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Mapping of inter-agency coordination mechanisms related to demographic change within the UN system

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The terms of reference of the timebound HLCP Task Team on Demographic Change emphasized that the group's work to strengthen system-wide understanding, coherence and coordination in addressing demographic change and its implications for sustainable development would seek to leverage existing United Nations inter-agency coordination mechanisms, networks and working groups in order to benefit from their work and insights.

Accordingly, the Task Team carried out a rapid review of relevant United Nations inter-agency initiatives in key thematic areas related to demographic change–including, for example, population data and statistics, ageing, health and longevity, fertility and family planning, gender equality, and migration. Mechanisms addressing intersections between such topics were also included, as appropriate.

The mapping exercise focused on coordination mechanisms that were primarily inter-agency in nature, global in scope, and closely related to demographic change. With inputs from Task Team members, the mapping also captured additional regional and multistakeholder coordination efforts.

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Name	Lead agency/agencies	Website
I. Inter-agency coordination mechanisms at global level		
Age groups: ageing/older persons, children, youth, working-age populations		
United Nations Inter-Agency Group on Ageing (IAGA)	DESA/DISD	https://desapublications.un.org/ageing/united-nations-inter-agency-group-ageing-iaga-strengthening-inclusion-older-persons-work
UN Inter-agency Network on Youth Development (IANYD)	DESA/DISD	https://social.desa.un.org/issues/youth/un-inter-agency-network-on-youth-development
Reproductive, maternal and child health		
UNDP/UNFPA/UNICEF/WHO/World Bank Special Programme of Research, Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction	UNDP/UNFPA/UNICEF/WHO/World Bank	https://www.who.int/teams/sexual-and-reproductive-health-and-research-(srh)/human-reproduction-programme
UN Inter-agency Group for Child Mortality Estimation (UN IGME)	UNICEF	https://childmortality.org/
United Nations Maternal Mortality Estimation Inter-agency Group (MMEIG)	WHO	
International migration		
UN Network on Migration	Network Secretariat (IOM)	https://migrationnetwork.un.org/
Population data and statistics		
Committee of the Chief Statisticians of the United Nations System (CCS-UNS)	DESA/SD	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/unsystem/
Gender equality		
Inter-Agency Network on Women and Gender Equality (IANWGE)	UN Women	https://www.un.org/womenwatch/osagi/oIANWGE.html
Human rights		
UN Interagency Network on Human Rights, LNOB and Sustainable Development	OHCHR/UNEP (rotating Co-Chair)	https://www.ohchr.org/en/un-interagency-network-hr-lnob-sd

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II. Other coordination mechanisms		
Mechanisms with broader membership, – e.g. including Member States or other stakeholders, at global level		
UN Decade of Healthy Ageing	WHO and DESA	https://www.decadeofhealthyageing.org/
Global Forum on Remittances, Investment and Development (GFRID)	IFAD	https://gfrid.org/
Task Force on Displacement (TFD)	UNFCCC	https://unfccc.int/process/bodies/constituted-bodies/WIMExCom/TFD
United Nations Expert Group on Migration Statistics	DESA	https://unstats.un.org/unsd/demographic-social/migration-expert-group/meetings/
International Data Alliance for Children on the Move (IDAC)	UNICEF	https://data.unicef.org/resources/international-data-alliance-for-children-on-the-move/
Expert Group on Refugee, Internally Displaced Persons, and Statelessness Statistics (EGRISS)	United Nations Refugee Agency (UNHCR)	https://egrisstats.org/
International Forum on Migration Statistics (IFMS)	OECD/DESA/IOM	https://www.oecd-events.org/ifms2025
Interagency Support Group on Indigenous Issues (IASG)	DESA	https://social.desa.un.org/issues/indigenous-peoples/inter-agency-support-group-iasg
Inter-agency or broader mechanisms at regional level		
Regional UN networks on migration	Regional Commissions (ECLAC, ESCAP) and IOM	https://migrationnetwork.un.org/latin-america-and-caribbean https://migrationnetwork.un.org/asia-and-pacific
Asia-Pacific Regional Network of Focal Points on Ageing (Networking Group of the Asia-Pacific RCP)	ESCAP	
UNECE Standing Working Group on Ageing (SWGA)	UNECE	https://unece.org/population/standing-working-group-ageing
Joint Programme on Ageing (Eastern Europe and Central Asia)	UNFPA, UNECE, OHCHR, WHO	