



INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGEING
United Nations – Malta (INIA)
in collaboration with
United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)

International Training Programme in
POLICY FORMULATION, PLANNING,
IMPLEMENTATION and MONITORING of the
Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing

20 – 30 November 2017, Malta

BACKGROUND

The dramatic and unprecedented increase in the number and proportion of older persons in the world is leading to various political, economic and social consequences and challenges. Since by the year 2025 some 72 per cent of the World's older persons will be living in low-income countries and countries in-transition, this demographic phenomenon will pose a particular challenge to all continents. Although a number of countries and regions have initiated various concrete measures aimed at meeting the needs of older persons, there exists an acute shortage of ageing welfare policies that are both innovative and evidence-based. In 2007, the United Nations began its five-year review of progress towards the achievement of the *Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing*, with a second review and appraisal process finalised in 2012. Since a third global review of the Plan of Action is currently underway, this training programme is highly suited to personnel in the field of ageing who are interested in measuring the implementation of the Plan of Action in their own respective countries.

OBJECTIVES

This multi-disciplinary Training Programme in Social Policy is aimed at discussing the implications of population ageing, underscore the importance of including ageing issues in a country's development planning and discuss options for policy formulation and programme / services' implementation. It also aims at providing a broad and up-to-date understanding of the complex and far-reaching consequences of longevity. Participants are aided to evolve and implement appropriate policies, that ensure the quality of life and wellbeing of older persons in their own country.

AREAS OF CONCENTRATION

The programme consists of lectures, seminars, site visits and workshops. Topics dealt with include: understanding the commitments of the *Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing* as well as the *Regional Implementation Strategies*; exploring ways of facilitating the participation of all stakeholders namely: governments, civil society, the family, the community and the older persons themselves; collecting and disseminating the best knowledge and evidence based practices available regarding adequate policy responses to population ageing and monitoring progress towards the achievement of the Priority Directions and Recommendations of the *Madrid Plan of Action*.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND THIS COURSE

Applications are invited from **policy-makers and decision-makers** in the field of Ageing in low-income countries and countries- in-transition. They should be directly engaged in policy and decision-making for older persons in the statutory, voluntary or private sectors in their own country.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Interested persons and organisations may apply by submitting an on-line application form by following:

www.inia.org.mt/application-form

Together with the application form the following documents are to be sent to christian.vella@inia.org.mt

1. Proof of proficiency in English.
2. A letter of recommendation from the Director of your Organisation.
3. A personal letter (giving reasons for attending the course).
4. Copies of relevant certificates.

Closing date for applications is 31 August, 2017.

Course Fee: US\$2,680 (includes tuition, half board accommodation but excludes travel).

INIA might have available a limited number of partial scholarships. However, since this is not guaranteed, it is in the interest of prospective candidates to secure alternative funding.