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PREPARATORY MEETING FOR THE FIFTH REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONFERENCE ON AGEING AND THE RIGHTS OF OLDER PERSONS IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

Report of the Technical Secretariat of the Conference on the support and technical assistance provided to countries

Fourth Global Review and Assessment of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing

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The COVID-19 pandemic affected progress on the rights of the older persons in countries of the region.

Therefore, it is necessary to promote cooperation initiatives to provide coordinated responses that place the human rights of older persons at the center of public policy responses.

Challenges in protecting older persons and their rights in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic

A prolonged crisis: with the pandemic the economy deteriorates, unemployment increases, wage income falls, inequalities and gender violence intensify.

The pandemic highlighted the need to universalize health services and social protection and to strengthen the national and international legal framework for the protection of the human rights of older persons.

Forced confinement has caused a gradual deterioration in the physical and mental health of older persons. Added to the accumulation of chronic diseases, leading to the gradual loss of autonomy and functional limitation.

Digital divide. Older persons in conditions of poverty, vulnerability and deprivation barely have the technologies and the knowledge to use them.



Public policies challenges

Analyze socio-demographic impacts on older persons in the short, medium and long term within the framework of the 2030 Agenda, the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development in the LAC region and the Charter of San José on the Rights of Older Persons in LAC.

Exchange information on the main difficulties and challenges faced by governments to alleviate the effects of the health crisis and meet the requirements and needs of older persons.

Share experiences and lessons learned about the initiatives implemented in the countries, particularly those that have shown greater success and effectiveness in alleviating the effects of the pandemic on older persons.

Promote cooperation initiatives between countries to provide coordinated responses to the COVID-19 pandemic.

VFORMES COVID-1

Desafíos para la protección de las personas mayores y sus derechos frente a la pandemia de COVID-19





Regional review and evaluation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing



Proposed timetable for the fourth cycle of review and evaluation of the Madrid Plan of Action on Ageing

2020

Decision on the modalities of the fourth review and evaluation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing at the 58th session

2021

Implementation of national reviews and evaluations

2022

Execution of national examination processes

2023

Presentation of the results of the global review at the 61st session

Preparations for the fourth review and assessment in Latin America and the Caribbean

- Process started in late 2020.
- May to June 2021: proposed Guide for the preparation of country reports on the implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing.
- The Guide includes guiding questions and guidelines for discussion on the analysis of each of the priority areas of the Madrid International Action Plan.
- The Guide recommends the participation of different governmental institutions linked to policies for older persons, as well as representatives of civil society from this population group in the preparation of country reports using a bottom-up participatory approach.

Presentation Meetings of the Guide

- o Government focal points
- 26 August 2021; 17 countries in attendance
- Representatives of regional civil society organizations
- 16 September 2021; 11 Civil Society organizations (CSOs)

Methodology and guiding principles for the preparation of the country report

- Creation of a work team chaired by the institution in charge of policies on older persons.
- Incorporation of government institutions and civil society organizations that develop actions in favor of older persons.
- Establishment of mechanisms for the participation of older persons in the process of preparing national reports.
- Consultations with civil society organizations who work in the field of older persons and which have representation from groups in vulnerable situations.
- Use of both a quantitative and qualitative approach to evaluate the impact of public policy actions and include all those annexes deemed appropriate.
- Technical assistance, at the request of the countries, from the Technical Secretariat of the Regional Intergovernmental Conference on Ageing and the Rights of Older Persons in Latin America and the Caribbean, for the preparation of the reports.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE PREPARATION OF NATIONAL REPORTS, WHICH WILL CONSTITUTE THE BASIS FOR THE REGIONAL REPORT

7 MEETINGS WITH 14 COUNTRIES (with the support of UNFPA and ECLAC sub-regional Headquarters in the Caribbean)

- Central America and Mexico (5): Belize, El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, Panama.
- Caribbean (1): Dominican Republic.
- Andean sub-region (4): Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru.
- Southern Cone (4): Argentina, Chile, Paraguay, Uruguay.



Main challenges for the preparation of national reports





DIRECT MONITORING

For those countries that require support for the integration of the reports.



LINKAGE WITH UNFPA

To support countries that have not been able to deliver progress or complete their reports.



COMMUNICATION

With those countries that have not requested technical assistance or sent progress of the report.



TIMELY SUPPORT

For countries that face important challenges for the integration of their reports.



EXTENSION OF THE DATE OF SUBMISSION OF REPORTS

FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS TO TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE



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