Addressing the Challenges & Opportunities of Ageing: Empowering Older

Conference Room 2  October 4, 2007 [Thursday]

Welcoming Remarks  10:00 am - 10:30 am
Kiyotaka Akasaka, Under Secretary-General for Communications & Public Information

Opening Messages
Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General, United Nations (invited)
H.E. Dr. Srgjan Kerim, President, 62nd General Assembly (invited)
Florence Denmark, Chair, NGO Committee on Ageing, United Nations

Tribute to Julia T. Alvarez  10:30 am - 11:15 am

Keynote Addresses  11:15 am - 12:30 pm
H.E. Mr. Juan Antonio Yáñez-Barnuevo, Permanent Representative of Spain to the United Nations (invited)
Robert Vos, Director, Development Policy & Analysis Division, Department of Economics & Social Affairs, United Nations

Cultural Programme  2:30 pm - 3:00 pm
The United Nations Chorus

Panel Discussion  3:00 pm - 4:45 pm
Moderator: John Schölvinck, Director for Social Policy & Development, Department of Economics & Social Affairs, United Nations
Abul Haseeb Khan, Director, Resource Integration Centre, Dhaka, Bangladesh
Ephraim Gathaiya, Chief Executive, HelpAge Kenya, Nairobi, Kenya
Elisa Dulcey-Ruiz, Colombian Correspondent, Latin America Gerontology Network, Bogotá, Columbia
Dirk Jarré, International Cooperation Office, European Federation of Older Persons (EURAG), Kronberg im Taunus, Germany
Nabil Naja, MD., Head, Department of Geriatrics, Dar Alajaza Al-Islamia Hospital, Beirut, Lebanon
Richard Blewitt, Chief Executive, HelpAge International, “Age Demands Action”

Closing Remarks  4:45 pm - 5:00 pm
Florence Denmark, Chair, NGO Committee on Ageing, United Nations

You’re Invited! - Launch of “WHO Age-friendly Cities Guide” by Dr. Alexandre Kalache, Director, WHO Ageing and Life Course Programme, and Joy Phumaphi, World Bank Vice-President and Network Head, Human Development.

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