



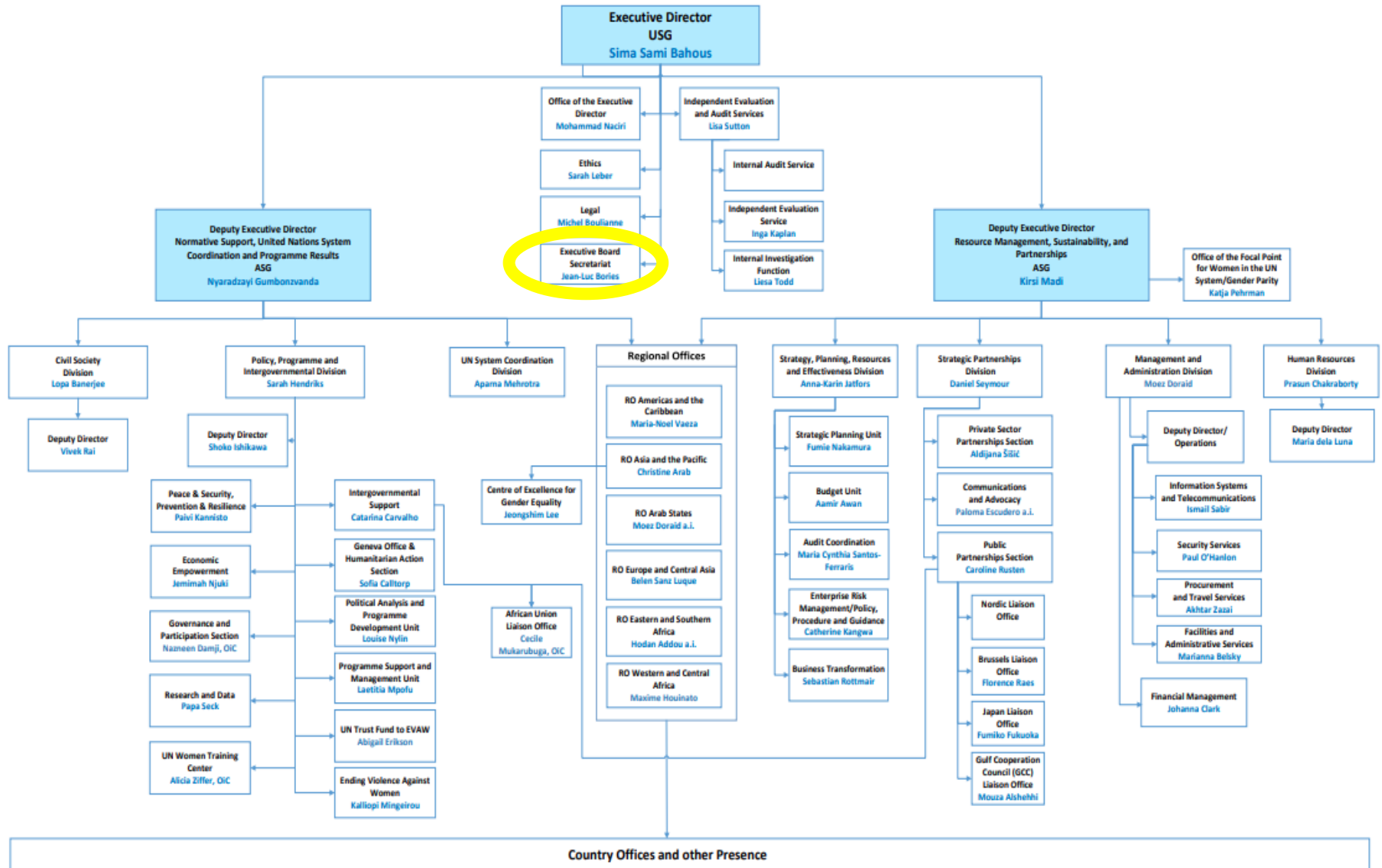
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and the Empowerment of Women

The Executive Board: UN-Women Governing Body

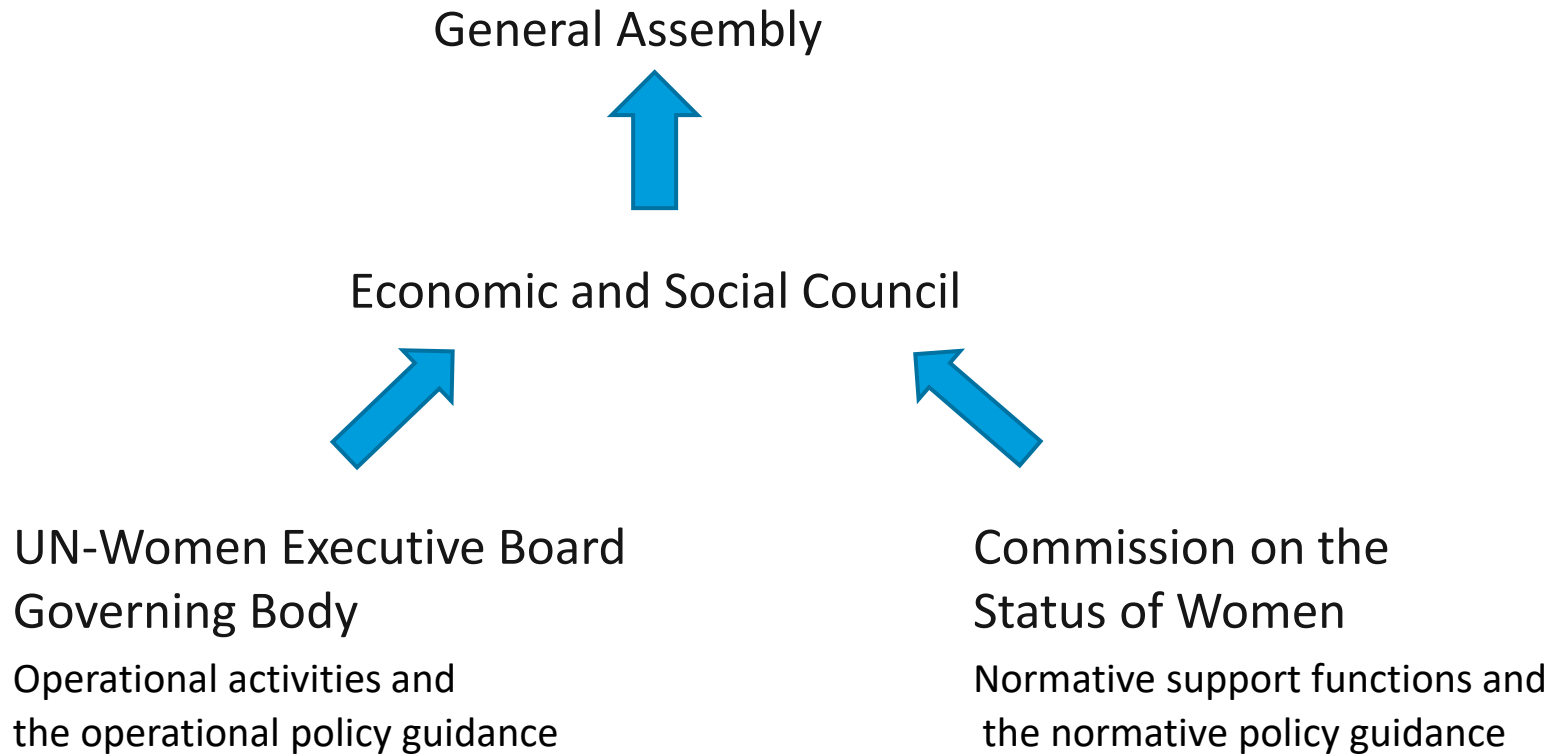


Jean-Luc Bories
Secretary of the Executive Board
2025

UN WOMEN ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE



Country Offices and other Presence



The Executive Board functions: UN-Women Governing Body

1. Provide strategic **inter-governmental and governance guidance** to Executive Director on UN-Women's operational mandate;
2. **Oversight of UNW operational** and coordination activities;
3. Oversight of functions such as **evaluation, financial control, ethics and audit**;
4. Appraised on **policies and managerial matters**;
5. Approve strategic governing documents such as **Strategic Plan** (4 years) and **Integrated Budget** (2 years);

African States (10)

Burkina Faso (2025)
Cabo Verde (2027)
Côte d'Ivoire (2025)
Eritrea (2025)
Equatorial Guinea (2027)
Gabon (2025)
Mauritania (2027)
South Africa (2027)
Zimbabwe (2025)
Uganda (2027) VP

Asia-Pacific States (10)

China (2025)
India (2027)
Japan (2025) VP
Kyrgyzstan (2027)
Nepal (2027)
Qatar (2025)
Republic of Korea (2025)
Saudi Arabia (2027)
Tajikistan (2025)
Viet Nam (2027)

Eastern European States (4)

Albania (2027) VP

Bulgaria (2025)

Latvia (2025)

Ukraine (2027)

Latin American and Caribbean States (6)

Antigua and Barbuda (2027) VP

Bolivia (Plurinational State of) (2027)

Panama (2025)

Paraguay (2025)

Peru (2027)

Trinidad and Tobago (2025)

Western European and other States (5)

Canada (2025)

Denmark (2025)

Kingdom of the Netherlands (2027)

Sweden (2025) President

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (2027)

Contributing Countries (4)

Finland (2025)

Germany (2025)

Norway (2025)

United States (2025)

Contributing Countries not Members of the OECD/DAC (2)

UAE (2025)

Senegal (2025)

<p>President (representing the Western Europe and Others Group)</p>	<p>Sweden H.E. Ms. Nicola Clase <i>Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Sweden to the United Nations</i></p>
<p>Vice President (representing the Asian and Pacific Group)</p>	<p>Japan H.E. Mr. Umetsu Shigeru <i>Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations</i></p>
<p>Vice President (representing the African Group)</p>	<p>Uganda H.E. Mr. Godfrey Kwoba <i>Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative of Uganda to the United Nations</i></p>
<p>Vice President (representing the Latin American and Caribbean Group)</p>	<p>Antigua and Barbuda H.E. Mr. Walton Alfonso Webson <i>Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Antigua and Barbuda to the United Nations</i></p>
<p>Vice President (representing the Eastern European Group)</p>	<p>Albania H.E. Mrs. Suela Janina <i>Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Albania to the United Nations</i></p>

Executive Board

EB Bureau

EB Secretariat

UN-Women

Executive Board Secretariat and Bureau are

1. **Interface** between Member States and UN-Women Secretariat for Executive Board matters;
2. Coordinate **official sessions, informal consultations, briefings, Bureau meetings and field visits**;
3. Produce, edit and translate Executive Board **documentation**
4. **Maintain repository** of Executive Board documentation through its website and archives;
5. Support **negotiations** for Executive Board decisions;
6. Ensure **Inter-agency coordination** with other Executive Boards Secretariats.

24 January 10.00 – 1:00 p.m.	Pre-Session in advance of the First Regular Session	Remote
10-11 February 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.	First Regular Session	In-person
17 – 19 June 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.	Annual Session	In person
9 – 10 September 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.	Second Regular Session	In person

10-11 February
10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

First Regular Session

- Briefing on the **financial report and audited financial statements** for the year ended 31 December 2023 and the report of the Board of Auditors on the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023
- Implementation of the **recommendations of the Board of Auditors** contained in its reports on the United Nations funds and programmes for the year ended 31 December 2023
- **Updated status of UN-Women management actions** to address outstanding audit recommendations and management response
- Update on the **progress of the JIU review of governance and oversight** of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF and UN-Women
- Address by the UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS and UN-Women **Staff Council** and management action
- Address of **the Ombudsperson**
- Update **on organizational culture** and on its actions to prevent and respond to all forms of discrimination and racism
- Timelines for the implementation of the entity-specific recommendations of the JIU note (JIU/NOTE/2022/1/Rev.1) on the review of measures and mechanisms for addressing racism and racial discrimination in United Nations system organizations: managing for achieving organizational effectiveness
- Update on the continuous work to improve the system of **enterprise risk management** and critical risks of strategic importance

17-19 June
10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Annual Session:

- Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on the **implementation of the Strategic Plan, 2022–2025**
- Report on the **evaluation function** of UN-Women in 2024 and Report on the corporate thematic evaluation of UN Women’s support to women’s participation in peace processes, and related management perspective and response
- Report of the **internal audit and investigation activities** for the period of 1 January to 31 December 2024, and related management response
- Report of the **Advisory Committee on Oversight** for the period of 1 January to 31 December 2024, and related management response
- Annual report on the **ethics function**, and related management response
- Update on the progress of **the JIU review of governance and oversight** of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF and UN-Women
- Update on the UN-Women’s efforts to implement all recommendations by the JIU (JIU/NOTE/2022/1/Rev.1)
- **Draft Strategic Plan of UN-Women 2026–2029**
- **Draft integrated budget estimates** of UN-Women for the biennium 2026–2027
- Update on the implementation efforts on the **repositioning of the United Nations development system**
- Update on UN-Women policies and procedures to **tackle sexual exploitation and abuse and sexual harassment**

9-10 September
10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Second Regular Session:

- Strategic Plan of UN-Women 2026-2029
- Integrated budget estimates of UN-Women for the biennium 2026–2027
- Related report of the ACABQ and related management response
- Revised financial regulations and rules for UN-Women
- Report on the structured dialogue on financing
- Update on the progress of the JIU review of governance and oversight of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF and UN-Women
- Report on the UN-Women Executive Board field visit in 2025

Joint Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF and UN-Women

The Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP engage in a **Joint Meeting of the Boards (JMB)** every year. The organization and coordination of the Joint Meeting of the Boards rotates each year among the 6 agencies, and WFP **is the coordinating agency for joint Board activities in 2025, with UN-Women taking over in 2026. The JMB is usually held in late May/Early June.**

Joint Field Visit of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, UN-Women and WFP help Board members understand the extent and ways in which United Nations organizations contribute to the achievement of national development plans and global United Nations programmes.

As mandated by Decision 2017/8, **UN-Women organizes an annual field visit**, funded by voluntary contributions, of 5 members of the Executive Board representing each regional group to a country identified in consultation with the host country and the UN-Women Bureau, and by proposing visits coordinated with a JFV in the same country or neighboring countries.

2025 is an important year for UN-Women with many important milestones ahead;

- The planning and development of UN-Women's Strategic Plan 2026-2029
- Integrated Budget
- The 30th anniversary of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action
- The 25th anniversary of (S/RES/1325) on Women, Peace and Security
- UN-Women's rollout of its Pivot to the Countries and Regions
- The Gender Equality Acceleration Plan
- The JIU process on strengthening the governance and oversight capacity of the Executive Boards



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