



On the occasion of its 10th anniversary, the UNECE Working Group on Ageing has the pleasure to invite you to a

SIDE EVENT

during the 56th Session of Commission for Social Development at the United Nations Headquarters, New York

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3 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.

Conference Room D



MIPAA MEETS SDG1

RESPONSES TO OLD-AGE POVERTY IN THE UNECE REGION

SPEAKERS

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In global comparison older persons in the UNECE region fare quite well, but poverty does affect almost one in ten. In the light of demographic changes, pressures on social protection systems and transformations in the world of work, the risk of poverty might grow for future generations of older persons. The Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing (MIPAA) provides a framework for addressing this risk.

The side event will provide an overview of old-age poverty in UNECE member countries and its determinants. Inclusive policies reducing the risk of old-age poverty and promoting active ageing will be shared by Austria, France and Norway and the important role of civil society in addressing old-age poverty in the region will be illustrated.

The UNECE Working Group on Ageing assists countries in the implementation of MIPAA by fostering regional collaboration and exchange of strategies and good practice.

