

Daily Bulletin – Day 1

9th session of the Open-Ended Working Group on Ageing (OEWG) - 23rd-26th July 2018



Highlights

- H.E Ambassador Moritán of Argentina, the Chair of the OEWG, addressed NGOs and NHRIs at the first NGO Morning Briefing before the main session. He gave his perspectives on the progress of the OEWG process and answered questions from participants.
- All 42 new NGO Accreditation applications were approved (despite some objections that resulted in a vote on 2 of them). This is a record number of applications and a strong indication of the growing interest and participation from global civil society in this process. Congratulations to newly-accredited GAROP members!
- Nursing home regulations, independence and autonomy for older people in Rwanda and Cambodia, inequalities facing older LGBTI people, and NHRIs and older people's human rights were all topics being discussed at the various side events.
- Many Member States from different regions took the floor to make their general Opening Statements and the Korean NHRI made a statement on behalf of the Global Alliance of NHRIs (GANHRI).
- GAROP's joint statement was delivered by our accredited member Age International. It called for the OEWG to fulfil its mandate and called for the drafting of a convention to start in 2020 when the framing elements discussed in the OEWG's 8th, 9th and 10th session will have normative shape. A number of NGOs then endorsed the GAROP joint position in their own oral statements.

Watch live on Tuesday at: <http://webtv.un.org>

UN website: <https://social.un.org/ageing-working-group/ninthsession.shtml>

OEWG Programme Monday 23rd July

1. Opening Session

Includes the participation of NHRIs and NGOs in the work of the OEWG and approval of new accreditations

2. General Discussion

Consists mainly of general opening statements from Member States, then NHRIs and finally NGOs.

 **From Twitter**

@IAHPC

'Such a joy to hear so many @UN representatives in plenary #OEWGA9 say the words "#PalliativeCare"! Member states r considering LT&PC care & autonomy& independence this week! We are encouraging them to connect with National PC associations to learn what is happening on the ground.'



Comments from our members:

"We are pleased to see Member States recognising the particular challenges facing older women, but now let's see what action they will propose to address these challenges."

Elizabeth Sclater (Older Women's Network - Europe) and Aloma Fennell (Older Women's Network – Australia)

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