Industrial Development Board
Thirty-eighth session
Vienna, 24-26 November 2010
Item 1 of the provisional agenda
Adoption of the agenda

Annotated provisional agenda

Opening of the session

The thirty-eighth session of the Board will be opened by the President of the thirty-seventh session, H.E. Mr. H. Böck (Austria).

Item 1. Adoption of the agenda

A provisional agenda for the thirty-eighth session, based on the provisional agenda adopted in decision IDB.37/Dec.8, is submitted to the Board for adoption in document IDB.38/1.

The Board will have before it:
• Provisional agenda (IDB.38/1)
• Annotated provisional agenda (IDB.38/1/Add.1)
• List of documents (IDB.38/CRP.1)

Item 2. Report of the Programme and Budget Committee

Article 10.4 (d) of the Constitution requires that the Programme and Budget Committee “report to the Board at each regular session on all activities of the Committee and submit advice or proposals on financial matters to the Board on its own initiative”. The report of the Committee on the work of its twenty-sixth session will be reflected in document IDB.38/2. The following subjects and documentation, dealt with by the Committee at that session, are of relevance to the work of the
Board at its current session. Annotations are contained in the annotated provisional agenda of the twenty-sixth session of the Committee (PBC.26/1/Add.1). At that session, the Committee recommended to the Board the adoption of a number of draft decisions, as indicated in the report of the session and under the respective subheadings below.


- Conclusion 2010/2 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- Report of the External Auditor on the accounts of UNIDO for the financial period 1 January 2008 to 31 December 2009 (IDB.38/3-PBC.26/3)

2 (b) Financial situation of UNIDO

- Conclusion 2010/6 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- Financial situation of UNIDO. Report by the Director-General (IDB.38/7-PBC.26/7)
- Financial Regulations of UNIDO. Note by the Secretariat (PBC.26/CRP.3)
- Status of assessed contributions. Note by the Secretariat (IDB.38/CRP.2)

2 (c) Unutilized balances of appropriations: Programme for Change and Organizational Renewal (change management initiative) and technical cooperation activities

- Conclusion 2010/3 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- Conclusion 2010/4 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- Unutilized balances of appropriations: Programme for Change and Organizational Renewal (change management initiative). Report by the Director-General (IDB.38/9-PBC.26/9)
- Unutilized balances of appropriations: Technical cooperation programmes. Report by the Director-General (IDB.38/10-PBC.26/10)

In compliance with decision GC.13/Dec.15 on unutilized balances of appropriations, the report by the Director-General contained in document IDB.38/9-PBC.26/9 will be updated to also include information on the various cost elements for the enterprise resource planning system for the Organization.

The Board will have before it:

- Unutilized balances of appropriations: Programme for Change and Organizational Renewal (change management initiative). Report by the Director-General (IDB.38/9/Add.1 and Add.2.)
2 (d) Accounting standards

- International Public Sector Accounting Standards. Progress report by the Secretariat (IDB.38/5-PBC.26/5)

2 (e) Mobilization of financial resources

- Conclusion 2010/7 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- Mobilization of financial resources. Report by the Director-General (IDB.38/8-PBC.26/8)
- Projects approved under the Industrial Development Fund, trust funds and other voluntary contributions in 2009 (PBC.26/CRP.2)

**Item 3. Multilingualism**

In accordance with General Conference resolution GC.13/Res.4, the Secretariat presented a progress report on multilingualism at UNIDO to the thirty-seventh session of the Board (IDB.37/9). That report will be updated to reflect recent developments.

The Board will have before it:

- Multilingualism. Note by the Secretariat (IDB.38/11)

**Item 4. Progress report on regional programmes, including:**

(a) Regional programme for Latin America and the Caribbean;
(b) Regional programme for Africa;
(c) Arab regional programme; and
(d) Other regional programmes.

Documentation under this item takes into account the strategic long-term vision statement (GC.11/Res.4) and the medium-term programme framework, 2010-2013 as taken note of in resolution GC.13/Res.3. The documentation provided under this item also supplements and updates information contained in the *Annual Report of UNIDO 2009* (IDB.37/2-PBC.26/2, chapters 3-6) on UNIDO activities in support of the three thematic priorities and cross-cutting programmes.

The Board will have before it:

- *Annual Report of UNIDO 2009* (IDB.37/2-PBC.26/2)
- Progress report on regional programmes. Report by the Secretariat (IDB.38/12)

**Item 5. Aligning the medium-term programme framework reporting cycle with the comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system**

In accordance with General Conference decision GC.2/Dec.23, and as subsequently modified in decision GC.6/Dec.10, the Director-General is requested to submit to the Board in the first year of each fiscal period, through the Committee,
a draft medium-term programme framework for the four years that follow the current fiscal period. Furthermore, in compliance with paragraph (b) (v) (d) of the same decision, the Director-General will indicate a general ceiling for the biennium 2012-2013 based on anticipated resources and on programme activity.

At its sixty-third session, the United Nations General Assembly decided to change the comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development within the United Nations system from a triennial to a quadrennial cycle, and to hold its next comprehensive policy review in 2012, with subsequent reviews on a quadrennial basis (resolution 63/232). In addition, the General Assembly “encourages specialized agencies to carry out any changes required to align their planning cycles with the quadrennial comprehensive policy review, including the implementation of midterm reviews as necessary” (resolution 63/232, paragraphs 18 to 20). Accordingly, a draft decision was presented to the Committee and recommended for adoption by the thirty-eighth session of the Board and the fourteenth session of the General Conference, in which a corresponding adjustment of the planning cycle of the UNIDO medium-term programme framework was proposed.

The Board will have before it:

- Conclusion 2010/5 of the Programme and Budget Committee
- Aligning the medium-term programme framework planning cycle with the comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system. Proposals of the Director-General (IDB.38/6-PBC.26/6)

**Item 6. Decentralization and UNIDO field representation**

In compliance with General Conference resolution GC.13/Res.7, the Director-General presented a final report on cooperation with the United Nations Development Programme (IDB.37/6) and a report on UNIDO field representation (IDB.37/6/Add.1) to the thirty-seventh session of the Industrial Development Board. The document submitted under this item provides updated information on the field structure and status of decentralization activities in UNIDO. It will also present the planned review mechanism for determining any new field presence.

- UNIDO field representation. Report by the Director-General (IDB.38/13)

**Item 7. UNIDO contributions to achieving the Millennium Development Goals**

In General Conference resolution GC.13/Res.6, the Director-General was requested to report on specific means through which UNIDO can further contribute to the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). The previous report on this issue (IDB.37/4) will be updated to reflect any recent developments.

The Board will have before it:

- UNIDO contributions to achieving the Millennium Development Goals. Report by the Director-General (IDB.38/14 and Add.)
Item 8. UNIDO support in fostering local pharmaceutical industry in developing countries, with special regard to essential health products

At the thirty-seventh session of the Board, it was proposed that the agenda for the thirty-eighth session include an item relating to UNIDO support in fostering local pharmaceutical industry in developing countries, with special regard to essential health products. The documentation provided under this item will supplement and update information contained in the Annual Report of UNIDO 2009 (IDB.37/2-PBC.26/2, chapter 3.D.) on support for the pharmaceutical industries to achieve the MDGs.

The Board will have before it:

• UNIDO support in fostering local pharmaceutical industry in developing countries, with special regard to essential health products. Report by the Director-General (IDB.38/15)

Item 9. UNIDO activities in the field of energy and environment

In resolution GC.13/Res.8 the General Conference requested the Director-General to continue to develop, within the Organization’s mandate under the thematic priority environment and energy, activities towards sustainable industrial development, and submit a report on the progress made in implementing the resolution to the Board at its thirty-eighth session.

The Board will have before it:

• UNIDO activities in the field of energy and environment. Report by the Director-General (IDB.38/16)

Item 10. Matters related to intergovernmental, non-governmental, governmental and other organizations

Guidelines regarding relationships with the organizations mentioned in Article 19.1 of the Constitution were established by the General Conference in decision GC.1/Dec.41. In accordance with these guidelines, the Director-General shall (a) present the draft texts of agreements with other organizations of the United Nations system to the Board for its approval; (b) circulate among the members of the Board information on intergovernmental organizations that have expressed the wish to enter into agreements with UNIDO and seek the approval of the Board before concluding an appropriate relationship agreement with the organizations concerned; and (c) circulate among the members of the Board information on international and national non-governmental organizations and other organizations seeking consultative status, following which the Board shall decide whether to grant consultative status to the organizations concerned in accordance with the guidelines established by the Conference.

The Board will have before it:

• Application from a non-governmental organization for consultative status. Note by the Director-General (IDB.38/17 and IDB.38/19)

At the thirty-fourth and thirty-fifth sessions of the Board, Member States groups requested the Secretariat to provide information on the status and extent of cooperation of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations with
UNIDO. Subsequently, the Secretariat undertook two reviews, the results of which were comprised in documents GC.13/11, IDB.37/11 and Add.1. The reviews were launched not only in response to the queries raised by Member States groups but also in an effort to take a more coherent and rational approach to relations with non-governmental organizations. The report submitted under this agenda item will supplement the previous documentation and provide further background information on the subject. It will also provide more detailed information on non-governmental organizations.

The Board will have before it:

• Review of status of cooperation with non-governmental organizations. Note by the Secretariat (IDB.38/18)

Item 11. Provisional agenda and date of the thirty-ninth session

In accordance with rule 10.2 of the rules of procedure, the Director-General shall submit to the Board at each regular session the provisional agenda for the following regular session. A provisional agenda will be proposed in the following conference room paper:

• Provisional agenda and date of the thirty-ninth session. Note by the Director-General (IDB.38/CRP. 3)

Item 12. Adoption of the report

In accordance with rule 71, the draft report of the Board shall be prepared and submitted by the Rapporteur.