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Vienna NGO Civil Society Forum: Preparing for the ICHROP and Beyond

DATE & TIME Sunday 11 November 2018 | 13:00 - 17:00 (Time subject to change)

LOCATION Medizinisches Selbsthilfezentrum, Obere Augartenstraße 26-28,
1020 Vienna, Austria

WHO SHOULD ATTEND Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) & National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs)

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BACKGROUND

The International Conference on the Human Rights of Older Persons (ICHRoP) will be held from 12 – 13 Nov 2018. The Austrian Government has invited UN Member States and other international experts to engage in a substantive discussion about the specific areas of Robotics and Automation – Implications for Human Rights to result in a Declaration to be presented to the 10th Open-ended Working Group on Ageing (OEWGA).

It is vital that civil society is ready to participate actively and effectively in these discussions and put forward concrete recommendations to ensure the incorporation of a human rights-based approach to the issue; to involve older persons themselves in the decision-making process, and to build a stronger understanding about these specific areas and how they might be addressed in a convention.

The NGO Committee on Ageing, Vienna, in partnership with the NGO Committees on Ageing in New York and Geneva are hosting a networking workshop to capitalize on this momentum to support a deeper understanding among NGOs to influence the discussions at the OEWGA of normative elements and to advance the promotion of a New Convention on the Human Rights for Older Persons objective within this meeting, other human rights fora and the upcoming 10th OEWGA session.



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AIMS OF THE FORUM

- To enhance coordination among NGOs participating in the ICHRoP
 - To support NGO engagement in the OEWGA process at the 10th OEWGA and intersessionally
 - To strengthen connections among NGOs and other key stakeholders in the OEWGA process
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PROGRAMME

13:00-13:15	Registration and Coffee
	Part One: NGO coordination and strategy from Vienna, to OEWGA10 and beyond
13:15-13:30	Welcome Vienna CoA, Jacqueline Stark, Chair
13:30-14:00	Review of programme: updates – intelligence-sharing from different regions
14:00-15:00	Discussing Normative Elements: Increasing CS submissions to 10 OEWGA <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bridget Sleep, Senior Rights Policy Advisor, HelpAge International• Claudia Mahler, Senior Researcher, German Institute for Human Rights
	Part Two: Dialogue with other stakeholders
15:00-15:20	Welcome to Part Two of the workshop
15:20-15:45	Panel interventions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Amal Abou Rafeh, Chief, Programme on Ageing, UNDESA• Rosa Kornfeld-Matte, Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons, OHCHR (TBC)
15:45-16:30	Discussion with participants
	Part Three: The days ahead
16:30-16:40	GAROP - Sharing a strategy for success: Ken Bluestone, Chair
16:40-16:50	Morning briefing sessions
16:50-17:00	Wrap-up and next steps

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