Annotated provisional agenda for the fourth session

To be held via videoconference from the Palais des Nations, Geneva, at 1.00 p.m. CEST on Wednesday, 8 July 2020.
Annotated provisional agenda

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The Advisory Board will be invited to adopt the agenda of its fourth session.

Documentation: UNRSTF/AB/7

2. Report on progress under the UNRSF

The secretariat will report on progress under the UN Road Safety Fund (UNRSF) since the third session of the Advisory Board on 3 September 2019. This update will include, inter alia, information on the status of resource mobilization, progress in the implementation of the five pilot projects, the operationalization of the ten projects approved under the 2019 Call for Proposals and direct access to the Fund’s resources by non-UN organizations. It will also include any recommendations of the informal virtual workshop organized by the secretariat in June 2020 at the request of the 5th session of the Steering Committee held on 21 May 2020.

The Advisory Board will be invited to provide comments and issue a decision, particularly on matters relevant to resource mobilization.

Documentation: UNRSTF/AB/2020(1)/1-UNRSTF/SC/2020(3)/1, UNRSF 2019 Annual Report and Information Document No. 1

3. Strategy and priorities for the 2020 Call for Proposals

At its fifth session on 21 May 2020, the Steering Committee discussed the good practices and lessons learned from the 2019 Call for Proposals process (UNRSTF/SC/2020(2)/1), and issued a decision (UNRSTF/SC/10) requesting the secretariat to organize an informal virtual workshop in June, in advance of the July session of the Advisory Board to further discuss the approach for the UNRSF 2020 Call for Proposals. Recommendations from workshop will also be presented under this agenda item for the consideration of the Advisory Board during its deliberations on the strategy and priority(ies) for the 2020 Call for Proposals.

The Advisory Board is invited to issue a decision on the priorities for the 2020 Call for Proposals to be elaborated by the Steering Committee for its decision on the funding cycle parameters.

Documentation: UNRSTF/SC/2020(2)/1, UNRSTF/SC/10 and Information document No. 1

4. Earmarking

The UNRSF Terms of Reference (TOR) permit earmarking at the outcome level as well as to a specific country. However, at its first session on 9 August 2018, the Advisory Board decided not to recommend earmarking, and prohibit it for donations at a country, city or project level. In turn, the Steering Committee at its first session on 10 August 2018 did not endorse the decision of the Advisory Board on prohibiting earmarking at the country level. The Steering Committee recommended that earmarking be consistent with the UNRSF TOR, allowing it at the country level.
During its session on 4 October 2019, the Steering Committee recognized that no earmarking be permitted at the project and city level, and that earmarking at country level should be discussed by the Advisory Board at its next session.

This document aims to provide possible options on earmarking to allow the Advisory Board to provide counsel to the Steering Committee, which will be requested to decide on its implementation within the Fund.

Documentation: UNRSTF/AB/2020(1)/2-UNRSTF/SC/2020(3)/2

5. Election of officers

The current term of the Advisory Board is due to expire in August 2020. According to the Rules of Procedure of the Fund’s Advisory Board (UNRSTF/AB/2018(1)/2/Rev.2), continuous membership of Board members shall ordinarily be limited to two consecutive terms of two years. The secretariat has organized the process for the election of officers in line with the relevant clauses of the Rules of Procedure listed under Chapter III – Representation and Credentials.

The membership for the Advisory Board seats for the next two-year term are presented in Information document No. 2 based on nominations received by the UNRSF secretariat.

Documentation: UNRSTF/AB/2018(1)/2/Rev.2 and Information document No. 2

6. Other business

The Advisory Board may wish to discuss any other matters.

7. Date and Place of the next session

The Advisory Board will decide the date and place of the next session.

8. Adoption of the decisions

The Advisory Board will adopt the list of decisions of its fourth session (UNRSTF/AB/8).

Tentative timetable

13.00-13.05 Adoption of the Agenda
13.05-14.15 Report on progress under the UNRSF
14.15-15.00 Strategy and priorities for the 2020 Call for Proposals
15.00-15.30 Earmarking
15.30-15.45 Election of officers
15.45-16.30 Other Business, Date and Place of the next session