ECOSOC Resolution 2003/14

Modalities for the review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling that the goals and targets in the economic, social and related fields contained in the United Nations Millennium Declaration and the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits, supplemented by the outcomes of their reviews, constitute a comprehensive basis for actions at the national, regional and international levels,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 57/167 of 18 December 2002 and all previous Assembly resolutions on ageing and the International Year of Older Persons,

Recalling further the resolutions adopted by the Commission for Social Development on ageing and on the preparation of the Second World Assembly on Ageing,

Bearing in mind that, in its resolution 57/167, the General Assembly invited the Commission to consider the modalities for reviews and appraisals of the follow-up to the Second World Assembly on Ageing,

Bearing in mind also that the Commission is responsible for follow-up to and appraisal of the implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002, and that it should consider integrating into its work the different dimensions of population ageing as contained in the Plan of Action,

Bearing in mind further the work of the open-ended ad hoc working group of the General Assembly on the integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields, created under Assembly resolution 57/270 of 20 December 2002,

1. Invites all actors at all levels, as appropriate, to participate in the implementation of and follow-up to the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002;

2. Invites the organizations of the United Nations system to consider mainstreaming ageing issues into their work plans;

3. Invites Members States and other stakeholders to mainstream ageing in the design and implementation of their policies and programmes;

4. Invites Governments as well as the United Nations system and civil society to participate in a “bottom-up” approach to the review

1 See General Assembly resolution 55/2.
3 Report of the Second World Assembly on Ageing, Madrid, 8-12 April 2002 (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.02.IV.4), chap. 1, resolution 1, annex II.
and appraisal of the Plan of Action, through, inter alia, sharing of ideas, data collection and best practices;

5. Requests the Secretary-General to include in his report to the General Assembly at its fifty-eighth session information on the implementation of the present resolution.

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