Healthy and Active Ageing in a Sustainable World

Synergies between international initiatives on ageing - one reporting exercise

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Part III – Healthy and Active Ageing in a Sustainable World

➢ Activities related to the UN Decade of Healthy Ageing 2021-2030

➢ Participation in the Global Campaign to Combat Ageism

➢ Contribution of ageing-related policies to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and its Sustainable Development Goals

➢ Lessons learnt from managing the consequences and impacts of COVID-19

Expanded mandate of the UNECE Standing Working Group on Ageing (SWGA)

"supports the realization of the policy principles set out in the 2002 Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing (MIPAA) and its Regional Implementation Strategy (RIS), and the subsequent Ministerial Declarations on Ageing among the ECE member States. **It strives for synergies in the activities related to the implementation and monitoring of MIPAA/RIS and those related to the regional/national follow-up on the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and other population-related international frameworks such as the ICPD Beyond 2014 and the WHO Global Strategy on Ageing and Health**"

"SWGA operates in accordance with a multi-year Programme of Work anchored in the **periodic review and appraisal of MIPAA/RIS implementation as well as the implementation and follow-up of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**."

Connecting international frameworks with relevance for population ageing and older persons

"We recognize the relationship between population ageing and economic, social and environmental development and **uphold our commitment to the United Nations 2030 Agenda and its Sustainable Development Goals**, including ending poverty in all its forms everywhere, ensuring healthy lives and promoting well-being at all ages, achieving gender equality, promoting full and productive employment and decent work for all as well as access to lifelong learning opportunities, and making cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable for persons of all ages." (Para 35)

"**We acknowledge the adoption of the Global Strategy and Action Plan on Ageing and Health adopted by the World Health Assembly** in May 2016 which calls for combatting ageism, development age-friendly environments, aligning health systems to the needs of older populations and developing sustainable and equitable systems for providing long-term care (at home, in communities, and in institutions." (Para 37)

2017 Lisbon Ministerial Declaration

UN Decade of Healthy Ageing

➢Is your country preparing (or already has) a **National Action Plan (or similar) for the implementation of the WHO Decade of Healthy Ageing 2021 – 2030**? If yes, please briefly describe main actions foreseen.

➢Would your country agree to report on the implementation of the WHO Decade of Healthy Ageing 2020 – 2030 in the framework of the next national reviews and appraisals of MIPAA/RIS?

Global campaign to combat ageism

➢ Does your country take part in the **Global Campaign to Combat Ageism** led by the World Health Organization (WHO)?

➢ Do the activities in your country contribute to the endeavours of this WHO-led campaign? Which ones?

➢ Did your participation in the campaign contribute to the implementation of the MIPAA/RIS in your country? **Which measures have been set in this context?**

https://www.who.int/ageing/ageism/campaign/en/

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Implementation of the 2030 Agenda

➢ Has your country already submitted voluntary national reviews (VNRs) to the High-level Political Forum on the implementation of the SDGs? Please briefly report on whether and how population ageing, and older persons' issues were addressed in your country's VNR(s)?

➢ Within the national political planning are there any established links between ageing issues and the 2030 Agenda?

➢ Given the information reported about MIPAA/RIS implementation, what are the most relevant SDGs which could be nourished by current policy measures (specify which measures?). Were they or will they be included in your country's VNR(s)? Describe 1-3 good practice examples.

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Lessons learnt from COVID-19 pandemic

In May 2020, the United Nations Secretary-General launched a Policy Brief: 'The impact of COVID-9 on older persons' with four key priorities for Member States' action:

- Ensure that difficult health-care decisions affecting older people are guided by a commitment to dignity and the right to health.

- Strengthen social inclusion and solidarity during physical distancing.

- Fully integrate a focus on older persons into the socio-economic and humanitarian response to COVID-19.

- Expand participation by older persons, share good practices and harness knowledge and data.

Please describe briefly the main measures that have been set in your country to protect older persons and to address the four focus areas as outlined above. Please also indicate if and how policy approaches have changed, in light of the lessons learned since the start of the pandemic.

Lessons learnt from COVID-19 pandemic

2.1. How were older people affected by Covid-19 in your country?
Was there a higher share of hospitalisation and rate of deaths among older people in 2020 than general?

2.2. **What has been done to ensure that difficult health-care decisions affecting older people are guided by a commitment to dignity and the right to health?** Please reflect on the recommendations of the SG's Policy Brief, when applicable, and briefly describe the main challenges and 3 - 5 good practices.

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2.3. What has been done to strengthen social inclusion and solidarity during physical distancing? Please reflect on the recommendations of the SG's Policy Brief, when applicable, and briefly describe the main challenges and 3 - 5 good practices.

2.4. What has been done to fully integrate a focus on older persons into the socio-economic and humanitarian response to COVID-19? Please reflect on the recommendations of the SG's Policy Brief, when applicable, and briefly describe the main challenges and 3 - 5 good practices.

2.5. What has been done to expand participation by older persons, share good practices and harness knowledge and data? Please reflect on the recommendations of the SG's Policy Brief, when applicable, and briefly describe the main challenges and 3 - 5 good practices.