

ROUNDTABLE SERIES

MAINSTREAMING KNOWLEDGE ON AGEING



Bridging paths towards strengthening protection and participation

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

After having successfully taken stock on the current scenario of ageing and the human rights of older persons through the first round of this Series, we will keep fostering knowledge, empowerment, and partnerships by focusing this year on accessibility and its impact at individual and collective level.

In this regard, accessibility should not only be associated to persons with disabilities but to a wide spectrum of barriers that can affect different generations while ageing. Human dignity as the cornerstone for better societies is grounded on fair parameters for all; including, access to justice, labour markets, political participation, health and social care services, as well as cultural and leisure activities.

In our series, we view national, regional, and international standards, as well as public policies, programs, and other initiatives as key learning elements. In the same vein, we consider that heightening awareness of ICT/digital accessibility implementation from design is relevant to better understand how older persons can benefit from digital products and services as means to actively participate in political, cultural, and socio-economic activities. By involving diverse stakeholders as co-sponsors, experts, speakers, and attendees, we aim to enhance discussions and build stronger synergies towards achieving our common goal.

The human rights of older persons and frontier issues, such as the demographic worldwide scenario, gender, human mobility, digital divide, and climate change, will continue as the heart of our discussions.

In this endeavor, UNITAR and its International Training Centers for Authorities and Leaders -CIFAL Global Network-, UNDESA, UNFPA, IOM, UNWOMEN, UNHCR, WHO, OHCHR, ITU and ILO, together with the Group of Friends of the Human Rights of Older Persons UN Geneva; the Global Initiative on Ageing Foundation, GIA; the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuses; the International Longevity Centre; and the NGO Committee on Ageing Geneva; and the Harvard Law School Project on Disability, have joined efforts to put together these initiative as a contribution to inclusive learning in the framework of the UN Decade of Healthy Ageing.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. Better understanding the impact of accessibility in different fields along ageing, in particular for older persons.
2. Learning from some good practices and challenges, including laws, policies, and strategies on accessibility issues, from different stakeholders.
3. Identifying possible ways to improve accessibility conditions for older persons.
4. Recognizing possible synergies for strengthening the protection as well as promoting the free, active, and meaningful participation of older persons.



VIRTUAL ROUNDTABLES



1st event
Access to justice for older persons:
Effective and participative systems

Brief description:

This event will be an opportunity to better understand relevant elements to combatting ageism and other barriers for access to justice.

General Objective:

To learn from good practices on the existing standards, national policies, and other initiatives on access to justice for older persons, including guaranteeing truth, reparation, memory, and non-recurrence.

Date:

June 2023



2nd event
Access to labor markets for older persons:
Challenges and opportunities throughout the ageing process

Brief description:

This event will be the space to discuss about different dynamics of labor markets along the ageing process.

General Objective:

To learn about challenges and opportunities in accessing labor markets, with a special emphasis on older persons while identifying the possibility of strengthening partnerships to move forward.

Date:

July 2023



3rd event
Access to political participation:
Ageing with dignity through democratic societies

Brief description:

This event will be the scenario to identify relevant elements on active, free, and meaningful participation of older persons in the political arena.

General Objective:

To learn from experiences on the importance of integrating older persons through democratic societies and decision-making positions.

Date:

September 2023





4th event

Access to health and social care services:
Further vulnerabilities merging from ageing

Brief description:

This event will be the opportunity to identify barriers access health and social care services while ageing.

General Objective:

To learn on the impact of these services to physical, social and mental health, as well as quality of life and livelihood.

Date:

October 2023



5th event

Access to cultural and leisure activities:
Tackling Individual interests and inter-generational social construction

Brief description:

This space will be focused on how healthy activities impact on positive behavior as opportunities for learning and living a balanced and productive life.

General Objective:

To learn how cultural and leisure activities can promote social inclusion, especially of older persons.

Date:

November 2023

FINAL OUTCOME OF THE SERIES

Same as for the first round of the series, video recordings of the events will be available on the Youtube account of UNITAR’s SDP: [Mainstreaming Knowledge on Ageing - YouTube](#) as well as on the official UNITAR’s webpage [Ageing & Older Persons | UNITAR](#) and the UN Decade of Healthy Ageing platform: <https://www.decadeofhealthyageing.org>. After the celebration of the events, those participants who joined will be receiving the respective video recording together with takeaway messages. This information will serve as a basis to keep mainstreaming knowledge towards strengthening the protection of older persons.



CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION

Participants who want to receive a certificate of participation per event need to fulfill the following criteria: Having participated at least 75% by Zoom (To be measured by the system).

REGISTRATION

These series are open and free to All. For the 5 virtual roundtables that constitute the series, just one registration is needed. Participants will receive the link for each virtual roundtable one day before the event. Additional and specific information on each event will also be shared!

Join us!

Register now!

Or go to: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_NG_QiKdnRguHbyXhSqIJ-A

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