Connecting MIPAA/RIS and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: Areas for policy integration

No poverty in advanced age and social protection for all

End hunger and malnutrition

Healthy ageing and access to care services

Lifelong learning

Gender equality in old age





Longer working lives and ability to work

Reduced inequalities in later life

Age-friendly cities and communities

Voice for older persons, no ageism and no elder abuse

Ageing-related statistics



Policy measures that ensure social protection across the life course and prevent poverty in old age contribute to the implementation of SDG 1 which is to **end poverty in all its forms everywhere**.

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By 2030, reduce at least by half the proportion of men, women and children of all ages living in poverty in all its dimensions according to national definitions (Target 1.2)	Develop and implement socially responsible and future-oriented economic and financial strategies that encompass the needs, capacities and expectations of current and future generations (Goal I, Para 13)	Commitment 4 to adjust social protection systems in response to demographic changes and their social an economic consequences - Preserve and strengthen the basic objectives of social protection, namely to provent
Implement nationally appropriate social protection systems and measures for all, including floors, and by 2030 achieve substantial coverage of the poor and the vulnerable (Target 1.3)	Develop strategies to fight unemployment at all ages, reducing financial inequalities and poverty (Goal II, Para 21). Plan and implement pension reforms that take into account the increasing longevity and the extension of working lives, to ensure intergenerational fairness as well as the sustainability and adequacy of pension systems (Goal	 Adapt existing social protection systems to
Create sound policy frameworks at the national, regional and international levels, based on pro-poor and gender-sensitive development strategies, to support accelerated investment in poverty eradication actions (Target 1.B)	II, Para 24).	



Policy measures that promote access to and encourage healthy diets across the life course and prevent malnutrition in old age contribute to the implementation of SDG 2 which is to **end hunger**, **achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture**.

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By 2030, end hunger and ensure access by all people, in particular poor people in vulnerable situations, including infants, to safe, nutritious and sufficient food all year around (Target 2.1) By 2030, end all forms of malnutrition, including achieving, by 2025, the internationally agreed targets on stunting and wasting in children under 5 years of age, and address nutritional needs of adolescent girls, pregnant and lactating women and older persons (Target 2.2)	No policy priority related to hunger, food security or malnutrition.	Priority Direction II: Advancing health and well-being into old age/ Issue I: Health promotion and well-being throughout life /Objective 3: Access to food and adequate nutrition for all older persons - Promote equal access to clean water and safe food for older persons; - Promote lifelong healthy and adequate nutrition from infancy, with particular attention ensuring that specific nutritional needs of men and women throughout the life course are met; - Encourage a balanced diet to provide adequate energy and prevent macro- and micro-nutrient deficiency, preferably based on local foods through, inter alia, developing national dietary goals; - Pay particular attention to nutritional deficiencies and associated diseases in the design and implementation of health promotion and prevention programmes for older persons; - Educate older persons and the general public, including informal caregivers, about specific nutritional needs of older persons, including adequate intake of water, calories, protein, vitamins and minerals; - Promote affordable dental services to prevent and treat disorders that can impede eating and cause malnutrition; - Include specific nutritional needs of older persons into curricula of training programmes for all health and relevant care workers and professionals; - Ensure appropriate and adequate provision of accessible nutrition and food for older persons in hospital and other care settings	Commitment 7 to strive to ensure quality of life at all ages and maintain independent living including health and well-being - Enable people to make healthy choices Governments, local authorities and other concerned actors should facilitate the adoption of healthy life-styles, by encouraging people of all ages to engage in appropriate physical activity, adopt healthy diets, avoid smoking and excess alcohol consumption, and opt for other health-related behaviours, that prevent disease and functional decline ().



Policies that promote healthy ageing and ensure access to health services, social and long-term care contribute to achieving SDG 3 which is to **ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.**

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By 2030 reduce by one third premature mortality from non-communicable diseases through prevention and treatment and promote mental health and well-being" (Target 3.4)

Achieve universal health coverage, including financial risk protection, access to quality essential health-care services and access to safe, effective, quality and affordable essential medicines and vaccines for all (Target 3.8)

Increase health financing and the recruitment, development, training and retention of the health workforce in developing countries" (Target 3.C.)

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Empower individuals to realize their potential for physical, mental and social well-being throughout their lives (**Goal I,** Para 12).

Adapt health and social care systems to provide integrated, prevention- and person-oriented services (**Goal I,** Para 18).

Integrated social and long-term care and health services... adapting the status, training and working conditions of professional care workers (**Goal III**, Para 29).

Ensure integrated care on a local basis with treatment, care, and support after diagnosis... especially through community-based services (**Goal III**, Para 31).

Support and care suited to the varied and changing needs of older persons, allowing them to maintain social connections and stay in their preferred living environment for as long as possible (Goal III, Para 28)

Respect the self-determination, independence and dignity of older persons, especially, but not limited to, towards the end of life, through patient-centred medical and social care, including access to appropriate palliative care and aspiring to facilitate where possible the preferences of older couples to be cared for together. (**Goal III**, Para 32).

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Commitment 7 to strive to ensure quality of life at all ages and maintain independent living including health and well-being

- Promote health and well-being over the entire life course, by mainstreaming health through inter-sectoral policies
- Ensure equal access to health and social services including long-term care for persons of all ages
- Ensure appropriate financing of health and social services for persons of all ages
- Enable people to make healthy choices



Policies that increase access to and encourage participation in lifelong learning and training opportunities for older persons contribute to SDG 4 which is to **ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all**.

By 2030, ensure equal access for all women and men to affordable and quality technical, vocational and tertiary education, including university (**Target 4.3**)

By 2030, substantially increase the number of youth and adults who have relevant skills, including technical and vocational skills, for employment, decent jobs and entrepreneurship (Target 4.4)

By 2030, ensure that all learners acquire the knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development, including, among others, through education for sustainable development and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global citizenship and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture's contribution to sustainable development (Target 4.7)

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Promote a positive image of older persons, acknowledging their contributions to society and strengthening multigenerational discourse and intergenerational learning by all stakeholders, cultivating a life-course perspective in education (**Goal I**, Para 15).

Foster access to and promoting lifelong learning opportunities and development of skills...at all ages (**Goal II**, Para 20).

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Commitment 6 to promote lifelong learning and adapt the educational system in order to meet the changing economic, social and demographic conditions

- Facilitate and encourage lifelong learning
- Ensure that the educational system achieves better employability of all persons

Commitment 5 to enable labour markets to respond to the economic and social consequences of population ageing

 Improve the employability of older workers: Employability of older workers should be improved through vocational guidance and vocational training, based on lifelong learning



Policies that are designed to reduce gender gaps in old age which are often the result of lifelong accumulated disadvantage experienced by women contribute to achieving SDG 5 which is to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.

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Eliminate all forms of violence against all women and girls in the public and private spheres, including trafficking and sexual and other types of exploitation. (Target 5.2)

Recognize and value unpaid care and domestic work through the provision of public services, infrastructure and social protection policies and the promotion of shared responsibility within the household and the family as nationally appropriate (Target 5.4)

Ensure women's full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision-making in political, economic and public life (Target 5.5)

Adopt and strengthen sound policies and enforceable legislation for the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls at all levels (Target 5.c)

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Acknowledge a need for gender equality and intergenerational solidarity (Preamble, Para

Reduce the gender pay gap as well as other gender inequalities, and prevent age-related discrimination in employment (Goal II, Para 21)

Facilitate the reconciliation of employment and care work, providing access to flexible working arrangements and appropriate care services, and promoting an equal division of care work between women and men while considering a possibility to account for the time spent on tasks of family care in the calculation of the old-age pension. (Goal II, Para 25).

Support the necessary infrastructure and assistance to prevent all types of abuse and violence against older persons, ensuring their economic, physical, and psychological safety (Goal III, Para 27)

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Commitment 2 – ensure the full integration and participation of older persons in society

Commitment 5 – enable labour markets to respond to the economic and social consequences of population ageing

Concerted measures are needed to increase labour force participation of women. These measures should aim to further broaden their job opportunities, better reconcile the professional and family responsibilities, and avoid discriminatory situations with regard to pension benefits or personal income experienced by many women. Important ways to achieve this are suitable education and training, including on-the-job training, job counselling and allowing for flexible work arrangements. (Para 42)

Commitment 6

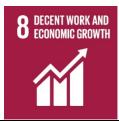
Formal schooling, including educational and vocational training programmes should reinforce gender equality and avoid stereotyping roles (Para 54)

Commitment 8 – to mainstream a gender approach in an ageing society

- Achieve full gender equality
- Realize full equality between women and men in their contribution in the economy
- Ensure gender equality of access to social protection and social security systems
- Promote shared responsibilities of women and men within their families

Commitment 9 – to support families that provide care for older persons and promote intergenerational and intra-generational solidarity among their members

An important element in this respect is ensuring equality between men and women throughout their lives particularly regarding the distribution of responsibilities in terms of work and income, care of dependent family members and social protection (Para 90)



Policies that encourage longer working lives and the ability to work contribute to achieving SDG 8 which is to promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all.

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Achieve full and productive employment and decent work for all women and men (Target 8.5)

Protect labour rights and promote safe and secure working environments for all workers, including migrant workers, in particular women migrants, and those in precarious employment (**Target 8.8**)

Recognizing the potential embedded in the employment of older workers and developing labour market strategies to promote maximum participation opportunities for workers of all ages (**Goal II**, Para 19).

developing strategies to fight unemployment at all ages, reducing financial inequalities and poverty reduce the gender pay gap as well as other gender inequalities, and preventing age-related discrimination in employment (**Goal II**, Para 21)

Incentives for longer working life opportunities and more flexible retirement choices **rehabilitation**, **reintegration into work** and flexible employment options to retain older workers (**Goal II**, Para 23).

Supporting age-adapted, safe, health-promoting, and flexible working conditions (**Goal II**, Para 22).

Raise quality standards for integrated social and long-term care and health services, as appropriate, and continuously adapting the status, training and working conditions of professional care workers, including migrant care workers, to the growing need for culturally-sensitive care and health services, thus alleviating the strain on family and informal caregivers while also recognizing and supporting them in their fundamental role of providing care (Goal III, Para 29).

Commitment 3 to promote equitable and sustainable economic growth in response to population ageing

Commitment 5 to enable labour markets to respond to the economic and social consequences of population ageing

- Seek a significant reduction in rates of unemployment, especially for older persons
- Improve the employability of older workers
- Raise participation rates for all women and men
- Take steps to raise the average effective age at which people stop working and make retirement more flexible and gradual



Policies promoting inclusion and participation of older persons contributes to achieving SDG 10 which is to **reduce inequality within and among countries**.

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By 2030, empower and promote the social, economic and political inclusion of all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status (**Target 10.2**)

Ensure equal opportunity and reduce inequalities of outcome, including by eliminating discriminatory laws, policies and practices and promoting appropriate legislation, policies and action (Target 10.3)

Adopt policies, especially fiscal, wage and social protection policies, and progressively achieve greater equality (**Target 10.4**)

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Empower individuals to realize their potential for physical, mental and social well-being... and to participate in and contribute to society according to their capacities, needs, and desires (**Goal I**, Para 12).

Develop and implement socially responsible and future-oriented economic and financial strategies that encompass the needs, capacities and expectations of current and future generations, while valuing the potential of older persons, their life experience, their responsibility and support for all generations and for society (**Goal I**, Para 13)

Develop strategies to fight unemployment at all ages, reducing financial inequalities and poverty (**Goal II**, Para 21).

Ensure intergenerational fairness as well as the sustainability and adequacy of pension systems (**Goal II**, Para 24).

Protect older persons' enjoyment of all human rights and dignity, promoting their autonomy, self-determination and participation in society (**Goal III**, Para 26).

Promote the participation of both persons with dementia and/or mental and behavioural disorders and their informal carers in social and community life, and ensure integrated care on a local basis with treatment, care, and support after diagnosis as needed, especially through community-based services (**Goal III**, Para 31)

Make sure that no law, policy or programme leaves room for discrimination of any kind (**Goal III**, Para 26)

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Commitment 1 to mainstream ageing in all policy fields with the aim of bringing societies and economies into harmony with demographic change to achieve a society for all ages

Commitment 2 to ensure full integration and participation of older persons in society

- Further enhance the social, economic, political and cultural participation of older persons
- Promote the integration of older persons by encouraging their active involvement in the community and by fostering intergenerational relations
- Promote a positive image of ageing

Commitment 3 to promote equitable and sustainable economic growth in response to population ageing

Commitment 4 to adjust social protection systems in response to demographic changes and their social and economic consequences

Commitment 9 to support families that provide care for older persons and promote intergenerational and intra-generational solidarity among their members



Policies aimed at creating age-friendly environments, including accessible and affordable housing, transport, and public space contributes to achieving SDG 11 which is to make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable.

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By 2030 ensure access for all to adequate, safe and affordable housing and basic services and upgrade slums (**Target 11.1**)

By 2030, provide access to safe, affordable, accessible and sustainable transport systems for all, improving road safety, notably by expanding public transport, with special attention to the needs of those in vulnerable situations, women, children, persons with disabilities and older persons (Target 11.2)

By 2030, provide universal access to safe, inclusive and accessible, green and public spaces, in particular for women and children, older persons, and persons with disabilities (**Target 11.7**)

Support positive economic, social and environmental links between urban, perurban and rural areas by strengthening national and regional development planning (Target 11.A) Ensure that older persons can attain and maintain their highest possible level of health and functional capacity by supporting the development of age-friendly environments and housing and adapting health and social care systems to provide integrated, preventionand person-oriented services, including in deprived urban, rural and remote areas (Goal I, Para 18)

Commitment 2 to ensure full integration and participation of older persons in society

- Concerted and intensified efforts are needed to improve the housing and living environment of older persons in rural areas, especially in many economies in transition. Improvement of living conditions and infrastructure in rural areas is particularly important to alleviate marginalization of older people. Policies should be developed and implemented in order to provide incentives and subsidies for housing, utility and sanitation services, and encourage age friendly solutions to provide accessible and affordable transportation for older people, in particular in rural and remote areas (Para 16)
- Involvement of older persons in local communities contributes to their quality of life, as well as to the functioning of the community... a holistic manner policy areas such as community development, **housing**, environment, **transport**, health, social care, education, work, and leisure. Programmes should be aimed at rural and remote areas, where older persons might find themselves isolated, without access to their immediate families or to social and other types of infrastructure (Para 17)

Commitment 7 to strive to ensure quality of life at all ages and maintain independent living including health and well-being

 Ensure an enabling and supportive environment through appropriate housing policies, urban planning and other measures that provide affordable, barrier free, and age-friendly living environments (Para 77)



Policies aimed at involving older persons in decision-making, combating age-based discrimination and ageism, and fighting elder abuse contribute to achieving SDG 16 which is to promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.

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Significantly reduce all forms of violence and related death rates everywhere	Prevent all forms of discrimination, abuse, violence and neglect (Preamble , Para 7)	Commitment 2 to ensure full integration and participation of older persons in society
(Target 16.1) Ensure responsive, inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making at all levels (Target 16.7) Promote and enforce non-discriminatory laws and policies for sustainable development (Target 16.b)	Combat ageism in its many forms (Preamble , Para 10) Foster effective consultations with, and involvement of, older persons and their representatives at the national, regional and local levels in designing policies, strategies and measures that directly or indirectly influence their lives, taking into account the diversity of older persons and their needs (Goal I , Para 14).	 Further enhance the social, economic, political and cultural participation of older persons Promote the integration of older persons by encouragin their active involvement in the community and by fostering intergenerational relations Promote a positive image of ageing
	Support the necessary infrastructure and assistance to prevent all types of abuse and violence against older persons, ensuring their economic, physical, and psychological safety (Goal III , Para 27)	
	Make sure that no law, policy or programme leaves room for discrimination of any kind (Goal III , Para 26).	



Developing ageing-related statistics to monitor and evaluate ageing-related policies contributes to implementing SDG 17 which is to strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development.

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By 2020, enhance capacity-building to support developing countries [] to increase significantly the availability of high-quality, timely and reliable data disaggregated by income, gender, age, race, ethnicity, migratory status, disability, geographic location and other characteristics relevant to national contexts (Target 17.18)	"We underline the importance of monitoring and evaluating ageing-related policies based on research and improved data collection, as specified in the UNECE Recommendations on Ageing-related Statistics, involving older persons and their organizations throughout this process". (Final remarks, Para 34)	Commitment 7 to strive to ensure quality of life at all ages and maintain independent living including health and wellbeing - it is necessary to collect data and have statistics that are differentiated by both sex and age (Para 69). Commitment 10 to promote the implementation and follow-up of the regional implementation strategy through regional co-operation

Links:

Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002 https://www.un.org/esa/socdev/documents/ageing/MIPAA/political-declaration-en.pdf

UNECE Regional Implementation Strategy for the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing 2002 - http://www.unece.org/population/ageing.html

2017 Lisbon Ministerial Declaration "A Sustainable Society for All Ages: Realizing the potential of living longer" - http://www.unece.org/population/ageing.html

Sustainable Development Goals, Targets and Indicators - https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdgs

Transforming Our World: The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development - https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/post2015/transformingourworld/publication

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