired by the President of the Council

10 a.m.–1 p.m. **PLENARY: HIGH-LEVEL SEGMENT** (conference room 2)

Continuation of general debate

- **Agenda item 5.** Activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, including coordination matters
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- **Agenda item 7.** Dialogue on the special theme for the twenty-sixth session of the Governing Council


10 a.m.–1 p.m. **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE** (conference room 1)

- **Agenda item 5.** Activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, including coordination matters
- **Agenda item 6.** Review of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)


10 a.m.–1 p.m. **DRAFTING COMMITTEE** (conference room 4)

Consultations on draft resolutions

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1–3 p.m. **Lunch break**

1–1.30 p.m. **Press conference** (press centre)
PLENARY: HIGH-LEVEL SEGMENT (conference room 2)
Continuation of general debate

Agenda item 5. Activities of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme, including coordination matters


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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (conference room 1)

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DRAFTING COMMITTEE (conference room 4)

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6.30–9 p.m
Reception hosted by the Government of Kenya (for Government delegations)
UNON Gigiri complex

Wednesday, 10 May

8–8.50 a.m. Third Bureau meeting (CE 110-112)
Chaired by the President of the Council

10 a.m.–1 p.m. PLENARY: DIALOGUE ON THE SPECIAL THEME (conference room 2)

Agenda item 7. Dialogue on the special theme for the twenty-sixth session of the Governing Council

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Opening session: Opportunities for the effective implementation of the New Urban Agenda

Thematic session 1: Promoting access to adequate and sustainable housing

10 a.m.–1 p.m. DRAFTING COMMITTEE (conference room 4)

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3–6 p.m. DRAFTING COMMITTEE (conference room 4)

Consultations on draft resolutions

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Friday, 12 May

8.30–9.20 a.m. Fifth Bureau meeting (CE 110-112)

Chaired by the President of the Council

10 a.m.–1 p.m. PLENARY (conference room 1)

Chair’s summary of the High-level segment and dialogue
Draft reports of the plenary on items 1, 2, 3 and 4
Draft reports of the Committee of the Whole
Report on draft resolutions and agenda

10 a.m.–1 p.m. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (conference room 2)

Consideration of draft reports on items 5, 6 and 8
Consideration of draft resolutions from the drafting committee
Report on draft decision on item 9

10 a.m.–1 p.m. DRAFTING COMMITTEE (conference room 4)

Consultations on draft resolutions

1–3 p.m. Lunch break

1–2 p.m. Sixth Bureau meeting (CE 110-112)

Chaired by the President of the Council

3–6 p.m. PLENARY (conference room 2)

Chair’s summary of the high-level segment and dialogue
Draft reports of plenary on items 1, 2, 3 and 4
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Agenda item 10. Other matters

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Agenda item 12. Closure of the session

6.15–7 p.m. Press conference (press centre)
## 2. MEETINGS OF THE REGIONAL GROUPS OF STATES

### Sunday, 7 May

- **2–3 p.m.** European Union coordination meeting (conference room 6)
- **2–3 p.m.** Latin America and Caribbean Group (conference room 11)
- **2–3 p.m.** African Group (conference room 14)
- **2–3 p.m.** Asia-Pacific Group (conference room 10)
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- **3–4 p.m.** G-77 and China (conference room 10)

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- **9–10 a.m.** Western European and Others Group (conference room 8)

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**Promoting Inclusiveness through an Adaptive Settlements Planning Model in Kenya** (conference room 10)
Organized by Civil Society Urban Development Platform and Mazingira Institute

**Launch of Reforming Urban Laws in Africa: A Practical Guide** (conference room 11)
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**Building Youth as Drivers for Sustainable Development** (conference room 14)
Organized by National Training Service (SENA), Colombia

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### 5. Information for delegates on the GC26 PaperSmart Initiative

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