



NGO Committee on Ageing, United Nations, New York

c/o Sanford, PO Box 20058, New York, NY 10017 USA www.ngocoa-ny.org

OFFICERS

James Collins, Chairperson

Janet Sigal, Vice-Chairperson

Robert J. Brent, Treasurer

Kathy Kline, Recording Secretary

Elizabeth Nolasco-Sanford, Corresponding Secretary

Florence Denmark, Past Chairperson

2014 INTERNATIONAL DAY OF OLDER PERSONS

“LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND: PROMOTING A SOCIETY FOR ALL”

MISSION STATEMENT

This International Day of Older Persons (IDOP) will celebrate older persons as resources, not as burdens on their societies. It will share some of the success stories of the impact of ageing and what we can learn from them.

This IDOP will also provide us with the results of a large and complex process at the United Nations called “Post-2015” that began with soliciting views from people in all areas of the world – poor and rich, south and north, women and men, old and young, urban and rural – in order to give governments a better sense of what people want to see in the new set of development goals. Member States used this information as well as expert opinions in many panels, consultations and research documents, as a basis for negotiations. One principle guiding their efforts is “Leave No One Behind”.

The objectives of the 2014 International Day of Older Persons are, therefore, to:

1. Highlight the core principles that anchor the Post-2015 development agenda that leaves no one behind, including areas where concerns of older persons have been reflected; and
2. Draw attention to how different groups deal successfully with ageing issues, toward ensuring inclusiveness