TENTATIVE PROGRAMME OF WORK
FOR THE TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION
OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES
29 NOVEMBER – 3 DECEMBER 2021

Monday, 29 November 2021

10:00 – 13:00

Agenda Item 1  Opening of the session
Agenda Item 2  Election of the Chairperson
Agenda Item 3  Election of Vice-Chairpersons and other officers
Agenda Item 4  Adoption of the agenda
Agenda Item 5  Organisation of work and establishment of subsidiary bodies

The following agenda items are to be gavelled at the beginning of the session in conformity with the outcome of the informal consultations process held prior to the session from 11 to 22 November 2021, as summarised at the General Committee meeting on 23 November 2021.

Agenda Item 9  Status of implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention
Subitem 9(a)  Progress report on the implementation of the plan of action regarding the implementation of Article VII obligations
Subitem 9(b)  Implementation of the regime governing the handling of confidential information by the Technical Secretariat in 2020
Subitem 9(e)  Status of implementation of the International Support Network for Victims of Chemical Weapons

Agenda Item 15  External Auditor’s report on the audited Financial Statements of the OPCW and the Provident Fund for 2020

Agenda Item 16  Future procedure for the appointment of the External Auditor

Agenda Item 17  Administrative and financial matters
Subitem 17(a)  Cash deficit for 2019
Subitem 17(b)  Submission of the 2021 Financial Statements to the External Auditor
Subitem 17(c)  Special fund for OPCW special missions
Subitem 17(d)  Status of implementation by States Parties of agreed multi-year payment plans to regularise the payment of their outstanding annual contributions
Subitem 17(e)  Recommendation for write-offs of irrecoverable accounts receivable
Subitem 17(f)  Transfers of funds during 2020
Subitem 17(g)  Annual report of the Office of Internal Oversight for 2020
Subitem 17(h)  Rehiring of inspectors
Agenda Item 18  Fostering of international cooperation for peaceful purposes in the field of chemical activities
Agenda Item 19  Ensuring the universality of the Chemical Weapons Convention
Agenda Item 20  The OPCW Programme for Africa
Agenda Item 21  Engagement with the chemical industry and the scientific community
Agenda Item 24  Follow-up to the Third Review Conference

Agenda Item 6  Appointment of the Credentials Committee
Agenda Item 7  Statement by the Director-General
Agenda Item 8  General debate

15:00–18:00
Agenda Item 9  Status of implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention
Subitem 9(c)  Implementation of the Conference of the States Parties and Executive Council decisions on destruction-related issues
Subitem 9(d)  Addressing the threat from chemical weapons use

Tuesday, 30 November 2021

9:45  Ceremony of Remembrance for all Victims of Chemical Warfare

10:00–13:00
Agenda Item 26  Any other business
Agenda Item 13  Biennial Programme and Budget of the OPCW for 2022 and 2023, submitted by the Executive Council, and all items pertaining to this Budget
Agenda Item 14  Scale of assessments for 2022
Agenda Item 10  Annual report of the OPCW on the implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention in 2020

15:00–18:00
Agenda Item 22  Appointment of the Director-General
Agenda Item 11  Annual report of the Executive Council on the performance of its activities for the period from 13 July 2020 to 12 July 2021
Agenda Item 12  Election of Member States to membership of the Executive Council
Agenda Item 25  Dates and duration of the Fifth Review Conference and of the next regular sessions of the Conference of the States Parties
Agenda Item 23  Reports of subsidiary bodies

2  See the Twenty-Sixth Session of the Conference of the States Parties Guidelines for delegates for more details.
3  Draft decision “Understanding Regarding the Aerosolised Use of Central-Nervous System-Acting Chemicals for Law Enforcement Purposes”.
Wednesday, 1 December 2021

10:00 – 13:00

Agenda Item 26

Any other business (continued)

Agenda Item 13

Biennial Programme and Budget of the OPCW for 2022 and 2023, submitted by the Executive Council, and all items pertaining to this Budget (continued)

Agenda Item 10

Annual report of the OPCW on the implementation of the Chemical Weapons Convention in 2020 (continued)

Thursday, 2 December 2021

10:00 – 13:00

Agenda Item 27

Adoption of the report of the Conference of the States Parties

Agenda Item 28

Closure

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