

Thrive in Place: A Collaborative Age-Friendly Summit September 9th, 2025		
Time	Session	
8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Registration and Mingle	
9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Session 1 – Introduction to the Global Network for Age-Friendly Cities and Communities	
	Session Description	<p>Presentations and panel discussion with WHO and GNAFCC Affiliates on enabling connections, fostering partnerships and sustaining growth.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Mr. Thiago Herick de Sa, Age-friendly Environments, Technical Officer, World Health Organization.Depending on technological capacity: Greetings from virtual GNAFCC Affiliates.GNAFCC Affiliate presenters:
		<p>Presentation 1: Representation from SingHealth.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Along the pillar of Enabling Connections, with a focus on what they are doing to enable connections between age-friendly cities and communities within and beyond their country
		<p>Presentation 2: Representation from Age-Friendly Ireland.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Along the pillar of Fostering Partnerships, with a focus on what they are doing to connect with both existing and emerging programs.
		<p>Presentation 3: Representation from the Slovenian Network of Age-Friendly Cities and Communities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Along the pillar of Sustaining Growth and Enabling Connections, with a focus on connections between different stakeholders in their networks, including academics, AFCC programs, civil society, and the private sector.
10 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.	Health Break	
10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.	Session 2 – Highlighting Current Initiatives in the African Context	
	Session Description	<p>Presentation and panel discussion with Q&A, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Prof. Elena Moore, The Family Caregiving ProgrammeRepresentation from the City of Cape TownRepresentation from a South African organizationRepresentation from a pan-African organization
11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Lunch (provided)	
	Description	Extended lunch for table discussions and networking.
12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Building Bridges Workshop: Enhancing Community Engagement and Partnership Building	
	Workshop (Session A)	<p>This is an interaction workshop for all participants to learn, share and discuss community engagement strategies and explore effective partnership-building techniques in the context of age-friendly planning. The aim is to equip participants with actionable ideas for fostering collaboration in their own communities and map next steps.</p> <p>Workshop to be moderated by Dr. Kathleen Brasher and collectively run by participant engagement</p>
	Affiliates Meeting (Session B)	<p>This is a focused session for GNAFCC Affiliates in attendance. This is an opportunity for Affiliate updates, knowledge sharing and in-depth discussions.</p> <p>The IFA is exploring technical capacity for virtual engagement.</p>
2:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.	Health Break	
2:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	Conclusion: Taking Collective Action	
	Description	Reflections on the collective discussions, discuss next steps, and closing remarks.
2:30 p.m.	Close	