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Proposed strategic framework for the period 2014-2015: Subprogramme 5, Population, of programme 7, Economic and social affairs

Note by the Secretary-General

The present note by the Secretary-General contains the biennial programme plan of the proposed draft strategic framework for the period 2014-2015 for subprogramme 5, Population, of Programme 7, Economic and Social Affairs. The Commission is invited to review the proposed strategic framework and provide its comments on it. The proposed biennial programme plan, modified as appropriate, will be submitted to the Committee for Programme and Coordination at its fifty-second session. Its recommendations thereon will be transmitted to the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session when it will consider the proposed strategic framework for the biennium 2014-2015.

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Subprogramme 6

Population

Objective of the Organization: To strengthen the international community's capacity to effectively address current and emerging population issues and to integrate the population dimensions into the international development agenda.

Expected accomplishments of the Secretariat

Indicators of achievement

(a) Enhanced awareness of the international community of new and emerging population issues and increased knowledge and understanding of the interactions between population and development, including the gender dimensions of demographic phenomena, especially in regard to fertility, mortality, migration, HIV/AIDS, urbanization, population growth, population ageing and the environment

(a) Increased interaction of the subprogramme with other key stakeholders in the area of population

(b) Effectively facilitate review by Member States of progress made in the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development, as well as relevant instruments of the United Nations development agenda, particularly the Millennium Summit and its follow-up

(b) (i) All documents produced by the Subprogramme for the Commission on Population and Development are made available to Member States on time
(ii) Degree of satisfaction among Member States regarding the information and data provided by the Subprogramme to the inter-governmental bodies

(c) Improved accessibility and timeliness of population information and data, including sex-disaggregated data, for use by Member States, the United Nations system, civil society and academia

(c) Increased number of subscribers to the Population Division e-mail alerts service

Strategy

7.13 The Population Division is responsible for the subprogramme. The objectives will be achieved by:

(a) Providing substantive support to United Nations bodies, especially to the Commission on Population and Development, and assessing progress made in the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the achievement of the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals; during this biennium, facilitating the successful outcome of the events called for in General Assembly resolution 65/234 to assess the status of implementation of the Programme of Action and to renew political support for actions required for the full achievement of its goals and objectives in light of the twentieth anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development;

(b) Facilitating the discussion of key or emerging population issues by experts or government representatives;

(c) Preparing comprehensive and sex-disaggregated studies on population issues and population trends relating to fertility, mortality, international and internal migration, HIV/AIDS, urbanization, population growth, population ageing, population prospects, population policy and population in relation to development;

(d) Disseminating population information and policy-relevant findings in the area of population, in particular through the Population Division websites;

(e) Supporting capacity development to address population issues through workshops or the dissemination of technical material, such as manuals and software, in collaboration with other sub-programmes and entities in related areas, so as to create synergies.