

General Assembly

Open-ended Working Group on Ageing

Organizational session - 1st meeting

The organizational session of the Open-ended Working group was opened by the Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs, Department for Economic and Social Affairs.

Election of officers [1]

H.E. Mr. Jorge Argüello, (Argentina) was elected as Chair of the 2011 session of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing, by acclamation.

The Chair made a statement.

The Open-ended Working Group elected Mr. Léon Faber (Luxembourg) and Ms. Alya Ahmed S. Al-Thani (Qatar), as Vice-Chairs, by acclamation.

Statements were made by the Assistant-Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs, DESA, and the representative of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [2]

The Open-ended Working Group adopted the provisional annotated agenda for its organizational session, as contained in document [A/AC.278/2011/1](#)*.

Calendar and programme of work of the working sessions of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing [3]

The Open-ended Working Group agreed, by consensus, to the dates of its first and second working sessions, respectively, as follows: 18-21 April; and 1-5 August 2011.

The Open-ended Working Group agreed to the proposed tentative programme of work for the first working session, as contained in an informal paper.

Participation of non-governmental organizations in the work of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing [4]

Oral decision

The Open-ended Working Group adopted the draft decision on modalities of participation of non-governmental organizations in its work, as contained in an informal paper and read out by the Secretary. *Provisional agenda for the working sessions of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing [5]*

The Open-ended Working Group adopted the provisional agenda for its working sessions as contained in document [A/AC.278/2011/L.1](#)*.

Adoption of the report of the organizational session [6]

The Open-ended Working Group adopted the draft report for its organizational session as contained in document [A/AC.278/2011/L.2](#) and entrusted the Chair and Bureau with its completion, in collaboration with the Secretariat.

The Secretary of the Open-ended Working Group made a statement.

Closure of the session

The Chair declared closed the organizational session of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing.