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Stepping into the Future

Tapping the Talents and Participation of Older Persons









5 October 2017 (3 – 6 PM) ECOSOC Chamber, UNHQ, New York

Opening Session

Welcome Janet Sigal, Chair of the NGO Committee on Ageing in New York

Sandra Timmermann and **Rebecca Riger Tsurumi**, Co-Chairs, UNIDOP Programme Sub-committee, NGO Committee on Ageing in New York

Remarks by František Ružička, Chef de Cabinet to the President of the 72nd Session of the

UN General Assembly

Frederico S. Duque Estrada Meyer, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Mission of Brazil to the United Nations on behalf of the Group of Friends of

Older Persons

Thomas Gass, Assistant Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-

Agency Affairs, UNDESA

Lakshmi Puri, Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations and Deputy

Executive Director of UNWOMEN

Formal Launch: World Population Ageing 2017 Highlights

Sara Hertog, Population Affairs Officer, UNDESA Population Division

Keynote Address: A Solution Waiting to Happen

Marc Freedman, Founder and CEO, Encore.org

Panel Discussion: "Stepping into the Future - Tapping the Talents and Participation of Older Persons"

Moderator Donna Butts, Executive Director of Generations United

Panelists Frank Leyhausen, General Manager, MedCom International, Germany

Edward Rogoff, Dean at LIU Brooklyn School of Business, Public

Administration, and Information Sciences, USA

Livingstone Bartholomew Byekwaso, Executive Director of the NGO Saidia

Wazee Karagwe (SAWAKA), Tanzania

Interactive dialogue

Closing Session

Remarks by Lidija Dravec, Vice-Chair of the General Assembly's eighth session of the

Open-ended Working Group on Ageing

Rosemary Lane, Focal Point on Ageing, UNDESA