Regional Strategy for the Implementation in Latin America and the Caribbean of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing (Madrid, 2002)

Report of the secretariat on the regional process MIPAA+5

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Modalities of review and appraisal of MIPAA: TIMELINE

- **2002**: The countries adopt the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing

- **2002**: The United Nations General Assembly welcomes MIPAA and requests the Commission for Social Development to consider modalities for its review and appraisal

- **2003**: In Santiago, Chile, the Latin American countries adopt the Regional Strategy for the implementation in Latin America and the Caribbean of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing

- **2003**: The Economic and Social Council invites Governments, the United Nations and civil society to use a bottom-up approach for the review and appraisal of the Plan
Modalities of review and appraisal of MIPAA: TIMELINE

- **2004**: The countries of the region endorse the Regional Strategy and resolve that the Committee on Population and Development should be responsible for regional follow-up.

- **2004**: The Commission on Social Development decides that the Madrid Plan of Action will be reviewed and appraised every 5 years.

- **2004**: In its resolution 59/150, the General Assembly of the United Nations requests the Secretary-General to present his proposals for conducting the review and appraisal exercise at the regional and global levels.

2006: on 17 February, the Commission on Social Development adopts resolution 44/1 entitled “Modalities for the first review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing”
Resolution 44/1 on “Modalities for the first review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing”

Key points

- Endorses the proposed calendar and content for the first cycle of review and appraisal of the Madrid Plan of Action and decides to start that cycle in 2007 and to conclude it in 2008.

- Endorses the global theme for the first review and appraisal of the implementation of the Madrid Plan of Action: “Addressing the challenges and opportunities of ageing.”

- Invites States to identify progress in the implementation of MIPAA and to present their findings at the forty-fifth session of the Commission on Social Development in February 2007.

- Urges States to identify specific areas for in-depth participatory inquiries using a bottom-up approach so that each country may establish for itself the action or activity it intends to review, utilizing such an approach.

- Requests the regional commissions to identify appropriate modalities for conducting the regional review and appraisal.
Resolution 44/1 on “Modalities for the first review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing”

Key points

- Encourages the convening of regional review and appraisal activities, and invites interested Governments to offer support and assistance for national action in the context of such activities and events during 2006-2007
  - IT IS PROPOSED THAT AN INTER-GOVERNMENTAL REGIONAL CONFERENCE FOR FOLLOW-UP TO THE REGIONAL STRATEGY AND MIPAA SHOULD BE HELD IN 2007

- Requests the Secretary-General to submit to the Commission on Social Development, at its forty-fifth session in 2007, a report on major developments in the area of ageing since the Second World Assembly, which will include short contributions by the regional commissions

- Requests the Secretary-General to submit a report to the Commission at its forty-sixth session in 2008
Review and appraisal
Proposal: participatory approach

Global:

Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing

Regional

Regional Strategy on Ageing

National

Specific interventions for older persons

Bottom-up approach - participatory
Review and appraisal
Proposal: participatory approach

Review stage: WHAT HAVE WE DONE AND HOW?

- Critical analysis of interventions conducted
- A snapshot of what has been done and how, the areas covered and what remains to be done
- Examination of national (and local) progress as regards:
  - Changes/adjustments to the legal framework
  - Changes/adjustments to the institutional framework
  - Type and nature of programmes and actions (areas, coverage, resources, sustainability)
  - Implementation mechanisms
Review and appraisal
Proposal: participatory approach

**Appraisal stage:** WHAT ARE THE RESULTS/IMPACTS OF OUR ACTIONS?

- Examine and identify achievements regarding the status and position of older persons as a result of the interventions

**Adjustment and corrections stage:** WHAT TO CHANGE AND HOW?

- Make use of recommendations and proposals to change laws, policies and programmes, and institutional frameworks
Review and appraisal
Proposal: participatory approach

Participatory appraisal, using a bottom-up approach:

• Applying a working method that actively involves the beneficiaries of policies and programmes and the different stakeholders, with a bottom-up approach

• Calls for the use of techniques of data compilation and qualitative analysis, such as discussion groups, focal groups, interviews, and so on
Review and appraisal

Proposal: participatory approach

Participatory appraisal of one or more identified areas

Implementation:

- Targeted: focuses on one or more specific areas
- Flexible: different modalities can be used; a working document will be available soon
- Situation-specific: appropriate for specific national characteristics; the guidelines are references only, because local conditions have to be taken into account
- Participatory: takes into account the need to fully engage older persons, service providers, older persons’ organizations and other stakeholders in the process of positioning, design, implementation and appraisal
Review and appraisal

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- Results:
  - Empowers: Goes beyond the exercise itself. An opportunity for dialogue among citizens, leading to empowerment
  - Provides feedback: opportunity to improve/correct interventions
  - Strengthens: involves full participation by civil society and its organizations

- Implementation:
  - Requires great openness and transparency on the part of Government agencies to accept criticism, review programmes and policies and place society, especially older persons themselves, at the heart of the decision-making process
  - Calls for capacity to ensure that the approach is strictly applied from the technical viewpoint
First review and appraisal cycle: agenda proposal
2007-2008

- 2006
  - Short national reports (review) as input for the Secretary-General’s report
  - Build national capacities (training)
  - Prepare national appraisal plans (issues to be examined, scheduling of activities, resources needed, results expected)

- 2007
  - Implement national appraisal plan
    - Participatory appraisal
    - Overall evaluation
  - Prepare national reports and present them to the Regional Conference in 2007
  - Draw up reports for the Commission on Social Development in 2008

- 2008
  - Attend Commission on Social Development
  - Implement recommendations arising from the appraisal
First review and appraisal cycle: agenda proposal 2007-2008

Commitments:

- The main responsibility for implementation, follow-up and appraisal of the Regional Strategy belongs to the countries themselves
  - Governments
  - Civil society

- ECLAC will work with the members of the inter-agency group, inter-governmental networks, the Iberoamerican Technical Cooperation Network (RIICOTEC) and civil society organizations

- Pursuant to resolution 44/1, as a regional commission we are committed to providing technical support for the countries in this process, particularly in training, preparation of appraisal plans and related matters
Thank you

THE END