Titchfield City Group on Ageing and Age-disaggregated Data

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Outline

1. Context for the work of the Titchfield City Group on Ageing and Age-disaggregated Data
   - Global ageing
   - Sustainable Development Goals
   - Data needs and issues

2. Formation of the Titchfield City Group
   - Journey to the Titchfield City Group on Ageing
   - Purpose of the group
   - Who’s involved

3. Work Plan of the Titchfield City Group
   - The SIX Work Strands, timelines and main deliverables
Active Ageing Index

North America & Oceania
- 2017: Number 60+ 85.3m
  - 21.2% of regional population
- 2050: Number 60+ 136.1m
  - 27.7% of regional population

Latin America & the Caribbean
- 2017: Number 60+ 76.0m
  - 11.8% of regional population
- 2050: Number 60+ 198.2m
  - 25.4% of regional population

Europe
- 2017: Number 60+ 68.7m
  - 5.5% of regional population
- 2050: Number 60+ 225.8m
  - 8.9% of regional population

Asia
- 2017: Number 60+ 183.0m
  - 8.9% of regional population
- 2050: Number 60+ 549.2m
  - 24.2% of regional population

Africa
- 2017: Number 60+ 247.2m
  - 24.7% of regional population
- 2050: Number 60+ 1273.2m
  - 34.5% of regional population

Source: World Population Prospects: The 2017 Revision
UN Policy frameworks over the years have been putting emphasis on data and evidence on ageing.
Data issues for older ages

Collection  Analysis  Reporting and Use

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Population ageing and Sustainable Development Goals
Improving the data - The story so far ...

1. **Pre 2015**
   - Demand for evidence-based data and statistics on older persons has been called for since the adoption of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing in 2002. Various initiatives, including the UNICEF Task Force on Ageing-related Statistics, continued to document and call attention to these gaps over the subsequent years.

2. **2015**
   - 15 – 18 January 2017
     - The informal core group held a meeting in Cape Town to discuss the scope of the group’s work and decide on the important elements of the report and proposal that the UK would present to the Statistical Commission in March 2018.

3. **2016**
   - Recognising the significant issues, DFID launched an Open Policy Making Initiative on age disaggregation across the life course. This culminated in a conference with CSO partners, representatives of UN agencies and USAID where the idea of a UN City Group was first proposed. DFID & CSO participants continued to work together to consider how to drive forward this important agenda – which led to DFID’s development of its Data Disaggregation Action Plan with a commitment to work towards a city group and age and ageing data.

4. **2017**
   - Throughout remainder of 2016, DFID and HelpAge explored the City Group option and worked to build support for the idea of a UN City Group with a wider group of agencies. Several partners came on board, including UNDP, UNICEF, UN Women and WHO.

5. **2018**
   - As the first formal meeting takes place in Chichester June 2018, the core group met to discuss and agree the work plan and ways of working.

6. **2018**
   - The City Group is agreed at the 59th Session of the United Nations Statistical Commission.

7. **22 – 24 August 2017**
   - The informal core group held a meeting in Cape Town to discuss the scope of the group’s work and decide on the important elements of the report and proposal that the UK would present to the Statistical Commission in March 2018.

8. **6 – 9 March 2018**
   - ONS presents the report on age-related statistics and age-disaggregated data to the Commission, including a proposal to establish the Titchfield Group. The proposal was accepted by the Commission with strong support and no opposition.

9. **Summer 2017**
   - Throughout 2017 the core group grew and began meeting regularly to prepare for the 49th session of the United Nations Statistical Commission and planning a seminar in Winchester.

10. **June 2018**
    - The first formal meeting takes place to discuss and agree the work plan and ways of working.

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The Titchfield City Group

NSOs (over 40 – all world regions)
International Civil society organisations, such as HelpAge International
UK’s DFID and Academia

UN agencies, funds and programmes:
UN Women, UN Dept of Economic and Social Affairs, UN Population Fund, UN Habitat, UN Development Programme, World Health Organisation
Objective of the Titchfield City Group on Ageing and Age-disaggregated Data

The overall objective of the Titchfield Group is to develop standardized tools and methods for producing both data disaggregated by age and ageing-related data, and encourage countries to do so, by playing a leading role in the dissemination of good practices across the world and facilitating collaborations between National Statistical Institutes.

(Drawn from the Report to the UNSC 49th session)
TCGA work programme

1. Conceptual and analytical framework
2. Assessment of current evidence and identifying gaps
3. Alignment to SDGs and other relevant work
4. Horizon scanning / future needs of data users
5. Standardisation and Harmonisation Guidelines
6. Platform for sharing data and information
Conceptual and analytical framework

What are the key constructs that need to be measured?

‘Think pieces’ on key concepts

What is used already and what may be required in the future?

Analytical framework

Life course approach important

Case studies from NSOs/countries, including relevance to government policies

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Assessment of current evidence

Scoping document – what indicators should we look for?

Stocktake of data sources

Identification of starting point for countries – perhaps a country position paper

List of country representatives to check our assessment is right

What are the main data and evidence gaps?

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Alignment to SDGs and other relevant work

- List of priority SDG indicators for ageing and age disaggregation including flexibility for country specific requirements
- Assessment of possible missing dimensions for ageing and age-disaggregated data in the SDGs
- Identification of groups and other international work to be aligned with

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Horizon scanning / future needs of data users

Report on suitability of sources for the future

To what extent are we prepared for humanitarian disaster – are new data sources needed?

What could the future look like and how might data needs change?

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Standardisation and Harmonisation

Assessment of current standardisation/harmonisation in data/sources

Report/guidance on standard approaches (to enable global comparisons)

Develop library of tools for data collection and analysis to facilitate standardisation and harmonisation

Draw on lessons from existing harmonised measures guidelines

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Platform for sharing data and information

- Assessment of legal and ethical barriers for sharing data
- Assessment of suitable platforms (e.g. Data Shield and SDMX)
- Adoption of a data sharing platform
- Repository of information

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Timeframe for main deliverables (2018 - 2023)

By May 2019

• First draft of conceptual framework to reflect work on
  - case studies from NSOs/countries;
  - key concepts (via think pieces)

  • Scoping document for assessment of evidence

By end 2019

Finalisation of conceptual framework (end of 2019)
Timeframe for main deliverables (2018 - 2023)

By Oct 2020
- Analytical framework
- Assessment of evidence document
- Gaps in evidence paper

By Oct 2023
- Present assessment of evidence to UNSC (Oct 2022)
- Standardisation and harmonisation guidelines (Oct 2022)
- Report on suitability of sources for the future and recommendations to address shortfalls (Oct 2022)
- Report on data relevant to current government policies – demonstrating a life course approach (October 2022)
Please get involved

- Opportunities to contribute to the workstrands
- 2nd technical meeting will take place in S. Korea on 11-12th June 2019

Find out more

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- #TCGageing