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Implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing in the ECE Region

First Five Years

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*Review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on
Ageing: regional perspective*

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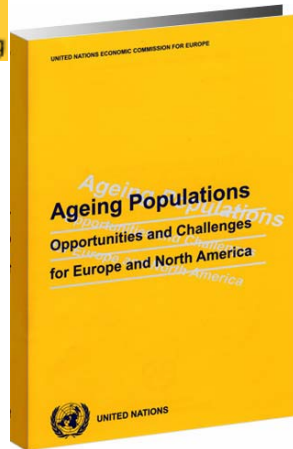
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The ECE Regional Implementation Strategy (RIS) for MIPAA

2002: Madrid, Berlin



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Implementation



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MIPAA/RIS: Monitoring

- Partnership with the European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research:

Project “Mainstreaming Ageing: Indicators to Monitor Implementation (MA:IMI)”:

- Development of indicators
- Data collection
- Website www.monitoringris.org
- Expert Task Force for Monitoring RIS
- Supported by Austria



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MIPAA/RIS: Exchange of Experience

- Network of national focal points
- Questionnaires on MIPAA/RIS implementation in 2004 and 2006
- Meeting of focal points 2006, hosted and supported by Spain
- Capacity development workshop in Moldova (focal points on ageing from Eastern Europe, Caucasus, Central Asia), support by UNFPA



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MIPAA/RIS: Review and Appraisal

2002: Madrid, Berlin



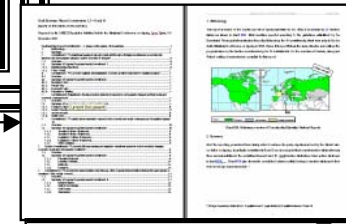
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2007: León



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Reports*



ECE Summary



Ministerial Conference



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Ministerial Conference in León, Spain

- 6-8 Nov. 2007: Review and appraisal of the Madrid plan
- Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration “A Society for all ages: challenges and opportunities”
- 9 panel discussions (3 at the ministerial level)
- Linked events:
 - NGO Forum
 - Research Forum
 - Side events:
 - European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research
 - UNFPA
 - HelpAge International



MIPAA/RIS: Commitments

- 35 country reports on progress in 10 commitments according to guidelines

① Mainstreaming

② Participation

③ Economic Growth

④ Social Protection Systems

⑤ Labour Markets

⑥ Life-Long Learning

⑦ Quality of Life, Health and Well-Being

⑧ Gender

⑨ Intergenerational Solidarity

⑩ Regional Cooperation



MIPAA/RIS: Priorities

- Priorities of 10 commitments according to country reports

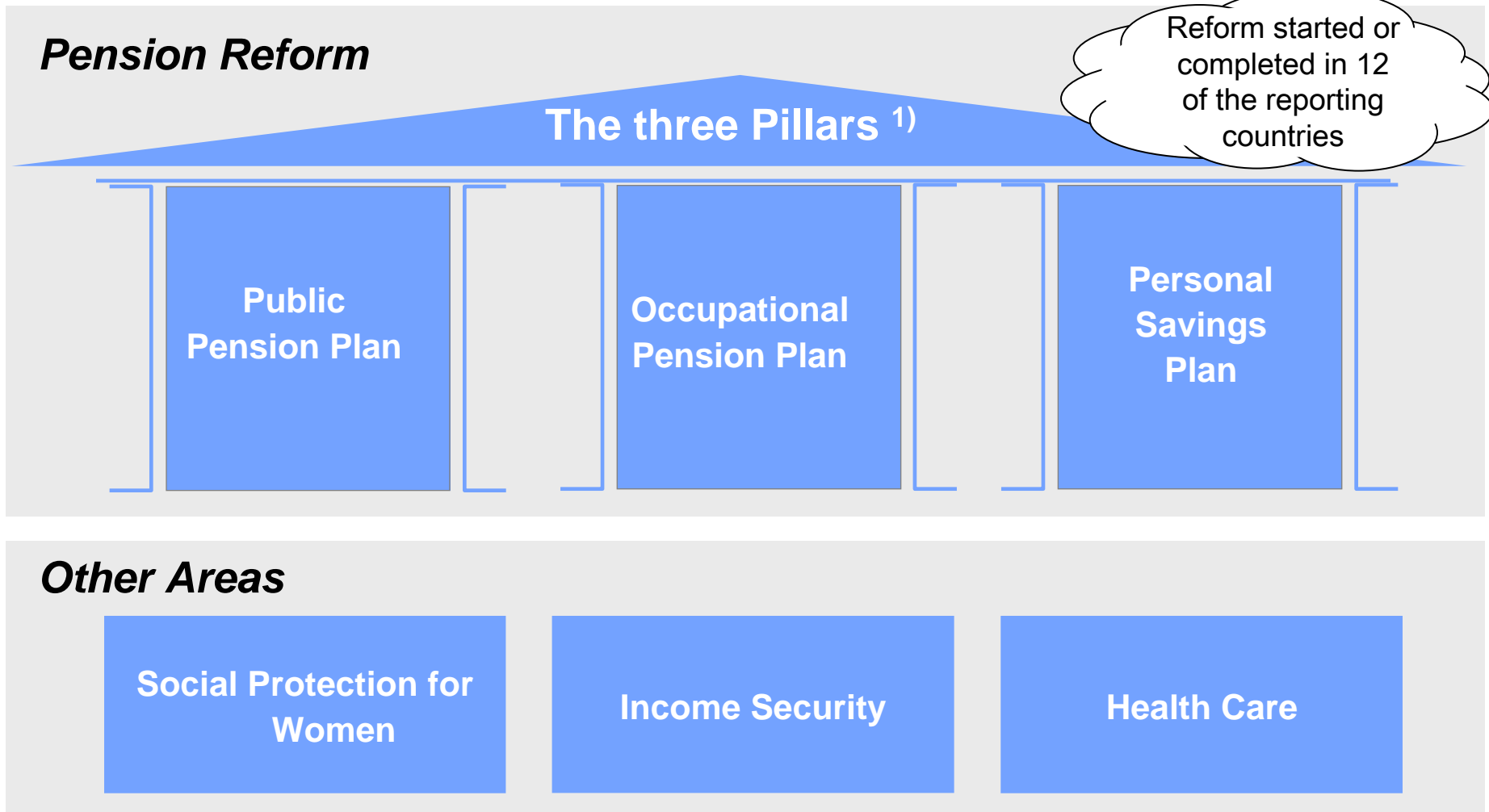
countries

① Mainstreaming	
② Participation	5
③ Economic Growth	
④ Social Protection Systems	16
⑤ Labour Markets	8
⑥ Life-Long Learning	2
⑦ Quality of Life, Health and Well-Being	12
⑧ Gender	1
⑨ Intergenerational Solidarity	
⑩ Regional Cooperation	



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Commitment 4: Adjust Social Protection Systems



1) According to World Bank Report "Averting the old age crisis", Washington DC 1994.



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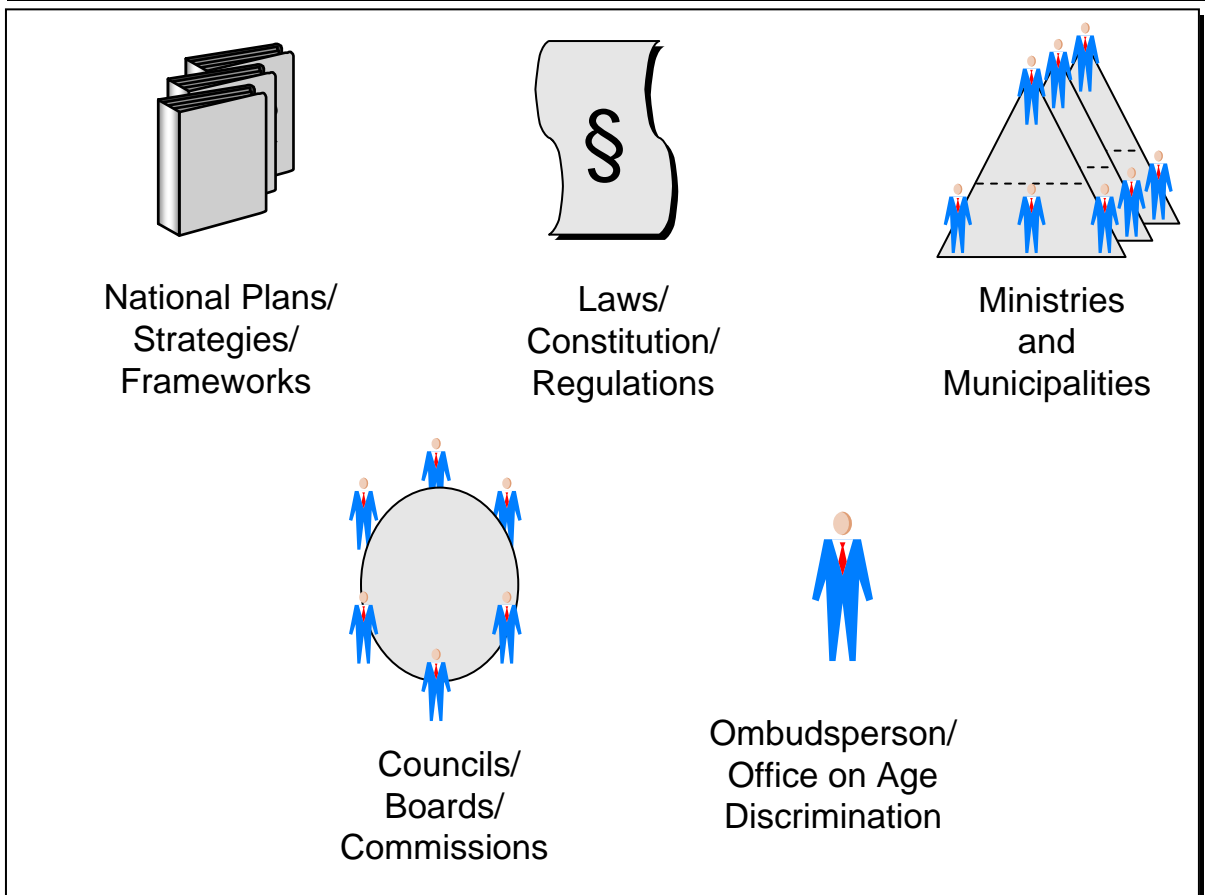
Commitment 1: Mainstreaming Ageing

23 countries have action plan on ageing, 10 are drafting or have a comprehensive set of documents

Policy Fields

- ▶ Economics
- ▶ Labour
- ▶ Budgets
- ▶ Health care
- ▶ Education
- ▶ Housing
- ▶ Social affairs
- ▶ Culture
- ▶ Family
- ▶ Environment
- ▶ Transport
- ▶ Security

Policy Toolkit





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Commitment 2: Participation

- 20 countries report on significant activity towards integrating older persons
- 4 countries identify it as a specific priority area
- Important role of civil society and NGOs.
- Government financial support to the non-governmental infrastructure.
- Only few reports about using the participatory approach as the method of review and appraisal (as it was suggested in 2002).
- However, NGOs or representatives of older persons involved in collecting their information for the national report.



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Main Points from Country Reports

- Progress reported in all commitment areas
- Priorities and actions are concentrated in the area of adjusting social protection systems, including the health care system, and labour markets.
- Financial sustainability emphasised as aim
- Great majority of reporting countries have comprehensive national programme documents related to ageing or are drafting them
- Collaboration with civil society and NGOs emphasised and participatory approach promoted, but not specifically for the purpose of review and appraisal
- Increasing international cooperation in the framework of the UNECE in implementing the Regional Strategy



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The León Declaration (1)

- Renewed commitment to the Madrid and Berlin agenda
- Reinforce a holistic approach:

“A Society for All Ages: Challenges and opportunities”



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The León Declaration (2)

- Going beyond fiscally motivated adjustments
- Life course approach: active ageing, lifelong learning, intergenerational solidarity, room for individual choice
- Specific needs of older persons to be met not at the expense of other age groups
- Adjustments to social protection systems, the labour market and health care at the core
- Need to strengthen international collaboration: ECE entrusted with coordinating exchange of experience and good practice, and monitoring

Thank you for your attention.