

UNECE Standing Working Group on Ageing

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Proposed thematical content of the Ministerial Conference

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A sustainable world for all ages:
joining forces for solidarity and
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15 June 2022 - DAY 1

Joint Forum of Civil Society and Scientific Research

16 June 2022 - DAY 2

- Plenary session
- 3 Expert panels
- Side events

17 June 2022 - DAY 3

- Plenary session Opening of
 Ministerial
 Segment
- High level panel
- 2 Ministerial Roundtable
- Side events



Plenary session

- Opening remarks
- Adoption of the agenda and election of the Chair and Vice-Chair(s)
- MIPAA + 20 Review and launch of the UNECE Synthesis Report
- Keynote speech: Overview of new priorities for ageing policies in the UNECE Region after the pandemic

Expert panels

- 1 Keynote speaker and moderator
- 2 Ministers
- 1 independent expert/ 1 member of international organization
- 2 representatives of NGO/Academia/trade unions/private companies
- Q&A session



Expert panels topics

Promoting active and healthy ageing throughout life

- The importance of the life-course approach
- Current development of policies for active and healthy ageing in UNECE Region
- National experiences in a "mainstreaming ageing" perspective
- National experiences of lifelong learning in the perspective of active and healthy ageing
- The relevance of ageism
- The digital inclusion of older people in the context of human rights,
- Age management practices, work-life balance; training/lifelong learning

Ensuring access to long-term care, and support to families and caregivers

- Care and long-term care and concerns raised by the pandemic
- National strategies and experiences
- LTC and palliative care
- LTC and life course of informal careers and/or family members
- Adaptation of social protection systems and support from volunteering and unpaid care
- The Decade of Healthy Ageing and the access to long-term care
- Rights fulfillment in the provision of LTC and the risk of neglect

Mainstreaming ageing to advance a society for all ages

- Adoption of a whole-of-government and whole-of-society approach
- Twin-track approach to mainstreaming: societal and individual perspective
- National experiences and strategies for mainstreaming ageing
- Integrating ageing in all areas of life, society and policy-making
- Mainstreaming ageing, Sustainable development, Climate change and Digitalization



Plenary session

- Opening of Ministerial Segment
- Presentation of the main elements of the draft Ministerial Declaration
- Presentation of the NGOs and Research Community Joint Declaration

High level panel

 Joining forces for solidarity and equal opportunities throughout life: building forward on lessons learnt from the COVID-19 pandemic

Ministerial Roundtables

- Ensuring access to long-term care, and support to families and caregivers
- Mainstreaming ageing to advance a society for all ages

Closing of the Conference

Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration



High level panel topics

Joining forces for solidarity and equal opportunities throughout life: building forward on lessons learnt from the COVID-19 pandemic

Space for exchanging of understandings and points of view about the challenges revealed by the COVID crisis

- The income conditions of older persons during the pandemic and their effective inclusion in economic recovery initiatives
- The problematic access to information and communication technologies (ICTs) by older persons and specific learning initiatives or services to enhance their digital skills
- Participation and advocacy of older persons during and after the pandemic
- Ethical and organizational issues raised during the pandemic about the effective access of older persons to health services and care
- The impact of the pandemic on intergenerational relations
- The availability of crucial information and data on the condition of older persons

Executive Secretary of the UNECE European Commission
2 Ministers
3 representatives of NGOs
Q&A session



Ministerial Roundtables topics	
Ensuring access to long-term care, and support to families and caregivers	 The role of informal carers Gender equality in providing care Supportive measures for independent living The support to care coming from the development of smart solutions for local communities and cities Digital solutions for supporting care Care solutions for older persons in rural and remote areas Experiences in the field of dementia care Care, abuse and human rights of older persons The involvement of volunteering
Mainstreaming ageing to advance a society for all ages	 Ensuring inclusive labour markets for all ages, preventing inequalities, oldage poverty and exclusion Fully recognizing the contributions older persons make to the functioning of our societies and economies (among others, older workers and elders are an important source of knowledge and skills)
Keynote address	

Chair

Opening interventions on key issues

Roundtable discussion

Rapporteur



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Opening of the Poster exhibition

Presentation of the UNECE Toolkit for the use of Guidelines for Mainstreaming Ageing at National level

Care work

National multilevel co-managed coordination of active ageing policies in Italy

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Thank you!