

**Commission for Social Development**

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Programme questions and other matters: proposed programme of work for the biennium 2006-2007

**Draft programme of work for the biennium 2006-2007 for the  
Division for Social Policy and Development,  
Department of Economic and Social Affairs**

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Subprogramme 3, Social Policy and Development of Programme 7, Economic and Social Affairs, of the Biennial Programme Plan for the period 2006-2007 falls under the responsibility of the Division for Social Policy and Development.
2. The Biennial Programme Plan of this subprogramme for the period 2006-2007 containing the strategy, objective, expected accomplishment and indicators of achievement was adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 59/275 of 23 December 2004 and forms the basis for the preparation of the programme of work of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007. The Plan as adopted by the General Assembly contains recommendations of the CPC taken subsequent to submission of the Plan to the Commission at its 42nd session in document E/CN.5/2004/7.
3. The draft programme of work of this subprogramme attached hereto has been formulated taking into account global mandates contained in the Millennium Declaration and the outcome of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly, entitled "World Summit for Social Development and Beyond: achieving social development for all in a globalizing world", in which it reaffirmed the Copenhagen Declaration and Programme of Action and made a strong commitment to accelerate social development. Other relevant mandates, specific to the social groups, include the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing; the Standard Rules on the Equalization of Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities; and, the World Programme of Action for Youth to the Year 2000 and Beyond. The work programme under this subprogramme also includes outputs related to the servicing of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues and the Ad Hoc Committee on Convention on Rights of Persons with Disability, pending decisions yet to be taken by the sixtieth session of the General Assembly.
4. The subprogramme will continue to provide effective coordinated support, through policy analysis, the monitoring of trends and emerging issues, and advisory services in implementing further actions and initiatives identified within its mandates. The draft programme of work of subprogramme 3 relating to the outputs as well as the external factors that would affect its implementation are reflected in the annex.
5. The draft programme of work before the Commission for its information will be incorporated in the Secretary-General's proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 to be approved by the General Assembly at its sixtieth session.

## ANNEX

Further to the biennium programme plan adopted by the General Assembly in its resolution 59/275, the following would be included in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007

### *Outputs*

During the biennium 2006-2007, the following outputs will be delivered:

#### *(a) Servicing of intergovernmental and expert bodies*

##### **(i) General Assembly:**

- a. Substantive servicing of meetings of the Plenary, Second and Third Committees (20 meetings);
- b. Parliamentary documentation: Reports on: world social situation (1); implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly (2); eradication of poverty (1); youth employment (1); final report on International Year of Microcredit 2005 (1); cooperatives (1); follow-up of the Second World Assembly on Ageing (1); the programme on the Family (1); policies and programmes involving youth: further implementation of the World Programme of Action for Youth (World Youth Report 2007) (1); fifth Review and Appraisal of the implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons (2007); monitoring of the implementation of the Convention on the rights of persons with disabilities (1); International Decade of the World's Indigenous People (2).

##### **(ii) Economic and Social Council:**

- a. Substantive servicing of meetings (12)

##### **(iii) Commission for Social Development:**

- a. Substantive servicing: meetings of the Commission (32); inter-sessional meetings of the Bureau (8)
- b. Parliamentary documentation: Reports on: Priority theme 2006: "Review of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty" and priority theme for 2007 (2); reports of the Special Rapporteur on Disability of the Commission for Social Development (2); Interim report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons (1); Reports on review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing (2)

**(iv) Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues:**

- a. Substantive servicing of meetings: fourth and fifth sessions (40)
- b. Parliamentary documentation: comprehensive reports on the follow-up to the fourth and fifth sessions of the UNPFII (2); reports on the follow up to the Forum's recommendations and other related work by individual UN and other intergovernmental entities (70)

**(v) Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities:**

- a. Substantive servicing: meetings of the Ad Hoc Committee (120); intersessional meetings of the Bureau (12)
- b. Parliamentary documentation: Reports on the Ad-Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities (4)

**(vi) Ad hoc expert groups on:** priority themes of the Commission for Social Development for 2007 and 2008 (2); policies and programmes to promote intergenerational cohesion and counteract the intergenerational transmission of poverty (1); employment policies (1); guidelines for the initial implementation of the convention on the rights of persons with disabilities (1); integrated approaches to human rights and the development for the advancement of persons with disabilities (1); social inclusion and peace-building (1); approaches to review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing (1); regional egm HIV/AIDS and family well-being in Asia/Pacific (1); development of methodologies for inclusive planning and greater participation of social groups in decision making (1); implementation of Millennium Development Goals related to indigenous issues (2); panel discussions during the 44<sup>th</sup> and 45<sup>th</sup> sessions of the Commission for Social Development on the priority themes and on issues related to social integration (4)

**(b) Other substantive outputs (RB/XB)**

- (i) Recurrent publications:** *Report on the World Social Situation* (1)
- (ii) Non-recurrent publications:** Bulletin on the Eradication of Poverty (online) (1); Guidelines for initial implementation of the convention on the rights of persons with disabilities (1); social inclusion and peace-building (1); World Youth Report 2007 (expanded version) (1); Policies and programmes to promote intergenerational cohesion (1); collection of good practices of the UN system working with indigenous women (1); collection of material from the 2004 international workshop on data collection and disaggregation for indigenous peoples (1);

- (iii) **Technical material:** periodic updates of web pages; compilation of international norms and standards related to disability; newsletters on the work of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues; toolkit and resource guide for UN system officials working with indigenous communities (1); Accessible versions of the Reports of the Ad-Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities including compilation of revisions and amendments proposed at the Ad Hoc Committee sessions (online) (4); database of global research projects on ageing (1);
- (iv) **Special events:** provision of substantive support for the observances of international days of: families (15 May), cooperatives (1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of July), indigenous persons (9 August), youth (12 August), older persons (1 October), eradication of poverty (17 October), disabled persons (3 December); organization of cultural events in connection with the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues annual sessions (2); organization of special lectures on indigenous issues (8); multistakeholder events to promote awareness of indigenous issues in Government, the United Nations system and civil society (4)

(c) ***Technical cooperation (RB/XB)***

**Advisory services:** in the follow up to the World Summit on Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly; reinforcing social integration of persons with disabilities, to the follow-up to the Madrid International Plan of Action; on initiatives related to the World Programme of Action for Youth to the Year 2000 and Beyond, and on the promotion of the role of families; upon the request of Governments of developing countries and countries with economies in transition, provision of advisory services, organization of training workshops and seminars and elaboration of field projects aimed at capacity building.