



NEWSLETTER 2013

Vol. 19 No.12

LET US ACT TO ENHANCE RESEARCH AND AWARENESS IN AGEING ISSUES FOR THE FUTURE

Toulouse, June 6th, 2013

Summary

Editorial.....	page 2
Congress: IAGG's 20 th World Congress in Seoul.....	page 3
Network: IAGG's Global Aging Research Network Symposium on "Frailty".....	page 10
Network: IAGG's Global Social Initiative on Ageing (GSIA) activities.....	page 11
Network: International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse (INPEA).....	page 14
Research: IANA2013 conference.....	page 14
Research: International Research Conference on Nursing Home.....	page 15
Research: International Conference on Frailty & Sarcopenia Research.....	page 15
Research: IAGG Nursing Special Interest Group.....	page 16
IAGG & the United Nations.....	page 17
Education: IAGG's Master Classes on Aging.....	page 18
Education: IAGG's Intensive Course on Aging.....	page 20
Education: IAGG's 2013 Student Travel Award.....	page 20
Administration: New Presidents & Membership dues.....	page 21
International job opportunities.....	page 22
Publications.....	page 22
Other IAGG news.....	page 24
Other news worldwide.....	page 27



Editorial

Dear IAGG Members, Colleagues, Partners and Friends,

This is our teams' last Newsletter. We have had much pleasure in reporting our actions, in disseminating news, in communicating ideas and more generally, in keeping you informed throughout the past four years. We will hand over its publication to the next Korean Executives with sadness and joy.

We feel sadness, because our mandate has come to an end and the page must be turned to let other actors take over in the areas of Gerontology and Geriatrics. We will resume our past participation in a booklet entitled "IAGG, four-years of achievement 2009-2013" that will be distributed to Council members, and will soon be made available on the IAGG website (<http://www.iagg.info>) for your convenience. We just hope that you will have as much pleasure in reading this report, as we had in managing the various actions and their outcomes during the last years.

We feel joy, because we know that the IAGG spirit will live on relentlessly in favour of the sciences related to old age and to the benefit of our world's aging population. A new team will surely bring a new vision to Gerontology and Geriatrics and much will be done to enhance and promote research and training in these fields.

We have received much help from the previous Brazilian team, and we hope to bring in turn, assistance to the next Korean executive officers. In the meantime, we wish good luck and much success to all our IAGG Members, Colleagues, Partners and Friends.

*Bruno VELLAS
IAGG President (2009-2013)*



IAGG's 20th World Congress

June 23-27, 2013

Seoul Convention and Exhibition Centre



Updated report

The organizing committee of the 20th IAGG World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics is on a high pitch to make the Congress successful and meaningful for the worldwide academic societies of Gerontology and Geriatrics, and furthermore the rapidly population ageing world itself.

At the Seoul Congress, one of the largest international academic events, about 5,000 scholars, professionals both academically and industrially, policy decision-makers, and governmental officers are expected to attend from over 90 countries. Around 4,000 papers handling comprehensive issues related to aging will be presented, and a variety of special sessions will be prepared. Furthermore, workshops respectively entitled "Population Ageing and the Economic Growth", "Human Rights of Older Persons" and "Age-Friendly Cities" should attract the congress participants, as they are the current newest and controversial issues related to Gerontological field.



Keynote lectures

- **Digital Aging: Why, What and How**

Sang Chul Park - Executive Vice President, Well Aging Research Centre, Samsung Electronics, Korea

- **Biology and Ageing**

Brian Kennedy - President and CEO, Buck Institute for Research on Aging, USA

- **Active Ageing in the Third and Fourth Ages**

Alan Walker - Professor of Social Policy and Social Gerontology, Director of the New Dynamics Ageing Programme, University of Sheffield, UK

- **Population Ageing Issues in Developing Countries**

Peng Du - Director and Professor at the Institute of Gerontology, Renmin University, Beijing, China

- **Disease Modifying Drug Trials in Alzheimer's Diseases**

Bruno Vellas - President IAGG, Professor of Medicine, Chief Dept. of Internal Medicine & Geriatrics Toulouse University Hospital, Chief of Alzheimer's Disease Clinical Research Centre of Toulouse, France

- **Changes in Family Structure and Care of Older Persons**

Karen A. Roberto - Professor and Director of the Center for Gerontology, Director of the Institute for Society, Culture, and Environment, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, USA

- **Health Care through Gerontechnology**

Alain Franco - Secretary General IAGG, Professor of Geriatrics, Gerontology and Gerontechnology Nice University Hospital, France

- **Signaling in the Anti-Ageing Process**

Yo-ichi Nabeshima - Department of Pathology and Tumor Biology, Graduate School of Medicine, Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan



Presidential symposium

- **Geriatric Syndromes Related with Frailty, Dementia, and Diabetes Mellitus**

Hyung Joon Yoo (Hallym University School of Medicine, Kangnam Sacred Heart Hospital, Korea)

Howard Bergman (McGill University, Canada)

Kenji Toba (National Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology, Japan)

- **Integration of Signal Pathways on Energy Metabolism and Longevity**

Isao Shimokawa (Nagasaki University Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, Japan)

James F. Nelson (University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Country, USA)

Norbert A. Dencher (Technische Universität Darmstadt, Germany)

Cheol-Koo Lee (Korea University, Korea)

- **Arterial Component of Age-related Diseases**

Athanase Benetos (University of Nancy, France)

Olivier Hanon (University Paris Descartes, France)

Jeong Bae Park (Kwandong University College of Medicine, Korea)

Katsuhiko Kohara (Ehime University Graduate School of Medicine, Japan)

- **Immune Frailty and Defense against Infections**

Graham Pawelec (University of Tübingen, Germany)

Janet Lord (Birmingham University, UK)

Tamas Fülöp (University of Sherbrooke, Canada)

Bonnie Blomberg (University of Miami, USA)

Arne Akbar (University College London, UK)

- **Changing Times and Filial Piety**

Kyu-Taik Sung (Jakwang Social Welfare Foundation, Korea)

Peng Du (Renmin University, China)

Alan K. L. Chan (Nanyang Technological University, Singapore)

Nelson Chow (University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong)

Yoshiko Someya (Tokyo Woman's Christian University, Japan)

- **Epigenetic Regulation of Aging**

John Sedivy (Brown University, USA)

Nir Barzilai (Albert Einstein College of Medicine, USA)

Zhongjun Zhou (The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong)

- **Frailty and Sarcopenia**

Jean-Pierre Michel (Geneva University, Switzerland)

Jeffrey Halter (Geriatrics Center, University of Michigan, USA)

Kyung-Hwan Cho (Korea University Medical College, Korea)

John Morley (Saint Louis University School of Medicine, USA)

Liang-Kung Chen (Taipei Veterans General Hospital, Taiwan)

Hidekazu Arai (Kyoto University, Japan)

- **Changing Times and Filial Piety**

Bob Knight (University of Southern California, USA)

Christopher Hertzog (Georgia Institute of Technology, USA)

Helene H. Fung (Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong)

Nancy Pachana (University of Queensland, Australia)

- **Mitochondria Quality Control and Aging**

Eun-Seong Hwang (University of Seoul, Korea)

Nils-Göran Larsson (Max Planck Institute for Biology of Ageing, Germany)

Takamasa Ishii (Tokai University School of Medicine, Japan)

Gyesoon Yoon (Ajou University School of Medicine, Korea)

- **Disease or Disability; Impact of Geriatric Diseases on Functional Outcome**

Ryutaro Takahashi (Tokyo Metropolitan Institute of Gerontology, Japan)

Hunkyung Kim (Tokyo Metropolitan Institute of Gerontology, Japan)

Bo Youl Choi (Tokyo Metropolitan Institute of Gerontology, Korea)

Masahiro Akishita (Tokyo University Medical School, Japan)

Ching-Yu Chen (National Taiwan University, Taiwan)

- **International Perspectives on Poverty and Liveability of Older Persons**

Judith Phillips (Swansea University, UK)

Heung Bong Cha (Hallym University, Korea)

Norah Keating (University of Alberta, Canada)

Isabella Aboderin (Oxford University, Kenya)

Laurie Buys (Queensland University, Australia)

Laura Machado (United Nations, Brazil)



Noteworthy program

- **Roundtable Discussion on Population Ageing and Economic Growth**

June 24, 14:10 - 15:40

The impacts of the population ageing are depicted negatively in general, particularly with regard to the economic aspect and thus becoming an issue that people are afraid of and wish to avoid. The negative impacts may be based on some unreasonable, uncertain or unscientific assumptions about human capacities and social systems of future society. Will the population ageing retard economic growth and impose a heavy burden on future generations? What other perceived negative impacts might there be? This roundtable discussion will invite some prominent scholars and policy-makers who have different points of view on the impacts of the population ageing, and provide an opportunity to analyze more closely, and debate on, their positive and negative impacts.

Speakers

Hanam Phan (Korea Labor Institute, Korea)

Donghyun Park (Asian Development Bank, Korea)

Axel Boersch-Supan (Max Planck Institute for Social Law and Social Policy, Germany)

Other panelists to be confirmed

- **IAGG/WHO Workshop on Ageing-Friendly City** (sponsored by Seoul Metropolitan Government)

June 26, 14:10 - 15:40

Chair: John Beard (Director of the Department of Ageing and Life Course, WHO)

Megumi Kano (Centre for Health Development, WHO, Japan)

Louise Plouffe (Policy Research, International Longevity Centre, Brazil)

Katsunori Kondo (Center for Well-being and Society, Nihon Fukushi University, Japan)

Katrin Engelhardt (Western Pacific Regional Office, WHO, Philippines)

Other speakers from Seoul Metropolitan Government

- **"Encore life, encore career"** (special symposium hosted by Samsung Insurance)

June 24, 13:30 - 17:30

Hosted by Samsung Life Insurance, this special symposium "Encore Life, Encore Career" will offer a chance to discuss the meaning and value of work after retirement. As the healthy older population is rapidly growing and Baby Boomers began retiring in the recent years, it became significant for these people to enhance the quality of life in the middle and later years. In this symposium, five presenters from Korea, the United Kingdom, and the United States will share experiences and thoughts on the encore life and encore career after retirement. Notably, the Retirement Research Center of Samsung Life Insurance will present the survey results on the needs of 50-year-old Korean adults with respect to work after retirement. Baby Boomers in their 50s have greater needs for self-esteem, time management, and meaningful activities that may contribute to societal benefits compared with other population. Participants to this symposium will be able to learn about how middle-aged adults define the meaning of work after retirement and what efforts could be made to help them find work opportunities that may improve the quality of life. It will be also interesting to discuss how retirees or pre-retirees could develop their leisure activities into work opportunities.

- **Gary Andrews Memorial Session**

June 26, 10:50 - 12:20

Chair: Peng Du (Renmin University, Beijing, China)

Speech in the Memory of Prof. Gary Andrews (Dr. Orimo, Former Chair of IAGG Asia/Oceania Region)

Introduction of Prof. Gary Andrew's Activities for IAGG and Asia/Oceania (Melinda Andrews)

Gary Andrews Memorial Lect.1 "The Improvability of Ageing Experiences over the Life Course" (Hal Kendig, Australia)

Gary Andrews Memorial Lect.2 "Directions in International Aging Research" (Alan Walker, UK)

- **Implications of the "Disability Wave" in Global Aging** (sponsored by the Korea Disabled People's Development Institute)

June 26, 10:50-12:20

Globally, trends and implications of population aging are well known. Nations are responding with varying levels of concern and planning. While longevity gains demonstrate success, financial, social, and political challenges are evident and gaining in political prominence. Three disability trends merge in the age wave – aging long term with disability, aging long-term with impairment and chronic illness but no disability, and growing older without disability. How they are addressed in terms of 1) bridging knowledge in the fields of aging and disability, 2) developing joint or allied public policy initiatives across aging and disability advocacy groups, 3) developing professional support and service workforces to address needs and concerns of all three constituencies, and 4) reducing ageism and disability-related discrimination among the general population will all be key factors in shaping the aging experience of the current older adults, baby boomers, and generations to follow. This symposium presents three national perspectives (case examples) of the implications of the disability wave in global aging. Each panelist will present the current demographic scenario, address the four key points listed above, and reflect on the current political and policy framework of the disability wave. Needs and directions for international research will be identified.

Speakers

Michelle Putnam (Simmons College, USA)

Fernando Torres-Gil (University of California, USA)

Christine Bigby (Department of Social Work and Social Policy, Australia)

Kamika Masuda (The Japanese Red Cross Kyusyu International College of Nursing, Japan)

Sookkyung Shin (Korea Disabled People's Development Institute, Korea)

- **Korea-Japan Forum on Global Ageing and East Asia** (Korean-Japanese Translation only)

June 25, 10:30 - 19:20

Opening Remarks: Heung Bong Cha (Organizing committee of IAGG 2013, Korea)
Yasuyoshi Ouchi (University of Tokyo, Japan)

Session I/ Administration of the Long-Term Care Facilities I

Chairs: Hisao Osada, (J. F. Oberlin University, Japan), Jin Woo Park (Korea Federation of Senior Welfare)

- > Present Status and Prospect in Dementia Care in Japan - Yukimichi Imai (Wako Hospital, Japan)
- > Present Status and Prospect in Dementia Care in Korea - Ki Woong Kim (Seoul National University, National Institute of Dementia, Korea)

Session II/ Administration of the Long-term Care Facilities II

Chairs: Jee Young Kim (Korea Association Community Care for Elderly), Masakazu Shirasawa (J. F. Oberlin University)

- > Current Trend of the Long-term Care Facilities in Korea - Eun Young Lee (Gyemyeong Welfare Foundation, Korea)
- > Administration of Unit Care Facility in Japan - Yukitsumu Okubo (Social Welfare Juridical Person KOSEIKAI, Japan)

Session III / Geriatric Medicine Seminar I

Session IV / Geriatric Medicine Seminar II

- **Korea-China Forum on Global Ageing and East Asia** (Korean-Chinese Translation Only)

June, 24 (Thu) 10:30 - 19:30

Korea-China Social Security System for older persons - Sung Jae Choi (Seoul National University, Korea), Peng Du (Renmin University Beijing, China)

Korea-China Traditional Medicine and Health Care - Young Soo Jin (Asan Medical Center, Korea), Gu Xiao Hong (Beijing University of Chinese Medicine, China)

Korea-China Population aging and Longevity - Ik Ki Kim (Dongguk University, Institute of General Education, Korea), Xiao Zhen Yu (Gerontological Society of China)

Cardiovascular and Cerebrovascular diseases - Seok Yeon Kim (Seoul Medical Center, Korea), Hu Da Yi (Peking University, China)

Long-Term Care for Elderly - Miae Chun (Chongshin University, China), Zuo Xue Jin (Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, China)

Senile Dementia - Il-Woo Han (Yong-in Hoja Hospital, Korea), Cui De Hua (Peking University, China)

Osteoporosis - Chang Won Won (Kyung Hee University, Korea), Liu Zhong Hou (China-Japan Friendship Hospital, Beijing, China)

Health & Active Ageing - Sung Kook Lee (Kyungpook National University, Korea), Tang Zhe (Capital University of Medical Sciences, Beijing, China)



Exhibition overview

The congress will host an exhibition of 180 booths setup by a various industries: pharmaceutical companies, private health care facilities, academic institutes, and governmental organizations.

The Exhibition area will be divided into four themes:

- **Digital Ageing**, highlights the main exhibition theme and current research studies on the Ageing society (with Digital Ageing Theme Pavilion, Gerontology R&D Pavilion, Ageing-Friendly IT Pavilion).
- **Healthy Ageing**, features the healthcare industries for health promotion and experience with the ageing body (with New Medicine Pavilion, U-Health Pavilion, Ageing-Friendly City Pavilion, Aging Life Experience Pavilion).
- **Active Ageing**, introduces various programs for the vigorous life of older persons (with Retirement Consulting Pavilion, Senior Living Pavilion, Senior Community Center Pavilion, Social Participation Pavilion, Universal Design Pavilion, Overseas Pavilion).
- **Anti-Ageing**, showcases diverse technologies, products, and studies for anti-Ageing (with Anti-Ageing Pavilion, Well-Being Food Pavilion, Senior Fashion, Travel and Life/Health/Leisure Pavilion).

Accommodation

Hotel The IAGG2013 Organizing Committee has prepared block reservation of congress hotels in different rate categories. Special rates have been secured by the committee but can be obtained only until April 15, 2013. In order to secure hotel accommodations, participants should reserve their room early. Any booking requests received after April 16, 2013 cannot be guaranteed and rates may be higher than those quoted below.

Guest house & home-stay in general The primary aim of Guest House Accommodation Program is to let you experience and understand other cultures. This is a great opportunity to learn about Korea, to get to know the people, their traditions, the lifestyle that often remains hidden from foreign eyes. Providers will be members of FKGS (Federation of Korean Gerontological Societies), members of ageing related associations/societies, or Seoul citizens who are interested in being part of this home-stay program.

Of course, should you have other specific requirements or need special assistance, please contact reg@iagg2013.org

Site visits

Congress participants may experience Korean developed ageing facilities and policies through a site visit program. The site visits will be organized in and out of Seoul. You will be invited to choose amongst six different itineraries that include facilities of interest such as: welfare community centers, medical centers & nursing homes, residential welfare facilities, counseling centers, medical exam clinic etc. Availability is on a first come first served basis.

Apply on-line directly on the Congress website at <http://www.iagg2013.org/Eng/programs-4.php>! And if you have any questions about the site visit, please contact the Secretariat (seoul@iagg2013.org) at any time.

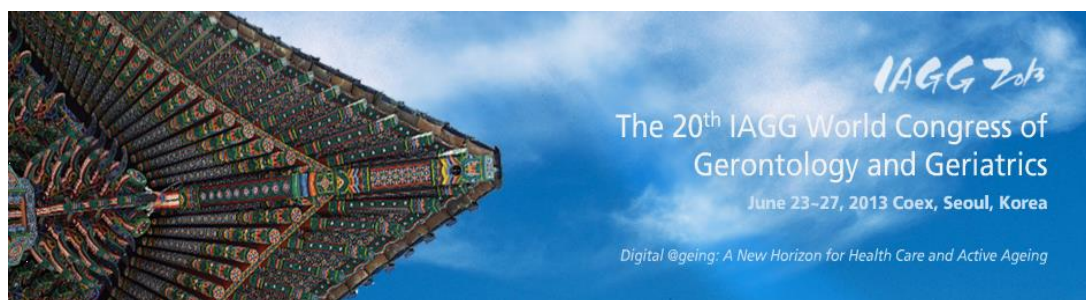
Inquiries at a glance

Should you need more specific information about your participation, please do not hesitate to contact directly:

- seoul@iagg2013.org - for general issues, site visits and sponsor information
- sympo@iagg2013.org - for questions on symposia
- abstract@iagg2013.org - for details on oral/poster presentations
- reg@iagg2013.org - for registration, accommodation, social events matters
- exhibit@iagg2013.org - for those concerned about exhibition opportunities

For further details on all of these different topics, visit the congress website at <http://www.iagg2013.org>

On-line registration <http://www.iagg2013.org/Eng/attend-1.php>





Other IAGG-related events scheduled during the Seoul congress

IANA2013 The International Academy on Nutrition and Aging will organize a scientific meeting dedicated to: nutrition, age-related diseases (such as sarcopenia, cognitive decline, frailty, Alzheimer's disease...), prevention and multi-domain intervention studies with physical and cognitive exercises.

⇒ **Sunday June 23, 2013 from 09:15am to 04:30pm (3rd Floor, Hall E5)**

INPEA's 8th World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) International Commemoration This international commemoration will be organized by the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse (INPEA) along with its Rosalie Wolf Award 2013. More information on this event will be available soon.

⇒ **Sunday June 23, 2013 from 09:00am to 04:40pm.**

IAGG Nursing Special Interest Group The nursing needs of older adults around the world are growing. Nurses have a responsibility to contribute to research and public policy for the health and social care of the global aging population. In order to promote networking and collaboration among nurse participants at IAGG, a nursing special interest group meeting has been organized. All nurses with a commitment to promoting the science, education and practice of caring for older adults are invited to attend. Contact: Catherine Van Son PhD, RN at vansonc@wsu.edu

⇒ **Sunday June 23, 2013 from 12:00 to 01:30pm.**

IAGG-GARN Symposium on "Frailty" This Presidential Symposium will focus on the Prevention of Further Disabilities in Frail Older Adults. The first session will be dedicated to the "Prevention of Frailty in Robust Older Adults" and the 2nd session will treat "How to Implement Frailty into Clinical Practice and Clinical Research?" Invited speakers will include: Prof Ian PHILP (UK), Dr John ROWE (USA), Prof John MORLEY (USA), Prof Alan SINCLAIR (UK), Dr Liang-Kung CHEN (Taiwan) and Prof Bruno VELLAS (France). A cocktail reception will be provided at the end of the event, allowing added exchanges between speakers and observers. Please register directly at <http://www.garn-network.org/inscription.php>

⇒ **Monday June 24, 2013 from 02:00pm to 06:30pm (3rd Floor, Hall E5)**

The Diabetes Mellitus symposium The main components of the 1st phase of the Global Initiative in Diabetes Mellitus will be centred around providing high quality educational material in relation to diabetes via an online resource. This symposium is chaired by Prof Alan SINCLAIR (UK), Project Lead of the Global Initiative in Diabetes for Older People for 2012-13 (GIDOP).

⇒ **Monday June 24, 2013 from 02:10pm to 03:40pm**

The Busse Research Awards Two awards will be granted during the World Congress in Seoul. In recognition of significant contributions to aging research one award will recognize a scientist from the social/behavioral sciences; the other, a scientist from the biomedical sciences. You are invited to meet the 2013 award winners and to discover their oral communications.

⇒ **Tuesday June 25, 2013 from 04:00pm to 07:00pm**

IAGG-GSIA symposium on "International Perspectives on Family Roles and Obligations" Chaired by Prof Ariela LOWENSTEIN (IAGG-GSIA Council member from Haifa University, Israel) and Prof Norah KEATING (IAGG-GSIA Director from University of Alberta, Canada), this Presidential symposium will include presentations from Merrill SILVERSTEIN (Syracuse University, USA), Ruth KATZ (University of Haifa, Israel), David PHILLIPS (Lingnan University, Hong Kong), Simon BIGGS (University of Melbourne, Australia).

⇒ **Tuesday June 25, 2013 from 05:50pm to 07:20pm**

A symposium on "Strengthening the Rights of Older Persons Globally: Advances and Challenges" This Presidential symposium will be get together civil society actors such as Ms Laura MACHADO (IAGG's International Coordinator for UN affairs representing the Global Alliance for the Rights of Older People, Brazil), Ms Rosemary LANE (United Nations Focal Point on Ageing, New York, USA), Mr Richard BLEWITT (HelpAge International, UK) and Ms Isabella ABODERIN (IAGG's Africa Region Chair from the University of Oxford, South Africa) to debate on the status of strengthening the rights of older persons.

⇒ **Wednesday June 26, 2013 from 10:50am to 12:20pm**

Network: Global Aging Research Network (IAGG-GARN)

A symposium on Implementing Frailty into Clinical Practice and Clinical Research Monday June 24th, 2013 from 01:30pm to 06:30pm (3rd Floor, Hall E5), at the Seoul Convention Center, Korea.

You will participate at IAGG's 20th World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics that will take place on 23-27 June 2013 in Seoul, Korea.

IAGG's Global Aging Research Network invites you to attend a Presidential symposium on the Prevention of Frailty in Robust Older Adults and the Prevention of Further Disabilities in Frail Older Adults during the Congress.

The programme will include:

01:30pm: Introduction: Pr B. VELLAS, IAGG President (France), Pr HB. CHA, IAGG President Elect (South Korea), Pr R. GUIMARAES, IAGG Past President (Brazil)

02:00pm to 03:30pm: Session 1: Prevention of Frailty in Robust Older Adults

- i. *Is a Continuum between Robust, Frailty and Disabilities with Aging?* Pr J. ROWE (New York, USA), IAGG Future President Elect
- ii. *The Risk Factors for Frailty in Robust Older Adults.* Pr A. SINCLAIR (Luton, UK)
- iii. *How to Empower the Primary Care Physician in the Identification of the Vulnerable Older Person with a View to Preventing Frailty and all its Consequences.* Pr I. PHILP (Warwick, UK)

03:30pm to 04:00pm: Coffee break

04:00pm to 05:30pm: Session 2: How to Implement Frailty into Clinical Practice and Clinical Research?

- i. *The G rontop le Experience to Implement Frailty into Clinical Practice.* Pr B. VELLAS (Toulouse, France)
- ii. *How to Implement Sarcopenia into Clinical Practice.* Pr LK. CHEN (Taipei, Taiwan)
- iii. *An International Consensus Definition and Assessment for Frailty.* Pr J. MORLEY (St Louis, USA)

**No registration fee will be necessary as it will be included in IAGG's congress global registration.
However, in view of the limited place available, kindly register directly on the IAGG-GARN website at
<http://www.garn-network.org/inscription.php>. Should you need assistance contact: f.soula@celsius-net.com**



Network: Global Social Initiative on Ageing (IAGG-GSIA)

A roundtable & public lecture at the University of Western Australia, in Perth

Health Wealth and Hearth: Law, Policy and Social Perspectives on an Ageing Australia

In February 2013 Professor Norah Keating travelled to Perth, Western Australia as a guest of the Faculty of Law and the Institute of Advanced Studies (IAS) at the University of Western Australia. Although the main purpose of her visit was to be a keynote speaker at the Faculty of Law's roundtable forum: *Health Wealth and Hearth: Law, Policy and Social Perspectives on an Ageing Australia*, Professor Keating also delivered a public lecture: *Friendly for Whom? Rethinking Age-Friendly Communities*, addressed a forum organized by the Council on the Ageing Western Australia (COTAWA) and met with researchers from several universities and representatives from Seniors advocacy and research services.

The University of Alberta was also represented at the Roundtable by Ms Nicole Gaudet, a post-graduate student in the School of Human Ecology and Vice-president of Choices in Community Living Inc. Nicole presented a paper at the roundtable that considered Canadian approaches to retirement living, particularly continuing care facilities.

The Roundtable

The multi-disciplinary roundtable forum addressed one of the most important issues for law and policy makers across the globe: the ageing population. In summary, the forum focused on three of the most pressing issues for the senior members of our society: Health, Wealth and Hearth. An ageing population is a challenge to those in the health sector because of the demands of caring for elderly persons with mental and physical disabilities, as well as raising questions about appropriate measures at the ending of life. The changing demographic has ramifications for the financial sector, notably the way that institutions regulate credit and debt, and how the government will regulate increasing demands on various forms of welfare support. Further, financial concerns surround the significant pressure that can be placed upon seniors within the family context. Finally, an increased senior sector has implications for housing and planning policy, particularly in relation to aged care facilities and a growing problem of aged homelessness.

In 2012, Professors Eileen Webb, Meredith Blake and Robyn Carroll from the UWA Law School proposed that these important and highly topical issues be addressed through roundtable discussions between expert academics and practitioners from law, health, and the social sciences. After receiving funding from the IAS, the forum was scheduled and brought together 30 researchers, policy makers and practitioners with an interest in senior Australians.

Professor Keating's presentations

The public lecture was very well attended and Professor Keating's lecture was the subject of excellent feedback from the audience. In her presentation, Professor Keating spoke about her journey toward answering the question, 'age-friendly for whom'? To illustrate the tremendous diversity in both people and place, she drew on examples of communities such as retirement villages in rural Canada and high-density urban settlements in urban South Africa; and of active engaged older persons and those who are marginalized as a result of poverty and poor health. Professor Keating argued that an age-friendly community is one in which there is a good fit between the needs and preferences of older persons and community features and resources.

At the Roundtable, Professor Keating's presentation was titled: *A good place to grow old? - The social impact on housing*. The presentation caused a considerable amount of discussion amongst the group, particularly because the landscape for seniors in Western Australia and Alberta are, perhaps surprisingly, very similar and there were many parallels that could be drawn between the two jurisdictions.

Future collaboration and research

Professors Webb, Carroll and Blake hope the roundtable will be a springboard for future research. An edited book of papers from the Roundtable will be published and Professor Webb is collaborating with Professor Keating on *inter alia* research titled *Security of Tenure of the ageing population in Western Australia and Alberta – Is the law keeping pace with housing and accommodation issues affecting seniors?* and a journal article on the impact of assets for care arrangements.

Article sent by Norah Keating, Director of IAGG-GSIA

From left to right,

Front row: Ms Judith Abercromby (Australian Institute of Health and Welfare); Professor Norah Keating (University of Alberta, Canada); Professor Robyn Carroll (University of Western Australia) Centre row: Professor Lorna Fox O'Mahoney (University of Durham, UK); Associate Professor Meredith Blake (University of Western Australia); Associate Professor Aviva Freilich (University of Western Australia); Back row: Professor Eileen Webb (University of Western Australia); Ms Nicole Gaudet (University of Alberta, Canada); Ms Judith Allen (University of Western Australia).



An online seminar in New Zealand

The New Zealand Association of Gerontology organized an online seminar February 19, 2013 with 26 people across three cities, Dunedin, Palmerston North and Auckland. Visiting Professor Norah Keating from University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada and Director of IAGG's Global Social Initiative on Ageing (IAGG-GSIA) was invited to present initiatives related to the 3 priority directions for GSIA research; liveability, caring, and families.



Dr Keating opened the online seminar with the IAGG awareness that we are not doing as good a job as we might in interacting around the globe on the big questions related to how older people are doing amidst family, social and environmental changes. She presented images and research stories from two communities in rural Canada, and an urban region in South Africa, as a way of showing the importance of the fit between the needs and resources of older persons and of their communities. She offered a re-conceptualisation of the notion of age-friendly communities. Rather than being about features which make communities inclusive

and accessible for older people, age-friendliness of communities is dynamic; it is about addressing changes over time for people and places. It is about ongoing changes to promote good fit for persons in places that are always amidst change.

Article sent by Norah Keating, Director of IAGG-GSIA

A research planning meeting in Finland

A research planning meeting on families in later life was held April 27-30 in Rovaniemi and Keropiritti in Northern Finland. The meeting was organized by Marjaana Seppänen, University of Lapland. Invited participants were from the University of Lapland, Keele University, Brunel University, National University of Ireland, Galway and University of Alberta.

The purpose of the meeting was to develop a program of research on families living in northern areas. Two points of departure were developed.

1. The project is based on data from the GOAL study (Good Ageing in Lahti Region), a longitudinal Study on ageing and well-being. The study includes 3 cohorts of older adults. Four waves of data have been collected to date. Analyses are planned that will address questions of the structure, function and perceived quality of family life of study participants, set within historic contexts of war and family separation and later development of the welfare state. Contact: Professor Marjaana Seppänen marjaana.seppanen@ulapland.fi
2. The second project is a systematic review of literature on obligations to care, that will map the extent and diversity of obligations of family members and friends to provide care to older adults. Contact: Dr. Mo Ray m.g.ray@appsoc.keele.ac.uk

These projects are part of a larger initiative on families and ageing that comprises one of the three main themes of the GSIA.



Photo of members of the planning workshop: Miriam Bernard (UK), Shahnaj Begum, Hanna Bradter, Eeva Rossi, Mary Pat Sullivan (UK), Thomas Scharf (Ireland), Marjaana Seppänen (Finland), Mo Ray (UK), Norah Keating (Canada), Arja Kilpeläinen (Finland).

Article sent by Norah Keating, Director of IAGG-GSIA

The next IAGG-GSIA activities

South Korea: Upcoming activities on GSIA families at the World Congress on Gerontology and Geriatrics include a keynote address on families by Professor Karen Roberto (U.S.) entitled *Changes in Family Structure and Care of Older Persons*; and a presidential symposium on families chaired by Professor Ariela Lowenstein and Professor Norah Keating entitled *International Perspectives on Family Roles and Obligations*.

South Africa: Finally, an intensive workshop on families will be held at Northwest University in Potchefstroom, South Africa. Contact: Dr. Jaco Hoffman jacobus.hoffman@ageing.ox.ac.uk or Professor Vera Roos Vera.Roos@nwu.ac.za

Article sent by Norah Keating, Director of IAGG-GSIA

Network : INPEA's World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD)



Established by the INPEA in 2006 and ratified by the United Nations in 2011, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day serves as a call to action to raise awareness of abuse, neglect and exploitation of older people.

On Thursday June 13, 2013, the National Centre for the Protection of Older People (NCPOP), University College Dublin, in collaboration with the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse (INPEA) will jointly host a national conference in Dublin to mark World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. The program begins at 9:00am with an opening address from Emily O'Reilly, Ombudsman (Mediator) and Information Commissioner and Keynote speeches from Dr Deirdre O'Donnell, NCPop and Dr Claudia Cooper, University College London.

This is an opportunity for the Lord Mayor of Dublin, the Deputy Garda Commissioner and the Dean of Nursing and Head of the UCD School of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Systems, to sign the INPEA Declaration.

See the program on http://www.ncpop.ie/WEAAD_2013 - Free admission for all, please contact: ncpop@ucd.ie

Research: IANA 2013

The International Academy on Nutrition and Aging will organize a scientific meeting on June 23, 2013 in Seoul, Korea. It will deal with "Nutrition and Physical & Cognitive Frailty". Physical and cognitive disabilities are the two most important age-related decline. Nutrition is an important factor for either sarcopenia or loss of muscle with age, and cognitive functions. Topics include: frailty, nutrition assessment and intervention, sarcopenia, body composition, physical exercise, multi-domain intervention, clinical trials, cognitive decline, mobility, undernutrition refeeding etc. The program is available on IANA website: <http://www.iana-congress.eu/pdf/Program.pdf>



This research and practice symposium is organized with the IAGG-GARN, the IANA (International Academy on Nutrition and Aging) and the University of New Mexico, School of Medicine. Researchers from around the world will present new findings in these important fields.

No registration fee will be necessary as it will be included in IAGG's congress global registration. However, pre-registration is needed to attend the IANA2013 symposium. So, kindly send your confirmation by e-mail to contact@iana-congress.eu

Contact: contact@iana-congress.eu Website: <http://www.iana-congress.eu/page/home-14>

Research: International Research Conference on Nursing Home

The International Research Conference on Nursing Home will take place on November 22-23, 2013 at the St. Louis University, Missouri, USA.



Despite the increase of both the aging population and the number of institutionalized older people, clinical research in nursing home is still scarce. Research is however essential to improve the quality of care in nursing home. The improvement of the quality of care in nursing home will rely on the future evidences from researches performed in these settings, their feasibility in real life condition and the successful dissemination of these new clinical evidences. Supported by the

IAGG-GARN Network, the Conference offers an opportunity to learn and share ideas, and promote current knowledge among researchers, in the field of nursing home care. The preliminary program includes

- Pressure ulcers in the nursing home: David Thomas (Jefferson City, USA)
- The Technological Nursing Home: Marilyn Rantz (Columbia, USA)
- What should be the optimal staff organization in nursing home? Paul Katz (Toronto, Canada)
- Depression in the nursing home: George Grossberg (St Louis, USA)
- Transitions between nursing and hospital: Milta Little (St Louis, USA)
- Clinical update on nursing home medicine: John Morley (St Louis, USA)
- Research in the nursing home: Barbara Resnick (Baltimore, USA)
- Impact of pneumonia on disabilities in nursing home resident: a prospective study: M. Cesari (Toulouse, France)
- Cognitive Stimulation Therapy in the Nursing Home: Martin Orrell (London, UK)
- Hospitalizations in the long-term care population: The Interact Program: J. Ouslander (Fort Lauderdale, USA)
- A multicentric individually-tailored controlled trial of education and professional support to nursing home staff: Yves Rolland (Toulouse, France)

One unique submission deadline: July 30, 2013 for symposium, oral & poster communications

All abstracts must be submitted via the congress Website: <http://www.nursing-home-research.com>

Research: International Conference on Frailty & Sarcopenia Research (ICFSR2014)

The International Conference on Frailty & Sarcopenia Research (ICFSR 2014) will take place at the Institut de l'Envel·liment of the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain on March 13-14, 2014. Under the auspices of the IAGG-GARN Network, the conference will deal with the following topics:



- Frailty: Biology of frailty and aging, Physical frailty and age-related body composition modifications, Cognitive frailty, Frailty in clinical practice and public health, Clinical trials and therapeutics.
- Sarcopenia: Biology, Animal models, Preclinical studies, Clinical trials, Functional assessment, Biomarkers and imaging, New Drug Developments, Physical exercise, Nutrition intervention, Epidemiology.

Call for abstracts (symposium, oral communication, posters) submission deadline: October 30, 2013

Website: <http://www.frailty-sarcopenia.com>

Research: PROT-AGE Study Group

With the goal of developing updated, evidence-based recommendations for optimal protein intake by older people, the European Union Geriatric Medicine Society (EUGMS) and the European Society for Clinical Nutrition and Metabolism (ESPEN), in cooperation with other scientific organizations, appointed an International Study Group, led by Jürgen Bauer (Oldenburg, Germany) and Yves Boirie (Clermont-Ferrand, France) and including 11 other members, to review Dietary Protein Needs with Aging (PROT-AGE Study Group). PROT-AGE experts came from a wide range of clinical and research specialties, such as geriatric medicine, internal medicine, endocrinology, nutrition, exercise physiology, gastroenterology, and renal medicine. This PROT-AGE Study Group reviewed evidence in five areas:

1. Protein needs for older people in good health;
2. Protein needs for older people with specific acute or chronic diseases;
3. Role of exercise along with dietary protein for recovering and maintaining muscle strength and function in older people;
4. Practical aspects of providing dietary protein, i.e., source and quality of dietary proteins, timing of protein intake, and intake of protein-sparing energy;
5. Use of functional outcomes to assess the impact of age- and disease-related muscle loss and the effects of interventions.

The PROT-AGE Study Group first met in July 2012, followed by numerous email contacts. The Group followed the Delphi process for consensus decision-making: structured discussions, evidence-based reasoning, and iterative steps toward agreement.

The PROT-AGE Study Group represented the European Union Geriatric Medicine Society (EUGMS), the European Society for Clinical Nutrition and Metabolism (ESPEN), the International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (IAGG), the International Academy on Nutrition and Aging (IANA), and the Australian and New Zealand Society for Geriatric Medicine (ANZSGM).

Research: IAGG Nursing Special Interest Group

Nurses & Global Aging: Gathering, Sharing & Caring Together,an Invitation to Meet

By the year 2050, two billion people (almost one quarter of the world's population) will be over the age of 60, representing challenges and opportunities for the nursing profession. Older adults are among the most disadvantaged, marginalized and vulnerable groups of people in the world. The nursing profession has an essential role in setting public policy and education for health and social care of the global aging population. Strategic partnerships are needed among nursing and community based organizations to advocate and represent older adults as well as engage and influence debates on "global aging, the determinants of health and the impact of the social environment" (International Council of Nurses, 2006 p.1).

Given the critical role of nursing in promoting health and the growing needs of older adults around the world, nurses interested in the care of older adults and aging must network and collaborate globally. The 20th World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics offers a unique opportunity to meet this need for nurses to gather. A nursing special interest group meeting has been organized, supporting IAGG's mission to "promote the highest levels of achievement in gerontological research and training worldwide, and to ... promote gerontological interests globally". If you would like to network with nurses worldwide who are committed to promoting science, education and practice in the care of older adults, you are invited to attend the first meeting of the IAGG Nursing Special Interest Group. **The meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 23rd from 12 to 1:30 pm during the Seoul World Congress.**

We will have a distinguished panel of nurse researchers that will lead us in our discussion of current issues and future directions related to nursing, global aging, and our efforts together in this special interest group. Our panelists are:

Dr. Anna Zisberg, University of Haifa Mount Carmel, Israel;
Dr. Khim Horton, University of Surrey, Guildford, United Kingdom;
Dr. Christine Neville, The University of Queensland, Ipswich, Australia; and
Dr. Barbara Cochrane, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington, United States.

Please direct questions, additional ideas or comments to the conveners listed below.

Convener: Dr. Catherine Van Son, Washington State University, Spokane, Washington, United States
vansonc@wsu.edu

Co-Convener: Dr. Dong-soo Shin, Korean Gerontological Nursing Society (KGNS) Hallym University, Chuncheon, Korea
shindong0911@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing you in Seoul!

Reference:

International Council of Nurses. (2006). *Position Statement: Nursing care of the older person*. Position Statement, International Council of Nurses: Geneva, Switzerland.

IAGG & the United Nations



The 51st session of United Nations' Commission for Social Development

The 51st session of the Commission for Social Development (CSD) took on 6-15 February 2013 at the United Nations in New York. The priority theme of this year's session was "Promoting empowerment of people in achieving poverty eradication, social integration and full employment and decent work for all". To learn more about the Commission, you can visit:

<http://social.un.org/index/CivilSociety/NGOParticipation/CSocD51Session.aspx>

All IAGG's UN representatives attended this meeting (see picture below). Last October, IAGG team submitted a written statement whereby our Organization advocates and expresses its strong support for a greater integration of older persons in the work force. You can upload the document in English, French, Spanish, Chinese, Russian and Arabic on UN website at

<http://daccess-ddsny.un.org/doc/UNDOC/GEN/N12/610/45/PDF/N1261045.pdf?OpenElement>

Side-events took place in the margins of the official United Nations meetings, organized for the purpose of sharing experiences and increasing opportunities for informal dialogue among the meetings' participants.



IAGG's Team at the United Nations on February 8, 2013 (from right to left)

Prof Alain FRANCO (France) - IAGG Secretary General & Vice President), Ms Laura MACHADO (Brazil) - IAGG International Coordinator for UN affairs, Prof Heung Bong CHA (Korea) IAGG President Elect, Dr Hans STOHRER (USA) - IAGG Representative, Ms Martha BIAL (USA) - IAGG Representative, Ms Juanita CARRILLO (USA) - IAGG Main Representative.

Education: 3rd Master Class on Ageing in Beijing a short report

The third IAGG Master Class on Ageing took place on 23-26 January 2013 at the Xuanwu Hospital of Capital Medical University of Beijing in China. This event was organized by IAGG, the Society of Geriatrics of Chinese Medical Doctor Association, the Faculty of Geriatrics of Capital Medical University, and the Xuanwu Hospital & Beijing Institute of Geriatrics

The Master Class on Ageing (MCA) aims to foster the networking of geriatric medicine in Asia and provide intensive training for young geriatricians with research potentials in the fields of ageing and geriatric medicine. The 3rd Master Class in Asia brought together international tutors who accepted to share their knowledge on the subject of "Frailty and Geriatric syndromes".

Topics and tutors included

- 1) Importance of the frailty concept in geriatric Medicine by **Prof Bruno Vellas** (France)
- 2) Biological and physio-pathological basis of Ageing by **Prof Jian Li** (China)
- 3) The frailty processor: Is frailty the equivalent of physical frailty? by **Prof Jean-Pierre Michel** (Switzerland)
- 4) Geriatric syndromes as clinical frailty markers by **Prof Kenji Toba** (Japan)
- 5) The different frailty working definitions and their impact on epidemiological studies by **Prof Liang-Kung Chen** (Taiwan)
- 6) Clinical management of frailty by **Prof Jean Woo** (Hong Kong)
- 7) Links between frailty and neurological diseases / cognitive impairment by **Prof Piu Chan** (China)
- 8) Chinese characters for frailty in Asian countries and their different meanings by **Prof Chang-Won Won** (Korea)
- 9) Impact of frailty on oncological treatment of old patients by **Prof Bernard Kong** (Hong Kong)

Participants

Preference was given to participants who had clinical background of geriatrics, internal medicine, neurology, psychiatry, nursing and others. Each participant had to submit an abstract and prepare one poster on their own research or clinical case. The selection committee selected participants based on their background, abstract of their research work or clinical cases.



Congratulations to all the organisers for the success of this 3rd version of the Master Class on Ageing.

Education: 4th Master Class on Ageing in Kyoto, Japan



We are happy to announce that the 4th Master Class on Ageing (MCA) will take place from October 30th to November 1st, 2013 at the Kyoto International Community House in Japan. This academic event is organized by IAGG, the Japan Geriatrics Society (JGS) and the National Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology (NCGG).

The MCA is a prestigious class established by the collaborative work of the IAGG and the Department of Ageing and Life Course, World Health Organization (ALC, WHO). The MCA is aimed to cultivate young geriatricians with research potential and this is the fourth course being held in Asia. IAGG chose two international tutors and the Organizing Committee selected 11 Asian tutors to participate in this event.

International course tutors include:

Prof. Jean-Pierre Michel (Switzerland) - President, European Union Geriatric Medicine Society (EUGMS)

Prof. Alain Franco (France) - Secretary General & Vice President, International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (IAGG)

Prof. Liang-Kung Chen (Taiwan) - Director, Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology, Taipei Veterans General Hospital

Prof. Chang-Won Won (South Korea) - Department of Family Medicine, Kyung Hee University Hospital

Prof. Jean Woo (Hong Kong) - Head of the Division of Geriatric Medicine, Department of Medicine and Therapeutics, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Japanese academics include:

Prof. Masahiro Akishita - Department of Geriatric Medicine, Graduate School and Faculty of Medicine, The University of Tokyo

Prof. Koutaro Yokote - Department of Clinical Cell Biology and Medicine, Ciba University Graduate School of Medicine

Prof. Koichi Kozaki - Department of Geriatric Medicine, Kyorin University School of Medicine

Prof. Hidenori Arai - Department of Human Health Sciences, Kyoto University Graduate School of Medicine

Prof. Hiromi Rakugi - Department of Geriatric Medicine & Nephrology, Osaka University Graduate School of Medicine

Prof. Shigeto Morimoto - Department of Geriatric Medicine, Kanazawa Medical University

Dr. Takao Suzuki - Director of Research Institute, National Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology

The programme:

The main theme of MCA in Kyoto is multidisciplinary approach for the care of older people. The topics on nutrition, sarcopenia, frailty, gerontechnology, cognitive disorders, depression, diabetes, medications, and home care will be addressed in a combination of lectures, tutorials and case studies. There will be many opportunities for interactive group work and sharing of ideas during the classes. Trainees from the Asia Pacific region are invited to join this program.

To participate:

Abstract submission deadline: September 20th, 2013

Free registration is offered to the Medical Doctors with expertise in geriatrics.

Please download and complete the registration form and return by e-mail to the Course Secretariat:

Ms. Ayumi Hosotani

Department of Human Health Sciences, Kyoto University Graduate School of Medicine

Phone & Fax: 81-75-751-3861 E-mail: caelum@kuhp.kyoto-u.ac.jp

Visit the dedicated website for more information: <http://iagg-mcaa.uenocongress.jp>

Education: 3rd Intensive Course on Ageing

Intensive Course on Ageing

Wednesday 12th March, 2014 Barcelona, Spain

As you already know, the first two editions on IAGG's Intensive Course on Ageing took place at the Institut of Envellement of the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona during the month of June of the last two years. With the organization of the Seoul World Congress, 2013 has become a very special year. To this effect, IAGG's Executive Board has decided to concentrate its efforts on this major event and to reprogram the Intensive Course on Ageing for next year.

This third edition is now scheduled on **Wednesday March 12th, 2014 in Barcelona, Spain** prior to the International Conference on Sarcopenia and Frailty Research (ICSFR2014).

Features: This intensive course will focus on how to measure frailty into clinical practice.

Target audiences: researchers, professionals, students, and all other actors in the field of Ageing

Oral communications will be presented within the framework of sessions (30 minutes) & workshops (60 minutes).

You can visit the website at <http://www.frailty-sarcopenia.com/presentation.php>

Education: 2013 Student Travel Award for Seoul

The IAGG Student Travel Award was established in 2008 to provide funding for students to present their papers at the World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics, held every four years. Its' purposes are:

- To provide financial support for excellent students enrolled in Masters or Doctoral programs in the field of Aging to attend the World Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics, making possible the presentation of high-quality research projects by new scholars.
- To promote the integration of students from different cultures, allowing the exchange of experiences, the establishment of collaborative and exchange networks, thus narrowing the gap between developed and developing countries.

A total of 85 application files were received from around the world and the Selection Committee reported that high quality work was represented. The selection process was based on criteria, such as: fully complete files, abstracts accepted by congress organisers, aging specialities and geographical origins.

Ten students were awarded a grant of 1.000 EUR enabling them to cover their travel expenses and obtaining additional free access to the Seoul World Congress. The awardees presented various professional profiles: Social Work, MD in Geriatrics, Pharmacology, Epidemiology/Public Health, Social Psychology, Engineering & Medical Informatics, MD in Cardiology, Nursing, Social Psychology. In addition, the Seoul Congress organizers generously offered ten free registrations to another group of candidates. The second list concerned students implicated in thesis MD of Geriatrics, Nutrition, Molecular Biology, MD Neurology, Biology, Geriatric Medicine, Built Environment, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Aging, Health & Well-being, Occupational Therapy & Epidemiology. Congratulations to all...



Administration: New Presidents for National Society members

Here are the last appointments reported in our member society organizations. We would like to extend our warm congratulations to the newly elected or re-elected Presidents for having accepted to develop actions in favour of old people and we look forward to continue our mutual cooperation. We take this opportunity to thank all the Past-Presidents for their repeated commitment over the last years and send them our best wishes for the future.

Kindly inform headquarters of changes undergone by your Organization and contact Constance de SEYNES seynes@cict.fr

ISRAEL: Israel Gerontological Society (IGS)

President ⇒ Prof Yitzhak BRICK
Past President ⇒ Prof Israel DORON

UNITED KINGDOM: British Society of Gerontology

President ⇒ Prof Robin MEANS
Past President ⇒ Prof Myriam BERNARD

CANADA: Canadian Geriatrics Society

President ⇒ Dr José MORAIS
Past President ⇒ Dr Roger WONG

ECUADOR: Sociedad Ecuatoriana de Geriatria y Gerontologia

President ⇒ Dr Patricio BUENDIA GOMEZ DE LA TORRE
Past President ⇒ Dr Diego MARTINEZ PADILLA

AUSTRALIA: Australian Association of Gerontology

President ⇒ Prof Julie BYLES
Past President ⇒ Prof Gill LEWIN

GERMANY: German Society of Gerontology and Geriatrics

President ⇒ Dr Andreas SIMM
Past President ⇒ Dr Manfred GOGOL

GERMANY: Thai Society of Gerontology and Geriatric Medicine

President ⇒ Prof Dr Sutthichai JITAPUNKULI
Past President ⇒ Prof Dr Pratum OTHAGANONT

DENMARK: Danish Gerontological Society

President ⇒ Prof Tine Rostgaard
Past President ⇒ Mr. Eigil Boll Hansen



Administration: Membership dues

Invoices for the 2013 membership dues have been distributed to each member society. May we remind you that, to participate or to vote in the affairs of the Association (Council), National Society members should be in good standing, in compliance with IAGG By-laws, Article 9. So, before the Seoul 2013 World Congress, **please make sure that your Organization has paid all its membership dues.**

For any further enquiries, please feel free to contact Constance de SEYNES (seynes@cict.fr) at IAGG Executive Office.

International job opportunities

France

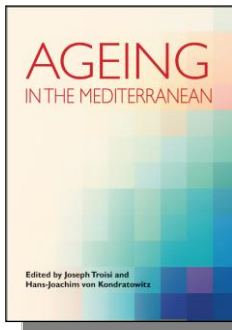
The G rontop le of Toulouse is a major internationally-recognized institution of clinical research on aging. Its research activities are specifically focused on the prevention of age-related conditions and disability, and on the improvement of healthcare for older persons. For its ongoing research programs, the G rontop le is currently recruiting 2 post-docs, with fluent English and expertise in statistics to work on databases on Alzheimer's disease and/or on frailty. PhD students in the last year of their course are also welcome in Southern France.



All candidates should send their Curriculum Vit e to Constance de SEYNES (seynes@cict.fr), who will forward to the appropriate service.

Publications

Ageing in the Mediterranean



(Malta conference 12-15 March 2009, Sliema, MALTA The European Social Sciences Section, International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (IAGG) and the Maltese Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (MAGG) and the German Centre of Gerontology, Berlin).

At a time of extreme globalization "Ageing in the Mediterranean" fills a key void in international literature on ageing societies. This important and timely volume brings together a distinguished set of international scholars who provide rich information about the social, economic, political, and historical factors responsible for shaping ageing policy in the Mediterranean region.

It is a regional handbook that highlights the idiosyncrasies of overlapping ageing issues in one particular territory and presents a range of key issues and concerns including migration, care-giving, employment, and health care amongst others, whilst providing rich data from various countries such as Israel, Italy, Lebanon, Malta, Portugal, Tunisia and Turkey. Ageing in the Mediterranean will be warmly welcomed by researchers in social and public policy, gerontology and geriatrics, welfare economics, and health care. It will also be of interest to policy makers and NGOs involved in welfare and social care services.

Author/Editor(s): Joseph Troisi, Hans-Joachim von Kondratowitz

Format: Hardback, 320 pages, 240 x 172 mm

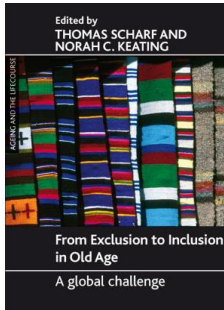
ISBN 9781447301066

Published: 14 Aug 2013

Website: www.policypress.co.uk

From exclusion to inclusion in old age A global challenge

Evidence of widening inequalities in later life raises concerns about the ways in which older adults might experience forms of social exclusion. Such concerns are evident in all societies as they seek to come to terms with the unprecedented ageing of their populations. Taking a broad international perspective, this highly topical book casts light on patterns and processes that either place groups of older adults at risk of exclusion or are conducive to their inclusion. Leading international experts challenge traditional understandings of exclusion in relation to ageing in *From Exclusion to Inclusion in Old Age*. They also present new evidence of the interplay between social institutions, policy processes, personal resources and the contexts within which ageing individuals live to show how this shapes inclusion or exclusion in later life. Dealing with topics such as globalization, age discrimination and human rights, intergenerational relationships, poverty, and migration, the book is essential reading for anyone interested in ageing issues.



Author Biography

Thomas Scharf is Professor of Social Gerontology and Director of the Irish Centre for Social Gerontology, National University of Ireland Galway, Ireland.

Norah C. Keating is Professor and Co-Director of Research on Ageing, Policies and Practice at the University of Alberta, Canada. She is Director of the Global Social Initiative of the International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (IAGG).

Author/Editor(s): Thomas Scharf, Norah C. Keating

Format: Paperback, 192 pages, 240 x 172 mm

ISBN 9781847427724

Published: 27 Jun 2012

Website: www.policypress.co.uk

Policy brief: Introducing the Active Ageing Index

The Active Ageing Index (AAI) is a new analytical tool that aims to help policy makers in developing policies for active and healthy ageing. Its aim is to point to the untapped potential of older people for more active participation in employment, in social life and for independent living. Mobilizing the potential of both older women and men is crucial to ensure prosperity for all generations in ageing societies. Twenty seven European countries are ranked against twenty two indicators within four domains to show which countries perform best for active ageing. The results show that Sweden ranks number one overall while Ireland and UK perform strongly in key areas. This policy brief introduces the Active Ageing Index to the policy makers. Upload the document on IAGG website at <http://www.iagg.info/education-research/scientific-lecture>



OTHER IAGG NEWS (in chronological order)



June 13, 2013: Dublin, IRELAND: The National Centre for the Protection of Older People (NCPop), University College Dublin, in collaboration with the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse (INPEA) will jointly host a national conference in Dublin to mark World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. Free admission for all.

Contact: ncpop@ucd.ie

Website: http://www.ncpop.ie/WEAAD_2013



September 11-13, 2013 - Oxford, UNITED KINGDOM: The British Society of Gerontology will organize its 42nd annual meeting and it will be hosted by the Oxford Institute of Population Ageing at the University of Oxford on the theme "Global Ageing: Implications for Individuals and Society". The conference will include topics such as: Health and Care, Society and Economy, Research, Methods & Training, Cultural Ideas and Values. There will be opportunities to enjoy stimulating sessions, network with a wide variety of national and international stakeholders in the field of sociology, gerontology, demography, economics, social policy, medical science, social sciences, etc.

Contact: angelika.kaiser@ageing.ox.ac.uk **Website:** <http://www.ageing.ox.ac.uk/bsg>



October 8-10, 2013 - Paris, FRANCE: The French Society of Geriatrics & Gerontology organizes its 33rd annual scientific meeting, the JASFGG, at the CNIT in Paris, the heart of Europe's biggest business district. More than 1200 delegates are expected to attend this meeting intended for clinicians, researchers, geriatricians, gerontologists, other health care specialists from French speaking countries, this is an opportunity to share the last medical and technical findings related to Geriatrics and Gerontology.

Contact: info@jasfgg2013.com **Website:** <http://www.jasfgg2013.com>



October 17-19, 2013 - Halifax, CANADA: After Montreal, Ottawa and Vancouver, the Canadian Association on Gerontology (CAG) will hold its 42nd Annual Scientific and Educational Meeting in Halifax, Nova Scotia, hosted by the Geriatric Department of Dalhousie University. This year's theme "Aging...from Cells to Society" underlines the importance of multi- and interdisciplinary perspectives on aging as we explore the impacts and changes of aging, from our bodies to our society. Disciplines and interests in aging will include research, practice, policy and related work.

Website: <http://www.cagacg.ca/CAG2013>



November 20-22, 2013 - Harrogate, UNITED KINGDOM: The 2013 BGS Autumn Scientific Meeting will be held in Harrogate. As usual, there will be a packed scientific programme, with updates on a variety of clinical topics and parallel sessions covering several special interests. More information will be available soon.

Contact: conferences@bgs.org.uk

Website: <http://www.bgsevents.org/index.php/aug2013>



November 20-24, 2013 - New Orleans, USA: The 66th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA). The meeting theme, "Optimal Aging Through Research," embodies GSA's interdisciplinary core values. While attendees have differing perspectives based on their areas of research - be they in basic sciences, clinical sciences, behavioral sciences, or social sciences - these perspectives provide complementary insights on how aging can be optimized.

Contact: meetings@geron.org **Website:** <http://www.geron.org/annual-meeting/2013-annual-scientific-meeting>



November 22-23, 2013, St Louis, USA: The International Research Conference on Nursing Homes will take place at the St. Louis University, Missouri. Despite the increase of both the aging population and the number of institutionalized older people, clinical research in nursing home is still scarce. Research is however essential to improve the quality of care in nursing home. The improvement of the quality of care in nursing home will rely on the future evidences from researches performed in these settings, their feasibility in real life condition and the successful dissemination of these new clinical evidences. The International Research Conference Nursing Home offers an opportunity to learn and share ideas, and promote current knowledge among researchers, in the field of nursing home care.

Abstract submission deadline: June 15, 2013.

Website: <http://www.nursing-home-research.com>



Intensive Course on Ageing
Wednesday 12th March, 2014 Barcelona, Spain

March 12, 2014, Barcelona, SPAIN: This third edition will be held at the Institut de l'Envel·liment of the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, and prior to the International Conference on Frailty & Sarcopenia Research (ICFSR2014).

Features: This intensive course will focus on how to measure frailty into clinical practice.

Target audiences: researchers, professionals, students, and all other actors in the field of Ageing

Oral communications will be presented within the framework of sessions (30 minutes) & workshops (60 minutes).

Website: <http://www.frailty-sarcopenia.com/presentation.php>



March 13-14, 2014, Barcelona, SPAIN: The International Conference on Frailty & Sarcopenia Research (ICFSR2014) will take place at the Institut de l'Envel·liment of the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona. It will deal with the following topics:

- Frailty: Biology of frailty and aging, Physical frailty and age-related body composition modifications, Cognitive frailty, Frailty in clinical practice and public health, Clinical trials and therapeutics.
- Sarcopenia: Biology, Animal models, Preclinical studies, Clinical trials, Functional assessment, Biomarkers and imaging, New drug developments, Physical exercise, Nutrition intervention, Epidemiology.

Abstract submission deadline: September 30, 2013. **Website:** <http://www.frailty-sarcopenia.com>



May 25-28, 2014 - Gothenburg, SWEDEN: The 22nd Nordic Congress of Gerontology is organized by the Nordic Gerontological Federation, the Swedish Gerontological Society and the Geriatric Medicine in Sweden. A main theme was chosen on “Age Well - Challenges for Individuals and Society”, and it will highlight notions concerning functioning and well-being, despite the threats and challenges confronting aging individuals. What can we learn from research suggesting measures aiming at the reduction of the effects of compromised health and functioning, and how can we increase autonomy and societal participation?

The main track of the congress will include scientific sessions on multiple aspects of aging, from cell to society. In addition, there will be a sub-track for research and development (R&D) and applied gerontology.

Deadline for symposium proposals: October 1, 2013

Deadline for abstract submission: January 15, 2014

Contact: 22nkg@congrex.com

Website: <http://www.22nkg.com>



June 18-21, 2014, Taipei, TAIWAN: The ISG2014 world conference will be hosted by the Gerontechnology Research Center of the Yuan Ze University and the Chinese Society of Gerontechnology and Service Management. After Eindhoven, Netherlands, this 9th edition will take place at the Taipei World Trade Center on the theme: “Culture and Social Diversity in Gerontechnology”.

It will be the world's largest gathering of scholars, researchers, experts and practitioners in the related fields, providing a variety of international modalities. The event will include keynote speakers, symposia, sessions, leading edge technologies (with demonstrations of well-tested prototypes), GeronTechno (with demonstrations of the user-studies with target end-users).

Contact: mehsu@saturn.yzu.edu.tw

Website: <http://www.isg2014.org>



November 5-9, 2014 - Washington DC, USA: The 67th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gerontological Society of America (GSA) is already announced. This event brings together more than 4,000 of the brightest minds in the field of aging and is the first gathering of gerontologists from both the United States and around the world. They participate in over 400 scientific sessions including symposia, paper, and poster presentations dedicated to basic sciences, clinical sciences, behavioral sciences, or social sciences.

Website: <http://www.geron.org/annual-meeting/2013-annual-scientific-meeting>



April 23-26, 2015 - Dublin, IRELAND: IAGG's European Congress: The Irish Gerontological Society (IGS) will host IAGG's 8th European congress in Dublin. The Congress theme “Unlocking the Demographic Dividend”, aims to tap into the growing awareness that gerontological research can help us to understand the collective and personal benefits that we gain from population ageing, a better understanding of the barriers to realizing the full potential of the Demographic Dividend, and the advances in gerontological science which allow these barriers to be overcome in the most effective way possible.

Contact: secretary@irishgerontology.com

Website: <http://irishgerontology.com/events/iagg-er-2015/>



July 2017 - San Francisco, UNITED STATES: As member of IAGG's North America Region, the Gerontological Society of America (GSA) presented a bid to host IAGG's 21st World Congress in San Francisco, USA. The Council voted unanimously in favour of this candidacy in view of GSA's long experience in organizing major events and of the city's important conference facilities. The theme of this future milestone will be "Global Aging and Health: Bridging Science, Policy, and Practice". Best wishes to the Organizing Committee...

Website: <http://www.geron.org>

OTHER NEWS WORLDWIDE (in chronological order)



June 12, 2013 - Belfast, NORTHERN IRELAND: The 2nd Public Health Annual Scientific Conference will be hosted by the Public Health Agency (NI) in partnership with CARDI and other stakeholder groups. The theme of the Conference will be Older People and it will focus on how public health innovations, research and practice are meeting the needs of older people. Details of the program and registration on CARDI website.

Contact: shauna.mccullagh@hscni.net **Website:** <http://www.cardi.ie/event>



June 17-19, 2013 - Adelaide, AUSTRALIA: The Australian and New Zealand Society of Geriatric Medicine (ANZSGM) will host the 2013 Annual Scientific Meeting at the Adelaide Convention Center. This is the second conference for Geriatric Medicine in Australasia. It is anticipated that the conference will attract delegates such as geriatricians, advanced trainees in geriatric medicine and other medical practitioners interested in the care of older people, with nurses and allied health professionals also invited to attend.

The conference will address the breadth and depth of geriatric medicine, featuring plenary talks by international and national speakers, a closing panel session on ethical dilemmas in the care of patients in nursing homes, breakfast sessions, and free communication oral and poster papers.

Contact: haa@fcconventions.com.au **Website:** <http://www.anzsgm.org>



July 13-18, 2013 - Boston, USA: The Alzheimer's Association International Conference (AAIC) 2013 will celebrate 25 years of discovery, progress and change at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center. It is the world's largest annual gathering of dementia researchers. The program will include sessions focusing on social, behavioral and care research and practice.

Contact: aaic@alz.org **Website:** <http://www.alz.org/aaic>



August 26-29, 2013 - St Gallen, SWITZERLAND: The 9th World Democratic and Ageing Forum 2013 will take place at the University of St Gallen and will address the theme: "The Power of Demography - Destiny, Crisis or Opportunity?" As the leading platform to address demographic and ageing issues in an interdisciplinary way, it is the aim of the WDA Forum to stimulate the dialogue and networking among experts, organisations and interest groups engaged in the discussion concerning "Demographic Change".

Contact: info@wdaforum.org

Website: <http://www.wdaforum.org>



October 2-4, 2013 - Venice, ITALY : The European Union of Geriatric Medicine organizes its 9th congress that will focus on the most relevant issues related to the main theme "Improving outcomes of Geriatric Medicine". It will include healthcare practices, pharmacological and surgical interventions and will also be concerned with new challenges to health and aging, such as new information technologies.

Early bird registration until June 15, 2013

Contact: congress@eugms2013.it

Website: <http://www.eugms2013.it>



October 4-6, 2013 - Istanbul, TURKEY: The International Federation on Ageing (IFA) is launching the International Istanbul Initiative on Ageing. This initiative aims to explore opportunities and innovative ideas as population ageing progresses specifically in the regions of the Middle East, Northern Africa and Eastern Europe. The initiative creates a global platform to engage government leaders, prominent industry members, NGOs, academics, and innovative thinkers to prepare for global ageing, which will impact these identified regions greatly in the coming years. Over \$50,000 (USD) in financial awards will be presented to the Age-Friendly innovations and the best overall paper of the congress with additional awards for the best paper in each theme.

Contact: atam@ifa-fiv.org

Website: www.ifa-fiv.org



October 10-12, 2013 - St Julians, MALTA: The 23rd Alzheimer Europe Conference is set under the motto "Living well in a dementia-friendly society". Alzheimer Europe and the Malta Dementia Society invite you to explore how perceptions and image of dementia have an impact on the lives of people with dementia and their carers. This will include examples of good practice of involving people with dementia in activities and projects and the establishment of dementia friendly communities. The importance of ethical issues and a rights-based legal framework will also be addressed. Aims: provide useful advice and develop recommendations on how to improve the quality of life of people with dementia.

Contact: info@alzheimer-europe.org **Website:** <http://www.alzheimer-europe.org/Conferences/St.-Julian-s-Malta-2013>



November 14-16, 2013 - San Diego, USA: The 6th edition of the meeting on Clinical Trials on Alzheimer's Disease (CTAD) will once again bring the key leaders involved in clinical trials to appreciate the full spectrum of AD from an asymptomatic stage through dementia, discuss the development of the next generation of Alzheimer's disease treatments as well as learn to harmonize the various neuroimaging techniques and their analyses.

Alzheimer's disease is one of the most important health challenges worldwide. This conference will also focus on new results, actual and future methodological issues, disease-modifying outcomes, biomarkers, fundamental research, new therapeutics, biomarkers and impact on healthcare economy. CTAD will again be an opportunity to hear about the clinical experiences of international teams, exchange with your peers on the difficulties and challenges of Alzheimer's disease and take home some hands-on therapeutic and methodological tools to improve and reinforce AD clinical trials teams.

Contact: ctad@ant-congres.com

Website: <http://www.ctad-alzheimer.com>



November 17-20, 2013 - Shanghai, CHINA: International Association of Homes and Services for the Ageing (IAHSA) organizes its 10th International Conference on the theme, "Connecting our Global Community". Intended for leaders in ageing services, the event will connect providers, business leaders, researchers, architects, developers and others from around the globe. Faced with a fifth of its population that is 60+ years old, Shanghai has been developing its nursing home care industry rapidly. The country itself is at a climactic point in understanding and deciding how to manage population ageing, housing and pensions for their greying population.

Contact: info@iahsa.net

Website: http://www.iahsa.net/China_2013.aspx



December 11-14, 2013 - HONG KONG and MACAU: The 16th Asia Pacific Regional Conference on Alzheimer's Disease International will focus on "Capacity building in dementia care" and will be organized as follows:

- December 11-13, 2013 at the Hong Kong Convention Center
- December 14, 2013 at the World Trade Center of Macau

Program highlights will include:

Dementia care from primary to tertiary level, Dementia policy and training, Diagnosis in AD and non-AD, Nutrition food and dementia, Person centered care, Prevention of dementia, Safe and friendly-living environment, Translating research into clinical care.

Contact: aprc2013-hongkong@mci-group.com **Website:** www.aprc2013-hongkong-macau.com



March 26-29, 2014 - Geneva, SWITZERLAND: The 13th International Geneva/Springfield Symposium on Advances in Alzheimer Therapy will focus on:

- Drug Discovery and Treatment Development
- Clinical Trials on Alzheimer's Disease: New Designs and Measures
- Advances in Brain Imaging and Biomarkers
- Preventive Trials of Alzheimer's Disease
- Tau Pathology and Tau-Focused Therapy: What's New?
- New Preclinical Models of Alzheimer's Disease
- Early Diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease
- Emerging Novel Therapeutic Targets
- What is New in Immunization?

Contact: ahamilton@siumed.edu or christine.mesmer@hcuge.ch **Website:** <http://www.ad-springfield.com>



May 14-16, 2014 - Liège, BELGIUM: After Nice in 2009, the Association Internationale Francophone de Gérontologie et Gériatrie / International French-speaking Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (AIFGG), will organize its 10th CIFGG congress based on the theme "Challenges of longevity; creativity and innovations". More than 1400 delegates, from different regions of the worlds, are expected to participate in this event hosted by the Belgian Society of Gerontology and Geriatrics at the Congress Center of Liège. Visit the website for important dates and updated information.

Contact: cifgg2014@clq-group.com

Website: <http://www.cifgg2014.com>



REMINDER FOR ALL IAGG NATIONAL SOCIETY MEMBERS

In order to keep contact with your organization and to communicate efficiently with you, please do not forget to update the information related to your membership (number of members, name of council member(s), name of contact, e-mail & postal addresses, phone number & fax)

IAGG Executive Board Office : Ms Constance de SEYNES

c/o Faculté de Médecine - Institut du Vieillissement, 37 Allées Jules Guesde, 31000 Toulouse, FRANCE
Phone: + 33 (0)5.61.14.56.39 - Fax: + 33 (0)5.61.14.56.40 E-mail: seynes@cict.fr - Website: <http://www.iagg.info>

Warning: IAGG has taken and will take care to ensure that the information printed in this Newsletter is accurate. References and links to other websites are mentioned for the interest and comfort of readers/users. However, IAGG makes no representations or warranties express or implied as to the content of other websites that may be accessed through hyperlinks. IAGG's responsibility and approval are therefore not implied concerning the content of these different websites.