

Regional UN System Meeting for Europe and Central Asia
Briefing on the political crises in the region and impact on country-level programming
15 October 2020

10:30-12:30 New York time / 16:30-18:30 Geneva time / 17:30-19:30 Istanbul time

Agenda

Time (Geneva time)	Agenda item
16:30 – 16:40	<p><u>Item 1: Opening</u></p> <p><i>Opening remarks by:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Ms. Olga Algayerova, Co-Chair and UNECE Executive Secretary</i> • <i>Ms. Mirjana Spoljaric Egger, Co-Chair and UNDP Regional Director for Europe and CIS</i>
16:40 – 18:20	<p><u>Item 2: Briefing on the political crises in the region and impact on programming</u></p> <p><i>Overall political briefing on the major crises in the region: main focus on Kyrgyzstan, Armenia/Azerbaijan (Nagorno-Karabakh) and Belarus</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Mr. Miroslav Jenca, Assistant Secretary-General for Europe, Central Asia and the Americas, United Nations Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (DPPA)</i> <p><i>Political situation in Kyrgyzstan and impact on the political stability in Central Asia (tbc)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Natalia Gherman, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Central Asia and Head of the United Nations Regional Centre for Preventive Diplomacy for Central Asia</i> <p><i>Dialogue with Regional Directors on the crises' impact on safety, security and stability.</i></p> <p><i>Impact of the crisis on the socioeconomic situation in the country and UNCT activities</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Mr. Ozonnia Ojielo, UN Resident Coordinator in Kyrgyzstan (followed by Q&A)</i> • <i>Mr. Shombi Sharp, UN Resident Coordinator in Armenia (followed by Q&A)</i> • <i>Mr. Ghulam Isaczai, UN Resident Coordinator in Azerbaijan (followed by Q&A)</i> • <i>Ms. Joanna Kazana, UN Resident Coordinator in Belarus (followed by Q&A)</i> <p><i>Dialogue with Regional Directors on the crises' impact on country-level programming, potential support needed at the country level from the regional level and joint action.</i></p>
18:20 – 18:30	<p><u>Conclusions and next steps</u></p> <p><i>Ms. Mirjana Spoljaric Egger, Co-Chair and UNDP Regional Director for Europe and CIS</i> <i>Ms. Olga Algayerova, Co-Chair and UNECE Executive Secretary</i></p>