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# 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION UN INTERNATIONAL DAY OF OLDER PERSONS

**OCTOBER 1, 2020**  
**9AM-12PM EDT**  
(NEW YORK TIME)

**PANDEMICS: HOW DO THEY CHANGE**  
**HOW WE ADDRESS AGE & AGEING?**  
**VIRTUAL - ZOOM**

## WELCOME & GREETINGS

Welcoming Remarks: Martha Bial (UNIDOP Chair) and Bette Levy (UNIDOP Co-Chair)

SPEAKER: António Guterres - UN Secretary General

SPEAKER: H.E. Ms. María del Carmen Squeff, Ambassador of the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations, Chair of CSocD & OEWG

## PART 1: 30TH ANNIVERSARY UNIDOP - 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF UN

SPEAKER: H.E. Mr. Volkan Bozkir - President of the General Assembly (invited)

*Historical Reflection on 75 years of United Nations & 30 years of IDOP*

Moderator: Cynthia Stuen - NGO CoA Chair

## PART 2: CALL TO ACTION - DECADE OF HEALTHY AGING 2020-2030



KEY NOTE SPEAKER: Elizabeth Iro - Chief Nursing Officer, WHO

*Healthy Ageing for the 2020s: Through A Pandemic & Beyond*

BREAK: UN Symphony Orchestra of the United Nations Recreation Council

INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE: *What action is needed to achieve healthy ageing?*

Moderator: Jane Barratt - Secretary General, IFA

- o *Change how we think, feel and act towards age and ageing*

Peggy Hicks - Director of Thematic Engagement at OHCHR

- o *Ensure that communities foster the abilities of older people*

Sir Michael Marmot - Director UCL Institute of Health Equity; UCL Dept. Epidemiology & Public Health

- o *Deliver person-centered care & primary health services responsive to older people*

John K. Shakpeh - Director of Nursing, Redemption Hospital in Monrovia, Liberia

- o *Provide access to long-term care for people who need it.*

Jean Accius - Senior Vice-President for Global Thought Leadership, AARP International

- o *Baseline report on the Decade of Healthy Ageing*

Ritu Sadana - Head, Ageing and Health Unit, WHO

Comments from Floor Interveners: Mabel Bianco, Tara Cortes, Bei Wu



MODERATOR  
Jane Barratt



Peggy Hicks



Sir Michael  
Marmot



John K.  
Shakpeh



Jean Accius



Ritu Sadana

SPECIAL REPORT: Karoline Schmid - Chief, Fertility and Population Ageing, UN DESA

*Launch of the World Population Ageing Highlights 2020 Report - Living Arrangements of Older Persons, Including Those Affected by Covid-19*

CONCLUDING REMARKS: H.E. Mr. Milenko Skoknic Tapia - Ambassador of the Permanent Mission of Chile to the United Nations, Chair, The Group of Friends of Older Persons

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