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Human Rights for All Ages: Promoting a Life Course Perspective and Intergenerational Cooperation to Combat Ageism

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Draft Programme

Morning Session

09:00– 09:30 Registration

09:30 – 10:00 Opening Plenary Session

Welcoming remarks

09:30 – 09:40 **Janez Cigler Kralj**, Minister of Labour, Family, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Slovenia

Address on Behalf of the European Commission

09:40 – 09:50 **Dubravka Šuica**, Vice-President of the European Commission
Commissioner for Democracy and Demography, Brussels (TBC)

Introductory remarks by AGE Platform and ZDUS

09:50 – 10:00 **Ebbe Johansen**, *President, AGE Platform Europe, Brussels*

Janez Sušnik, *President, Slovenian Federation of Pensioners' Associations, Ljubljana*

10:00 – 10:15 Representatives of the Trio Presidency of the Council of EU

Matthias von Schwanenflügel, Director General, Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth, Germany

Edmundo Martinho, Expert and Coordinator on Ageing, Ministry of Labour, Solidarity and Social Security, Portugal, Chair of the Standing Working Group on Ageing of UNECE, Ombudsman of Santa Casa da Misericórdia de Lisboa,

10:15 – 11:15 Combating Ageism: Towards a Rights-Based Approach to Ageing

Claudia Mahler, UN Independent Expert on the Enjoyment of All Human Rights by Older Persons, Office of the High Commissioner on Human Rights, Geneva

Vânia de la Fuente-Núñez, Technical Officer, Demographic Change and Healthy Ageing Unit, World Health Organization, Geneva

Joanna Goodey, Head of Unit for Research and Data, EU Fundamental Rights Agency, Vienna



11:15 – 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:45 *Using a Life Course Perspective to Shift Attitudes to Ageism*

Kai Leichsenring, Executive Director, European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research, Vienna

Dirk Jarré, President, European Federation of Older Persons, Luxembourg

Vitalija Gaucaite Wittich, Chief, Population Unit, Statistical Division, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe, Geneva

Lucija Karnelutti, UN Youth Delegate, Youth Council of Slovenia, Ljubljana

12:45 – 13:45 Lunch Break

Afternoon Session

13:45 – 15:00 Intergenerational Cooperation as a Way to Combat Ageism

Jože Ramovš, Head of Anton Trstenjak Institute of Gerontology and Intergenerational Relations, Ljubljana

Sara Santini, Senior Researcher, IRCCS-INRCA, National Institute of Health and Science on Aging, Centre for Socio-Economic Research on Aging, Ancona

Maria Petkova, Board Member of Older Women's Network Europe, Brussels

Sibylle Reichert, Executive Director, AIM - Association Internationale de la Mutualité, Brussels

Closing Session

15:00 – 15:30 The Way Forward

Helena Dalli, Commissioner for Equality, European Commission, Brussels (TBC)

Brigitte Bourguignon, Minister Delegate to the Minister of Solidarity and Health, in charge of Autonomy, Paris (TBC)

Heidrun Mollenkopf, Vice-President, AGE Platform Europe, Brussels, NGO Representative to the UNECE Standing Working Group on Ageing (SWGA),

Jožica Puhar, Vice-President, ZDUS - Slovenian Federation of Pensioners' Associations, Ljubljana

Cveto Uršič, State Secretary, Ministry of Labour, Family, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Ljubljana