



# Symposium

## ***Celebrating Human Rights of Older Persons***

on the occasion of the UN International Day of Older Persons on  
**1 October 2018, 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**  
at the House of the European Union, Wipplingerstr. 35, 1010 Vienna

### **PROGRAMME**

#### **9:30 Registration**

#### **10:00 Opening**

Dr. Wolfgang Bogensberger (Deputy Head of the Representation of the European Commission in Austria)  
Dr. Monika Vana (Member of the European Parliament)  
Dr. Jacqueline Stark (NGO Committee on Ageing Vienna, International Federation on Ageing)  
Mag. Edeltraud Glettler (Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs, Health and Consumer Protection, Austria)

#### **Keynotes**

Dr. Alexandre Sidorenko (Former head of the United Nations Programme on Ageing)  
*Human Rights of Older Persons – Advancing an International Agenda*  
Dipl.-Ing. Shams Asadi (Commissioner for Human Rights of the City of Vienna)  
*Equal Treatment and Protection Against Discrimination as a Fundamental Right for Older Persons*

#### **Strengthening Human Rights of Older Persons from the Perspective of Governmental and Non-Governmental Organisations**

Mag. Christoph Angster (Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs, Health and Consumer Protection, Austria)  
*Report from the UN Open-ended Working Group on Ageing, New York*  
Dr. Shantu Watt (NGO Committee on Ageing Vienna, International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse)  
*Strength and Survival: Discrimination and minorities from gender perspectives*  
Birgit Meinhard-Schiebel (President of Caregivers Organisation)  
*I did not expect this!*

#### **12:00 Coffee Break**

#### **Reports on Ongoing and Planned Research on Human Rights of Older Persons**

Dr. Ricardo Rodrigues (European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research)  
*Assessing Human Rights of Older People in Need of Care and Support*  
Dr. Helmut Sax & Dr. Ulrike Waginger (Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Human Rights)  
*Human Rights and Ageing in Societies*  
Dr. Jacqueline Stark (NGO Committee on Ageing Vienna, International Federation on Ageing)  
*On the Role of Language in the Context of Human Rights*

#### **Prof. Topsy Küppers**

*Es ist keine Schande im Alter ein Ziel zu haben – es ist eine Schande kein Ziel zu haben! (Victor Frankl)*  
*(It's not a Shame to Have a Goal as an Older Person – It is a Shame not to Have a Goal!)*

#### **Closing words**

#### **Snack**

Please kindly register for the event: [ageingvie@gmail.com](mailto:ageingvie@gmail.com) until 26 September 2018.

Eine deutsche Zusammenfassung aller Vorträge wird beim Symposium erhältlich sein.

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