

PROGRAMME

HOSTED BY MEP FRANCES FITZGERALD, GROUP OF THE EUROPEAN PEOPLE'S PARTY

10.00 – 10.10

Set up time

10.10 – 10.20

Opening of the event: Promoting long-term care at EU level

- *Frances Fitzgerald*, Member of the European Parliament
- *Mette Petersen*, Director Red Cross EU Office

10.20 – 11.00

Session 1 - Creating age friendly communities. The role of volunteerism in long term care.

Objective: This session will explore the key considerations to create age-friendly communities with a focus on volunteering activities for long-term care.

Setting the scene: Spanish Red Cross (5 min)

Panelists:

- *Flaviana Teodosiu*, Policy officer, Social Policies, DG EMPL, European Commission
- *Stecy Yghemonos*, Executive Director, Eurocarers
- *Coraline Dubois*, Project Coordinator, Belgian Red Cross
- *Louise Deegan*, National Development Officer - Community Support, Irish Red Cross
- *Joaquin Perez*, Programme Coordinator, Spanish Red Cross

Moderator: *Ronan Mangan*, Head of Unit, Social Inclusion, Red Cross EU Office

11.00 – 11.05

Break

11.05 – 11.50

Session 2 – Home care services. Facilitating independent living for older people to remain in their familiar environment.

Objective: This session will focus on the provision of long-term care services delivery at home starting from the assumption that quality of life for older people increase when they have the choice to remain in their home and local communities.

Setting the scene: Czech Red Cross (5 min)

Panelists:

- *Manfred Huber*, Coordinator, Division of Country Health Policies and Systems, WHO Europe
- *Heather Roy*, Director, Eurodiaconia
- *Siana Metodieva*, Senior Expert International Projects, Bulgarian Red Cross
- *Kristina Alenčikienė*, Head of Community Empowerment Projects, Lithuanian Red Cross
- *Markéta Bartošová*, Programme Department, Czech Red Cross

Moderator: *Aneta Trgachevska*, Acting Head of Health and Care Unit, IFRC

11.50– 12.00

Final remarks

Katarina Ivankovic, Director, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion