



PROGRAMME

Monday, 19 April

10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.
(in-person)

Chair: H.E. Ambassador Yemdaogo Eric Tiare, Chair of the fifty-fourth session of the Commission on Population and Development

Opening statements

H.E. Ms. Amina J. Mohammed, Deputy-Secretary-General of the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Alpha Barry, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Cooperation, African Integration and Burkinabè Abroad, Burkina Faso

Dr. Natalia Kanem, Executive Director, United Nations Population Fund

Mr. Qu Dongyu, Director-General, Food and Agriculture Organization

Mr. Gilbert Houngbo, President, International Fund for Agricultural Development

Mr. Liu Zhenmin, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) (delivered by Mr. Elliott Harris, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development and Chief Economist, DESA)

Ms. Agnes Kalibata, Special Envoy for the Food Systems Summit

Keynote address

Her Majesty Gyalyum Sangay Choden Wangchuck of Bhutan

1. Election of officers
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters
Provisional agenda and organization of work (E/CN.9/2021/1; E/CN.9/2021/L.1)
3. General debate:
 - (a) Actions for the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development at the global, regional and national levels
 - (b) Population, food security, nutrition and sustainable development

3.00 – 4.00 p.m.
(virtual)

Expert panel, followed by interactive debate:

- (a) Report of the Secretary-General on population, food security, nutrition and sustainable development (E/CN.9/2021/2)

- (b) Report of the Secretary-General on the monitoring of population programmes, focusing on population, food security, nutrition and sustainable development ([E/CN.9/2021/3](#))
- (c) Report of the Secretary-General on the flow of financial resources for assisting in the further implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development ([E/CN.9/2021/4](#))

Panelists

Ms. Mayra Lisseth Sorto (El Salvador) (moderator)
 Ms. Cheryl Sawyer, Senior Population Affairs Officer, UN DESA
 Mr. Sandile Simelane, Technical Specialist, UNFPA
 Mr. Michael Herrmann, Senior Advisor, UNFPA
 Mr. Lorenzo Giovanni Bellù, Senior Economist, FAO
 Ms. Carmen Burbano, Director of School Based Programmes, WFP

4.00 – 5.00 p.m.
 (virtual)

- 3. *(continued)*
 Statements in the general discussion

Tuesday, 20 April

10.00 –11.30 a.m.
 (virtual)

High-level panel on the road towards the Food Systems Summit, followed by interactive debate

Dr. Joachim von Braun, Director, Center for Development Research, University of Bonn (moderator)
 Ms. Ligia Noronha, Assistant Secretary-General, UNEP
 Mr. Maximo Torero Cullen, Chief Economist, FAO
 Dr. Jyotsna Puri, Director, Environment, Climate, Gender and Social Inclusion Division, IFAD
 Dr. Ousmane Badiane, Executive Chairperson, AKADEMIYA2063
 Mr. Lawrence Haddad, Executive Director, Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition
 Ms. Christine Gould, Founder and CEO Thought for Food

11.30 a.m.–noon
 (virtual)

- 3. *(continued)*
 Statements in the general discussion

3.00 – 5.00 p.m.
 (virtual)

- 3. *(continued)*
 Statements in the general discussion



Wednesday, 21 April

10.00 – 11.30 a.m.
(virtual)

Multi-stakeholder panel on population, food security, nutrition and sustainable development, followed by interactive debate

Panelists

Ms. Milka Sokolović, Director General, European Public Health Alliance (moderator)

Ms. Inge D. Brouwer, Associate Professor, Division of Human Nutrition and Health, Wageningen University

Ms. Luz Maria De-Regil, Unit Head, Multisectoral Action in Food Systems, World Health Organization

Ms. Jane Napais Lankisa, Nutritionist, Youth Leader for Nutrition programme

Ms. Emorn Udomkesmalee, Senior Researcher, Institute of Nutrition, Mahidol University

Mr. Rami Zurayk, Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences, American University of Beirut

11.30 a.m.– noon
(virtual)

3. *(continued)*
Statements in the general discussion

3.00 – 5.00 p.m.
(virtual)

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Statements in the general discussion

Thursday, 22 April

10.00 –11.00 a.m.
(virtual)

4. Programme implementation and future programme of work of the Secretariat in the field of population

Expert panel on the programme of work in population, followed by interactive debate

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on programme implementation and progress of work in the field of population in 2020: Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs ([E/CN/9/2021/5](#))

(b) Note by the Secretariat on the programme plan for 2021 and programme performance for 2019: subprogramme 5, Population, of programme 7, Economic and social affairs^a

Panelists

Mr. John Wilmoth, Director, Population Division, UN DESA (moderator)

Ms. Géraldine Duthé, Head of Demography of Southern Populations, National Institute for Demographic Studies, France

Ms. Reiko Hayashi, Deputy Director-General, National Institute of Population and Social Security Research, Japan

Ms. Gabriela Rodríguez Ramírez, Secretary-General, National Population Council, Mexico

Mr. Jacques van Zuydam, Director, National Population Unit, Republic of South Africa



11.00 a.m.– noon
(virtual)

3. *(continued)*
Statements in the general discussion

3.00 –5.00 p.m.
(virtual)

5. Future role and organization of the Commission on Population and Development
Conference room paper on the future role and organization of the Commission on Population and Development ([E/CN.9/2021/CRP.1](#))

Friday, 23 April

10.00 a.m.–1.00 p.m.
(in-person)

- Action on draft proposals^b
6. Provisional agenda for the fifty-fifth session of the Commission
Note by the Secretariat containing the provisional agenda for the fifty - fifth session of the Commission ([E/CN.9/2021/L.2](#))
7. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fifty-fourth session

Closure of the session^c

Closing statements

Dr. Natalia Kanem, Executive Director, United Nations Population Fund
Mr. John Wilmoth, Director, Population Division, DESA
H.E. Ambassador Yemdaogo Eric Tiare (Burkina Faso) (Chair)

^a The preparation of the proposed programme budget for 2022 is scheduled to be finalized in the first half of 2021

^b The deadline for the submission of draft proposals is 3 p.m. on 15 April 2021.

^c In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2005/213, the Commission, immediately following the closure of the fifty-fourth session, will hold the first meeting of its fifty-fifth session for the sole purpose of electing a new Chair and other members of the Bureau, in accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council.

