



Open Call for Expressions of Interest for the Stakeholder Advisory Group

related to the Asia-Pacific Review and Appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing

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Overview

As part of ongoing commitment for the successful implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing (MIPAA) in Asia and the Pacific, ESCAP seeks to engage with non-government stakeholders at the regional, national and local levels from Asia and the Pacific, with an aim to continue to build, strengthen, and nurture partnerships with a growing and increasingly diverse network of non-governmental stakeholders on ageing.

To this end, ESCAP invites applications for members of a Stakeholder Advisory Group (SAG) to support ESCAP engagement with non-government stakeholders following a bottom-up and participatory approach related to the regular reviews and appraisals of MIPAA in Asia and the Pacific.¹ This approach aligns with the principles of transparency, inclusivity, diversity, and meaningful participation of stakeholders and as a means of bringing older persons' voices into the process of development, implementation and review and appraisal of MIPAA-related policies and programmes.²

The Advisory Group will be composed of approximately 10 to 12 members (including chair/co-chairs (tbc)), representing different groups of stakeholder organizations (not individuals). This mechanism will represent a platform where stakeholders have an equal opportunity to contribute, collaborate, and co-create solutions, thereby enriching the regional discourse on population ageing.

Criteria for membership of the Stakeholder Advisory Group

Potential applications should:

- be part of an organization which is based in and/or engages in ageing and related work in Asia and the Pacific, including in its subregions³ (as such, applications of individuals will not be accepted).
- be nominated by the organization they belong to. Previous work in this area with the United Nations either at regional, subregional, country, or global levels will be an asset, but not a condition.
- represent at least one of the following stakeholder categories:

¹ For participation in ESCAP intergovernmental meetings of the Asia-Pacific Review and Appraisal of MIPAA, UN rules and procedures of organizing such meetings will be observed.

² See Department of Economic and Social Affairs (2006). [Guidelines for review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing. Bottom-up participatory approach.](#)

³ For ESCAP members and associate members, please see: [ESCAP Members and Associate Members | ESCAP](#)

Civil Society

Private Sector

Academia

Older Persons Association

Media

Other (TBD)

- act as a bridge between ESCAP and the broader group of Asia-Pacific non-government stakeholders.
- designate a second representative of the same organization who is well informed and able to fill in for meetings and work outcomes when needed.
- have the capacity and time to provide substantive expertise, leadership, technical support and advocacy to substantively inform and influence the process.

Applications from organizations advocating for the rights of women and youth are welcome, so long as previous conditions of work on ageing are met. (i.e. intergenerational work, work with older women etc.)

The working language of the Advisory Group will be English, and meetings will generally be held online, with no requirement for travel. The Tsao Foundation of Singapore, given its work on issues related to older persons and population ageing and its focus on Asia and the Pacific, will serve as the chair/co-chair (tbc) of the Advisory Group.

The main functions of the Advisory Group will be to:

1. Act as a consultative body on stakeholder engagement and advise on the participation of stakeholders leading up to, during and following the Asia-Pacific Review and Appraisal of MIPAA, and other related activities.
2. Amplify communication between ESCAP and stakeholders, to ensure that relevant information is shared in a proactive, inclusive, effective and timely manner.

Application process

To apply, please send an *Expression of Interest* outlining the following (up to 200 words per segment):

- Organizational profile
- Organization mandate and areas of work
- Partnerships / collaboration
- Available UN accreditation and/or engagement with UN processes (if available)
- Level where the organization works (national, subregional, regional),
- Letter of a partner organization as a recommendation
- Applicant and alternate profile and contact information (refer to annex on page 3)

We appreciate receiving your application with the subject line “**Expression of Interest –Asia-Pacific Review and Appraisal of MIPAA SAG**” sent to ESCAP escap-sdd@un.org by 5:00 PM (GMT+7) on **Monday, 8 May 2026**.

Late submissions will not be considered.

The review of applications will commence immediately following the application deadline. ESCAP, with support from the Tsao Foundation aims to complete the initial screening process and communicate the result by **the end of May 2026**.

Annex: Template for Applicant Profile and Contact Information (Main and Alternate)

First name:	
Last name:	
Occupation / Title:	
Email address:	
Contact information:	
Organization name:	
Organization type: (OPA, CSO, Academia, Private Sector, Media, Other)	
Substantive area of work: (Up to 200 Words)	
Organization country of incorporation:	
Organization work coverage: (national, subregional, regional)	