

REGISTER TODAY - World Health Organization - “Healthy Ageing for Impact in the 21st Century”

Dear colleague,

I am pleased to announce that, after a very successful first round, the World Health Organization is offering a second round of the **WHO online course *Healthy Ageing for Impact in the 21st Century***, a global leaders programme on ageing. The course will run for 14 weeks starting on 14 September 2020. You can find information about the course and how to enrol below.

We are contacting you today to inform you that a few slots are still available for this course for UN staff, people working in government at local, district or national level, and people working on ageing in civil society organizations.

We would be really grateful if you could help us disseminate this email among your colleagues and really hope to count you and/or those in your networks who belong to these target audiences among the participants for this unique and innovative course. The **deadline for enrolment is 4 September 2020** and places will be distributed on a first-come-first-served basis so please enrol soon to ensure you secure a place in the course!

ABOUT THE COURSE

Healthy Ageing for Impact in the 21st Century aims to give participants the building blocks to become future leaders in the area of ageing. This leaders programme provides participants with the competencies needed to work on this agenda as part of the Decade of Healthy Ageing. The course will begin on 14 September 2020 and run for 14 weeks.

The programme is offered in English, free of charge and is grounded in a unique and innovative e-Didactic format with a focus on teamwork, peer-to-peer feedback, mentorship and project-based collaboration. It operates in a collaborative online environment where participants work as part of a team and receive guidance from a dedicated tutor.

This online course has three primary target audiences: ageing focal points at relevant ministries and local governments, WHO and other UN staff, and staff working in Civil Society Organizations in the field of ageing. At the end of the course, certificates are provided to participants who meet the eligibility criteria. ***Participants must have a minimum of working proficiency in English (speak-read-write), be able to commit an estimated 6 hours per week, and be open to working as part of a team.***

By the end of this course, participants should be able to:

- Understand the fundamental concepts of Healthy Ageing and critically apply the knowledge acquired
- Identify challenges and opportunities related to population ageing as well as limitations of existing responses
- Design, together with other peers, an action plan that presents a response to population ageing using the Healthy Ageing public health framework
- Describe the influence that existing attitudes and misconceptions around ageing and older adults (i.e. ageism) can have in the development and effective implementation of policies and programmes on ageing
- Have connections with peers that will help them build the international networks that are needed to achieve impact in policy and practice surrounding Healthy Ageing at scale; and
- Be part of a unique group of global leaders working collectively to develop real-world action plans which aim to resolve challenges to Healthy Ageing

HOW TO REGISTER

To sign up for the course, please follow the instructions below. **You will need to complete these steps before 4 September.**

1. Create an account on OpenWHO, if you have not done so already:

To create an account, click on the following link: <https://openwho.org/account/new>. Enter your first name, surname, e-mail address (please use your professional or work email address) and create a password. Then click “Register for OpenWHO”.

You will receive an email to confirm your account. Open the email and click on “Confirm email”. If you do not receive this email within a couple of minutes, please check your spam folder and move the email to your primary mailbox.

You will then be directed to the “Terms of Use” page. Please review the Terms of Use document by clicking on the blue text which reads “terms of use”. If you are satisfied with what you have read, then check the box which reads “I have read and accept the terms of use” and click “Proceed”.

You will then be directed to the “My profile” page where you can review your personal information and make changes if necessary. Before proceeding, please respond to the questions under the sections entitled “Required information” and “Additional Information”. Select a response from the drop-down tab next to each question, then click the checkmark to save your answer.

2. Access the course *Healthy Ageing for Impact in the 21st century* programme. **Ensure that you are logged in to your OpenWHO account *before* you click on the link:** <https://openwho.org/courses/HealthyAgeing4Impact-2>
3. Enrol on the course by clicking on the button “Enrol me for this course”.
4. Click on “Enter the course” and ensure that you fill in both the Team Builder form and the Survey that you will find under the section “Complete this section to confirm your place on the course”. To do so, click on the items called “Team Builder: Apply for a team” and “Survey”.

If you have any issues following the above steps, please don’t hesitate to contact us by sending an email to both Decade_Ageing@who.int and HealthyAgeing_S@outlook.com

Thank you for enrolling in *Healthy Ageing for Impact in the 21st Century*. We hope to count you among the participants for this unique and innovative course!

Best regards,

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