

Daily Bulletin – Day Two

13th session of the Open-Ended Working Group on Ageing (OEWG), 3rd April - 6th April 2023



Above: Rosemary Bongole Nakasinde, Vice-Chair of the Board of Uganda Reach the Aged Association participates in the panel on normative inputs

Highlights

- The second day began with a session on normative inputs on the topics of economic security and the contributions of older persons to sustainable development. Following expert inputs, the discussion covered issues such as the rights of indigenous older people, including those with dementia, the right to housing, and access to an adequate income and financial security. All panelists emphasised the value that a new UN convention would bring in enabling older people to claim these rights on an equal basis with others. NGOs and NHRIs participated actively in the interactive debate but there were few interventions from States and the session closed early.
- In the afternoon another expert panel considered the right to health and access to health services. The interactive discussion that followed highlighted the challenges of access and affordability, and drew attention to the violations of older people's rights to life and health during the COVID pandemic. NGO and NHRI interventions were strong and consistent in messaging.
- There were two side events organised by HelpAge International and International Sociological Association, and ILC-Canada and IFA.

Tuesday 4th April

1. **Normative Inputs: Economic Security and the Contributions of Older Persons to Sustainable Development**
A panel of experts, with introduction by OHCHR followed by interactive discussion.
2. **Right to Health and Access to Health Services**
A panel of experts with introduction by OHCHR followed by an interactive discussion.



From Twitter

@AGE_PlatformEU
"At OEWG13, Heidrun Mollenkopf reports that economic security is still a challenge for older people in the EU. We need a UN Convention that guarantees economic security in old age!!"

[Below: Ovide Mercredi speaks at the ILC Canada / IFA side event]



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