
Open-ended Working Group on Ageing

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Argentina, Albania, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Germany, Guatemala, Italy, Malta, México, Montenegro, Philippines, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Türkiye, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America, Ukraine and Uruguay: revised draft decision

Identification of possible gaps in the protection of the human rights of older persons and how best to address them

The Open-ended Working Group on Ageing, recalling General Assembly resolution [77/190](#) of 15 December 2022 and paragraph 28 of Assembly resolution [65/182](#) of 21 December 2010, in which the Assembly decided to establish an open-ended working group, open to all States Members of the United Nations, for the purpose of strengthening the protection of the human rights of older persons by considering the existing international framework of the human rights of older persons and identifying possible gaps and how best to address them, including by considering, as appropriate, the feasibility of further instruments and measures, having considered relevant areas for the protection of the human rights of older persons, including “equality and non-discrimination” and “violence, neglect and abuse” at its eighth session, “autonomy and independence” and “long-term and palliative care” at its ninth session, “social protection and social security (including social protection floors)” and “education, training, lifelong learning and capacity-building” at its tenth session, “access to justice” and “right to work and access to the labour market” at its eleventh session, “economic security” and “contribution of older persons to sustainable development” at its twelfth session and “right to health and access to health services” and “social inclusion” at its thirteenth session, and considering “participation in public life and in decision-making processes” and “accessibility, infrastructure and habitat (transport, housing and access)” at its fourteenth session:

(a) Requests the Chair of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing to appoint two co-facilitators no later than 1 May 2023, one from a developed country and one from a developing country, to work with the Bureau to set a clear timetable and to facilitate the consideration of the existing international framework of the human rights of older persons and the identification of possible gaps in the protection of the human rights of older persons and how best to address them, and invites the co-facilitators to conduct open, transparent and inclusive informal intergovernmental meetings between the thirteenth and fourteenth sessions of the Working Group, with all States Members of the United Nations, members of the specialized agencies, and observers in the General Assembly, and to collaborate with national human rights institutions and non-governmental organizations and the Independent Expert of the Human Rights Council on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons, within her mandate, during the process;

(b) Requests the co-facilitators to submit proposed intergovernmental negotiated recommendations to be considered at the fourteenth session of the Working Group and to be presented for consideration by the General Assembly, in accordance with resolution [77/190](#), regarding the existing international framework of the human rights of older persons and possible gaps, and options on how best to address them.