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Subject: Technical cooperation and capacity-building in the field of the human rights of older persons (Human Rights Council resolution 39/18)

The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights presents its compliments to All Permanent and Observer Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, United Nations entities and regional organizations and has the honour to refer to Human Rights Council resolution 39/18 entitled “enhancement of technical cooperation and capacity-building in the field of human rights”.

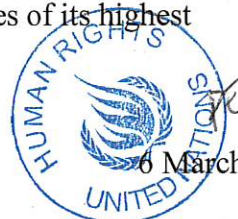
According to resolution 39/18 adopted by the Human Rights Council, the theme of the annual thematic panel discussion under agenda item 10 to be held during its forty-first session will be “Technical cooperation and capacity-building in the field of the human rights older persons”.

It further requested the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to prepare a report, to be submitted to the Human Rights Council at its forty-first session to serve as a basis for the panel discussion, on the activities undertaken by the Office and relevant United Nations country teams and agencies, and regional organizations to support States’ efforts to promote and protect the human rights of older persons and their autonomy and independence, and address implementation gaps in national legislation, policies and programmes, including where applicable those relating to the Sustainable Development Goals, income security, the promotion of active and healthy ageing, the use of assistive technology, access to information and lifelong learning, combating all forms of discrimination against older persons, paying particular attention to older women and supporting the full integration of older persons in society and access to care, health and support services for older persons in their communities.

In order to comply with the request of the Human Rights Council, the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights invites all respective entities to provide information on technical cooperation and capacity-building efforts in the aforementioned areas to support States’ efforts to promote and protect the human rights of older persons, particularly on concrete examples of best practices in this regard.

Submissions should be limited to maximum five pages in English and be forwarded to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (email: registry@ohchr.org and esr@ohchr.org; fax: +41 22 917 9008) by 27 March 2019.

The Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights avails itself of this opportunity to renew to Permanent and Observer Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, United Nations entities and regional organizations the assurances of its highest considerations.



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