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# What's new for older people in Europe

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The Swedish Pensioners' Association is a member of AGE Platform Europe - the European umbrella organisation that looks after the interests of older people. The organisation has around 90 national affiliates, representing around 40 million older (50+) citizens. AGE has a secretariat in Brussels and is in constant contact with the decision-making bodies of the EU, mainly the Council of Europe, the European Commission and the European Parliament.

Filip Hamro-Drotz has been mandated to represent the SPF in AGE, for which he participates in its management. AGE's main current objectives are to:

- Raise the voice of older people in all matters at international level affecting older people - actively defending the interests of older people.
- Promote the preparation of a gender equality strategy for older people in the EU.
- Contribute to efforts to achieve a UN Convention on the Rights of the Elderly.
- Strengthen AGE as a network for contact and interaction between its members.
- Have the interests and priorities of older people noted in the upcoming elections (2024) to the European Parliament.

AGE also participates in consultations organised by the United Nations, mainly on the Convention on the Rights of the Elderly and on the societal impact of rapidly increasing digitalisation - a UN summit is planned for 2024.

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AGE's activities are prepared in four thematic working groups and cooperation is maintained with several European stakeholder organisations, including efforts to strengthen intergenerational advocacy.

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# Aktuellt för de äldre i Europa

Svenska pensionärsförbundet är medlem i AGE Platform Europe – den europeiska takorganisationen som bevakar de äldres intressen. Organisationen har cirka 90 nationella medlemsförbund, vilka representerar cirka 40 miljoner äldre (50+) medborgare. AGE har ett sekretariat i Bryssel och står i ständig kontakt med de beslutande organen i EU, närmast Europarådet, den europeiska kommissionen och Europaparlamentet.

Filip Hamro-Drotz har givits uppdraget att föra SPF:s talan i AGE, för vilket han deltar i dess ledning.

AGE:s främsta aktuella mål är att:

- Höja de äldres röst i alla frågor på internationell nivå som berör de äldre – att aktivt försvara de äldres intressen.
- Främja beredningen av en jämställdhetsstrategi för de äldre i EU.
- Medverka i ansträngningarna för att få till stånd en FN-konvention om de äldres rättigheter.
- Stärka ÄGE som ett nätverk för kontakt och samverkan



mellan dess medlemmar.

 Få de äldres intressen och prioriteter noterade vid de kommande valen (2024) till Europaparlamentet.

AGE deltar även i av FN organiserade konsultationer, främst angående konventionen om de äldres rättigheter samt om konsekvenserna i samhället av den snabbt tilltagande digitaliseringen – ett FN-toppmöte planeras att hållas 2024.

AGE:s verksamhet bereds i fyra tematiska arbetsgrupper och samarbete upprätthålls med flera europeiska intresseorganisationer vari man bland annat strävar att stärka en generationsöverskridande intressebevakning.

Filip Hamro-Drotz

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### About AGE Platform Europe

AGE Platform Europe is the largest European network of non-profit organizations of and for older people. We elevate older people's voice, bringing their experience and aspirations to the table to celebrate ageing and fight for equality at all ages.

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