



**Economic Commission for Africa
Subregional Office for North Africa
Intergovernmental Committee of Senior Officials
and Experts for North Africa
Forty-first session
Rabat (hybrid), 3–5 November 2026**

Item 3 of the provisional agenda*

Adoption of the agenda and programme of work

Draft programme of work

Tuesday, 3 November

9–10 a.m.

Registration of participants and press interviews

10–11 a.m.

Opening of the session (agenda item 1)

Opening statements:

- Director General for African Cooperation, Ministry of Economy and Planning, Tunisia, and Chair of the outgoing Bureau, Tarek Bouhlel
- Secretary-General, Arab Maghreb Union, Tarak Ben Salem
- Director, Subregional Office for North Africa, Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), Nassim Oulmane

11–11.30 a.m.

Break and group photo

11.30 a.m.–noon

Election of the Bureau (agenda item 2)

Adoption of the agenda and programme of work (agenda item 3)

Noon–1 p.m.

Evolution of economic and social conditions in North Africa: review of the subregional profile (agenda item 4)

Presentation: Senior Research Assistant, Social Affairs, Subregional Office for North Africa, ECA, Zouhour Jomaa

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Discussion

1–2 p.m.

Review of the implementation of regional and international development agendas and special initiatives in North Africa (agenda item 5)

Presentation: Social Affairs Officer, Subregional Office for North Africa, ECA, Wafa Aidi

Discussion

2–3 p.m.

Break

3–4 p.m.

Statutory issues: report on the activities of the Subregional Office for North Africa (October 2025–September 2026) and work programme for 2027 (agenda item 6)

Presentation: Director, Subregional Office for North Africa, ECA, Nassim Oulmane

Discussion

Wednesday, 4 November

9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Ad hoc expert group meeting (agenda item 7)

Thursday, 5 November

9.30 a.m.–11 a.m.

Consideration and adoption of the draft recommendations of the Intergovernmental Committee of Senior Officials and Experts for North Africa (agenda item 8)

11–11.30 a.m.

Break

11.30 a.m.–noon

Date and venue of the next session of the Intergovernmental Committee of Senior Officials and Experts for North Africa (agenda item 9)

Noon–12.30 p.m.

Other matters (agenda item 10)

12.30–1 p.m.

Closing of the session (agenda item 11)

- Vote of thanks
 - Closing remarks
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