**Mandate of the Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons**

**Call for inputs: Violence, abuse and neglect against older persons**

Each year, the Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons presents two thematic reports, one to the Human Rights Council and one to the General Assembly. In 2023, the Independent Expert will dedicate her thematic report to the 54th session of the Human Rights Council to address and analyse violence, abuse and neglect of older persons.

To inform her report, the Independent Expert wishes to receive written contributions (max. 1,500 words) from relevant stakeholders, including national and local governments, national and international non-governmental organizations, national human rights institutions, international and regional inter-governmental organizations, United Nations agencies and entities, activists, academics and older persons.

The Independent Expert strongly encourages sharing concrete examples of good practices on how to eliminate violence, abuse and neglect against older persons.

The Independent Expert kindly invites all interested stakeholders to share their views and provide information on any or all the following issues:

1. **Legal, policy and institutional frameworks**: is there a non-discrimination law that prohibits discrimination based on age? Is there a legislation on violence against persons and/or domestic violence that includes violence, abuse and/or neglect of older persons? Does the law establish a specialised independent body receiving complaints of discrimination based on age? Is there a national plan, policy or strategy to address violence against older persons, that is overseen by a national mechanism to monitor and implement it? Please provide detailed information and relevant documents, if applicable.
2. **Manifestations of violence**: what forms of violence, abuse and neglect are older persons facing? In which settings does it happen? Please provide detailed information.
3. **Intersectionality**: how does violence, abuse and neglect affect specific groups of older persons (e.g. older women, older LGTBI persons, older persons belonging to ethnic and indigenous groups, older refugees and internally displaced persons, older persons with disabilities, etc.) Please provide detailed information.
4. **Data**: are data available at national and local level about violence, abuse and neglect of older persons? Are national surveys about violence including experiences of older persons? If available, please provide figures and data.
5. **Access to justice**: how does the State fulfil its obligations to ensure older persons’ access justice, and to obtain remedies and reparations, when their human rights have been violated as a result of violence, abuse and neglect?
6. **Access to information**: How do you raise awareness about violence against older persons in the public? How does information about access to essential services (e.g. healthcare, legal assistance, social services, access to shelters) is made accessible and available for older persons?
7. Please provide examples of **good practices** for preventing, monitoring and address violence and abuse against older persons.

Thank you for sharing any relevant information about violence, abuse and neglect against older persons **before 1 March 2023**, in English, French or Spanish in attachment (max. 1,500 words) by email to hrc-ie-olderpersons@un.org.