

Special Issue

Healthy Aging and Sustainable Development Goals

Message from the Guest Editors

We are, as we know, living in a rapidly aging world. Life expectancy has increased remarkably in a short time, and the process is ongoing—most particularly in developing countries. Simultaneously, birth rates are falling in most areas of the world. While the increase in longevity is to be celebrated, the demographic shifts we see naturally raise challenges. And these changes are occurring in a particular context—climate change, increased awareness of pandemic risk, increased geopolitical and economic instability. The UN has issued a collection of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) which seek to address many of the issues faced by society today. A worthy initiative, and one which is noteworthy in part by the relative sparseness of reference to older people. The aim of the current Special Issue is to examine how the SDGs might relate to the roles and the wellbeing of older people specifically. In this Special Issue, original research articles and reviews are welcome. Research areas may include (but are not limited to) health, wellbeing, the environment, social roles, work roles and retirement.

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