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Sixth session
Addis Ababa, 26–28 November 2025Item 4 of the provisional agenda*
**Consideration and adoption of the agenda and
programme of work****Draft programme of work****Wednesday, 26 November 2025**

8–9 a.m.	Registration
	Opening of the session (agenda item 1)
9–9.15 a.m.	Opening statement: Chair of the outgoing Bureau
9.15–9.20 a.m.	Welcoming remarks: Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa, Claver Gatete, or his representative
9.20–9.30 a.m.	Presentation on the terms of reference of the Committee on Social Policy, Poverty and Gender
	Expert group meetings (agenda item 2)
9.30–9.40 a.m.	Introduction to the expert group meetings
	Expert group meeting on subprogramme 6 – gender equality and women’s empowerment
9.40–10.25 a.m.	Presentation on the expert group meeting on African women’s journey in the world of work, technology and finance
10.25–11.10 a.m.	Discussion
11.10–11.30 a.m.	Tea and coffee break
	Expert group meeting on subprogramme 9 – poverty, inequality and social policy
11.30 a.m.–12.15 p.m.	Presentation on the expert group meeting on the use of new technologies to connect strategies for poverty reduction and for social protection
12.15–1 p.m.	Discussion
1–2.30 p.m.	Lunch break
2.30–3.15 p.m.	Presentation on the expert group meeting on the current state of urbanization, development and digital transformation in Africa

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3.15–4 p.m.	Discussion
4–4.30 p.m.	Expert group meeting wrap-up session
4.30–5.30 p.m.	Administrative matters

Thursday, 27 November 2025

9–9.45 a.m.	Election of the Bureau (agenda item 3)
9.45–10 a.m.	Consideration and adoption of the agenda and programme of work (agenda item 4)
10–10.30 a.m.	Tea and coffee break Reports to the Committee on Social Policy, Poverty and Gender – reporting and discussion (agenda item 5)
10.30–10.50 a.m.	Subprogramme 9 – poverty, inequality and social policy
10.50–11.10 a.m.	Subprogramme 6 – gender equality and women’s empowerment
11.10 a.m.–noon	Discussion
Noon–2 p.m.	Lunch break General discussion on the theme of the sixth session “From informal employment to sustainable livelihoods: emerging technologies as pathways for an equitable transition” (agenda item 6)
2–2.45 p.m.	Presentation of the issues paper
2.45–3.30 p.m.	Discussion
3.30–4.15 p.m.	Briefing on the Second World Summit for Social Development (agenda item 7)
4.15–4.30 p.m.	Tea and coffee break
4.30–5.30 p.m.	Discussion

Friday, 28 November 2025

1–2 p.m.	Consideration and adoption of the conclusions and recommendations of the sixth session (agenda item 8)
2–2.15 p.m.	Closing of the session (agenda item 9)
