

“A SUSTAINABLE SOCIETY FOR ALL AGES: Realizing the potential of living longer”

Ensuring ageing with dignity *by*

- ❖ **protecting** older people’s enjoyment of human rights and dignity, promoting their autonomy, self-determination and participation in society, and making sure that no law, policy or programme leaves room for age discrimination
- ❖ **supporting** the necessary infrastructure and assistance to prevent all types of abuse and violence against older people, ensuring their economic, physical, and psychological safety
- ❖ **fostering** the development of innovative methods and services and user- and age-friendly technology and products for reliable, accessible and affordable support and care, allowing older persons to stay in their preferred living environment for as long as possible
- ❖ **raising** quality standards for integrated social care and health services, as appropriate, and improving the status, training and working conditions of professional care workers, including migrant care workers, to meet the growing need for care, thus alleviating the strain on family and informal caregivers while also recognizing and supporting them in their fundamental role of providing care
- ❖ **supporting** research on individual and population ageing processes to better address emerging needs in ageing societies, with special attention to the situation of persons with dementia and other mental and behavioural disorders, and their families
- ❖ **promoting** the participation of people with dementia and other mental and behavioural disorders in social and community life and ensuring integrated care on a local basis with treatment, care, and support after diagnosis as needed, especially through community-based services
- ❖ **respecting** the self-determination and dignity of older women and men, especially towards the end of life, through patient-centred medical and social care, including access to appropriate palliative care.

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