

**Statement by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific at
the Commission on Population and Development**

Madam Chair,

Excellencies,

Distinguished delegates.

On behalf of ESCAP, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to address

ESCAP commends the organizers for the choice of the theme topic of this

Countries in the Asia-Pacific region are already adopting policies to address population ageing. Such policies include increasing the labour force participation of women, strengthening income security for older persons, developing systems for the delivery and financing of long-term care for older persons. Some countries in the Asia-Pacific region are also developing policies to facilitate regular and orderly migration to address labour shortages in their countries.

ESCAP is supporting its Member States in developing evidence-based policies

to address population ageing by collecting and disseminating data and conducting research

ESCAP is currently working on the review of the Madrid International Plan of