

34th United Nations International Day of Older Persons

Ageing with Dignity: The Importance of Strengthening Care and Support Systems for Older Persons Worldwide

Monday, 7 October 2024 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM
ECOSOC Chamber, UN Headquarters, New York

The Programme

Opening Session

- Welcome **William Smith**, Chair of the NGO Committee on Ageing in New York
Arjanita Elezaj, Chair of the UNIDOP 2024 Programme Sub-Committee of the
NGO Committee on Ageing in New York
- Video Message **Guy Ryder**, United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Policy
- Remarks by **H.E. Mrs. Paula Narváez Ojeda**, Permanent Representative of Chile to the
United Nations and Chair of the Group of Friends of Older Persons in New York
(tbc)
H.E. Mr. Ricardo Ernesto Lagorio, Permanent Representative of Argentina to
the United Nations
H.E. Mr. Abdulaziz M. AlWasil, Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of
Saudi Arabia to the United Nations
- Keynote Speaker **Lorraine A. Cortés-Vázquez**, Commissioner of the New York City Department
for the Aging

Key Initiatives and Launches

- Introduction of Caregiving Segment – Interactive Dialogue
Michael Hodin, CEO Global Coalition on Aging
- Documentary
Trailer Screening Introduction of *Caregiving* Documentary
Tom Chiodo, Executive Producer, Special Projects, National Program
Development- WETA / PBS
- Interactive
Dialogue **Josh Carter** Chair, Founder's Fund, Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregivers
Wendy Naugle Editor-in-Chief, People Magazine



United Nations

Department of
Economic and
Social Affairs

Launch of UN
Commemorative
Stamp Set

Presentation of United Nations Postal Administration Commemorative Stamp Set
Chris Sharp, Artist

Presentation of
Titchfield Report

Edward Morgan, Principal Statistician, Demography, Population Statistics Directorate
Office for National Statistics, United Kingdom
*Invisible Ageing: Data Availability for Sustainable Development Goals. Review of
Ageing-related Statistics in the Global Sustainable Development Framework.*

Panel Discussion

Introduction of Panel Discussion
Beth Finkel, State Director AARP New York

Moderator

John Wilmoth, Director, Population Division, UN DESA

Panel members

Peter Lloyd Sherlock, Professor in Social Policy and International Development,
Northumbria University, United Kingdom

Shereen Hussein, Professor of Health and Social Care Policy, London School of
Hygiene & Tropical Medicine and Founder and Director, Middle East and North
Africa Research on Healthy Ageing (MENARAH) Network, United Kingdom

Elizabeth Helzner, Associate Professor and Interim Chair in the Department of
Epidemiology and Biostatistics, State University of New York Downstate Health
Sciences University, School of Public Health and The Brooklyn Initiative to
Develop Geriatrics Education

Kahir Lalji, Provincial Director, Government Relations & Programs, United Way
British Columbia & International Longevity Centre Canada

Q&A Segment

Closing Session

Remarks by

Masumi Ono, Chief, Social Inclusion and Participation Branch, DISD/DESA