

Working Group on Ageing (WGA)

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WGA:

- Works on improving policymaking in compliance with **MIPAA/RIS** and **2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**
- In 2018-2022, focuses on the priorities outlined in **2017 Lisbon Ministerial Declaration** and **SDGs (1, 3, 4, 5, 8,10,11,16,17)**

Highlights 2018:

Policy seminar “Ageing and the SDGs”

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Connecting MIPAA/RIS
and the 2030 Agenda:
Areas for policy
integration



Highlights 2018:

Policy briefs and capacity-building

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Policy Briefs on Ageing with good practice examples

- ✓ Innovative social services and supportive measures for independent living in advanced age
- ✓ Combatting ageism in the world of work

Roadmap on mainstreaming ageing in support of developing a national strategy on ageing in Belarus

- ✓ First field mission:
11 bilateral meetings
& focus group discussions



Highlights 2018:

Monitoring and strengthening the evidence

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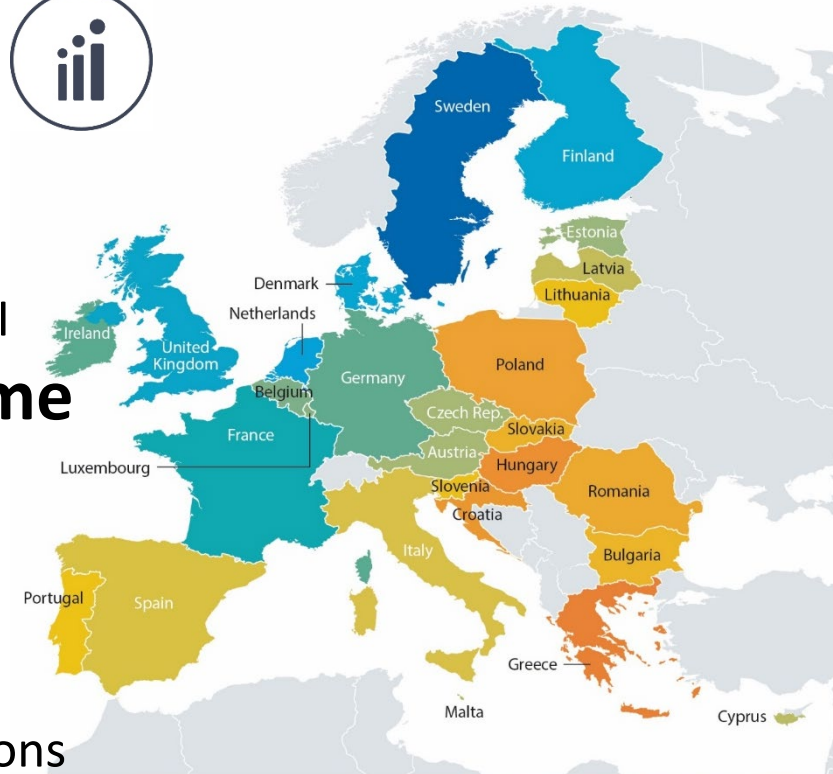


Active Ageing Index

- ✓ Criteria-specific analysis of AAI results in Italy
- ✓ National seminar in Poland & Second International Seminar on the AAI

Generations and Gender Programme

- ✓ Harmonized data from surveys in 20 UNECE countries
- ✓ Joined GGP recently:
Kazakhstan – completed survey in 2018
Republic of Moldova – started preparations



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Activities in 2019

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- Policy seminar on Ageing
- Developing Guidelines on mainstreaming ageing
- Two new policy briefs:
 - Informal carers
 - Ageing in urban environments
- Two Road maps on ageing (Belarus & Kazakhstan)
- Monitoring & evidence building: AAI & GGP
- Maintaining active collaboration with international organizations & other stakeholders involved in ageing issues

**All this to be done with a support of a small ECE PU team –
1 chief of unit, 1 junior officer and 1 programme assistant**

Follow-up on para 38 of Lisbon Ministerial Declaration

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Transforming WGA into a standing intergovernmental body

- Informal consultations with EXCOM members:
22 June & 5 November 2018
- Following the discussion at its annual meeting on 19-20 November 2018, **WGA proposes to:**
 - Rename the WGA to a Standing Working Group on Ageing
 - Revise the Terms of Reference

Issues for EXCOM decision

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EXCOM is invited to

- to endorse the revised terms of reference of the Working Group on Ageing including the change of its name to “Standing Working Group on Ageing”, as contained in the Annex to the document ECE/EX/2019/L.1, and transmit them to the Economic Commission for Europe for consideration at its sixty-eighth session.



Thank you!

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