**Questionnaire on the rights of older persons with disabilities (English)**

1. Please provide information on the legislative and policy framework in place in your country to ensure the realization of the rights of older persons with disabilities, including both persons with disabilities who are ageing and older persons who acquire a disability.

Our focus is on elderly deaf people. During our political framework we try to equating deaf people with hearing people with a special focus on elderly deaf people. Right now our focus is to ensure elderly deaf people to get a an educated sign language interpreter when they are going to the hospital.

1. Please provide information on discrimination against older persons with disabilities in law and practice.

According Danish law it is the doctor who is going to deside, whereas there is going to be a sign language inter preter or not when an elderly deaf citicen is going to the hospital. Usually the doctor knows very little or nothing about being deaf and it should be the rigtht of the deaf citicen to decide, whereas there should be an interpreter to secure a good communication.

1. Please provide information and statistical data (including surveys, censuses, administrative data, literature, reports, and studies) related to the realization of the rights of older persons with disabilities in general, as well as with particular focus in the following areas:

* Exercise of legal capacity;
* Admission procedures to social or healthcare services, including involuntary admissions;
* Older persons with disabilities living in institutions;
* Access to support to live independently in the community;
* Access to free or affordable healthcare:
* Access to free or affordable rehabilitation goods and services;
* Access to social protection schemes; and
* End of life and palliative care.

1. Please provide information on the existence of long-term care services in your country and describe to what extent they promote the autonomy and independence of older persons with disabilities.
2. Please describe how is access to justice guaranteed for older persons with disabilities. Please provide information on jurisprudence, complaints or investigations in relation to violence, abuse and neglect against older persons with disabilities.
3. Please describe to what extent and how are older persons with disabilities involved in the design, planning, implementation and evaluation of policies related to ageing and/or disability.

In Denmark we have different disability councils where disabled people have the opputunity to be involed in local planning and evaluation of policies. In Danish Deaf Association we have a council specialized to focus on elderly deaf people.

1. Please provide information on any innovative initiatives that have been taken at the local, regional or national level to promote and ensure the rights of older persons with disabilities and identify lessons learned from these.

In Danish Deaf Association we have an instruction service for elderly deaf people. We inform them about their rights og secure, that they get the neccecary help.