

**We are pleased to invite you  
to the workshop**

**Towards a Convention  
on the Rights of Older Persons**

**How to prevent and react to discrimination and  
violence, neglect and abuse toward older  
persons? What provisions are needed?**

**7 March 2018, 9:30 a.m.**

**Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights  
Długa str. 23/25, Warsaw**

## PROGRAMME

**9:00 – Welcome tea and coffee**

**9:30 - Opening addresses:**

**Adam Bodnar**, Ph.D., Commissioner for Human Rights of Poland

**Petra Follmar-Otto**, Ph.D., Head of Department Human Rights Policies Germany/Europe in the German Institute for Human Rights

**9:50 - National perspectives on the co-operation within UN Open-ended working group on ageing (OEWGA):**

**Representative** of Department of Senior Policy in the Ministry of Family, Labour and Social Policy, Poland

**Matthias von Schwanenflügel**, Prof. Ph.D., Head of Department of Demographic Change, Older Person and Long Term Care in Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth, Germany

**10:30 – 12:00**

**Session 1:**

**Non-discrimination of older persons - Analysis and proposal for the content of new Convention**

Moderator: **Sylwia Spurek**, Ph.D., Deputy Commissioner for Human Rights

Introduction: **Barbara Mikołajczyk**, Professor of Law, University of Silesia in Katowice

Discussion: Responses to the proposal

Speaker 1: **Jochen von Bernstorff**, Professor of Law, University of Tübingen

Speaker 2: **Anna Zawadzka-Łojek**, Professor of Law, University of Warsaw

Open discussion

**12:00 – 13.00 Lunch break**

**13:00 – 14:30**

**Session 2: Violence, neglect and abuse of older persons - Analysis and proposal for the content of new Convention**

Moderator: **Claudia Mahler**, Ph.D., Senior Researcher and Policy Adviser Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in the German Institute for Human Rights

Introduction: **Bridget Sleep**, Senior Rights Adviser, Help Age International

Discussion: Responses to the proposal

Speaker 1: **Zdzisław Kędzia**, Professor of Law, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań

Speaker 2: **Petra Follmar-Otto**, Ph.D., Head of Department Human Rights Policies Germany/Europe in the German Institute for Human Rights

Open discussion

**14:30 – 14:45**

**Wrap up and closing remarks**

**14:45 – 15:00 - Coffee break**

**15:00 – 16:00**

**Session 3: NHRI – Thinking of further actions (closed)**

Moderator: **Hanna Machińska**, Ph.D., Deputy Commissioner for Human Rights

**Language: English**

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