

PROGRAMME

SHORT VIDEO “Ageing in the Twenty-First Century: A Celebration and a Challenge” looped

INTRODUCTION OF PROGRAMME: **Ms. Daniela Bas**, Director, Division of Social Policy and Development, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Message from Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations

Message from H.E. John William Ashe, President of 68th Session of the UN General Assembly

Message from H.E. Maria Cristina Perceval, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations

*Message from Mr. James Collins, Chair, NGO Committee on Ageing/New York
Gubernatorial Message and Mayoral Proclamation*

KEYNOTE ADDRESS: **Ms. Shireen Said**, Policy Advisor, Human Rights, Democratic Government Group, Bureau of Development Policy, UN Development Programme, “The Post-2015 Sustainable Development Agenda and What it Means to Older Persons”

PANEL ON THE GLOBAL VOICES OF AGEING

Moderator: Ms. Rosemary Lane, Senior Social Affairs Officer and UN Focal Point on Ageing, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Panelists:

Mr. Paul Ladd, Head of Team & Lead Advisor, UN Development Programme on Post-2015

H.E. Mr. Kingsley Mamabolo, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Permanent Mission of South Africa to the United Nations

Ms. Mary Turok, Vice Chair, Western Cape Older Persons Forum (South Africa)

Mr. M. Mahbub Kamal, member, National Federation of Older People (Bangladesh)

Mr. Shafiq Bhuiyan, interpreter, HelpAge International

Questions and Discussion

NEXT STEPS FOR INCREASING THE POWER OF OLDER PERSONS’ VOICES IN GLOBAL DECISION-MAKING: **Mr. Mateo Estrémé**, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Argentina to the United Nations and Chairman, Open-Ended Working Group on Ageing.

CLOSING REMARKS: **Mr. James Collins**, Chair, NGO Committee on Ageing/New York