

# UNITED NATIONS ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR EUROPE

## ADDRESSING DATA GAPS FOR ACTIVE AGEING INDICATORS

### SECOND WORKSHOP

23–24 June 2016

Minsk

### CONCEPT NOTE AND PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

#### BACKGROUND

By the end of October 2016 the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) member States are expected to submit their national reports on the implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing and its Regional Implementation Strategy (MIPAA/RIS) within the third cycle of MIPAA/RIS review and appraisal. National reports include a statistical annex of 22 indicators of active ageing.<sup>1</sup>

On 18 November 2015 UNECE organised a capacity-building workshop for the countries of the Eastern Europe, Caucasus, Central Asia, and Western Balkans to provide, with the help of experts, consultations on identifying data for calculation of the mentioned indicators, and discuss the possible solutions for missing data.

In order to continue the work initiated at the first workshop and in response to several countries' requests, the second workshop will be organised by UNECE thanks to the financial support provided by the United Nations Population Fund's Eastern Europe and Central Asia Regional Office (UNFPA EECARO) and the finances foreseen within the Ageing fund. The National Statistical Committee of the Republic of Belarus will host the workshop.

#### TARGET AUDIENCE

The workshop will focus on the data issues faced by non-EU ECE countries. Two representatives per country — a UNECE national focal point on ageing and an expert from a national statistical office — will be invited to take part in the workshop. Although the target participants are from the countries of Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia, and the Western Balkans, the workshop will be open for participation to all UNECE Working Group on Ageing members.

#### GOALS

The second workshop will review the progress made by countries in preparing the statistical annex for the national reports and the provided data. It will build on the outcomes of the first workshop and will aim at identifying concrete solutions for the missing indicators either by indicating alternative data sources or by identifying alternative variables that can be used for the suggested indicators. The workshop will bring together experts on ageing-related statistics, national focal points on ageing, and specialists from the national statistical offices of Eastern Europe, Caucasus, Central Asia (EECCA) and Western Balkan countries. This will also allow for better cooperation between different agencies of respective countries in view of preparing national reports on MIPAA implementation.

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<sup>1</sup> The list of the indicators is based on the Active Ageing Index. For detailed information on the Active Ageing Index please visit the wiki page <http://www1.unece.org/stat/platform/display/AAI/Active+Ageing+Index+Home>

## PROCEDURE

The workshop will start in the morning of 23 June and end by the afternoon of 24 June.

Prior to the workshop the participants will be asked:

- to provide filled in, to the extent possible, statistical annex with the data for 22 indicators for three points in time (2005, 2010, 2015 or closest; as per guidelines for preparing the statistical annex for national reports<sup>2</sup>);
- to identify on which indicator(s) specifically they would need a detailed presentation of the methodology of calculation, possible sources and proxies.

At the Workshop three to four countries will to give presentations on the progress made in terms of producing data for the 22 indicators of active ageing since the first workshop. The invited experts will cover the indicators as per countries' request (see above) and present the potential use of specific sources (such as Time us survey, administrative data, and others).

A group exercise session can be organised with the involvement of experts in order to facilitate direct experience exchange among the participants.

English and Russian will be the working languages of the workshop. English-Russian, Russian-English simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

The link for online registration: <https://www2.unece.org/uncdb/app/ext/meeting-registration?id=cVRCXJ>

## PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

### DAY 1, 23 JUNE

- 09:00–09:30 Registration**
- 09:30–09:50 Opening and welcoming addresses**  
*UNECE, UNFPA tbc, National Statistical Office of Belarus*
- 09:50–10:00 Third cycle of review and appraisal of MIPAA/RIS implementation**  
*UNECE*
- 10:00–10:30 Overview of the current status of data availability for the statistical annex to national reports on MIPAA/RIS implementation**  
*UNECE*
- 10:30–11:00 Intervention(s) by experts on methodology, data sources and possible proxies for selected indicators**
- 11:00–11:15 Q&A**  
*11:15–11:30 Coffee-break*
- 11:30–12:30 Presentations by three countries on the progress made in identifying / producing data for active ageing indicators**
- 12:30–13:00 Q&A**  
*13:00–14:30 Lunch*
- 14:30–17:00 Work in groups (including coffee-break)**
- 17:00 Closing of day one**

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<sup>2</sup> See <http://www.unece.org/population/mipaa/reviewandappraisal.html> for details

**DAY 2, 24 JUNE**

- 09:00–09:45** Each group's report on the outcomes of the group work
- 09:45–10:00** Discussion of the group work outcomes
- (10:00–10:20)** If necessary, one more country presentation on the progress made in identifying / producing data for active ageing indicators
- 10:20–10:30** Q&A)
- 10:30–10:45** Active Ageing Index (AAI)  
*UNECE*
- 10:45–10:50** Q&A
- 10:50–11:20** AAI in the Republic of Moldova (tbc)  
*National focal point on ageing or/and representative of the National Statistical Office of the Republic of Moldova*
- 11:20–11:30** Q&A
- 11:30–11:50* Coffee-break
- 11:50–12:20** AAI in Serbia (tbc)  
*National focal point on ageing or/and representative of the National Statistical Office of Serbia*
- 12:20–12:30** Q&A
- 12:30–13:00** Concluding remarks and closing  
*UNECE, UNFPA tbc, National Statistical Office of Belarus*