

OEWGA 7th Session Civil Society Morning Briefing Sessions

Monday - Thursday, 12 to 15 Dec, Time: 9:00 AM to 9:45 AM

Conference Room 8

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Date	Session topic	Presenters	Facilitated Discussion
Monday 12 December:	Introductory briefing session for CSOs	Intro & facilitation NGO Comm's on Ageing. NY: Susan Somers/ Frances Zainoeddin, Geneva: Silva Perel Levin, Rose Mary Lane, UN focal Point on Ageing, (invited)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What to expect from the week ○ How to Navigate the OEWGA ○ Side Events ○ Q & A
Tuesday 13 December:	Establishing a universal prohibition on age discrimination:	CSO speaker: Bridget Sleaf, HelpAge International MS speaker: Facilitator: Ken Bluestone, Age International	What considerations need to be taken into account regarding the introduction of a universal prohibition on age discrimination?
Wednesday 14 December	Right to choose one's place of residence:	CSO speaker: Nena Georgantzi, Age Platform Europe MS speaker: Facilitator: Christian Courtis, Human Rights Officer, SDG Section, OHCHR	How would issues regarding a person's choice of where to live need to be addressed in a convention on the rights of older people?
Thursday 15 December	Reporting mechanisms:	CSO speaker: Claudia Mahler, German Institute for Human Rights MS speaker: Matthew Preston, FCO, UK Facilitator:	What reporting mechanisms would be appropriate and necessary under a convention on the rights of older persons?

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Objective

The purpose of the morning briefing sessions during the 7th Session of the OEWG is to create an open space for both NGOs and representatives of UN Member States to discuss specific issues that would need to be considered in any discussion on content of a possible convention on the rights of older persons. The objective is not to generate solutions, but to stimulate further discussion and encourage greater understanding.

Structure for sessions

- Each morning briefing session will be advertised widely to both NGOs and UN Missions.
- Each briefing session will include the following roles:
 - Facilitator: a different person each day chosen by the NGO Committees on Ageing. The goal of the facilitator is to ensure that there is an open and interactive dialogue in which a range of ideas can be heard and explored.
 - Member State representative – provides some initial thoughts (5 minutes) on issues regarding this agenda from a Member State's perspective in order to catalyse discussion each day. Individuals can speak in their personal capacity.
 - Civil Society representative - provides some initial thoughts (5 minutes) on issues regarding this agenda from the civil society perspective to catalyse discussion each day. These do not have to be in response to the considerations put forward by Member State representatives.
- Each briefing session will last 45 minutes:
 - 5 minute introduction to the day
 - 5 minute input from Member State
 - 5 minute input from civil society
 - 20 minutes discussion
 - 5 minute summary

PLEASE NOTE: All NGO's both ECOSOC and Accredited must register with the ID office. [Registration](#)

1. Please bring your letter of confirmation (which can be downloaded online once your representatives are approved) and your government issued photo identification (passports, state issued driver's license and similar documents) to facilitate the issuance of your Temporary Grounds-Pass. No electronic or other documents accepted.
2. Registration will take place in the United Nations Pass and ID office located at 320 East 45th Street (between 1st and 2nd Avenues), New York.

12 Dec: 8:30am - 12:30pm and 13-14 Dec: 9:30am - 11:30am

3. Please wear your Temporary Ground-Pass with you all times during the OEWGA.