Overview of roles of the governing bodies

1. Governing Structures

	Officers	Executive Committee	Central Committee
Policy	Monitor the life and work of the WCC and accompany the general secretary in his role as chief executive officer and give support and advice	Prepares for decisions of the central committee	Ensures that the assembly mandate is carried out
	Take decisions as authorized by the executive committee	Makes decisions as authorized by	Takes decisions on policies and
	Function as the business committee of the central committee	the central committee	structural issues
Programme	Receive interim reports on programmes and finance and advise staff	Receives interim reports and oversees the work Approves the agenda of the central committee	Decides to initiate or terminate programmes and activities
Finance	Finalise decisions on behalf of the executive committee	Supervises the operation of the budget	Adopts the budget
Statements	Make public statements in accordance with stated policies of the WCC	Makes public statements in accordance with stated policies of the WCC	Makes public statements
Nominations	Make appointments of staff on the authorization of the executive committee between meetings and report to the executive committee	Appoints staff and reports to the central committee	Elects members of consultative bodies and executive staff
Accountability	Report to the executive committee	Reports to the central committee	Reports to the assembly

2. Sub-committees of the Central Committee

	Programme Committee (PC)	Finance Committee (FC)	Policy Reference Committee (PRC)	Nominations Committee (NC)	Public Issues Committee (PIC)
Policy	Ensures that policy decisions of the CC are adhered to in deciding programmes	Prepares for the CC policy decisions on matters related to finance, services and administration	Prepares for the CC policy decisions on membership matters and relationships	NA	Prepares for the CC policy matters on international affairs
Programme	Prepares for CC decisions on programmes within approved budgets; proposes evaluation of all programmes	Proposes budgets for the following year and the framework budget for subsequent years Works with PC to en- sure that programme plans are within available budgets	Proposes connections between programmes and relationships	Proposes to the CC list of names for commissions etc – respecting all the balances as per approved policies	Proposes connections between programmes and international affairs when applicable
Finance	Meets with the FC to ensure coherence in decisions	Presents to the CC the annual financial report, with any issues raised by the auditors and audit committee	NA	NA	NA
Statements	NA	NA	NA	NA	Prepares for public statements by the CC
Nominations	Proposes to the CC the formation of commissions/their mandate, size, composition etc.	Presents the proposal for the audit firm to be appointed for the year Appoints members of the audit committee	NA	Proposes names of executive staff for appointment	NA
Accountability	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

3. Ad hoc Committee

	Permanent Committee on Consensus and Collaboration	
Policy	Continues to monitor the mandate of the CC Makes recommendations to WCC governing bodies for reaching consensus on matters on the WCC agenda	
Programme	Facilitates improved participation of Orthodox in the life and work of the WCC Gives attention to matters of ecclesiology	
Finance	NA	
Statements	NA	
Nominations	NA	
Accountability	Reports to the central and executive committees	