

**GUIDING QUESTIONS FOR THE NORMATIVE FRAMEWORK OF THE ISSUES EXAMINED AT THE
IX SESSION OF THE OPEN-ENDED WORKING GROUP ON AGEING:
Autonomy and Independence**

National legal framework

1. What are the legal provisions in your country that recognizes the right to autonomy and independence? Do they have a constitutional, legislative or executive foundation?

Normative elements

2. What are the key normative elements of the rights to autonomy and independence? Please provide references to existing laws and standards where applicable.
3. How should *autonomy* and *independence* be legally defined?

Implementation

4. What are the policies and programmes adopted by your country to guarantee older person's enjoyment of their right to autonomy and independence?
5. What are the best practices and main challenges in adopting and implementing a normative framework to implement these rights?

Equality and non-discrimination

6. Which are the measures adopted to ensure equitable access by older persons to the enjoyment of the right to autonomy and independence, paying special attention to groups in vulnerable situation?

Participation

7. The design and implementation of normative and political framework related to autonomy and independence included an effective and meaningful participation of older persons?

Accountability

8. What judicial and non-judicial mechanisms are in place for older persons to complain and seek redress for denial of their right to autonomy and independence