

# Daily Bulletin – Day Three

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



**Above:** Silvia Perel-Levin, Chair of the subcommittee on the human rights of older persons at the NGO Committee on Ageing in Geneva, speaks in the interactive discussion on strengthening the promotion and protection of the human rights of older persons.

## Wed 5<sup>th</sup> April

### 1. Focus Area: Social Inclusion

Introduction of working document by OHCHR followed by interactive panel discussion with five experts.

### 2. Promotion and protection of the rights of older persons

Interactive panel discussion with five experts.



From Twitter

@sageusa  
'SAGE International Program Officer, Hannah Yore, speaks at the @UN #OEWGAI3 on why @sageusa and @OutrightIntl call for a LGBTIQ inclusive #UNConvention on the rights of older persons @GAROP\_Sec @hannahyore'

[Below: Shereen Hussein, Director of the Middle East and North Africa Research on Healthy Ageing MENARAH network speaking on the Social Inclusion panel]



## Highlights

- The third day began with a session on social inclusion with an introduction from UNDESA about the working paper that had been prepared on this topic. There were presentations from experts who covered issues such as diversity and inclusion, mistreatment and abuse, loneliness, and how the lack of awareness of older people's rights coupled with economic and social realities have fuelled ageism in the Middle East region.
- In the afternoon there was an interactive discussion with an expert panel on strengthening the promotion and protection of the rights of older persons. There were strong calls from some panelists for a new UN convention.
- Throughout the day NGOs and NHRIs made powerful statements in unity, calling for a new UN convention to address the challenges that older people face in claiming their rights around the world and highlighting the failure of the Working Group to fulfil its mandate after 13 sessions. Many of the statements incorporated the 'Age With Rights' campaign slogan. There were also numerous calls on States to pass the draft decision on the final day.

## Get involved:

- Watch live online at: <http://webtv.un.org> (from 10:00 ET)
- UN website: <https://social.un.org/ageing-working-group>
- Get involved on Twitter using #AgeWithRights and #OEWG13

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