220th session of the Executive Board

2nd Bureau meeting

Friday 11 October 2024 : 9 a.m.

Summary

The second meeting of the Bureau within the framework of the 220th session of the Executive Board took place at 9am on Friday 11 October 2024.

The Director-General was absent from the meeting and the Deputy Director-General represented her on this occasion.

- The Bureau was informed of the change of rooms for the CR meetings due to the rain damage in room X. The CR is meeting in room I during this 220th session of the Board. The Plenary meetings on 14 and 15 October will also take place in room I for the same reason.
- The Chair of the SP Committee reported to the Bureau on the work of the committee that took place on Thursday 10 October.
- The Chair of the CR Committee reported to the Bureau on the meetings of the Committee that have taken place so far.
- Further to discussions at the first meeting of the Bureau, Vice-Chair of group III proposed the inclusion of Haiti in the NGP Committee. The Bureau recommends the inclusion of Haiti in the NGP Committee and this recommendation will be presented to the Board at its first Plenary meeting on 14 October 2024 for approval. As has been the case in the past and given that the meetings of the NGP Committee at the current session take place prior to the Plenary on 14 October, the Bureau recommends the participation of Haiti in all NGP meetings of this session awaiting the approval of the Plenary. However, Haiti may not participate in decision making until their membership in the Committee has been formally approved by the Plenary.
- A member of the Bureau enquired regarding the status of documents for this session that have still not been published, emphasizing the importance for Member States to receive all documents in a timely manner in order to consult their capitals. The Chairperson stated that the statutory deadline for the submission of documents at the 220th session was 9 September 2024 and that she had agreed to allow more time for the sake of flexibility. In her letter of 17 September addressed to the Director-General, she had indicated that all documents should be published before the start of the session on 9 October 2024.

She informed that she would seek an explanation for the delay from the Director-General and will inform the Bureau accordingly.

- The Vice-Chair of the Preparatory Group reported to the Bureau on the meeting that took place on 18 and 19 September 2024, in line with the Terms of Reference of the group.
- The third meeting of the Bureau will take place at 9am on Monday 21 October 2024.