

HOMeAGE

# Advancing Research and Training on Ageing, Place and Home



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**Public Lecture and Training Sessions**

*April 10<sup>th</sup> 2024*

*Online*

*Venue: UNIVPM, Faculty of Economics, Piazzale R. Martelli, 8 - 60121 - Ancona, Italy*

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## About HOMeAGE

HOMeAGE involves a nine-country collaboration between leading research units, major intergovernmental organisations, international civil society actors and governmental and non-governmental organisations.

HOMeAGE aims to institute an interdisciplinary, intersectoral, and international programme of doctoral training and research that drives the development of new leaders in excellence for the advancement of evidence-based innovation on ageing in place.

HOMeAGE, tackles three interrelated challenges by pursuing three strategic objectives through the work of 12 Doctoral Researchers (DRs) and their individual research projects.

### Challenge 1- Needs and Systems:



HOMeAGE will identify flexible and sustainable housing, community-care and mobility systems and critically assess their capacity to support community living needs, across various cultural and structural conditions.

### Challenge 2 – Home and Belonging:



HOMeAGE will identify innovative place-based pathways for engagement as a means to create new channels for building a sense of home and belonging amongst diverse older populations, in diverse places.

### Challenge 3 – Rights and Voice:



HOMeAGE will identify integrative frameworks, that are responsive to the diversity of older people and their places, to drive relevant and rights-based policy development on ageing in place.

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# Public Lecture and Training Sessions

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### Training Day 1 – 10<sup>th</sup> April

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- 9:15 **Institutional welcome**  
Representatives of UNIVPM & INRCA IRCCS (Room: Sala Consiglio)
- 9:30 **Welcome address**  
*Micol Bronzini (UNIVPM) & Giovanni Lamura (INRCA IRCCS)*
- 9:45 **Introduction to HOMeAGE 2<sup>nd</sup> Training Event and Public Sessions**  
*Kieran Walsh (Co-ordinator, University of Galway, Ireland)*
- 10:00 **Theoretical Contributions on Ageing in Place (AIP) Systems - Public Event**  
*Chair: Giovanni Lamura (INRCA IRCCS)*
- 10:05 **Challenges of emerging long-term care systems – Needs, rights and choices in Europe**  
*Kai Leichsenring (European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research, Vienna, Austria)*
- 11:15 **Coffee break**
- 11:45 **Long-term care and the universal health coverage agenda: Establishing partnerships that can transform long-term care systems and service delivery**  
*Stefania Ilinca (World Health Organisation, Regional Office for Europe, Copenhagen, Denmark)*
- 13:00 **Lunch and Break**
- 14:00 **Methodological aspects of AIP research**  
*Chair: Marja Aartsen (Oslo Met, Norway)*
- Strategies and challenges on inclusive approaches in Housing**  
*Rose Gilroy (Newcastle University, UK) – Public event*
- 15:15 **Public Session Closes**
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## Session Abstracts and Learning Outcomes

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### Training Day 1 – April 10th

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#### **Challenges of emerging long-term care systems – Needs, rights and choices in Europe**

*Kai Leichsenring (European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research, Vienna, Austria)*

The session will help understand the terminology and essentials of long-term care system analysis in the context of population ageing. Based on selected key-indicators (facts & figures), we shall discuss key challenges of emerging long-term care systems in Europe focusing on needs assessment, governance/funding, coordination/integration of service delivery, quality assurance.

At the end of this session, students will have:

- a shared understanding of the long-term care sector in the European context of population ageing;
- an overview of key challenges in the governance and delivery of long-term care across Europe;
- a broader understanding of salient issues of international, comparative research in the area of long-term care.

#### **Long-term care and the universal health coverage agenda – Establishing partnerships that can transform long-term care systems and service delivery**

*Stefania Ilinca (World Health Organisation, Regional Office for Europe, Copenhagen, Denmark)*

The session will introduce long-term care within a public health approach to healthy ageing and in the context of the continuum of care services across the life course, focusing on strategies and opportunities to promote long-term care system transformation across the European region. In particular, we will discuss the value of partnerships and how applied and policy-oriented research helps build an evidence base that can guide and accelerate system transformation.

At the end of this session, students will:

- Gain familiarity with WHO guidance and key policy and advocacy documents, including the UN Decade of Healthy Ageing and the global Framework for Countries to achieve an integrated continuum of long-term care services
- Understand the key policy priorities for long-term care system and service delivery transformation within the European space (EU and WHO European region)
- Reflect on opportunities for researchers to participate actively in the policy dialogue, support the translation of evidence into practice and promote higher societal impact of research



## **Strategies and challenges on inclusive and participatory approaches in Housing**

*Rose Gilroy (Newcastle University, UK)*

This session will explore the growing prevalence and significance of participatory approaches in the design and development of service and support systems for older people. With a particular focus on housing and accommodation, this session will examine some key considerations with respect to developing inclusive participatory strategies, with diverse and distinct groups of older people. It will also examine and discuss common challenges and pitfalls regarding such approaches, and the sort of measures that may be useful in overcoming these issues. Finally, this session will consider some questions for future work concerning these approaches and their effectiveness and inclusive.

After this session, doctoral researchers will be able to:

- Identify some of the common principles of inclusive and participatory strategies for integrating the voice of older people into housing and service development approaches.
- Understand the challenges, and some potential solutions, with respect to the fairness and effectiveness of these approaches for older people.

## Speakers, Chairs and Panellists

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### Training Day 1 – April 10th Biographies

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**Micol Bronzini** is an Associate Professor in Economic Sociology at the Department of Economic and Social Sciences at the Marche Polytechnic University. She is on the board of the Italian Association of Sociology. She is also affiliated with the University of Florence for the project “Age-It. Ageing well in an ageing society”, financed by the National Recovery and Resilience Plan, where she is responsible for the stream of research on new housing needs connected with the ageing population. Her main research areas concern health, healthcare and housing policy and she develops mainly qualitative methodologies.



**Giovanni Lamura** leads the Centre for Socio-Economic Research on Ageing at IRCCS INRCA (Italy’s National Institute of Health and Science on Ageing). He graduated in economics, achieved a PhD in Life course and social policy (University of Bremen, Germany), and was visiting fellow at the University of Hamburg-Eppendorf (Germany) and the European Centre for Social Welfare Policy & Research (Austria). His interests focus on international research on family and long-term care; migrant care work; interdisciplinary research on ageing. He has led several European projects on long-term care issues, including the use of new technologies to support care delivery and reduce the burden of family carers.



**Kieran Walsh** is Professor of Ageing & Public Policy in the Discipline of Economics, and Director of the Irish Centre for Social Gerontology (ICSG) at the University of Galway, Ireland. His research focuses on social exclusion in later life, life-course transitions and trajectories, and place, community belonging and a sense of home. Kieran is focused on translating research into real-world impact and integrating lived experience of those experiencing entrenched exclusion in the design of impactful research, services and teaching programmes. Kieran was the Chair of the former ROSEnet COST Action network on ‘Reducing old-age social exclusion’ (2016-2020) and is currently Scientific Coordinator of the Marie-Sklodowska Curie doctoral training network on ‘Advancing research and training on ageing, place and home ‘- HOMeAGE.



**Kai Leichsenring** is Executive Director at the European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research, Vienna, since 2016. His research background is in Political Sciences/Social Policy (Dr.phil., University of Vienna) and Organisational Development Consultancy. He specialised in comparative and applied social research and policy consultancy with a focus on population ageing, health and long-term care, and related issues such as governance and financing, quality management, labour conditions, user involvement and informal care. Apart from coordinating many national and European R&D projects he collaborated with regional and national governments, and international agencies (UNECE, OECD, WHO, Worldbank, UNDP). He has represented the research community at the

UNECE Standing Working Group on Ageing and its Bureau since 2016. Moreover, he designed and facilitated workshops, conferences and trainings, and published a wide range of reports, articles and books, e.g.

- [\*A research agenda for ageing and social policy\*](#) (Ed. with A. and Sidorenko) Cheltenham 2024: Edward Elgar.
- *Long-term care in Europe – Improving policy and practice* (Ed. with J. Billings and H. Nies). Basingstoke 2013: Palgrave Macmillan.



**Dr. Stefania Ilinca** is Technical Officer for long-term care with the WHO Regional Office for Europe, a Senior Atlantic Fellow for Equity in Brain Health and a Salzburg Global Seminar fellow. She has extensive experience working at the interface between policy and research, dividing her time between policy advice, technical support, applied research and advocacy efforts. Her work focuses on innovation and service design in health and long-term care systems and discrimination and inequity in access to health and long-term care, with particular attention to strengthening care delivery for people with complex needs, supporting integrated care models and improving access to needed care over the life course.



**Rose Gilroy** is Professor of Ageing, Planning and Policy in the School of Architecture, Planning and Landscape, Newcastle University, UK. Her work focuses on the transactional relationship between older people and their place that embraces how people individually and collectively may influence their environments. Her latest book “Planning for an Ageing Society” was published by Lund Humphries in February 2021. Rose is committed to change and much of her work is action oriented. She is Chair of Newcastle Age Friendly City and the founder of the Future Homes Alliance that will be building multi-generational housing in the centre of Newcastle.

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