

# Interactive Discussion on strengthening the promotion and protection of the human rights of older persons

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# Human Rights of Older Persons ARE HUMAN RIGHTS

The human rights obligations of States:

- **Obligation to respect:** States themselves and their agents, must not violate human rights
- **Obligation to protect:** States must prevent human rights violations by others, including individuals, corporations and other organisations and actors
- **Obligation to fulfil:** States must take positive action to ensure the full enjoyment of all human rights

# International human rights mechanisms

## Treaty Bodies

### CESCR

Committee on  
Economic, Social  
and Cultural  
Rights

### CEDAW

Elimination of  
Discrimination  
against Women

### CRPD

Rights of Persons  
with Disabilities

### CCPR

Human Rights  
Committee, Civil  
and Political  
Rights

### CERD

Elimination of  
Racial  
Discrimination

### CAT

Committee  
against Torture

### CRC

Rights of the Child

### CMW

Rights of All  
Migrant Workers  
and Members of  
their Families

### CED

Enforced  
Disappearances

## Human Rights Council

## Universal Periodic Review

## Special Procedures

*Other international  
Conventions outside  
international human  
rights system*

**ILO/ WHO  
Conventions**

**Regional  
mechanisms**

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# Human Rights of Older Persons

## Developments at the HRC during the last 18 months

- Resolution [HRC/RES/48/3](#) on ageism and age discrimination – adopted 7 October 2021
- Report [HRC/49/70](#) on Normative standards and obligations under international law in relation to the promotion and protection of the human rights of older persons published February 2022
- [Multistakeholder meeting](#) (MSM)-29-30 August 2022
- Report [A/HRC/52/49](#) with conclusions of MSM published January 2023. Presented to 52<sup>nd</sup> HRC

## Enabling meaningful participation

HRC/52/49 Summary of the multi-stakeholder meeting on the human rights of older persons:

There is a need to expeditiously develop and adopt a human rights instrument on older persons. *With civil society, NRIs, the UN and older persons themselves.*

*So we need:*

- HRC resolution establishing a drafting group
- Dedicated GA resolution on Human Rights of Older Persons AND Invite IE to report to the GA under item on Human Rights

## Enabling meaningful participation

- Include older persons in human rights resolutions and include us in text negotiations
- Invite organizations that represent older persons to consultations with Special Procedures in country visits
- Include older persons in country reports to [UPR](#) and TB Bodies
- Propose track on older persons for Summit of the Future
- *Nothing about us means NOTHING about us without us*