The IAGG / WHO / SFGG Workshops

With the support of the IAGG (http://www.iagg.info), WHO - World Health Organization (http://www.who.int/ageing/en) and SFGG - French Society of Geriatrics and Gerontology (http://www.sfgg.fr) four different workshops will be organized throughout this mandate. Fifteen worldwide experts and 15 international observers will get together to define recommendations and their related program project. The outcomes will be presented at the end of each workshop and position papers will be distributed to IAGG members, WHO networks, UN organizations and national health authorities. A large distribution will be ensured by IAGG, so that all around the world you can benefit from this high level work. Of course, the final results will be inserted on the IAGG website at http://www.iagg.info and we will keep you regularly informed of the details later. Within the framework the global Action Plan presented at the last Council held in Paris, four topics were chosen:

N°1 “Identification of the main domains for quality of care and clinical research in nursing homes” Topics such as determinants of admission in nursing homes, behaviour disorder, gerontological assessment will be included. A workshop is already scheduled in Toulouse in June 2010.

N°2 “Health promotion program on prevention of late onset dementia” Large intervention studies are currently undergone and the related findings will be announced in autumn 2010. The prevention of late dementia must be multidomain including, social, physical and cognitive activities. This workshop will be held in January 2011 in Geneva, at the WHO headquarters.

N°3 “Promoting access to innovation and clinical research for frail old persons” This action will include social innovation, such as home program and technology innovation, such as biomarkers. A workshop has yet to be scheduled beginning of 2012.

N°4 “Human rights for older persons” Understanding and awareness of the need for a Convention on the Rights of Older Persons has become a reality today. A workshop will be organized to treat this important issue. The date and place of this event has yet to be confirmed.
The IAGG / WHO Global Research Network on Health & Ageing

With the support of the World Health Organization, IAGG’s aim to build worldwide research capacity in Ageing will be enhanced by the set-up of a major network of 500 Centres of Excellence dedicated to social gerontology, basic sciences and clinical gerontology.

The IAGG/WHO Global Research Network on Health and Ageing was launched and the first milestone has been reached. As member of IAGG, your organization has been approached to forward a list of potential candidates and we thank you for your support.

Today and with your help, more than 1210 contacts have been registered: 634 contacts came from Europe, 385 from North America, 30 from South America, 151 from Asia/Oceania and 11 came from Africa.

The next step will be to select the 500 most important centres in basic, social and clinical sciences on Ageing. To be fully eligible, each of these centres will be invited to complete a validation questionnaire before final approval by the IAGG Executive Committee. This selection process will start soon and you will be informed of its outcomes.

The 1st IAGG International Intensive Course on Ageing

Under the auspices of the IAGG, the 1st Intensive Course on Ageing will be organized from June 30th to July 1st, 2011 in Barcelona, Spain.

Course Directors will include:

· Jaime FITTEN (USA), Professor of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences at the David Geffen School of Medicine of the University of California (UCLA) in Los Angeles, and Director of Geriatric Psychiatry at the Greater Los Angeles (GLA) Veterans Administration, Sepulveda.

· Norah KEATING (Canada), Professor and Co-director of Research on Aging, Policies and Practice at the University of Alberta in Edmonton.

· Antoni SALVA (Spain), Director of the Institut de l’Enveliment of the Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona.

· Alan SINCLAIR (UK), Professor of Medicine, Director of the Institute of Diabetes for Older People (IDOP) at the University of Bedfordshire.

· Bruno VELLAS (France), Professor of Medicine, Chief Department of Internal Medicine and Geriatrics, Chief of Alzheimer’s Disease Clinical Research Centre at the Toulouse University Hospital, and President of the International Association for Gerontology and Geriatrics (IAGG).

We are happy to announce the preliminary program which will feature:
## Welcome and presentation - Pr. Bruno Vellas (Toulouse, France) & Pr. Antoni Salvà (Barcelona, Spain)

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| Workshop 2.2   | Caloric restriction in ageing                             | Pr Patrick Ritz (Toulouse, France) |

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Of course, we will keep you informed of the developments and outcomes of this event. In the meantime, you can consult our website at [www.iagg.info](http://www.iagg.info) for an update of the program.
Alain FRANCO, IAGG Secretary General & Vice President, took part in the United Nations’ 48th Session of the Commission for Social Development that was held in New York from 3-12 February, 2010. The main goals of his venue were to:

- **Become more familiar with** the UN process and mechanisms in order to fully understand and benefit from opportunities to promote IAGG missions and principles;
- **Acquire knowledge of** what have been the international policies on Ageing in the last years specially regarding the Implementation and Review of the International Plan of Action on Ageing, the Millenium Development Goals and the Reports of the Members States of the UN;
- **Get better knowledge of** international UN policies regarding Ageing, in order to disseminate this information among IAGG member societies;
- **Understand the role** that the IAGG has been playing at UN over the last years and what can be developed in the next 4 years at the UN by the French IAGG administration;
- **Introduce the new IAGG board** and ensure the continuation of the international collaboration between IAGG and the international NGOs dedicated to Ageing and Older people issues, the body of United Nations responsible for Ageing and the IAGG representatives at the UN and finally give the directions to the latter;
- **Understand the role of** international civil society organizations in strengthening the process towards a convention on the Rights of Older Persons.

Alain FRANCO - IAGG Secretary General & Vice President
Nomination of the IAGG representatives to the United Nations

The IAGG President and Secretary General, Bruno VELLAS and Alain FRANCO, are both legal representatives to the United Nations. In addition, Laura MACHADO will be the International Coordinator of IAGG-UN team and will report directly to the IAGG Secretary General. In order to ensure local representation and everyday work, the following persons were given accreditation for 2010:

**For New York:**
- Juanita CARRILLO (USA) as Main Representative. E-mail: drjcarrillo@gmail.com
- Laura MACHADO (Brazil) as Added Representative. E-mail: lmachado@attglobal.net
- Alexandre KALACHE (Brazil) as Additional Representative. E-mail: akalache@nyam.org
- Jim COLLINS (USA) as Additional Representative. E-mail: jcoll152@verizon.net
- Hans STOHMER (USA) as Additional Representative. E-mail: hans_stohrer@hotmail.com

**For Vienna:**
- Thomas FRÜWALD (Austria) as Main Representative. E-mail: fruehwald@netway.at

**For Geneva:**
- Jean-Pierre MICHEL (Switzerland) as Main Representative. E-mail: jean-pierre.michel@hcuge.ch

A pool of NGOs dedicated to Aging issues

A collaboration between IAGG and eight other international NGOs was set up in 2008 to promote international Ageing issues and to launch together an action for the worldwide respect of the Human Rights for the aged persons.

We give you the names and contacts of the NGO’s pool members:

- **AARP International** (American Association of Retired Persons) - Jessika FRANK  
  Contact: intlaffairs@aarp.org Website: [http://www.aarpinternational.org](http://www.aarpinternational.org)
- **Age UK** - Alexandre KALACHE  
  Contact: international@ace.org.uk Website: [http://www.ageconcern.org.uk](http://www.ageconcern.org.uk)
- **GAA (Global Action on Aging)** - Denise GOSSLEIN, Susane PAUL  
  Contact: globalaging@globalaging.org Website: [http://www.globalaging.org](http://www.globalaging.org)
- **HelpAge International** - Bridget SLEAP (HAI) and Ken BLUESTONE (Age Concern)  
  Contacts: bsleap@helpage.org, ken.bluestone@ace.org.uk Website: [http://www.helpage.org](http://www.helpage.org)
- **IAHSA** (International Association of Homes and Services for the Ageing)  
  Contact: iahsa@iahsa.org Website: [http://www.iahsa.net](http://www.iahsa.net)
- **IFA** (International Federation of Aging) - Jane BARAT and Susan AZIZ  
  Contact: gshaw@ifa-fiv.org, susanaziz@comcast.net Website: [http://www.ifa-fiv.org](http://www.ifa-fiv.org)
- **ILC-US** (International Longevity Center)  
  Contact: media@ilcusa.org Website: [http://www.ilcusa.org](http://www.ilcusa.org)
- **INPEA** (International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse) - Susan SOMMERS  
  Contact: sbsomers5@aol.com Website: [http://www.inpea.net](http://www.inpea.net)
“Strengthening Older People’s Rights: Towards a UN Convention”: an engagement towards the protection of ageing populations

The pool of NGOs has recently published a pamphlet “Strengthening Older People’s Rights: Towards a UN Convention”. This publication can be found at [http://www.ngocoa.ny.org/resources/documents/strengthening-rights-resource.pdf](http://www.ngocoa.ny.org/resources/documents/strengthening-rights-resource.pdf) and was produced to reinforce understanding and awareness of the need for a special rapporteur and convention on the rights of older people. It aims to provide the arguments and tools for engaging people - from older women and men themselves, to civil society organisations to government officials - across the globe in debate about older people’s rights and the role of a convention and special rapporteur. It also suggests ways in which individuals and civil society organizations can promote these new human rights instruments in their countries.

We actively encourage you to share this publication as widely as possible and to translate it into the languages that you work in. A design template can be made available to help you do this. For further information, please contact Ken Bluestone ken.bluestone@ace.org.uk

Our website was launched recently with a new design and a new address: [www.iagg.info](http://www.iagg.info). It is dedicated to our organization’s activities, actions, news etc.

We look forward to managing this website which should become the showcase of our involvement in Gerontology and Geriatrics throughout the world. For this reason, we should communicate, participate, share, support actions and experiences. So, as actors of IAGG, please feel free to send informations that you think would interest our international community. It will be a pleasure to insert it on our website.

It should also reflect the current set-up of our organization. So IAGG members could update membership data as regularly as possible. To be fully proactive, you can send texts in a “.doc” format, attached documents in a “.pdf” version and photos/logos in a “.jpeg” extension.
The Turk Geriatri 2010 report
Turkish Geriatrics Society organized Turk Geriatri 2010. the 4th National Elderly Health Congress, from April 1st to 4th, 2010 in Izmir, one of the most fascinating cities of the Mediterranean shore. Held in the Crown Plaza Hotel, the congress was supported by the International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (IAGG), and the International Institute on Ageing (INIA).

With the burgeoning wealth of scientific and clinical information in older persons’ healthcare, sharing the knowledge and experiences supplied comprehensive information sources. The congress provided objective solutions through authoritative discussion of the literature, from skilled international and national experts and was of particular interest to academicians and professionals in the field of Geriatrics and Gerontology. The congress was opened with the conferences of Prof. Alain Franco, General Secretary of IAGG, Prof. Desmond O’Neill, President of EUGMS (European Union Geriatric Medicine Society) and Prof. Joseph Troisi, the Director of INIA.

The winner of the “2009 Best Research Competition” of Turkish Journal of Geriatrics was the research entitled “Therapeutic effect of Erythropoietin in an experimental in vivo Alzheimer’s Disease animal model moderated by D-galactose injection at ovariectomized rats”. The researchers were; Dr. Özlem Şahin, Bio. Ufuk Vurgun, Prof. Osman Yılmaz, Assoc. Prof. Ataç Sönmez, Dr. Ayfer Dayi, Prof. Görsev Yener and Assoc. Prof. Şermin Genç from Dokuz Eylül University. Their award was given during the opening ceremony of the congress.

On the 1st April two interactive Geriatric courses took place: one for medical doctors and another for nurses. During the congress in 2-4 April over 400 delegates attended and 120 speakers, from various fields of geriatrics and gerontology, participated.


The president of the congress was Prof. Yesim Gokce Kutsal and the scientific secretary was performed by Prof. Dilek Aslan and Prof. Murad Başar.

Website: www.geriatri.org or www.turkgeriatri.org
KOREA: IAGG’s next 20th World Congress will be hosted by Korea. The IAGG Council has validated its choice for the organization of this event that will take place in 2013, from June 23rd to 28th at the Seoul Convention and Exhibition Centre. Facing the challenges of global aging and the increasing need for digitalization, the organizing committee led by Professor Heung Bong CHA, has chosen “Digital Aging: New Horizon for All Ages” as the main theme for the Congress. We wish them all our best for a successful organization.

Contact: iagg2013@hanmail.net  Website: http://www.iagg2013.org
NETHERLANDS: the 4th European Nursing Congress is organized from 4th to 7th October 2010 in Rotterdam. It will focus on the theme «Older persons: the future of care». Nurses from all fields of healthcare, including homecare workers, general hospital staff, mental health professionals and carers for the mentally disabled, are invited to share their methods and their research findings with regards to care for older persons. Innovation, new ideas and creativity in organizing care will also be highlighted during the Congress.

Contact: info@rotterdam2010.eu  Website: http://www.rotterdam2010.eu

PERU: Four different meetings will be held in Lima from 24th to 26th September, 2010 on the theme «Revalorizando al adulto mayor»: The VIIIth Peruvian Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics, the IVth Intercontinental Congress of Gerontology and Geriatrics, the XIIth International Course on Gerontology and Geriatrics and the IInd Forum Iberoamerican of Social Gerontology. This important event is organized by the Sociedad de Gerontologia y Geriatría del Perú.

Website: www.sggperu.org

SERBIA: The 8th National Congress on Gerontology is organized by the Society of Gerontology of Serbia and will be held from May 3rd to 5th, 2010 in Vrnjacka Banja, Serbia. Foreign participants are most welcome to exchange their experiences and knowledge on the theme “For European standards of social security and quality of life in age”.

Contact: gdskrfska7@yubc.net  (Society of Gerontology of Serbia)

TURKEY: The 4th International Social and Applied Gerontology Symposium is scheduled from 28th to 30th April, 2010 in Antalya. This event takes place every 2 years and gathers specialists in the field of gerontology from Turkey and all around the world. The meeting will take place at Akdeniz University in Antalya. Objectives of the symposium: society, policy and science.

Contact: sandra@trigaturizm.com  Website: http://www.gerontoloji2010.com/english.htm

UNITED KINGDOM: A meeting in Swansea is organized by the IAGG European Social Research section from 1st to 2nd July 2010. The theme “Gerontology without Borders - Diversity in European & Transnational Research” provides a framework for interdisciplinary and international exchange on issues in ageing research, policy and practice and to highlight cutting edge research on the social and behavioural aspects of ageing. The British Society of Gerontology is hosting the meeting.

Contact: conferences@swansea.ac.uk  Website: http://www.gerontology2010.swansea.ac.uk

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 for 2017. 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 FORTHCOMING WORLDWIDE EVENTS
(by chronological order)

May 3-6, 2010 - Melbourne, Australia: 10th IFA Global Conference. The International Federation on Ageing has chosen this year’s theme on “Climate for change: Ageing into the future”. Population ageing is one of the most important challenges facing societies around the world today. It is the essential demographic characteristic of the 21st century. Far from being a crisis, being able to live more active and healthy lives as we grow old represents a triumph in human history. The 10th Global Conference on Ageing will provide a reliable platform for a global information exchange and point of connection for all, working to generate positive social change for older people.

Contact: ifa2010@arinex.com.au  Website: http://www.ifa2010.org

May 12-15, 2010 - Orlando, USA: American Geriatrics Society organizes its Annual Scientific Meeting in Florida. It provides the latest information on clinical care, research on aging, and innovative models of care delivery. The Meeting will address the educational needs of geriatrics professionals from all disciplines. Physicians, nurses, pharmacists, physician assistants, social workers, long-term care and managed care providers, health care administrators, and others can update their knowledge and skills through state-of-the-art educational sessions and research presentations.

Contact: info@americangeriatrics.org  Website: http://www.americangeriatrics.org/news

May 27-30, 2010 - Vancouver, Canada: ISG 2010 - 7th World Conference of Gerontechnology. The World Conference is the principal multi-disciplinary meeting for professionals working in the field of gerontechnology. The conference brings together people who design, develop, prescribe, research, set policy for and use technology to enhance the health, functional capacity and quality of life of older adults.

Contact: isg2010@sfu.ca  Website: http://www.sfu.ca/isg2010

June 24-27, 2010 - Barcelona, Spain: COLONY meeting. The first international congress in controversies in Longevity, Health and Aging is an exhaustive forum for worldwide experts to share and compare experiences, in order to outline the right treatment for patients. It will promote true clinical discussion between practising physicians and researchers on unresolved pressing issues. Early registration will be closed on 1st May, 2010.

Contact: colongy@comtecmed.com  Website: http://www.comtecmed.com/colony

June 25-26, 2010 - Lyon, France: Aging and Sleep 2010. This international and interdisciplinary meeting is organized for physicians, health care providers and researchers to promote the latest advances in geriatric sleep medicine IASRG (International Association of Sleep Research in Gerontology). It will focus on diagnostic and therapeutic processes that have, or will have, real clinical utility in the elderly. The expert faculty will present how best to implement the main diagnostic tools and therapeutic strategies in your clinical practice.

Contact: arifa.messai@chu-lyon.fr  Website: http://www.aging-sleep.com
July 10-15, 2010 - Honolulu, USA: ICAD2010 is Alzheimer’s Association International Conference. This year, it will be held in Hawaii and will be an opportunity to find out about the latest findings in dementia science.

Contact: icad@alz.org  Website: http://www.alz.org

July 26-27, 2010 - Albuquerque, USA: IANA 2010 - International Academy on Nutrition and Aging. The 5th IANA meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency Tamaya Hotel of Albuquerque. Focus will be made on Nutrition and Age related diseases and will include Sarcopenia, Frailty, Cognitive decline, Alzheimer, Long-term care, Cancer and Vascular disease. Preventive trials and multi domain intervention approaches with physical and cognitive exercise, nutrition will also be solicited.

Contact: kbreckenridge@salud.unm.edu  Website: http://www.healthandage.com/html/min/iananda

September 29 - October 1, 2010 - Dublin, Ireland: 6th Congress of the European Union Geriatric Medicine Society (EUGMS). The Irish Gerontological Society and the Irish Society of Physicians in Geriatric Medicine, are hosting the event at the Convention Center of Dublin. The conference theme of Geriatric Medicine: New Challenges, New Techniques and New Technologies harnesses the existing strengths of geriatric medicine to meet the new challenges of demography in the European Union and the changing economic climate by incorporating the rapid developments in many fields of technological development. The Congress will also feature EUGMS initiatives in areas such as medication licensing and older people, sarcopaenia, falls, vaccines and palliative care.

Deadline for abstract submission: 30th May 2010
Deadline for early registration: 16th July 2010

Contact: louise@conferencepartners.ie  Website: http://www.eugms2010.org
October 19-21, 2010 - Nice, France: 9th Congrès International Francophone de Gériatrie et de Gérontologie. This year the French-speaking countries' congress will focus on three major themes: «Mediterranean sea is a crossroad for gerontology», «Therapeutics in geriatrics», and «Gerontechnology helps homecare».

Deadline for abstract submission: 26th May, 2010
Contact: info@cifgg2010.com  Website: http://www.cifgg2010.com

November 3-5, 2010 - Toulouse, France: the CTAD Clinical Trials on Alzheimer’s Disease. The 3rd edition will bring together the current leaders to discuss new results, drugs in development and future methodological issues (disease modifying outcomes, biomarkers, impact on healthcare economy).

Deadline for abstract submission: June 15th, 2010
Deadline for symposia submission: May 1st, 2010
Contact: ctad@ant-congres.com  Website: http://www.ctad.fr

June 5-8, 2011 - Toronto, Canada: FICCDAT 2011, the Festival of International Conferences on Caregiving, Disability, Aging and Technology will bring together six important and different conferences all focused on enhancing the lives of seniors, persons with disabilities and their family caregiver. During the four days, rehabilitation, social and health service providers, government policy makers, researchers, family caregivers, students, seniors and persons with disabilities from around the world will gather to explore issues facing aging populations, the implication for healthcare systems and service providers, the roles and responsibilities of each actor and how new research findings and technologies are leading to new and practical solutions.

Contact: info@ficcdat.ca  Website: http://www.ficcdat.ca

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