

Economic Commission for Europe

Working Group on Ageing

Fourth meeting

Geneva, 21 and 22 November 2011

Item 9 of the provisional agenda

Review of subprogramme performance and programme planning

UNECE SUBPROGRAMME 08: HOUSING, LAND MANAGEMENT AND POPULATION

POPULATION COMPONENT

Draft Strategic Framework for the 2014-2015 Biennium

Biennial Evaluation Plan for 2012–2013

Draft programme of work of the Working Group on Ageing for 2012-2013

Draft Biennial Performance Evaluation 2010–2011

Prepared by the secretariat

I. BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF THE DOCUMENTS

(ECE/WG.1/2011/5, ECE/WG.1/2011/RD1, ECE/WG.1/2011/RD2, ECE/WG.1/2011/RD3)

1. The UNECE, as a UN entity, works with a biennial programme and budget cycle. The preparation of the biennial programme starts about three years before the beginning of the biennium by defining a strategic framework which will form the basis for allocating a budget for the activities.
2. The **strategic framework** includes: (a) the objective of the subprogramme; (b) expected accomplishments; (c) indicators of achievement; and (d) strategy.
3. The strategic framework is approved in the first stage by the Sectoral Committee (the Working Group on Ageing for the Population subprogramme) and the Executive Committee of the UNECE.
4. After the approval of the Sectoral Committee and EXCOM, the following steps include the specification of a schedule of outputs and resource requirements approximately two years before the biennium. The strategic framework, outputs and resources are then discussed by the 5th Committee of the UN General Assembly (GA) within one year before the biennium and finally approved by the 5th Committee and the General Assembly.
5. The UNECE **biennial evaluation plans** for the programmes are prepared based on the approved strategic framework but in a less aggregated form indicating main clusters of activities.
6. The **biennial Programme of Work** that specifies a schedule of outputs by the clusters of activities and indicates mandates for the programme is prepared based on a specific template and has to be submitted for adoption of the relevant Sectoral Committee and the EXCOM before the biennium.
7. An assessment of the work accomplished is carried out at the end of each biennium and contains the statement of results for each cluster of activities. The **biennial performance evaluation report**, prepared by the secretariat, is presented for the review by the Sectoral Committee or its Bureau and submitted to the UN Headquarters.
8. **The Working Group is invited to approve the strategic framework for 2014-15 as well as biennial evaluation plan and programme of work for 2012-2013 and after review endorse the statements for the performance evaluation of the Population programme in 2010-2011.**