

- INVITATION -

Sunday 22nd July 2018 – 14:00-18:00

**Civil Society Workshop:
 Preparing for the 9th Open-Ended Working Group on Ageing session**

Date and time:	Sunday 22 nd July 2018, 14:00 to 18:00 (14:00 to 16:00 - NGOs only)
Location:	AARP, 750 Third Avenue, 31st floor, between 46th and 47th street, NYC
Participants:	Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs)

To register use this link: <https://preparing-for-the-9th-owg-session.eventbrite.co.uk>

Background:

In the 9th OEWG session from 23rd – 26th July 2018, UN Member States will engage in a substantive debate about two specific areas of human rights where the protection of older people's rights requires greater attention: 'Independence and Autonomy' and 'Long Term and Palliative Care'. Member States will also have further discussions around how the two focus areas discussed in the 8th OEWG session should be articulated in a new convention: 'Equality and non-discrimination' and 'Neglect, violence and abuse'.

It is vital that NGOs are ready to participate actively in these discussions and put forward concrete recommendations to build a stronger understanding about these specific areas and how they might be addressed in a convention. The Global Alliance for the Rights of Older People, in partnership with the CoNGO Committees on Ageing, NY, Geneva & Vienna are hosting a workshop to support NGOs to prepare for the 9th session. This workshop complements other events and support that GAROP has been providing to its members and NGOs throughout the year, including a webinar series and other [advocacy tools](#).

Aims of this Workshop:

- To enhance coordination among NGOs participating in this process and OEWG9
- To support NGO engagement in the OEWG process and OEWG9
- To strengthen connections among NGOs and other key stakeholders in the OEWG process

14:00-14:15	Registration and coffee
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PART ONE: NGO coordination and strategy for OEWG9 and beyond

Time	Session
14:15-14:30	Welcome and housekeeping
14:30-15:00	Review of OEWG9 programme and any updates
15:00-15:30	GAROP's joint position for OEWG9
15:30-16:00	Updates and intelligence-sharing from different regions
16:00-16:15	Coffee break and arrival of other stakeholders

PART TWO: Dialogue with other stakeholders

Time	Session
16:15-16:20	Welcome to Part Two of the workshop
16:20-16:45	Panel interventions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rosemary Lane, UN Focal Point on Ageing (UNDESA) (TBC) - Dr. Lee Sung-ho, Korean National Human Rights Institute on behalf of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI) (TBC) - Rosa Kornfeld-Matte, Independent Expert on the on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons, (TBC)

16:45-17:30	Discussion with participants
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PART THREE: The week ahead

Time	Session
17:30-17:40	Morning briefing sessions
17:40-17:50	Other announcements (side events, etc)
17:50-18:00	Wrap-up and next steps

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