

## **Multi-stakeholder meeting on the human rights of older persons**

29-30 August 2022

Room XVII, Palais des Nations, Geneva and online platform (Zoom)

### **Programme**

**29 August 2022**

**10:00 – 10:30    Opening session**

**Moderator:**

**Ms. Peggy Hicks**, Director of the Thematic Engagement, Special Procedures and Right to Development Division, OHCHR

**Opening remarks:**

**Ms. Michelle Bachelet**, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights

**Mr. Volker Türk**, Under-Secretary-General for Policy, Executive Office of the UN Secretary-General

**H.E. Mr. Federico Villegas**, President of the Human Rights Council

**Dr. Claudia Mahler**, UN Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons

**10:30 – 12:00    Session 1: Limitations and gaps of selected human rights norms and obligations**

**Moderator:**

**Ms. Bridget Sleap**, Senior Researcher, Human Rights Watch

**Panelists:**

**Dr. Heidrun Mollenkopf**, Board member, German National Association of Senior Citizens' Organisations

**Prof. Israel (Issi) Doron**, University of Haifa

**Dr. Kiran Rabheru**, Chair of the Global Alliance for the Rights of Older People

**15:00 – 17:00    Session 2: Adequacy of existing human rights mechanisms in responding to the challenges**

**Moderator:**

**Prof. Andrew Byrnes**, University of New South Wales

**Panelists:**

**Ms. Heisoo Shin**, Vice-Chair of the UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

**Ms. Gertrude Oforiwa Fefoame**, Member of UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

**Ms. Vasilka Sancin**, Vice-Chair of the UN Human Rights Committee

**Ms. Anna Chabiera**, Senior Specialist, Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights of Poland

**Ms. Margarette May Macaulay**, Rapporteur on the Rights of Older Persons of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights

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**10:00 – 12:00**    **Session 3: Strengthening coordinated actions for the protection of the human rights of older persons**

**Moderator:**

**Ms. Silvia Perel-Levin**, Chair of the subcommittee on the human rights of older persons of the NGO Committee on Ageing in Geneva

**Panelists:**

**Ms. Claire Sookhyun Oh**, Associate Director of the National Human Rights Commission of Korea

**Dr. Matthias von Schwanenflügel**, Head of Directorate-General on Demographic Change, Senior Citizens and Welfare, Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth, Germany

**Ms. Alana Officer**, Unit Head, Demographic Change and Healthy Ageing, World Health Organization

**Ms. Afra Nawar Rahman**, Youth Coordinator, Young Power in Social Action, Bangladesh

**15:00 – 16:45**    **Session 4: Towards strengthening the protection of the human rights of older persons**

**Moderator:**

**H.E. Mr. Luis Gallegos**, Chair of the Board of Trustees, United Nations Institute for Training and Research / President of the Global Initiative on Ageing Foundation

**Panelists:**

**Ms. Mónica Roqué**, Chair of the Latin American Association of Community Gerontology

**Dr. Emem Omokaro**, Director-General, National Senior Citizens Center of Nigeria

**Dr. Claudia Mahler**, UN Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons

**Mr. Franklin M. Quijano**, Chair of the National Commission on Senior Citizens of the Philippines

**Ms. Amal Abou Rafeh**, Chief, Programme on Ageing, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs

**16:45 – 17:00**    **Closing session**

**H.E. Ms. Anita Pipan**, Permanent Representative of Slovenia to the United Nations Office at Geneva

**Ms. Peggy Hicks**, Director of the Thematic Engagement, Special Procedures and Right to Development Division, OHCHR