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MEDSTAT II and III Migration: Main results

- Enhancement of national awareness/coordination and capabilities
- Better context of dialogue, exchange of practices and coordination among MPCs and with other institutions/frameworks
- New working processes, migration modules and tabulation
- Support to the preparation of migration survey proposals in four countries
- Development of *Model Questionnaires (MQs)* for coordinated *Household International Migration Surveys (MED-HIMS)*
- Support to PCBS in evaluating the results of the 2010 National Migration Survey (NMS), a first operation based on the MQs



MEDSTAT III Migration

Main orientations of Task Force 1

- Consolidating (or reproducing) at country level the means of national coordination and successful activities
- Contributing to sub-regional and regional initiatives already launched or considered highly useful, in particular the MED-HIMS



Model Questionnaires (MQs) and MED-HIMS Chronology and milestones

2008	Initial proposal by the eight MPCs at MEDSTAT II workshop supported by the EC/EUROSTAT, MEDSTAT and the World Bank
	Survey project documents in Egypt, Jordan, oPt and Syria
2009	Three workshops and consultations for developing the MQs
	First version of MQs
	UNHCR proposal for new module on forced migration
2010	Integration of most the MQs in the 2010 Palestinian NMS
	Coordination and technical meetings
	Launching the preparation of survey manuals
2011	New regional workshop
	Revised version of MQs including UNHCR proposal

MQs and MED-HIMS

Main features

- Data collection undertaken in the MPCs
- Revised version of MQs focusing on emigrants, return migrants, forced migrants and non-migrants, covering aspects such as migration history, use of remittances, attitudes and future plans as well as the socio-economic and environmental conditions and community characteristics
- Collection of reliable and representative multi-level, multi-topic, retrospective and comparative data on the characteristics and behaviour of migrants in respect of international requirements

MED-HIMS Prospects

Option/level 1:

Ending the work by disseminating model survey tools to be possibly adopted by the MPCs

>>> Continuing the preparation and review of MQs and its manuals

Option/level 2:

Implementing a coordinated programme of surveys, eventually in two phases / groups of countries (e.g. first Middle-East, then Maghreb)

>>> Establishing general and national project documents, securing the necessary funds, setting-up the necessary structure and inter-institutional arrangements and preparing and implementing the surveys in a coordinated manner

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Tentative timetable of a coordinated project

2011

- ✓ Developing a project document and securing the necessary funds
- ✓ Setting-up the project coordination unit
- ✓ Updating/preparing the national project documents
- ✓ Organising workshops and TA missions to the Phase One participating countries for the adaptation of MQs, sampling design and pre-test

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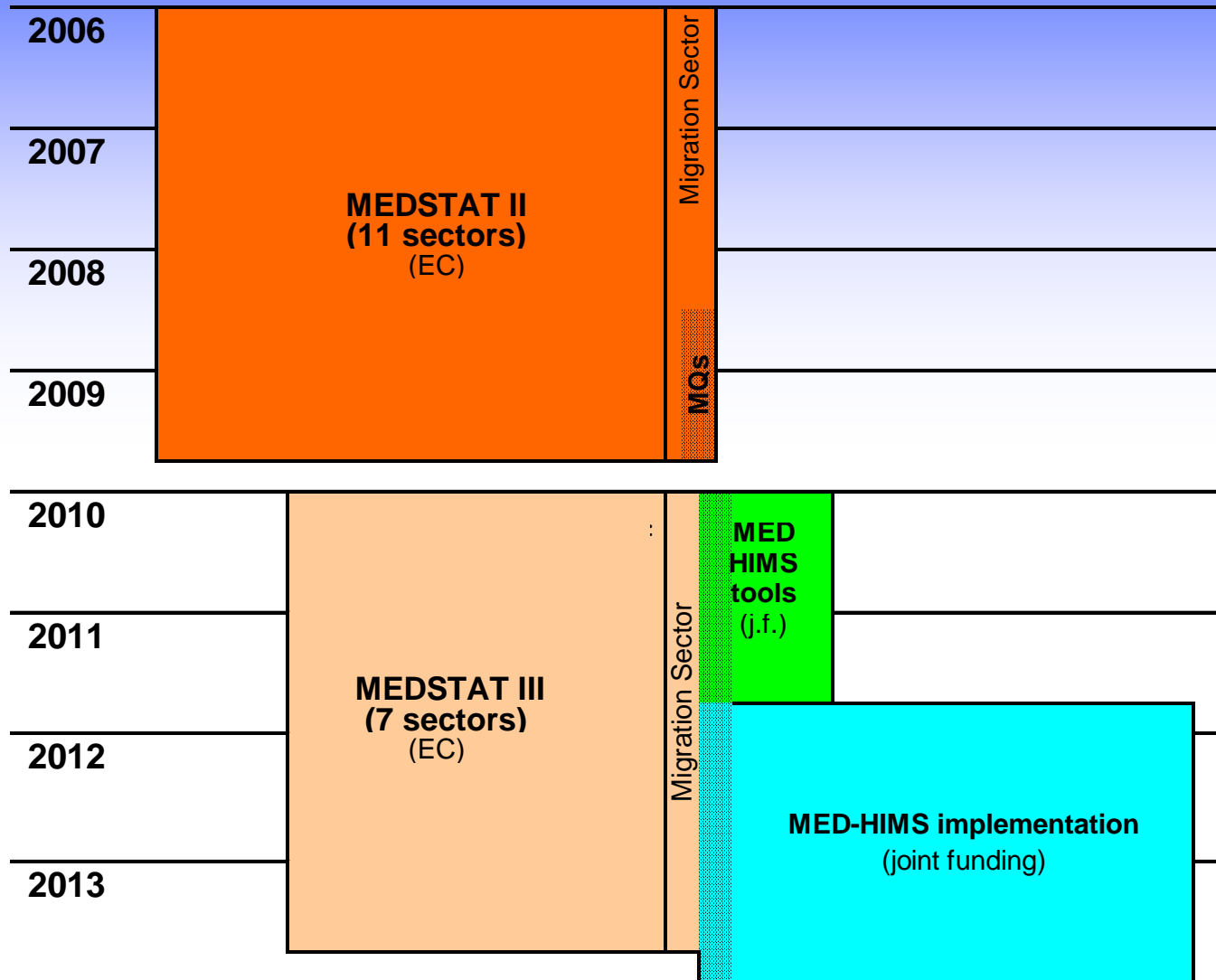
- ✓ Undertaking training and main field work in the Phase One countries
- ✓ Starting the preparation in the Phase Two countries

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- ✓ Finalising the survey work in Phase One countries
- ✓ Undertaking training and main field work in the Phase Two countries
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Integration of a coordinated project with MEDSTAT



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Meaning of a coordinated project

- Direct follow-up to the investment already made for MQs
- Unique operation in this field towards the satisfaction of different users' needs with the involvement of the NSIs, the most concerned international organisations and qualified experts
- An exercise useful for a possible round of world migration surveys
- Test for the post-MEDSTAT regional cooperation for the following:
 - ✓ inter-institutional collaboration (at different level) for developing and sharing methodological instruments;
 - ✓ regional coordination of a survey programme, implemented at the national level with an international coordination unit
 - ✓ pooling financial resources at the regional level from the international community
- Certainly a big challenge but also big opportunity

MED-HIMS

Current needs

- To endorse the preparation by the MED-HIMS Coordination Committee of the Project Document for the MED-HIMS programme, including the establishment of its coordination unit
- To mandate the MED-HIMS Coordination Committee for the mobilisation of donors to support this initiative to be added to national funding

Thank you

