An Invitation to Join IASSW's Special Interest Groups

Ageing, Care, and Intergenerational Solidarity

You are invited to be part of IASSW's Ageing, Care, and Intergenerational Solidarity Special Interest Group (SIG).

Purpose
The Ageing, Care, and Intergenerational Solidarity SIG brings together members committed to advancing research, education, and policy dialogue on population ageing, long-term care systems, and intergenerational relations. The SIG promotes rigorous, comparative and interdisciplinary evidence on how formal and informal care arrangements interact across different welfare regimes, and on how socio-technical and digital innovation can support, rather than substitute, human care relationships. In line with the vision put forward by its Convenors, the SIG places particular emphasis on promoting research on inclusion, citizen participation, and gender perspective in ageing, care, and intergenerational solidarity, alongside the sustainability of long-term care systems and the mentoring of early-career researchers. The SIG will convene virtual seminars and periodic workshops, promote joint research proposals and cross-country collaboration, and produce policy briefs translating evidence into recommendations for IASSW member schools and policymakers worldwide.

Membership
Open to all IASSW members (Life, Individual and Institutional) with an interest in ageing, long-term care, and intergenerational solidarity, from any world region, career stage, or disciplinary background. The SIG also welcomes the participation of other researchers, practitioners, and professionals connected to social work who are not IASSW members, in recognition of the interdisciplinary and collaborative nature of the field. Members are invited to contribute to the SIG's research, seminars, and policy work.

Leadership
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