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AGENDA

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Item	Title	Reference	Document
1	AGENDA, TIMETABLE OF WORK AND REPORT OF THE BUREAU	Rule 5 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board	180 EX/1 180 EX/2 180 EX/INF.1 180 EX/INF.4
2	APPROVAL OF THE SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE 179th SESSION	Rule 23, para. 3 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board	179 EX/SR.1-10 Rev.
3	Report by the Director-General on the application of Rule 59 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board	Rule 59 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board	180 EX/PRIV.2 180 EX/PRIV.4
	The Director-General informs the Members of the Executive Board on decisions taken since the 179th session regarding the appointment and extension of staff members at grade D-1 and above. The Executive Board takes note.		
	EXECUTION OF THE PROGRAMME		
4	Report by the Director-General on the execution of the programme adopted by the General Conference The Director-General reports to the Members of the Executive Board on progress in the execution of the programme adopted by the General Conference. 180 EX/4 Part I contains a strategic account of the main results achieved during the first quarter of the 2008-2009 biennium by major programme. Detailed information at MLA level is available online. The reporting nature of the document does not a priori entail decision-making. 180 EX/4 Part I Addendum covers UNESCO's participation in United Nations cooperation on operational activities including the Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review, the updating of partnership agreements with other United Nations agencies, and work undertaken in the context of the simplification and harmonization agenda within the United	Article VI.3(b) of the Constitution 145 EX/Dec.5.1 (I) 157 EX/Dec.3.1 (I) 159 EX/Dec.3.1.1 (I) 160 EX/Dec.3.1.1 (I) 161 EX/Dec.3.1.3 166 EX/Dec.3.1.3 166 EX/Dec.3.1.1 (II) 169 EX/Dec.4.1 169 EX/Dec.6.6 172 EX/Dec.21 175 EX/Dec.21 175 EX/Dec.23 176 EX/5 (V) 176 EX/Dec.29 177 EX/Dec.25 (I, II) 34 C/Res.3, 21, 35, 39, 48, 65, 66, 67, 89 179 EX/Dec.4 179 EX/Dec.16 (I)	180 EX/4 Part I and Add. (Execution of the programme) 180 EX/4 Part II (Management chart) 180 EX/INF.10 180 EX/INF.15 180 EX/INF.16 180 EX/INF.19 and Corr. 180 EX/INF.20 180 EX/INF.21 180 EX/INF.25 180 EX/INF.25

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	180 EX/4 Part II reports on the adjustments to the approved appropriation and proposes transfers from Part IV of the budget to cover increases in staff costs due to statutory factors. The document also presents the Management Chart for Programme Execution in 2008-2009 as at 30 June 2008.		
	The Executive Board is expected to note the additional appropriation of \$4.1 million and of the transfers made between appropriation lines totalling \$823,988, and to approve the transfer of \$2.1 million from Part IV.		
	UNESCO's contribution to operational policies and activities for development cooperation within the United Nations system	167 EX/Dec.8.1	
	Cooperation with the United Nations University (UNU)	179 EX/Dec.6	
5	Report by the Director-General on the follow-up to decisions and resolutions adopted by the Executive Board and the General Conference at their previous sessions	169 EX/Dec.4.3 and 175 EX/Dec.23	180 EX/5 and Add. 180 EX/INF.7 180 EX/INF.19 and Corr. 180 EX/INF.20 180 EX/INF.21
	Geographical distribution and gender balance of the staff of the Secretariat	170 EX/Dec.7.5 and 177 EX/Dec.50	
	Implementation of the UNESCO evaluation plan and the proposed framework of the long-term evaluation strategy	175 EX/Dec.26 and 177 EX/Dec.27	
	Progress report on the feasibility study for the establishment in the Philippines of a UNESCO lifelong centre for sustainable development in South-East Asia, as a category 2 centre	176 EX/Dec.55	
	Report by the Director-General on the implementation of the recommendations of the evaluation of the UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS)	177 EX/Dec.26	
	The Associated Schools Project Network (ASPnet) Strategy	34 C/Res.10	
	Report by the Director-General on the implementation of 34 C/Resolution 47 and 179 EX/Decisions 9 and 52 related to the Ascent to the Mughrabi Gate in the Old City of Jerusalem ¹	34 C/Resolution 47 and 179 EX/Decisions 9 and 52	
	Results of consultations with United Nations Secretary-General on his outreach programme with a view to exploring UNESCO's role in promoting awareness of Holocaust remembrance	34 C/Res.61	
	Medical Benefits Fund	34 C/Res.84	
	Progress report on the implementation and follow-up to the Ahmedabad Declaration	179 EX/Dec.5 (II)	
	Progress made in the implementation of the Internal Oversight Service (IOS) strategy in 2006-2007: annual report 2007	179 EX/Dec.30	

New sub-item to the provisional agenda.

Item	Title	Reference	Document
	Status of implementation of approved/ accepted recommendations contained in Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) reports	179 EX/Dec.36	
	Progress report on the feasibility study on the establishment in China of an Asia-Pacific regional centre for the safeguarding of the intangible cultural heritage, as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO	179 EX/Dec.44	
	Progress report on the feasibility study on the establishment in the Republic of Korea of an intangible cultural heritage centre for the Asia and the Pacific region, as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO	179 EX/Dec.46	
	Outline of a UNESCO strategy for technical and vocational education and training (TVET)	179 EX/Dec.49	
	The Director-General reports on progress achieved in the follow-up to the decisions and resolutions adopted by the Board and the General Conference at their previous sessions.		
	Decision proposed: a draft decision will be proposed in an addendum to the EX/5 document relating to Section VI.		
6	Report by the Director-General on the implementation of the reform process	176 EX/Dec.6 (I) 177 EX/Dec.6 (I, II) 34 C/Res.68 (I)	180 EX/6 Parts I and II and Add. 180 EX/6 Part II Corr.
	180 EX/6 Part I reports on the implementation of the human resources policy reform framework and the approved medium- and long-term staffing strategy.		180 EX/INF.19 and Corr. 180 EX/INF.20 180 EX/INF.21
	Decision proposed: invite the Director- General to pursue implementation and to report to the Executive Board at its 182nd session and to the General Conference at its 35th session.		
	180 EX/6 Part II reports on progress in the review of the decentralization strategy prior to the final report scheduled for submission to the Board at its 181st session.		
	Decision proposed: take note of the information provided.		
	Education		
7	Report by the Director-General on progress made with respect to education for all (EFA), including UNESCO's contribution and application of the Global Action Plan to achieve the EFA goals by 2015 The Director-General reports on the progress made with respect to Education for All (EFA), including analytical data that supports country-level activities in those countries facing the greatest educational needs.	174 EX/Dec.8 176 EX/Dec.9 34 C/Res.11 179 EX/Dec.51	180 EX/7

Item Title Reference **Document** Decision proposed: request the Director-General to report to it at its 182nd session on progress with regard to EFA and UNESCO's contributions thereto at the international, regional and country levels. **Natural sciences** Report by the Director-General on 8 177 EX/Dec.16 180 EX/8 the implementation of the UNESCO plan of action concerning the decisions and declaration of the African Union Summit on science, technology and scientific research for development (January 2007) The report contains the activities implemented and planned and puts emphasis on flagship projects. Decision proposed: request the Director-General to further support activities in the Plan, support the development of the capacities of the African Union and the Regional Economic Communities, and submit a comprehensive implementation report at its 182nd session. Social and human sciences 9 Report by the Director-General on 34 C/Res.38 180 EX/9 the implementation of UNESCO's 179 EX/Dec.8 (I,III) refined plan of action and other activities for the commemoration of the 60th anniversary of the Universal **Declaration of Human Rights** The Director-General informs the Executive Board on the subject area. Decision proposed: encourages the Director-General to continue implementing UNESCO's Plan of Action, invite Member States to consider making extrabudgetary contributions in this respect, and invite the Director-General to report to the 35th session of the General Conference. Culture 10 Jerusalem and the implementation 177 EX/Dec.19 180 EX/10 and Add. of 34 C/Resolution 47 and 34 C/Res.47 179 EX/Decision 9² 179 EX/Dec.9 The Executive Board is informed of progress in UNESCO's contribution to the safeguarding of the cultural heritage of the Old City of Jerusalem, including the Action Plan for the preservation of this heritage. An addendum, containing the draft required decision, will be issued before the session of the Executive Board.

Item 10 "Jerusalem and the implementation of 34 C/Resolution 47 and 179 EX/Decision 9": the title has been changed.

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Item	Title	Reference	Document
11	Report by the Director-General on a preliminary study of the technical and legal aspects of a possible international standard-setting instrument for the protection of indigenous and endangered languages	179 EX/Dec.10	180 EX/11 and Add.
	A progress report is submitted on the follow- up to the decisions concerned. Additional information will be provided as an addendum as soon as it is available.		
12	Report by the Director-General on the preparation of a draft declaration of principles relating to cultural objects displaced in connection with the Second World War	177 EX/Dec.17	180 EX/12
	The Executive Board is informed on progress made or consensus achieved by the meeting of intergovernmental experts on the preparation of the draft declaration, with a view to a recommendation by the Executive Board to the General Conference at its 35th session.		
	Decision proposed: (i) invite the Director-General to convene a meeting of intergovernmental experts (category II) in January 2009; (ii) decide on participants and observers to be invited to such a meeting; and (iii) invite the Director-General to report back at its 181st session.		
13	Number not attributed ³		
14	The Slave Route Project: assessment and prospects	Item proposed by Togo	180 EX/14 180 EX/INF.23
	This item has been included at the request of Togo which wishes to draw the Board's attention to the need to strengthen the Slave Route Project and to relaunch it along the new policy lines that have been devised for it.		
	Decision proposed: request the Director- General to study ways and means of strengthening the project's structure and raising extrabudgetary funds and submit a draft document providing for a long-term contribution to the work of research, promotion and education at its 181st session.		
	Communication and information		
15	Report by the Director-General on a draft strategic plan for the Information for All Programme (IFAP) as revised by the Intergovernmental Council for IFAP	179 EX/Dec.14	180 EX/15

Item 13 "Innovative proposals for the financing of posts at the World Heritage Centre" has been withdrawn from the agenda.

Item	Title	Reference	Document
	The Executive Board is informed of a draft Strategic Plan for the Information for All Programme (IFAP), as revised by the IFAP Council, outlining the strategic orientations and priorities of IFAP for 2008-2013.		
	Decision proposed: endorse the revised Strategic Plan; approve the strategic orientations and priorities of IFAP for the period 2008-2013, request the Director-General to take appropriate fund-raising measures, and report back regularly.		
	Intersectoral programme activities		
16	Report by the Director-General on a refined UNESCO strategy for action on climate change	179 EX/Dec.15	180 EX/16
	The revised UNESCO Strategy (Annex I) has been guided by the Board's wishes as expressed in 179 EX/Decision 15.		
	Decision proposed: approve the refined UNESCO Strategy.		
17	Amendments to the Regulations of the Félix Houphouët-Boigny Peace Prize	Item proposed by the Director-General	180 EX/17 Rev. and Corr.
	Consideration of the amendments proposed by the Jury of the Prize to the General Regulations and amendments to the Financial Regulations of the Prize, required as a result of these amendments.		
	Decision proposed: approve the amended General Regulations of the Prize and take note of the revised Financial Regulations of the Prize.		
	Institutes and centres		
18	Report by the Director-General on a draft integrated comprehensive strategy for institutes and centres under the auspices of UNESCO (category 2)	34 C/Res.90	180 EX/18 180 EX/INF.11
	The Director-General proposes a new strategy, recalling that 34 C/Resolution 90 of the General Conference authorized the Executive Board to adopt and apply the integrated comprehensive strategy on a preliminary basis and to submit it to it at its 35th session for final approval.		
	Decision proposed: approve the integrated, comprehensive strategy and request the Director-General to apply it consistently on a preliminary basis to all new proposals until the final adoption of the strategy by the General Conference at its 35th session, as well as to identify inconsistencies with respect to currently existing agreements. It would further recommend to the General Conference, at its 35th session, to confirm		

Title Item Reference **Document** the strategy and to decide that it shall supersede all preceding resolutions by governing bodies. 19 180 EX/19 Parts I-III Report by the Director-General on feasibility studies for the establishment of category 2 institutes and centres under the auspices of UNESCO Customary practice is for the Executive Board to examine the establishment of a category 2 institute or centre once the feasibility study has been carried out. 180 EX/19 Part I: Report by the Director-177 EX/Dec.68 General on the proposal for the establishment of a water centre for sustainable development in Central America and the Caribbean in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, as a category 2 centre under the auspices of UNESCO The Director-General reports on the feasibility study and presents a draft Agreement. Decision proposed: recommend to the General Conference at its 35th session to approve its establishment and to authorize the Director-General to sign the Agreement. 180 EX/19 Part II: Report by the Director-34 C/Res.37 General on the feasibility study for the establishment in Buenos Aires, Argentina, of an international institute for human rights education, as a category 2 institute under the auspices of UNESCO The Director-General reports on the feasibility study and presents a draft Agreement. Decision proposed: as delegated by the General Conference, grant the status of category 2 centre and authorize the Director-General to sign the Agreement presented. 180 EX/19 Part III: Report by the Director-177 EX/Dec.69 General on the feasibility study for the 34 C/Res.42 establishment of an institute for African culture and international understanding at the Olusegun Obasanjo Presidential Library in Abeokuta, Ogun State, Nigeria, as a category 2 institute under the auspices of **UNESCO** The Director-General reports on the feasibility study and presents a draft

Agreement.

Decision proposed: approve the

establishment of the centre and authorize the Director-General to sign the Agreement.

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20	Report by the Governing Board of the UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS) on the activities of the Institute This is to report on major activities and strategic decisions undertaken by the UIS since its last report to the 177th session of the Executive Board.	30 C/Res.44 Article V.1(e) of the Statutes 177 EX/Dec.65	180 EX/20
	Decision proposed: examine the report and invite the Director-General to continue to be guided by the recommendations of the UIS Governing Board.		
	DRAFT PROGRAMME AND BUDGET FOR 2010-2011 (35 C/5)		
21	Preliminary proposals by the Director-General concerning the Draft Programme and Budget for 2010-2011 (35 C/5)	Articles V and VI of the Constitution 169 EX/Dec.4.1 172 EX/Dec.38	180 EX/21 Part I (A), (B) and (C) Part II (A) and (B) 180 EX/INF.19 and Corr.
	The draft programme and budget for 2010-2011 (35 C/5) will be the second programme and budget of the period 2008-2013 covered by the medium-term strategy of the Organization (34 C/4). The corresponding document has two parts. One setting out the programming framework and the other outlining the proposals for the five Major Programmes and the two global priorities, 33 C/Res.95 177 EX/Dec.27 34 C/Res.55 34 C/Res.59 34 C/Res.89 34 C/Res.89	177 EX/Dec.27 34 C/Res.54 34 C/Res.55 34 C/Res.59 34 C/Res.84 34 C/Res.89	180 EX/INF.20 180 EX/INF.21 180 EX/INF.27
	As this document serves as the basis for the Executive Board's consideration of the item and preparation of a draft decision on the subject, no draft decision is proposed by the Director-General. This document entails the standard financial and administrative implications of the C/5 process.		
	METHODS OF WORK OF THE ORGANIZATION		
22	Follow-up to 33 C/Resolution 92 and 34 C/Resolution 88 concerning relations between the three organs of UNESCO	33 C/Res.92 34 C/Res.88 179 EX/Dec.18	180 EX/22 and Addenda 180 EX/INF.14
	Updated report from the Director-General, in coordination with the President of the General Conference and the Chairman of the Executive Board, on implementation of the outstanding recommendations stemming from 33 C/Resolution 92 ("three organs"), taking also into account the work of the Executive Board at its 179th session, as well as the recommendations of the Informal Working Group set up by the President of the 34th session of the General Conference.		

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23	Consideration by the Executive Board of the criteria for holding private meetings By 179 EX/Decision 18, the Board decided, in follow-up to recommendation 17 of 33 C/Resolution 92, to include an agenda item at its 180th session with a view to determining formally the criteria for holding private meetings.	179 EX/Dec.18	180 EX/23 and Add.
24	Consideration by the Executive Board of the criteria for the selection of agenda items to be referred to the Group of Experts on Financial and Administrative Matters, and of its methods of work At its 179th session, the Executive Board began reviewing the terms of reference of the FA Experts' Group, and intends to continue to	179 EX/Dec.19	180 EX/24 and Addenda
	do so at its 180th session.		
25	Report by the Executive Board on the implementation of document 34 C/5, with results achieved in the previous biennium (35 C/3)	33 C/Res.78 33 C/Res.92 34 C/Res.89 179 EX/Dec.21	180 EX/25 and Add.
	At its 179th session, the Board started working on its own reporting to the General Conference on the Secretariat's activity reports (C/3 and EX/4), and it intends to pursue consideration of this matter at the 180th session.		
26	Report by the Executive Board on its own activities, including its methods of work: the format of its reporting to the General Conference	179 EX/Dec.22	180 EX/26 and Addenda
	At its 179th session, the Executive Board held preliminary discussions on its own activity report to the General Conference and decided to review, at its 180th session, the concrete processes to be adopted for completing the report.		
27	Report by the Director-General on evaluations completed in 2008	33 C/5 179 EX/Dec.20	180 EX/27 and Add.
	In accordance with 179 EX/Decision 20, the Director-General submits a short report on some of the evaluations completed in 2008, together with his comments.		
	Decision proposed: note the recommendations and invite the Director-General to implement recommendations in a timely manner.		

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28	Consideration of the procedure to be followed for the nomination of the Director-General of the Organization The Executive Board is required to examine	Rule 58 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board	180 EX/PRIV.1 Rev. 180 EX/PRIV.3 180 EX/28
	and adopt, in a private meeting, the proposal by the Chairperson of the Executive Board concerning the procedure to be followed for the appointment of the Director-General of the Organization.		
	MATTERS RELATING TO NORMS, STATUTES AND REGULATIONS		
29	Examination of the communications transmitted to the Committee on Conventions and Recommendations in pursuance of 104 EX/Decision 3.3, and report of the Committee thereon	104 EX/Dec.3.3	180 EX/CR/HR and Addenda 180 EX/3 PRIV. 180 EX/CR/2
	In accordance with 104 EX/Decision 3.3 adopted in 1978, which lays down the procedures for the examination of communications received by the Organization and relating to cases and questions concerning the exercise of human rights in UNESCO's fields of competence, the Executive Board is requested to examine, in a private meeting, the report of the CR Committee thereon.		
30	Draft amendments to the Statutes of the Intergovernmental Regional Committee for the Regional Education Project for Latin America and the Caribbean (PRELAC)	34 C/Res.16 179 EX/Dec.26	180 EX/30
	A set of draft amendments to the Statutes of the Intergovernmental Regional Committee for the PRELAC are presented.		
	Decision proposed: submit these amendments to the General Conference at its 35th session for final review and approval.		
31	Monitoring of the implementation of UNESCO's standard-setting instruments	177 EX/Dec.35 179 EX/SR.7	180 EX/31
	The Secretariat reports on the measures taken pursuant to the new procedures for the implementation of UNESCO's standard-setting instruments, adopted by the Board at its 177th session.		
	Decision proposed: take note and request the Director-General to ensure that the new procedures are implemented by the responsible programme sectors.		

Item	Title	Reference	Document
	GENERAL CONFERENCE		
32	Proposals concerning the organization of the work of the 35th session of the General Conference	179 EX/Dec.27	180 EX/32 180 EX/INF.3 and Corr. (Corr. for French only)
	At its 179th session, the Board decided to discuss this matter at the 180th session, duly taking into account 33 C/Resolution 92 and the content of the report by the President of the General Conference relating thereto (180 EX/INF.3).		180 EX/INF.22
	ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL QUESTIONS		
33	Financial report and audited financial statements of UNESCO for the period ended 31 December 2007, and report by the External Auditor	Article 12 of the Financial Regulations	180 EX/33 Part I Rev. and Part II
	The Director-General submits the External Auditor's report and the audited financial statements, together with the report by the Director-General on the accounts of UNESCO for the financial period ended 31 December 2007.		
	Decision proposed: transmit to the 35th session of the General Conference the decision contained in document 180 EX/33 Part I adopted by the Executive Board after consideration of documents 180 EX/33 Parts I and II taking note of the unobligated balances in Statement IV by appropriation line and to report on the implementation of the recommendations of the External Auditor contained in document 180 EX/33 Part II at its 35th session and to submit this report to the 182nd session of the Executive Board for prior review.		
34	Report by the Director-General on the implementation of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards (IPSAS) and the likely implications thereof on changes to the Financial Regulations	34 C/Res.71	180 EX/34
	The Director-General submits a progress report on the Organization's IPSAS adoption project. An indication of the changes that might be required to Financial Regulations is also given.		
	Decision proposed: take note of the work performed on IPSAS and the current shortfall in the budget which the Director-General will try to remedy and request the Director-General to submit a progress report at its 181st session.		

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35	Report by the Director-General on alternative funding mechanisms for unfunded liabilities of staff benefits	34 C/Res.73	180 EX/35
	The Director-General provides explanations on employee benefits within the United Nations system and the Organization and outlines the possible alternatives in funding such liabilities.		
	Decision proposed: note the information provided and the necessity to record the liability in the financial statements of the Organization in 2010 and invite the Director-General to consider proposing concrete funding measures in the preparation of document 36 C/5.		
36	Report by the Director-General on the status of contributions of Member States and of payment plans	34 C/Res.02	180 EX/36 and Add.
	The Director-General reports on the status of contributions of Member States, on the cash flow of the Organization and on payment plans agreed with Member States in arrears in the payment of their contributions, further to 34 C/Resolution 02.		
	Decision proposed: note that the efforts made by many Member States have not been enough to prevent recourse to internal borrowing from October to December 2007 to supplement the resources of the Working Capital Fund for the purpose of financing the programme, and appeal to Member States that are behind with the payment of their contributions to pay their arrears without delay.		
37	Report by the Director-General on the management of extrabudgetary resources and activities	166 EX/Dec.8.7 33 C/Res.92 175 EX/Dec.36	180 EX/37 180 EX/INF.5
	Inform the Executive Board on progress made on the Action Plan for the management of extrabudgetary resources and activities, in particular on the Additional Programme of projected/targeted extrabudgetary activities and the Resource Mobilization Strategic Plan.	177 EX/Dec.51 34 C/Res.72	
	Decision proposed: take note of the progress achieved in the programming, monitoring and implementation of UNESCO's extrabudgetary activities and resource mobilization and invite the Director-General to ensure effective follow-up to the Additional Programme, and continued strengthening of extrabudgetary resources, monitoring and implementation tools.		

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Item	Title	Reference	Document
38	Report by the Director-General on the implementation of the Participation Programme and emergency assistance	33 C/Res.60 177 EX/Dec.56 34 C/Res.52	180 EX/38 180 EX/INF.6
	Regular annual report from the Director-General.		
	Decision proposed: note the information provided.		
39 ⁴	Number not attributed		
40	Report by the Director-General on the follow-up to the recommen- dations of the External Auditor and performance audits 2006-2007 on UNESCO's publication activities and procurement policies and procedures	179 EX/Dec.31 (I, III)	180 EX/40 Parts I and II
	180 EX/40 Part I reports on progress made concerning publication activities, forthcoming measures and challenges, and presents the Publications and Distribution Plan 2008-2009.		
	Decision proposed: note the measures taken by the Director-General and comment on the Publications and Distribution Plan, and invite the Director-General to submit a progress report at its 182nd session and the Publications and Distribution Plan for 2010-2011 at its 184th session.		
	180 EX/40 Part II examines progress in implementing the recommendations outlined by the External Auditor in document 176 EX/39 and in his Monitoring Report in document 179 EX/31 (Part II) as well as the Executive Board decisions at its 176th, 177th and 179th sessions.		
	Decision proposed: note that the Director- General has taken all measures necessary to fulfil implementation.		
	RELATIONS WITH MEMBER STATES AND INTERNATIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS		
41	Relations with international non- governmental organizations, foundations and similar institutions Examination of the report by the Director- General on various possible options together with the review of methodologies for cooperation with NGOs and United Nations Country Teams, in order to support the	Directives concerning UNESCO's relations with non-governmental organizations (Sections I.1; IV.4.1; VI.1 and VI.2) and foundations and similar institutions (Article II.3)	180 EX/41
	activities and build the capacities of NGOs in developing countries.	174 EX/Dec.31 176 EX/Dec.46	

Item 39 "Report by the Director-General, in cooperation with the Headquarters Committee, on managing the UNESCO complex" has been postponed to the 181st session of the Executive Board at the request of the Chairperson of the Headquarters Committee and the Director-General.

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Item	Title	Reference	Document
	Decision proposed: take note of cooperation between NGOs and United Nations Country Teams and to support UNESCO's participation in the consultative mechanisms between civil society and the United Nations Development Group; support a fund-raising strategy through participation in the United Nations Civil Society Trust Fund.	34 C/Res.59 177 EX/Dec.57 (NGOs in developing countries)	
42	Relations with the Eurasian Economic Community (EURASEC) and draft Memorandum of Understanding between UNESCO and that interregional organization	Item proposed by the Director-General	180 EX/42 and Corr. (<i>Corr. for English only</i>)
	The Eurasian Economic Community (EURASEC) has expressed the wish to establish official relations with UNESCO. The Director-General submits for approval a draft Memorandum of Understanding between EURASEC and UNESCO.		
	Decision proposed: approve the draft Memorandum of Understanding.		
43	Report by the Director-General concerning a special post-conflict overall support programme in UNESCO's fields of competence for Côte d'Ivoire	179 EX/Dec.38	180 EX/43
	The detailed overall framework support programme for Côte d'Ivoire is clearly outlined in the document submitted, in particular the activities under way or already carried out in the pre-electoral period (Phase I), priority activities scheduled under Phase II and, finally, the implementation measures (III), especially the financial and administrative implications.		
	Decision proposed: invite the Director-General to identify resources under the regular programme and mobilize extrabudgetary resources to finance the implementation of priority activities and to take the necessary measures to strengthen UNESCO's physical presence, in particular through a strengthened antenna.		
	GENERAL MATTERS		
44	Implementation of 34 C/Resolution 58 and 179 EX/Decision 39 concerning educational and cultural institutions in the occupied Arab territories	34 C/Res.58 179 EX/Dec.39	180 EX/44 and Add.
	Report on progress made since the 179th session in providing assistance to the Palestinian people and their educational and cultural institutions, as well as to such institutions in the occupied Syrian Golan.		
	Decision proposed: the Director-General intends to issue an addendum to the present document before the 180th session of the		

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45	Examination by the Executive Board on the need for reviewing document 34 C/4 (Medium-Term Strategy for 2008-2013) and the Director-General's views and observations on this matter, and, if appropriate, preliminary proposals for amendments to document 34 C/4 The Executive Board considers whether there is a need to review document 34 C/4, given that it has been designated as a rolling strategy, and if so, to establish a procedure for its revision. The Director-General presents his views and observations thereon. No decision is proposed.	34 C/Res.1 179 EX/Dec.41	180 EX/45
46	Thematic debate: Protecting indigenous and endangered languages, and the role of languages in promoting EFA in the context of sustainable development The corresponding document provides general information and reflection elements for the thematic debate of this session of the Executive Board. It offers a background for conducting the debate, suggesting some possible links between languages safeguarding, EFA and sustainable development. No decision is proposed.	169 EX/Dec.4.2 175 EX/Dec.23	180 EX/INF.8 180 EX/INF.24
47	Report by the Director-General on the study concerning the proposal for the creation of a network of national authorities to support migrants who are victims of discrimination and xenophobia A progress report is provided that presents a summary of the findings as well as the recommendations of a study to assess the proposal. The study analyses, initially, the feasibility of such a network in the Latin America and Caribbean region. Decision proposed: note the main findings and recommendations of the study, invite the Director-General to further develop the initiative and submit a final report at its 181st session.	177 EX/Dec.71	180 EX/47
48	Report by the Director-General on the cultural and educational institutions in Iraq This document summarizes progress achieved by UNESCO since the 177th session of the Board in implementing assistance in favour of Iraq.	177 EX/Dec.64	180 EX/48

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	Decision proposed: encourage the Director-General to continue giving full support to the Iraqi Government in its implementation of educational, cultural, scientific and media programmes, invite the Director-General to continue monitoring the implementation of the ICC and to present a further report to the Executive Board at its 182nd session.		
49	Report by the Director-General on UNESCO's contribution to the reconstruction and development of Lebanon	179 EX/Dec.43	180 EX/49 and Add.
	Report on progress since the 179th session in providing assistance in favour of reconstruction and development in Lebanon.		
	Decision proposed: invite the Director- General to report to it at its 181st session, as part of his general report under item 5.		
50	Report by the Director-General on progress in redesigning the foresight function and on activities foreseen in the intersectoral platform for anticipation and foresight	34 C/Res.54 (VI) 179 EX/Dec.40	180 EX/50
	The Director-General reports on this matter in accordance with 179 EX/Decision 40.		
	No draft decision is proposed.		
51	Report by the External Auditor on the Office of Foresight	34 C/Res.54 (VI) 179 EX/Dec.40	180 EX/51
	In accordance with 34 C/Resolution 54 (VI) and 179 EX/Decision 40, the External Auditor submits his report on the financial and performance audit of the Office of Foresight to the Executive Board.		
52	Report by the Director-General on UNESCO and United Nations reform with regard to the implementation of United Nations General Assembly resolution 62/208 concerning the 2007 triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system	179 EX/Dec.42 (I)	180 EX/52 180 EX/INF.15 180 EX/INF.16
	The Director-General presents a strategy and a plan for the implementation of the relevant parts of the 2007 TCPR. He also provides the implementation status and envisaged action plan per relevant recommendation, broken down in two sections: (a) specific requests addressed to the Governing bodies of United Nations agencies, funds and programmes; and (b) specific requests addressed to United Nations agencies, funds and programmes.		
	No specific decision-making is required of the Board.		

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53	Provisional list of matters to be examined by the Executive Board at its 181st session	103 EX/Dec.9	180 EX/INF.9
	ADDITIONAL ITEMS		
54	Proposal for the establishment of the UNESCO-Hamdan Bin Rashid Al-Maktoum Prize for outstanding practice and performance in enhancing the effectiveness of teachers	Item proposed by the United Arab Emirates	180 EX/54 and Corr. 180 EX/INF.13
	The United Arab Emirates invites the Executive Board to approve UNESCO's association with this new Prize.		
	Decision proposed: approve the Statutes.		
55	Financial regulation of the Special Account for the International Fund for the Promotion of Languages and Multilingualism (IFPLM)	Item proposed by the Director-General	180 EX/55
	Special Financial Regulations to govern the operation of the International Fund for the Promotion of Languages and Multilingualism (IFPLM).		
	Decision proposed: note the Special Financial Regulations and invite the Director-General to launch an appeal for contributions to the Special Account from Member States and private donors.		
56	Number not attributed		
57	Establishment of the UNESCO- Obiang Nguema Mbasogo International Prize for Research in the Life Sciences	Item proposed by Equatorial Guinea	180 EX/57 180 EX/INF.13
	The Republic of Equatorial Guinea is proposing the establishment of a prize entitled "UNESCO-Obiang Nguema Mbasogo International Prize for Research in the Life Sciences". The purpose of this Prize is to reward annually the projects and activities of an individual or groups of individuals, scientific institutions, other entities or non-governmental organizations who have contributed, through scientific research in the life sciences to improving the quality of human life. The Prize and the funds for its management will be provided by Equatorial Guinea.		
	Decision proposed: approve the establishment of the Prize and to request the Director-General to set-up, as soon as, possible the Secretariat of the UNESCO-Obiang Nguema Mbasogo International Prize for Research in the Life Sciences, in the		

Natural Sciences Sector.

Item	Title	Reference	Document
58	Rabindranath Tagore, Pablo Neruda and Aimé Césaire for a reconciled universal This item has been placed on the agenda on the encouragement of the Chairman of the Executive Board who wishes all of UNESCO's intersectoral and interdisciplinary programmes, in particular, the Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions to be supported by specific projects, enriched by the life work of eminent persons such as Rabindranath Tagore, Pablo Neruda and Aimé Césaire, with a view to building up a conception of the universal reconciled with the particular now that peace is being jeopardized nationally, regionally and internationally by identity-related and spiritual tensions.	Item proposed by Argentina, Benin, Chile, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, India, Madagascar, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, South Africa, Togo, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania and Zambia on the encouragement of the Chairman of the Executive Board	180 EX/58 Rev.2 180 EX/INF.13
	The proposed draft decision invites the Director-General to make specific proposals for the implementation of interdisciplinary and intersectoral programmes in connection with the work of these three authors. It recommends the establishment of a prize and medals bearing the name of each of these three illustrious persons and requests that favourable consideration be given at the 181st session of the Executive Board to the celebration, through programmes as appropriate, of the 150th anniversary of the birth of Rabindranath Tagore (2011) and of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Aimé Césaire (2013), drawing on programmes organized by UNESCO to mark the 100th anniversary of the birth of Pablo Neruda in March 2004. Lastly, it invites UNESCO, States and other institutions to make known in national languages these authors' works and those of their contemporaries.		
59	Relations with the Intergovernmental Foundation for Educational, Scientific and Cultural Cooperation (IFESCCO) and draft Memorandum of Understanding between UNESCO and that foundation	Item proposed by the Russian Federation	180 EX/59 180 EX/INF.13
	This item has been included at the request of the Russian Federation to establish working relationships between UNESCO and IFESCCO created by the Member States of the Community of Independent States (CIS). The draft Memorandum of Understanding is submitted in accordance with Article XI, paragraph 1, of the Constitution of UNESCO.		
	Decision proposed: approve the draft Memorandum of Understanding between UNESCO and IFESCCO and authorize the Director-General to sign the Memorandum.		

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60	Global Moral Development Programme for Sustainable World Peace	Item proposed by Bangladesh	180 EX/60 180 EX/INF.13
	Bangladesh is proposing the establishment of a Global Moral Development Programme for Sustainable World Peace and makes a certain number of recommendations to UNESCO for its consideration and implementation: creation of a new dedicated unit within the Secretariat, establishment of a new Moral Day, creation of new annual prizes/awards, creation of a dedicated website, organization of conferences on global moral development. Decision proposed: authorize the Director-General to implement the Global Moral Development Programme for Sustainable World Peace.		
61	Proposal for the establishment of a cyber network for learning languages	Item proposed by China	180 EX/61 180 EX/INF.13
	The People's Republic of China is proposing the establishment of a cyber network for learning languages within the framework of the International Year of Languages.		
	Decision proposed: approve the content of the proposal, and request the Director-General to convene a meeting of experts in the first quarter of 2009 to study the feasibility of the proposal and report on the results of the meeting to its 181st session.		
62	The reinstallation of the Axum Obelisk: a testimony of successful cooperation between Ethiopia and Italy	Item proposed by Ethiopia and Italy	180 EX/62
	This item has been included at the request of Ethiopia and Italy to draw the Board's attention on the successful return of the Aksum Obelisk from Rome to its original location in the World Heritage site of Aksum (Ethiopia), and its reinstallation by UNESCO thanks to the grant of \$5 million by the Government of Italy.		
	Decision proposed: Express the appreciation of the Executive Board to UNESCO, and congratulate Italy and Ethiopia for their exemplary cooperation.		

N.B. On the recommendation of the Bureau of the Executive Board at its first meeting of the 180th session, for this session and on an experimental basis, a number of documents for information are being circulated at the request of Member States.