

ASSEMBLY  
31st session  
Agenda item 1

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## ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

### PROPOSED TIMETABLE FOR THE THIRTY-FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF THE ASSEMBLY

#### Note by the Secretary-General

#### SUMMARY

*Executive summary:* This document proposes a timetable for the conduct of the work of the Assembly

*Strategic direction, if applicable:* Not applicable

*Output:* Not applicable

*Action to be taken:* Paragraph 6

*Related documents:* A 31/1 and A 31/1/Rev.1

1 To assist delegations planning to attend the thirty-first regular session of the Assembly, the attached timetable for the conduct of the work is proposed, based upon the assumption that, in accordance with past practice, there will be, apart from the Credentials Committee, two substantive Committees established, as suggested under agenda item 4(b) of the provisional agenda, namely:

- Committee 1, to deal with administrative, financial, legal and technical cooperation matters; and
- Committee 2, to deal with technical matters.

2 It may be noted that the timetable also makes provision for the 123rd regular session of the Council, which is scheduled to take place after the forthcoming session of the Assembly is over.

3 Delegations wishing to make general statements (as foreseen in the timetable for the afternoon session of the first day and morning and afternoon session of the second day, i.e. Monday, 25 November 2019 and Tuesday, 26 November 2019) are invited to notify the External Relations Office in good time, forwarding copies of their statements before delivery to [statements@imo.org](mailto:statements@imo.org) and noting that they will be invited to deliver such statements in the order the requisite notification is received. Such statements are requested to be kept to five minutes, maximum.

4 Delegations are also requested to note that statements regarding candidacy for the Election of Members of the Council under agenda item 22, should be made separately and apart from the general statements described in paragraph 3. Statements regarding candidacies will be allotted time when agenda item 22 is addressed, i.e. on Friday, 29 November 2019, in accordance with the proposed timetable.

5 As in the past, preliminary consideration will be given to the proposed timetable at the meeting of the Heads of Delegation proposed for 10 a.m. on Monday, 25 November 2019, and appropriate recommendations made to the Plenary thereafter for consideration.

#### **Action requested of the Assembly**

6 When considering agenda item 1 (Adoption of the agenda), the Assembly will be invited to indicate whether it is broadly in agreement with the timetable proposed, which is not intended to be followed rigidly but rather as a flexible guide for planning the work of the session.

**ASSEMBLY – THIRTY-FIRST REGULAR SESSION**  
**Monday, 25 November to Wednesday, 4 December 2019**  
**Proposed Timetable**

November 2019		a.m.	p.m.
Monday, 25	10:00 a.m.: Meeting of Heads of Delegation 11.30 a.m.: <b>PLENARY</b> Opening of the thirty-first session Item 1: Adoption of the agenda Item 2: Election of the President and the Vice-Presidents of the Assembly  <b>Closure of the morning session at 12.30 p.m.</b>	<b>Opening of the afternoon session at 2.30 p.m.</b>  <b>PLENARY</b> General statements  Closure at 4.30 p.m. to allow for preparation for the IMO Awards ceremony	

Session times	a.m. 9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	p.m. 2.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.
Tuesday, 26	<b>PLENARY</b> General statements	<b>PLENARY</b> General statements
Wednesday, 27	<b>PLENARY</b> Item 3: Consideration of proposed amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly Item 4: Application of Article 61 of the IMO Convention – Report of the Council to the Assembly on any requests by Members for waiver Item 5: (a) Establishment of the Credentials Committee (b) Establishment of other committees Item 7: Report of the Council to the Assembly Item 8: (a) Strategy and planning (b) Reform (c) Joint Inspection Unit Item 9: IMO Member State Audit Scheme  <b>CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE</b>	<b>PLENARY</b> Item 10: Reports/recommendations of the Maritime Safety Committee Item 11: Reports/recommendations of the Legal Committee Item 12: Reports/recommendations of the Marine Environment Protection Committee Item 13: Reports/recommendations of the Technical Cooperation Committee Item 14: Report/recommendations of the Facilitation Committee  <b>CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE</b>
Thursday, 28	<b>PLENARY</b> Item 15: Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter, 1972 and the 1996 Protocol thereto Item 17: Resource management (general introduction) Item 18: Global maritime training institutions Item 19: (c) Relations with non-governmental Organizations (general introduction) Item 6: (a) Report of the Credentials Committee	<b>COMMITTEE 1</b> Item 11: Reports/recommendations of the Legal Committee Item 13: Reports/recommendations of the Technical Cooperation Committee  <b>COMMITTEE 2</b> Item 9: IMO Member State Audit Scheme Item 10: Reports/recommendations of the Maritime Safety Committee

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Friday, 29	<b>PLENARY</b> Item 22: Election of Members of the Council	<b>PLENARY</b> Item 22: Election of Members of the Council (continued) Item 23: Election of Members to the IMO Staff Pension Committee Item 24: Appointment of the External Auditor

December 2019		
Session times	a.m. 9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	p.m. 2.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m.
Monday, 2	<b>COMMITTEE 1</b> Item 8: (a) Strategy and planning Item 17: (a) Arrears of contributions (b) Accounts and audit reports	<b>COMMITTEE 1</b> Item 17: (c) Results-based budget for the 2020-2021 biennium Item 19: (c) Relations with non-governmental organizations
	<b>COMMITTEE 2</b> Item 12: Reports/recommendations of the Marine Environment Protection Committee Item 14: Reports/recommendations of the Facilitation Committee	<b>COMMITTEE 2</b> Item 15: Convention on the Prevention of Marine Pollution by Dumping of Wastes and Other Matter, 1972 and the 1996 Protocol thereto: report on the performance of Secretariat functions and other duties Item 8: (a) Strategy and planning
Tuesday, 3	<b>COMMITTEE 1</b> Adoption of the Committee's report	<b>COMMITTEE 1</b> Adoption of the Committee's report (cont'd)
	<b>COMMITTEE 2</b> Adoption of the Committee's report	<b>COMMITTEE 2</b> Adoption of the Committee's report (cont'd)
Wednesday, 4	<b>PLENARY</b> Item 16: Report on the Periodic review of administrative requirements in mandatory IMO instruments Item 19: (a) Relations with the United Nations and the specialized agencies (b) Relations with intergovernmental organizations (d) Report on World Maritime Days (e) International Maritime Prize (f) IMO Bravery Award (g) Day of the Seafarer (h) IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassador Scheme Item 20: Status of the IMO Convention Item 21: Report on the status of conventions/instruments Item 25: Appointment of the Secretary-General	<b>PLENARY</b> Item 26: Place, date and duration of the thirty-second regular session of the Assembly Item 6: (b) Reports of other committees Item 27: Supplementary agenda items, if any  Closure of the thirty-first session
Thursday, 5	<b>COUNCIL – 123rd session</b>	