



Federal Ministry for
Family Affairs, Senior Citizens,
Women and Youth



Conference programme

International online conference

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**Strengthening Older
People's Rights in
Times of Digitalisation**

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Lessons learned from COVID-19

28–29 September 2020



Konferenz zur Stärkung der Rechte
Älterer | Conference on strengthening
older people's rights

Conference programme

Monday, 28 September 2020 (afternoon)
1.30 p.m. – 4.00 p.m. incl. 10 min break

Moderator: Katja Nellissen

1.00	Check-in	2.45 – 3.40	Panel One: Autonomy of older people in times of digitalisation
1.30 – 1.50	Welcome Franziska Giffey Federal Minister for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth Ebbe Johansen President of AGE Platform Europe Franz Müntefering President of BAGSO		John Patrick Clarke Vice President of the European Disability Forum Robin Allen QC, Barrister at Cloisters, co-founder of AI Law Consultancy Claudia Müller Assistant Professor of Business Informatics, IT for the Ageing Society, University of Siegen Q&A
1.50 – 2.05	Opening speech Dubravka Šuica Commission Vice President for Democracy and Demography	3.40 – 3.55	Presentation of draft Council Conclusions for the EPSCO Council Matthias von Schwanenflügel Director-General for Demographic Change, Senior Citizens, Social Welfare at the Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth
2.05 – 2.35	Discussion Alexis Rinckenbach Vice-Chair of the UNECE Standing Working Group on Ageing, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, France Moritz Ader Policy Analyst, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Q&A	3.55 – 4.00	Wrap-up and end of day one
2.35 – 2.45	Break		

Conference programme

Tuesday, 29 September (morning)

9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. incl. 10 min break

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9.30 – 9.35	Welcome	11.00 – 11.50	Panel Two: Participation of older people
9.35 – 9.50	Opening speech Helena Dalli EU Commissioner for Equality		Anna Chabiera Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights, Poland
9.50 – 10.20	Policy debate Michael O’Flaherty Director of the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights Claudia Mahler United Nations Independent Expert on the enjoyment of all human rights by older persons		Birgitta Sacrédeus Committee of the Regions, Dalarna regional council, Sweden
10.20 – 10.45	Discussion Edmundo Martinho Chair of the UNECE Standing Working Group on Ageing, President of Santa Casa da Misericórdia de Lisboa Elizabeth Mestheneos 50plus Hellas, former President of AGE Platform Europe Q&A	11.50 – 12.25	Q&A Way forward Heidrun Mollenkopf AGE Vice-President and Board Member of BAGSO Juliane Seifert State Secretary at the Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth Milan Brglez Member of the European Parliament Giuseppe Palmisano President of the European Committee of Social Rights of the Council of Europe
10.45 – 11.00	Break	12.25 – 12.30	Closing