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Online, 17 and 18 November 2021

Item 3 of the provisional agenda\*  
**Consideration and adoption of the agenda  
and programme of work**

### Provisional programme of work

**Wednesday, 17 November 2021**

(pre-arranged)	Registration
<b>12–12.20 p.m.</b>	<b>Opening of the session</b>
12–12.15 p.m.	Opening statement by the Chairperson of the outgoing Bureau of the Committee on Social Policy, Poverty and Gender (CSPPG)
12.15–12.20 p.m.	Welcoming remarks: Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)
12.20–12.50 p.m.	Election of the Bureau
12.50–1 p.m.	Consideration and adoption of the agenda and programme of work (chaired by the incoming Chair of the Bureau)
	<b>Reports to the Committee on Social Policy, Poverty and Gender – reporting and discussion</b>
1–1.10 p.m.	Introduction to the work of the Gender, Poverty and Social Policy Division (ECA)
1.10–1.35 p.m.	Report to the Committee on activities undertaken within the context of subprogramme 9 – poverty, inequality and social policy (ECA)
1.35–1.50 p.m.	Report to the Committee on activities undertaken within the context of subprogramme 6 – gender equality and women’s empowerment (ECA)
<b>1.50–2.15 p.m.</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>2.15–3.15 p.m.</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>
<b>3.15–4.45 p.m.</b>	<b>Parallel sessions</b>

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<b><i>Parallel session 1:</i></b>	Presentation and discussion on the subtheme: “Harnessing productive jobs: equipping women and girls with skills of tomorrow”
<b><i>Parallel session 2:</i></b>	Presentation and discussion on the subtheme: “Promoting inclusive and resilient youth employment in Africa, now and beyond COVID-19”
<b><i>Parallel session 3:</i></b>	Presentation and discussion on the subtheme “Inclusive and resilient growth in Africa: the role of spatial planning”
4.45–5.45 p.m.	Reports from the parallel sessions
5.45–6 p.m.	Concluding comments – Chair of the Bureau

### **Thursday, 18 November 2021**

<b>12–3.30 p.m.</b>	<b>General discussion on the theme of the fourth session: “Building forward better towards an inclusive and resilient future in the context of COVID-19”:</b>
12–12.30 p.m.	Presentation of the issues paper on the theme of the fourth session
12.30–12.45 p.m.	Discussants (representatives of member States)
12.45–1 p.m.	General discussion
1–2.30 p.m.	Breakout sessions on the theme of the fourth session
2.30–3.30 p.m.	Reports from the breakout sessions and discussion on the way forward
<b>3.30–5.30 p.m.</b>	<b>Drafting of conclusions and recommendations of the fourth session</b>
<b>5.30–6.30 p.m.</b>	<b>Consideration and adoption of conclusions and recommendations of the fourth session</b>
5.30–6.30 p.m.	Presentation of the conclusions and recommendations of the fourth session
	Discussion and adoption
<b>6.30–6.45 p.m.</b>	<b>Closing of the session</b>
	Closing remarks – Chair of the Bureau

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