

UN Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons Consultation with NGOs



Monday 14th December (13:00-15:00 CET)

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This consultation with NGOs is convened by the Global Alliance for the Rights of Older People (GAROP). You do not have to be a member of GAROP to participate.



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NGOs are also encouraged to send your responses to the two guiding questions in any language in advance to: ellen.graham@rightsofolderpeople.org.

The aim of this consultation is to establish a fruitful dialogue and the first of regular exchanges between the Independent Expert (IE) and NGOs going forward.

The specific objectives of this consultation are:

- To raise the most pressing issues facing older people and NGOs working with them around the world, in accessing their human rights
- To enhance awareness and understanding among NGOs of the IE mandate and how they can contribute and support this work
- To inform the thematic priorities of the IE's mandate

Programme

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| 13:00-13:10 | Welcome and introduction – Dr. Kiran Rabheru, Chair of GAROP |
| 13:10-13:15 | Opening remarks - UN Independent Expert, Dr. Claudia Mahler |
| 13:15-13:25 | Overview of Special Procedures, the IE mandate and how NGOs can engage and contribute – Barbora Zamrska, OHCHR |
| 13:25-14:05 | Contributions from NGOs around the first guiding question:
What priorities would you like to see addressed in law and policies to eliminate discrimination and strengthen the protection of older people's rights? |
| 14:05-14:10 | Brief reaction from IE |
| 14:10-14:50 | Contributions from NGOs around the second guiding question:
How can the voices of older people be better heard at national and UN levels in discussions about older people's human rights? |
| 14:50-14:55 | Final reflections from IE |
| 14:55-15:00 | Next steps, thanks and close - Dr. Kiran Rabheru, Chair of GAROP |