



SPECIAL PROGRAMME FOR THE ECONOMIES OF CENTRAL ASIA (SPECA)

Eighth Session of the SPECA Thematic Working Group on Knowledge-Based Development

(Almaty, Kazakhstan, 22 September 2016)

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

- 1. Opening of the session**
- 2. Election of officers and adoption of the agenda**
- 3. Outcomes of the technical meeting “Resilient ICT Connectivity for the Knowledge Economy, SDGs and the WSIS Goals” (Almaty, 20-21 September 2016)**

Representatives of the UNECE and ESCAP secretariats respectively, will brief delegates on the outcomes of the technical meeting “Resilient ICT Connectivity for the Knowledge Economy, SDGs and the WSIS Goals”.

- 4. Review of the activities of the SPECA PWG on KBD since its last session (Dushanbe, Tajikistan, 17 June 2015)**

Representatives of the UNECE and ESCAP secretariats will present reports on activities carried out within the framework of the SPECA TWG on KBD since its last session.

- 5. Review of the Programme of Work of the SPECA PWG on KBD for 2016-2017**
 - (a) Presentations by representatives of the UNECE and ESCAP secretariats.
 - (b) Proposals by representatives of SPECA countries on the activities to be additionally included in the Programme of Work of the SPECA TWG on KBD for 2016-2017.

Representatives of the UNECE and ESCAP secretariats will introduce possible new activities to be supported by the two Regional Commissions in 2016-2017.

Representatives of SPECA countries will be invited to make proposals on the additional activities to be included in the Programme of Work of the SPECA TWG on KBD for 2016-2017 and to indicate their interest in hosting regional / national capacity building events and other related activities.

6. Date and venue of the next session of the SPECA TWG on KBD

Representatives of SPECA countries will be invited to express their interest in hosting the ninth session of the TWG on KBD with a view to taking a decision on the date and venue of the next session of the TWG.

7. Other business

The PWG will consider any other matter that may be brought to its attention.

8. Adoption of decisions

9. Closing of the session

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Note: Prior to the eighth session of the SPECA TWG on KBD, ESCAP and UNECE will jointly organize a technical workshop on “Resilient ICT Connectivity for the Knowledge Economy, SDGs and the WSIS Goals”, on 20-21 of September 2016, to be hosted by the Centre for Emergency Situations and Disaster Risk Reduction (CESDRR).
