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Introduction

1. The eightieth session of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) was held in Bangkok from 22 to 26 April 2024. The present report covers the period from 20 May 2023 to 26 April 2024 and contains the conclusions reached by the Commission. The account of proceedings of the session is contained in a separate document (ESCAP/80/28).

Chapter I

Matters calling for action by the Economic and Social Council or brought to its attention

2. At its eightieth session, the Commission adopted four resolutions and 14 decisions, which are reproduced below. The resolutions are brought to the attention of the Economic and Social Council.

A. Resolutions adopted by the Commission at its eightieth session

Resolution 80/1

Leveraging digital innovation for sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015, entitled “Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, in which States acknowledged that the spread of information and communications technology and global interconnectedness had great potential to accelerate human progress, to bridge the digital divide and to develop knowledge societies, as did scientific and technological innovation across areas as diverse as medicine and energy, and agreed to significantly increase access to information and communications technology,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 75/1 of 21 September 2020 on the declaration on the commemoration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the United Nations, in which the Assembly committed itself to improving digital cooperation and recognized that digital technologies had a potential to accelerate the realization of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,

Welcoming General Assembly resolution 78/265 of 21 March 2024, entitled “Seizing the opportunities of safe, secure and trustworthy artificial intelligence systems for sustainable development”, in which the Assembly resolved to bridge the artificial intelligence and other digital divides between and within countries and to promote safe, secure and trustworthy artificial intelligence systems to accelerate progress towards the full realization of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,

Recalling its resolution 78/1 of 27 May 2022, entitled “Bangkok Declaration Commemorating the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific: a Common Agenda to Advance Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific”, in which the members and associate members of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific committed themselves to improving digital cooperation,

Recalling also its resolution 79/10 of 19 May 2023, entitled “Promoting digital cooperation and inclusion through the Action Plan for Implementing the Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway Initiative, 2022–2026”, in which the Commission decided to convene a ministerial conference on digital inclusion and transformation to accelerate the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals and regional technology initiatives, including the Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway initiative, in line with the provisions of the conference structure of the Commission, and

welcomed the offer of the Government of Kazakhstan to host such a ministerial conference in 2024,

Recognizing the potential of innovative digital technologies and solutions to advance sustainable development, foster inclusive growth, reduce poverty and accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, while also recognizing the negative impacts of such technologies and solutions, including the perpetuation of divides within and between countries, and the need to mitigate them,

Stressing the need to close all digital divides, which have been aggravated by the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, and to promote digital inclusion by strengthening safe, secure and trustworthy digital systems and practices, taking into account national and regional contexts, and by addressing the challenges associated with secure access, affordability, digital literacy, digital skills and awareness of digital risks that could hinder progress towards the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the pledge to leave no one behind,

Noting that the digital economy can be an important and growing part of the global economy and that connectivity can be a useful enabler of economic growth,

Affirming that there are different approaches and tools available to each country, in accordance with its national circumstances, legal frameworks, policies and priorities, for augmenting the scale and positive impact of digital innovations so that development outcomes can benefit all people, in particular those in developing countries, including least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States,

1. *Encourages* all its members and associate members to strengthen regional and multi-stakeholder cooperation and to work together closely for the promotion of research and development in digital technologies and the fostering of human development and a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship with a view to expediting the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, in accordance with their national laws and priorities, by:

(a) Promoting dialogue and technical cooperation on digital innovations with a view to advancing sustainable development, including by unlocking value creation through digital economy initiatives in Asia and the Pacific, in an efficient, affordable, inclusive, secure and accessible manner, particularly for the most vulnerable, while also recognizing the major impediments that developing countries face in engaging with and gaining access to new technologies, such as the lack of an appropriate enabling environment, sufficient resources, infrastructure, education and literacy, capacity, investment and connectivity;

(b) Empowering individuals by fostering their competencies, capabilities and skills to use digital technologies;

(c) Promoting enabling policy and regulatory environments to facilitate the development, implementation and scaling up of digital innovations that accelerate and enable progress towards the achievement of all 17 Sustainable Development Goals;

2. *Recognizes* the need for context-driven approaches in developing and implementing digital solutions;

3. *Encourages* members and associate members to work towards closing digital divides and to promote digital inclusion by addressing the challenges associated with secure access, affordability, digital literacy and digital skills and by ensuring that the benefits of new technologies are available to all, taking into account all forms of digital divides – both between and within countries and including rural-urban, generational, income, education and gender divides – and the needs of those who are in vulnerable situations, in order to ensure safe, equitable and meaningful digital access for all, and also encourages members and associate members, in line with their national policies and priorities, to cooperate with the United Nations development system and

with multi-stakeholders, within their respective roles and responsibilities, in order to promote and improve digital inclusion;

4. *Notes with deep concern* the existing disparities between developed and developing countries in terms of conditions, possibilities and capacities to produce new scientific and technological knowledge;

5. *Recognizes* that science, technology and innovation cooperation and collaboration with, as well as foreign direct investment in and trade with and among, developing countries, as well as international support, are fundamental to enhancing developing countries' ability to benefit from technological advances and to produce, nurture, access, comprehend, select, adapt and use science, technology and innovation knowledge;

6. *Emphasizes* the need to encourage the promotion of North-South cooperation projects and programmes to improve developing countries' access to more and better resources for the implementation of technical and scientific initiatives and to continue working on the development of science and technology in developing countries by strengthening South-South and triangular cooperation, while recalling that South-South cooperation is not a substitute for, but rather a complement to, North-South cooperation;

7. *Expresses* its appreciation to the Government of Kazakhstan for offering to host the Asia-Pacific Ministerial Conference on Digital Inclusion and Transformation and encourages all members and associate members to participate at the senior level to strengthen regional digital cooperation with the aim of promoting digital inclusion and sustainable development in alignment with the mandate of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, in coordination with other relevant United Nations entities on digital and cyber activities, taking into account the potential duplication of effort within the multilateral system;

8. *Notes with appreciation* the initiative of the Government of Kazakhstan on establishing a digital solutions centre for sustainable development to provide practical digital solutions in Central Asia and beyond;

9. *Requests* the Executive Secretary:

(a) To facilitate regional cooperation among members and associate members with a view to fostering digital innovation for sustainable development and promoting inclusive digital economies and societies by making full use of the potential of United Nations agencies and other organizations with relevant mandates and expertise, as well as multi-stakeholders, within their respective roles and responsibilities, and regional and subregional platforms, including, inter alia, the Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway initiative, as appropriate and within existing resources, in order to promote digital innovations and mitigate digital risks for accelerated implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, as necessary, taking into account the need to eliminate duplication of effort;

(b) To strengthen support to members and associate members, upon request and within existing resources, in accordance with their needs and national priorities, with a view to identifying, developing and implementing enabling policy and regulatory environments for promoting scalable and integrated digital solutions that accelerate the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, including through the Action Plan for Implementing the Asia-Pacific Information Superhighway Initiative, 2022–2026;

(c) To provide technical assistance, policy analysis and capacity-building support, within existing resources, in accordance with countries' needs and priorities, while also enhancing awareness creation and knowledge-sharing among members and associate members on promoting digital innovation, on addressing and enhancing digital trust, security and inclusion, on leveraging emerging digital opportunities and on mitigating digital risks and challenges for sustainable development, as appropriate, within the scope of the mandate of the Commission;

(d) To issue a biennial publication for policymakers, within existing resources and in collaboration with other relevant agencies and stakeholders, as appropriate, on trends, challenges and opportunities related to promoting digital innovations for sustainable development and to submit the key findings contained therein to the Committee on Information and Communications Technology, Science, Technology and Innovation for its consideration;

(e) To report to the Commission at its eighty-third session on the implementation of the present resolution.

*9th plenary meeting
26 April 2024*

Resolution 80/2
Sustainable development in least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 70/1 of 25 September 2015, entitled “Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”,

Recalling also its resolution 78/1 of 27 May 2022, entitled “Bangkok Declaration Commemorating the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific: a Common Agenda to Advance Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific”,

Recalling further its resolution 79/3 of 19 May 2023, entitled “Supporting the sustainable development of least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States in Asia and the Pacific”, in which it reiterated that each country faced specific challenges in pursuing sustainable development and that the most vulnerable countries, in particular least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States, deserved special attention,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 78/1 of 29 September 2023 on the political declaration of the high-level political forum on sustainable development convened under the auspices of the Assembly (Sustainable Development Goals Summit), in which Member States reaffirmed the importance of the regional dimension of sustainable development in addressing regional challenges and scaling up action among countries,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 76/307 of 8 September 2022, entitled “Modalities for the Summit of the Future”,

Noting the progress achieved in the implementation of the Vienna Programme of Action for Landlocked Developing Countries for the Decade 2014–2024¹ and the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway,² and noting the opportunity provided by the third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries and the fourth International Conference on Small Island Developing States to identify and address the key priority issues, including financial support, of landlocked developing countries and small island developing States, respectively, as well as to forge genuine and durable partnerships that will accelerate the implementation of their respective sustainable development blueprints,

¹ General Assembly resolution 69/137, annex II.

² General Assembly resolution 69/15, annex.

Welcoming the Doha Political Declaration³ and the commitments made towards the timely and full implementation of the Doha Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries⁴ for the decade 2022–2031,

1. *Reaffirms* that the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development remains our overarching road map for achieving sustainable development;

2. *Recognizes* the need of least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States in Asia and the Pacific to intensify efforts to follow up on and review the implementation of the 2030 Agenda in order to accelerate its implementation;

3. *Also recognizes* the need to support, in particular, least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States in Asia and the Pacific to meet the commitments contained in the political declaration of the high-level political forum on sustainable development convened under the auspices of the General Assembly (Sustainable Development Goals Summit) in September 2023;

4. *Notes* the importance of sharing experiences and working in partnership on the implementation of and the follow-up to the 2030 Agenda by strengthening the means of implementation, as appropriate, including capacity-building for voluntary national reviews, such as through the twinning programme of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific and the provision of methodologies and tools, taking into account national ownership principles;

5. *Requests* the Executive Secretary:

(a) To strengthen support, subject to the availability of resources, to least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States in Asia and the Pacific in their efforts to accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda through the provision of analytical products and capacity-building initiatives, in response to the pledges made by Member States at the Sustainable Development Goals Summit;

(b) To increase capacity-building programmes for least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States, upon their request, based on need and subject to the availability of resources, to strengthen their ability to develop models and tools for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals;

(c) To strengthen support, subject to the availability of resources, to least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States in Asia and the Pacific in their efforts to follow up on and review the implementation of the 2030 Agenda at the national level, including by supporting them to prepare their voluntary national reviews, undertake stocktaking exercises, identify gaps and engage in all relevant forms of cooperation with the United Nations country teams and resident coordinator offices, as appropriate;

(d) To align support to least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States in Asia and the Pacific with the Doha Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries, as well as the programmes of action to be finalized at the third United Nations Conference on Landlocked Developing Countries, to be held in June 2024, and the fourth International Conference on Small Island Developing States, to be held in May 2024;

(e) To strengthen, within existing resources, the sharing of national best practices on the follow-up to and review of implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals in Asia and the Pacific, as appropriate;

³ *Report of the Fifth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, New York, 17 March 2022, and Doha, 5–9 March 2023 (A/CONF.219/2023/3), chap. I, resolution 2.*

⁴ General Assembly resolution 76/258, annex.

(f) To report to the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific at its eighty-third session on progress made in implementing the present resolution.

*9th plenary meeting
26 April 2024*

**Resolution 80/3
Ministerial Declaration on Building a Secure, Sustainable and Interconnected Energy Future for Asia and the Pacific**

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

Endorses the Ministerial Declaration on Building a Secure, Sustainable and Interconnected Energy Future for Asia and the Pacific,⁵ adopted at the Third Asian and Pacific Energy Forum, held in Bangkok and online on 19 and 20 October 2023.

*9th plenary meeting
26 April 2024*

**Resolution 80/4
Clarifying the reports on meetings held under the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific**

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Acknowledging the importance of member States being prepared to consider all matters that are to be decided and recommended through meetings guided by its rules of procedure,

1. *Requests* the secretariat, in order to facilitate discussions among members and associate members, to circulate to all members and associate members, in a timely manner, any draft texts for consideration at the session, along with any relevant supporting background information, in accordance with rule 2 and without prejudice to rules 31 and 32 of the rules of procedure;

2. *Decides* to review the working methods of the committees and other bodies subsidiary to the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, as appropriate and as necessary, in the context of the midpoint review of the conference structure of the Commission, to be conducted at its eighty-first session.⁶

*9th plenary meeting
26 April 2024*

B. Decisions adopted by the Commission at its eightieth session

**Decision 80/1
Summary of the theme study on leveraging digital innovation for sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific**

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific took note of the note by the secretariat containing a summary of the theme study on leveraging digital innovation for sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP/80/2).

⁵ ESCAP/APEF(3)/6/Add.1.

⁶ See resolution 78/2.

Decision 80/2
Subregional perspectives on leveraging digital innovation for sustainable development

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific took note of the note by the secretariat on subregional perspectives on leveraging digital innovation for sustainable development (ESCAP/80/3).

Decision 80/3
Summary of the *Asia-Pacific Countries with Special Needs Development Report 2024: Leveraging Digitalization for Productivity and Decent Employment*

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific took note of the note by the secretariat containing a summary of the *Asia-Pacific Countries with Special Needs Development Report 2024: Leveraging Digitalization for Productivity and Decent Employment* (ESCAP/80/4).

Decision 80/4
Decisions taken by the Governing Council of the United Nations Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific took note of the note by the secretariat transmitting the decisions taken by the Governing Council of the United Nations Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia at its eighteenth session (ESCAP/80/5).

Decision 80/5
Reports of intergovernmental bodies and meetings held since the seventy-ninth session

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific endorsed the following documents:

- (a) Report on the Seventh Asian and Pacific Population Conference (ESCAP/APPC(7)/4);
- (b) Report of the Governing Council of the Centre for Sustainable Agricultural Mechanization on its nineteenth session (ESCAP/80/8);
- (c) Report of the Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction on its eighth session (ESCAP/CDR(8)/6);
- (d) Report of the Governing Council of the Asian and Pacific Centre for the Development of Disaster Information Management on its eighth session (ESCAP/80/10);
- (e) Report on the Third Asian and Pacific Energy Forum (ESCAP/APEF(3)/6);
- (f) Report of the Committee on Macroeconomic Policy, Poverty Reduction and Financing for Development on its fourth session (ESCAP/CMPF(4)/6);
- (g) Report of the Governing Council of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology on its nineteenth session (ESCAP/80/15);
- (h) Report of the Governing Council of the Asian and Pacific Training Centre for Information and Communication Technology for Development on its eighteenth session (ESCAP/80/17);
- (i) Report of the Governing Council of the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific on its nineteenth session (ESCAP/80/19).

Decision 80/6
Working Group on the Asian and Pacific Decade of Persons with Disabilities, 2023–2032

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific took note of the report on the ad hoc session of the Working Group on the Asian and Pacific Decade of Persons with Disabilities held on 8 and 9 November 2023 (ESCAP/80/6) and endorsed the composition of the Working Group on the Asian and Pacific Decade of Persons with Disabilities, 2023–2032, for the period 2024–2032 (ESCAP/80/6/Add.1).

Decision 80/7
Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific endorsed the report on the Eleventh Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development (ESCAP/RFSD/2024/6) and took note of the note by the secretariat containing a summary of round-table discussions (ESCAP/RFSD/2024/6/Add.1).

Decision 80/8
Other documents on the review of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific and issues pertinent to the subsidiary structure of the Commission

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific took note of the following documents:

- (a) Key social development issues for consideration in 2024 (ESCAP/80/7);
- (b) Crisis-resilient cities for a sustainable Asia-Pacific region (ESCAP/80/9);
- (c) Scaling up the use of early warnings for preventive actions through the implementation of a regional strategy (ESCAP/80/11);
- (d) Employing digitally driven innovation in the energy sector to support the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 7 (ESCAP/80/12);
- (e) Transitioning to the digitalization of transport for a sustainable future in Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP/80/13);
- (f) Macroeconomic outlook, challenges and policies for the Asia-Pacific region (ESCAP/80/14);
- (g) Enabling inclusive and sustainable development through digital trade, investment, innovation and the use of technology (ESCAP/80/16);
- (h) Leveraging digital technologies to accelerate the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (ESCAP/80/18);
- (i) Towards the realization of the regional vision for inclusive civil registration and vital statistics systems (ESCAP/80/20);
- (j) Annual reports of international and intergovernmental organizations provided to the Commission (ESCAP/80/INF/1).

Decision 80/9
Proposed programme plan for 2025

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific endorsed the proposed programme plan for 2025 (ESCAP/80/21).

Decision 80/10
Overview of partnerships, extrabudgetary contributions and capacity development

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific took note of the note by the secretariat on the overview of partnerships, extrabudgetary contributions and capacity development (ESCAP/80/22) and expressed its appreciation for the following contributions pledged by members and associate members for 2024:

1. **Brunei Darussalam.** The secretariat had received written notification that the Government of Brunei Darussalam would make the following contributions:

Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific	\$15 000
Pacific trust fund	\$1 000

2. **China.** The delegation of China announced that its Government would make the following contributions:

China-ESCAP Cooperation Programme	\$1 000 000 and RMB1 500 000
Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology	\$27 000
Centre for Sustainable Agricultural Mechanization	\$1 600 000
Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific	\$70 000
Asian and Pacific Decade of Persons with Disabilities	\$10 000

3. **India.** The delegation of India provided written notification to the secretariat and announced that its Government would make the following contributions:

Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology	\$870 000
Centre for Sustainable Agricultural Mechanization	\$15 000
Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific	\$25 000
Subregional Office for South and South-West Asia	\$79 000

4. **Japan.** The secretariat had received written notification that the Government of Japan would make the following contributions for the period from April 2024 to March 2025:

Japan-ESCAP Cooperation Fund	\$13 913
Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific	\$1 891 065

In addition, the Government of Japan would make an in-kind contribution equivalent to \$923,734 to the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific for the period from April 2024 to March 2025. Furthermore, as part of its technical cooperation programme, the delegation announced its Government's intention to provide fellowships for participants to attend a three-month training course through the Japan International Cooperation Agency, in cooperation with the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific.

5. **Kazakhstan.** The secretariat had received written notification that the Government of Kazakhstan would make the following contribution:

Seismic mitigation retrofit and life-cycle replacements project	\$57 000
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6. *Malaysia.* The secretariat had received written notification that the Government of Malaysia would make the following contributions:

Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology	\$6 000
Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific	\$20 000

In addition, the Government of Malaysia would make an in-kind contribution equivalent to \$18,000 to the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific.

7. *Republic of Korea.* The secretariat had received written notification that the Government of the Republic of Korea would make the following contributions:

Korea-ESCAP Cooperation Fund	\$278 790
ESCAP programme of work	\$333 102
Asian and Pacific Decade of Persons with Disabilities	\$217 295
North-East Asian Subregional Programme for Environmental Cooperation	\$104 367
Capacity-development trust fund for the promotion of the Asia-Pacific Trade Agreement and trade facilitation activities	\$220 000
Seoul Initiative Network on Green Growth	\$100 000
Asian and Pacific Training Centre for Information and Communication Technology for Development	\$1 514 132
Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology	\$21 445
Centre for Sustainable Agricultural Mechanization	\$10 000
Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific	\$47 179
Subregional Office for East and North-East Asia	\$1 141 000

8. *Singapore.* The secretariat had received written notification that the Government of Singapore would make the following contribution:

Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific	\$15 000
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9. *Thailand.* The secretariat had received written notification that the Government of Thailand would make the following contribution:

Seismic mitigation retrofit and life-cycle replacements project	\$81 000
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10. *Macao, China.* The secretariat had received written notification that the government of Macao, China, would make the following contributions:

Asian and Pacific Training Centre for Information and Communication Technology for Development	\$5 000
Asian and Pacific Centre for the Development of Disaster Information Management	\$5 000
Centre for Sustainable Agricultural Mechanization	\$10 000
Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific	\$20 000

Decision 80/11 Evaluation activities of the Commission during the biennium 2022–2023

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific took note of the note by the secretariat on the evaluation activities of the Commission during the biennium 2022–2023 (ESCAP/80/23).

Decision 80/12
Evaluation of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific took note of the recommendations contained in the note by the secretariat on the evaluation of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology (ESCAP/80/24) and the information document containing the full report on the evaluation of the Centre (ESCAP/80/INF/2).

Decision 80/13
Report of the Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific took note of the report of the Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission (ESCAP/80/25).

Decision 80/14
Dates and venue of and theme topic for the eighty-first session of the Commission (2025)

At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific took note of the note by the secretariat on the dates and venue of and theme topic for the eighty-first session of the Commission (2025) (ESCAP/80/26) and decided that its eighty-first session would be held in Bangkok from 21 to 25 April 2025. The Commission also decided that the theme topic for its eighty-first session would be “Regional cooperation for resilient and sustainable urban development in Asia and the Pacific”.

Chapter II

Organization of the eightieth session of the Commission

A. Attendance and organization of work

3. The eightieth session of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific was held in Bangkok from 22 to 26 April 2024.

4. The session was attended by representatives of the following members and associate members:

Members

Armenia
Australia
Azerbaijan
Bangladesh
Bhutan
Brunei Darussalam
Cambodia
China
Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Fiji
France
Georgia
India
Indonesia
Iran (Islamic Republic of)
Japan
Kazakhstan
Kyrgyzstan
Lao People's Democratic Republic
Malaysia
Maldives
Marshall Islands
Micronesia (Federated States of)
Mongolia
Nepal
Netherlands (Kingdom of the)
New Zealand
Pakistan
Palau
Papua New Guinea
Philippines
Republic of Korea
Russian Federation
Samoa
Sri Lanka
Tajikistan
Thailand
Timor-Leste
Tonga
Türkiye
Turkmenistan
Tuvalu
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
United States of America
Uzbekistan
Vanuatu
Viet Nam

Associate members

Hong Kong, China
Macao, China

5. By virtue of rule 3 of the Commission's rules of procedure, representatives of Chile, Finland, Germany, Mexico, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland, as well as the European Union, attended. Representatives of the Holy See also attended.

6. A representative of the Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States attended.

7. Representatives of the following United Nations specialized agencies, funds, programmes and other United Nations entities attended: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, International Atomic Energy Agency, International Labour Organization, International Telecommunication Union, secretariat of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women), United Nations Environment Programme, United Nations Population Fund and World Meteorological Organization (WMO).

8. Representatives of the following intergovernmental organizations attended as observers: Asian Development Bank, Asian Disaster Preparedness Center, Asia-Pacific Telecommunity, Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation, Conference on Interaction and Confidence-building Measures in Asia, Coordinating Committee for Geoscience Programmes in East and Southeast Asia, Economic Cooperation Organization, ESCAP/WMO Typhoon Committee, Eurasian Development Bank, Greater Tumen Initiative, International Coconut Community, International Pepper Community, International Think Tank for Landlocked Developing Countries, Pacific Community, Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat, Shanghai Cooperation Organization and Trilateral Cooperation Secretariat.

9. Representatives of the following non-governmental organizations and other entities attended as observers: Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the United Nations; Global Energy Interconnection Development and Cooperation Organization; Global Peace Foundation; India Water Foundation; International Community of Women Living with HIV Asia-Pacific; International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies; International Federation of Social Workers; Muslim World League; Pan-Pacific and South-East Asia Women's Association; Soroptimist International; Tony Blair Institute for Global Change; Vier Pfoten International, gemeinnützige Privatstiftung; and Zonta International. Representatives and members of the ESCAP Sustainable Business Network also attended.

10. The list of participants is available online.⁷

11. At its 1st plenary meeting, on 22 April 2024, and in accordance with rule 13 of its rules of procedure, the Commission elected Ms. Battsetseg Batmunkh (Mongolia) as Chair of the eightieth session.

12. At the same meeting, the Commission also elected the following Vice-Chairs:

Mr. Zunaid Ahmed Palak (Bangladesh)
Mr. Ly Thuch (Cambodia)
Ms. Lenora Qereqeretabua (Fiji)
Mr. Arman Issetov (Kazakhstan)

⁷ See www.unescap.org/events/commission80.

Mr. Ivan John E. Uy (Philippines)
Mrs. Colonne Appuhamillage Chaminda Inoka Colonne (Sri Lanka)
Ms. Pinsuda Jayanama (Thailand)

13. The Commission constituted the Working Group on Draft Resolutions to consider the draft resolutions and draft decisions submitted prior to the session. Ms. Julia Feeney (Australia) was elected Chair and Ms. Cataleya Phathomros (Thailand) was elected Vice-Chair of the Working Group.

14. In accordance with rule 12 of the rules of procedure of the Commission, the Chair and Vice-Chairs examined the credentials of all the representatives and reported upon them to the Commission. The credentials of 47 member States were found to be in order. Acknowledging the report of the Credentials Committee of the General Assembly at its seventy-eighth session,⁸ and in line with Assembly resolution 396 (V) of 14 December 1950, the bureau decided to defer any action on the credentials pertaining to the representatives of Myanmar at the eightieth session of the Commission.

15. The Commission took note of the report of the Chair and Vice-Chairs on credentials.

B. Agenda

16. The Commission adopted the following agenda:

1. Opening of the session:
 - (a) Opening addresses;
 - (b) Election of officers;
 - (c) Adoption of the agenda.
2. Theme topic, “Leveraging digital innovation for sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific”:
 - (a) General debate;
 - (b) Subregional perspectives.
3. Special Body on Least Developed, Landlocked Developing and Small Island Developing States.
4. Review of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in Asia and the Pacific and issues pertinent to the subsidiary structure of the Commission:
 - (a) Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development;
 - (b) Social development;
 - (c) Environment and development;
 - (d) Disaster risk reduction;
 - (e) Energy;
 - (f) Transport;
 - (g) Macroeconomic policy, poverty reduction and financing for development;
 - (h) Trade, investment, enterprise and business innovation;

⁸ A/78/605.

- (i) Information and communications technology, science, technology and innovation;
 - (j) Statistics.
5. Management issues:
- (a) Proposed programme plan for 2025;
 - (b) Overview of partnerships, extrabudgetary contributions and capacity development;
 - (c) Evaluation activities of the Commission during the biennium 2022–2023;
 - (d) Evaluation of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology.
6. Activities of the Advisory Committee of Permanent Representatives and Other Representatives Designated by Members of the Commission.
7. Dates and venue of and theme topic for the eighty-first session of the Commission (2025).
8. Other matters.
9. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its eightieth session.

C. Opening of the session

17. The Chair presided over the opening of the eightieth session, on 22 April 2024. A statement was delivered by the Prime Minister of Thailand, Mr. Srettha Thavisin. A video message was played from the President of the General Assembly at its seventy-eighth session, Mr. Dennis Francis. The Executive Secretary of the Commission delivered her own welcoming remarks and a policy statement.

18. Special remarks on leveraging digital innovation for sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific were delivered by the Prime Minister of Cambodia, Mr. Hun Manet. Video messages were played from the President of the Philippines, Mr. Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos, Jr.; the Prime Minister of Bangladesh, Ms. Sheikh Hasina; and the Prime Minister of the Lao People's Democratic Republic and Chair of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations for 2024, Mr. Sonexay Siphandone. The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Kazakhstan, Mr. Murat Nurtleu, also delivered a statement.

19. A round-table discussion on the socioeconomic outlook, emerging challenges and solutions was organized. Addresses were delivered by the Vice-President for Sectors and Themes of the Asian Development Bank, Ms. Fatima Yasmin; the Dean of the Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy of the National University of Singapore, Mr. Danny Quah; the Chief Operating Officer of the International Islamic Trade Finance Corporation, Mr. Nazeem Noordali; and the Executive Director of the Puey Ungphakorn Institute for Economic Research, Ms. Sommarat Chantararat. A video message was played from the Secretary-General of the International Telecommunication Union, Ms. Doreen Bogdan-Martin.

D. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its eightieth session

20. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 26 April 2024, the Commission adopted the report on its eightieth session.

Chapter III

Work of the Commission since its seventy-ninth session

A. Activities of subsidiary bodies

21. During the period under review, the following intergovernmental meetings and meetings of subsidiary bodies were held:

- (a) Committees:
 - (i) Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction (eighth session);
 - (ii) Committee on Macroeconomic Policy, Poverty Reduction and Financing for Development (fourth session);
- (b) Governing councils:
 - (i) Governing Council of the Asian and Pacific Training Centre for Information and Communication Technology for Development (eighteenth session);
 - (ii) Governing Council of the Centre for Sustainable Agricultural Mechanization (nineteenth session);
 - (iii) Governing Council of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology (nineteenth session);
 - (iv) Governing Council of the Asian and Pacific Centre for the Development of Disaster Information Management (eighth session);
 - (v) Governing Council of the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific (nineteenth session);
- (c) Other intergovernmental meetings:
 - (i) Paperless Trade Council of the Framework Agreement on Facilitation of Cross-border Paperless Trade in Asia and the Pacific (second session);
 - (ii) Third Asian and Pacific Energy Forum;
 - (iii) Seventh Asian and Pacific Population Conference;
 - (iv) Governing Council of the United Nations Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia (eighteenth session);
 - (v) Eleventh Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development.

22. The dates, bureaux and document symbols of the reports of the meetings are given in annex II. The reports reflect the discussions held, the agreements reached and the decisions taken.

B. Publications

23. The list of publications issued since the seventy-ninth session of the Commission and pre-session documents submitted to it at its present session are listed in annex III.

C. Relations with other United Nations bodies

24. The secretariat maintained close and regular contact with various divisions at Headquarters and with the secretariats of the other regional commissions on projects of common interest.

Annex I

Statement of programme budget implications of actions and proposals of the Commission

1. The requests contained in the resolutions listed below will have no programme budget implications for the approved programme budget for 2024¹ and the proposed programme budget of the United Nations for 2025:²

(a) Resolution 80/1: Leveraging digital innovation for sustainable development in Asia and the Pacific;

(b) Resolution 80/2: Sustainable development in least developed countries, landlocked developing countries and small island developing States;

(c) Resolution 80/3: Ministerial Declaration on Building a Secure, Sustainable and Interconnected Energy Future for Asia and the Pacific;

(d) Resolution 80/4: Clarifying the reports on meetings held under the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific.

2. As appropriate, extrabudgetary resources will be sought for the implementation of the activities required under the above-mentioned resolutions.

¹ General Assembly resolution 78/254 A–C.

² A/79/6 (Sect. 19).

Annex II**Meetings of subsidiary bodies and other intergovernmental bodies held since the seventy-ninth session of the Commission**

<i>Subsidiary bodies and officers</i>	<i>Session</i>	<i>Document symbol</i>
<i>Committees</i>		
I. Committee on Disaster Risk Reduction Chair: Ms. Marilou G. Erni (Philippines) Vice-Chairs: Mr. Phuchphop Mongkolnavin (Thailand) Mr. Seyed Reza Nobakhti (Islamic Republic of Iran)	Eighth session Bangkok and online 25–27 July 2023	ESCAP/CDR(8)/6
II. Committee on Macroeconomic Policy, Poverty Reduction and Financing for Development Chair: Mr. Tumur Amarsanaa (Mongolia) Vice-Chairs: Ms. Colonne Appuhamillage Chaminda Inoka Colonne (Sri Lanka) Mr. Phan Chi Thanh (Viet Nam) Ms. Hawla Ahmed Didi (Maldives)	Fourth session Bangkok and online 1–3 November 2023	ESCAP/CMPF(4)/6
<i>Governing councils of regional institutions</i>		
I. Governing Council of the Asian and Pacific Training Centre for Information and Communication Technology for Development Chair: Ms. Ishariyaporn Smiprem (Thailand) Vice-Chair: Mr. Mohammed Yousuf (Bangladesh)	Eighteenth session Manila 16 November 2023	ESCAP/80/17
II. Governing Council of the Centre for Sustainable Agricultural Mechanization Chair: Ms. Malathy Parasuraman (Sri Lanka) Vice-Chair: Mr. Anuchit Chamsing (Thailand)	Nineteenth session Shanghai, China 30 November 2023	ESCAP/80/8
III. Governing Council of the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology Chair: Mr. Olimjon Alijonovich Tuychiev (Uzbekistan) Vice-Chair: Ms. Marion Ivy De La Cruz Decena (Philippines)	Nineteenth session Tashkent and online 6 and 7 December 2023	ESCAP/80/15

<i>Subsidiary bodies and officers</i>	<i>Session</i>	<i>Document symbol</i>
IV. Governing Council of the Asian and Pacific Centre for the Development of Disaster Information Management Chair: Mr. Rustam Nazarzoda (Tajikistan) Vice-Chair: Mr. Davoud Manzour (Islamic Republic of Iran)	Eighth session Dushanbe 8 December 2023	ESCAP/80/10
V. Governing Council of the Statistical Institute for Asia and the Pacific Chair: Mr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin (Malaysia) Vice-Chair: Mr. Noriaki Sato (Japan)	Nineteenth session Kuala Lumpur 13 and 14 December 2023	ESCAP/80/19
<i>Other intergovernmental meetings</i>		
I. Paperless Trade Council of the Framework Agreement on Facilitation of Cross-border Paperless Trade in Asia and the Pacific Chair: Mr. Tapan Kanti Ghosh (Bangladesh) Vice-Chair: Mr. Juvencio Martins (Timor-Leste)	Second session Bangkok and online 22 and 23 June 2023	ESCAP/PTA/PTC(2)/3
II. Third Asian and Pacific Energy Forum Chair: Mr. Pirapan Salirathavibhaga (Thailand) Vice-Chairs: Mr. Shakti Bahadur Basnet (Nepal) Mr. Herath Hitihamilage Don Indika Anuruddha (Sri Lanka) Mr. Bayarmagnai Myagmarsuren (Mongolia) Mr. Manuchehr Safarzoda (Tajikistan)	Bangkok and online 19 and 20 October 2023	ESCAP/APEF(3)/6
III. Seventh Asian and Pacific Population Conference Chair: Mr. Varawut Silpa-archa (Thailand) Vice-Chairs: Ms. Lisa Grace Bersales (Philippines) Ms. Eselealofa Apinelu (Tuvalu)	Bangkok and online 15–17 November 2023	ESCAP/APPC(7)/4
IV. Governing Council of the United Nations Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia Chair: Mr. Mikayil Chingiz oghlu Jabbarov (Azerbaijan)	Eighteenth session Baku 23 November 2023	ESCAP/80/5

<i>Subsidiary bodies and officers</i>	<i>Session</i>	<i>Document symbol</i>
V. Eleventh Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development	Bangkok and online 20–23 February 2024	ESCAP/RFSD/2024/6
Chair:	Mr. Min Bahadur Shrestha (Nepal)	
Vice-Chairs:	Mr. Vahan Kostanyan (Armenia)	
	Mr. Korm Ribaun (Cambodia)	
	Mr. Theng Pagnathun (Cambodia)	
	Mr. Esrom Yosef Immanuel (Fiji)	
	Mr. Phoxay Khaykhamphithoune (Lao People’s Democratic Republic)	
	Ms. Hajjah Hanifah Hajar Taib (Malaysia)	
	Mr. Mohamed Kinaanath (Maldives)	
	Ms. Rosemarie G. Edillon (Philippines)	

Annex III

Publications and documents issued by the Commission

I. Publications issued since the seventy-ninth session

Executive direction and management

Annual report of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, 28 May 2022–19 May 2023 (E/2023/39).

What's Ahead @ ESCAP.*

Asia-Pacific Countries with Special Needs Development Report 2024: Leveraging Digitalization for Productivity and Decent Employment (Sales No. E.24.II.F.6).

Asia-Pacific Sustainable Development Journal, vol. 30, No. 2, November 2023. ST/ESCAP/3105 (Sales No. E.23.II.F.13).

People and Planet: Addressing the Interlinked Challenges of Climate Change, Poverty and Hunger in Asia and the Pacific (Bangkok, Asian Development Bank, Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific and United Nations Development Programme, 2024).

Seizing the Opportunity: Digital Innovation for a Sustainable Future (Sales No. E.24.II.F.2).

Subprogramme 1

Macroeconomic policy, poverty reduction and financing for development

Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific 2024: Boosting Affordable and Longer-Term Financing for Governments (Sales No. E.24.II.F.3).

MPFD Policy Briefs:*

No. 126, December 2023: “What characterises a good green or sustainable finance taxonomy?”.

No. 127, December 2023: “An augmented long-term approach to public debt sustainability analysis”.

MPFD Working Papers:*

WP/23/02, December 2023: “A long-term approach for analysing public debt sustainability: a case study of Mongolia”.

Subprogramme 2

Trade, investment and innovation¹

Asia-Pacific Trade and Investment Trends 2023/2024.*

December 2023: “Trade in goods and services outlook in Asia and the Pacific”.

December 2023: “Preferential trade agreements trends and developments in Asia and the Pacific”.

December 2023: “Foreign direct investment trends and outlook in Asia and the Pacific”.

* Available online only.

¹ Including the Asian and Pacific Centre for Transfer of Technology.

Financial Resilience, Inclusion, and Entrepreneurship: Is Asia and the Pacific Close to Gender Parity? ESCAP/2-TR/5.

*Studies in Trade, Investment and Innovation Series:**

No. 97, *E-Commerce for Inclusive Development: Policy Considerations*. ST/ESCAP/3103.

No. 98, *Food Losses in International Trade: Case Studies from Asia and the Pacific*. ST/ESCAP/3120.

*Trade, Investment and Innovation Working Paper Series:**

No. 2, December 2023: “Navigating the interplay between digital-trade provisions and sustainable development aspects”.

Subprogramme 3 **Transport**

Transport and Communications Bulletin for Asia and the Pacific: No. 93. ST/ESCAP/SER.E/93.*

Subprogramme 4 **Environment and development**

2023 Review of Climate Ambition in Asia and the Pacific: Just Transition towards Regional Net-Zero Climate Resilient Development. ST/ESCAP/3100.

The Future of Asian and Pacific Cities 2023: Crisis Resilient Urban Futures. ST/ESCAP/3096 (Sales No. E.23.II.F.11).

Subprogramme 5 **Information and communications technology and disaster risk reduction and management**

Asia-Pacific Disaster Report 2023: Seizing the Moment – Targeting Transformative Disaster Risk Resilience. ST/ESCAP/3093 (Sales No. E.23.II.F.8).

Assessing the Policy and Regulatory Frameworks for Fostering the Markets of Intellectual Property and Copyright Patents on Digital Technology Products, and Services in Mongolia. ESCAP/5-WP/59.

“Rethinking applications of digital technology and data for addressing climate change impact”. ESCAP/5-WP/58.

Space+ for Our Earth and Future: Leveraging the Combined Power of the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) Technologies and Geospatial Information through End-User Engagement for Sustainable Development. ST/ESCAP/3114.

Tracking E-Resilience in North and Central Asia. ESCAP/5-WP/64.

Subprogramme 6 **Social development**

Asia-Pacific Population and Development Report 2023. ST/ESCAP/3112.

Disability at a Glance 2023: Catalysts of Change – Disability Inclusion in Business in Asia and the Pacific. ST/ESCAP/3113 (Sales No. E.23.II.F.14).

Subprogramme 7
Statistics

Asia and the Pacific SDG Progress Report 2024: Showcasing Transformative Actions. ST/ESCAP/3125 (Sales No. E.24.II.F.1).

*Statistics Division Working Paper Series:**

Working Paper Series (SD/WP/15/April 2023): “Estimating illicit financial flows from trade misinvoicing: introducing the ‘grey re-exports’ method (the case of Kyrgyzstan)”.

Working Paper Series (SD/WP/16/November 2023): “Efforts towards measuring the gender-environment nexus in Asia and the Pacific”.

*Stats Brief:**

No. 33, May 2023: “Exploring new horizons: Nepal’s pilot in implementing data integration approaches”.

Subprogramme 8
Subregional activities for development

Pacific Perspectives 2023: Advocating the Aspirations of Small Island Developing States. ST/ESCAP/3110.

Subprogramme 9
Energy

“Advancing sustainable cooling in Cambodia to reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions”. ESCAP/9-PB/35.

Green Power Corridor for North-East Asia: A Roadmap. ST/ESCAP/3108.

Regional Trends Report on Energy for Sustainable Development 2023: Closing the Gap for SDG 7 in the Asia-Pacific Region. ST/ESCAP/3097 (Sales No. E.23.II.F.10).

II. Documents submitted to the Commission at its eightieth session

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ESCAP/80/8	Report of the Governing Council of the Centre for Sustainable Agricultural Mechanization on its nineteenth session	4 (c)
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