



International Longevity Argentina

ILC- ARGENTINA ANNUAL REPORT (2012-2013)

OBJECTIVES

Established in 2005, ILC-Argentina is a non-for-profit policy and education NGO

MISSION

- ***To help society address the issues of their aging population in a positive and constructive way.***
- ***The protection of Human Rights and fundamental freedoms, without any violence, abuse and neglect.***
- ***To highlight older people's productivity and contributions to society as a whole.***

INTERNATIONAL LONGEVITY CENTER ARGENTINA (ILC-ARG)

ILC-ARG is part of the ILC-Global Alliance. It is an independent affiliate of the INPEA, the Navarro Viola Foundation, the Barceló University, the Maimonides University, the Argentinean Gerontological Association (AGA), the ISALUD University, the COMLAT-IAGG, and other NGOs, all of whom work independently and collaboratively with ILC-Argentina.

Our activities are of life- span perspective, interdisciplinary, and on National, Regional and International levels.

ILC-ARG President Dr Lia Daichman is the ILC- Global Alliance UN Official Representative, and a member of the Steering Committee of the Global Alliance for the Rights of Older Persons (GAROP).

STRUCTURE

The Executive committee comprises of:

Dr Lía S. Daichman, President

Prof. Isolina Davobe , Secretary General

Dr Christian Gonzalez D`Alessandro , Honorary Treasurer

Prof. Ricardo Jauregui, (COMLAT- IAGG), President

RELEVANT ACTIVITIES (2012- 2013)

- **Full Day Conference on “Productive Ageing” organized by ILC- Argentina and the University of Maimonides, Ageing Department, November 2012.**
- **Active collaboration and support to the COMLAT- IAGG for their presentation at the Seul IAGG Congress, as the Argentinean Gerontological and Geriatric Societies competed for the 2021 IAAG Congress to be held in Buenos Aires.**

As it is already known, Argentina won with 42 votes against Australia: 24, and the Netherlands: 6 votes. It was really hard work and we are very pleased with the results and appreciate a lot the great support we got from so many friendly countries who believed Argentina could do it!...

- **Key Note Speakers at the " The First National Congress on Human Rights of Older Persons and Gerontological Social Policies", University of Moron, Buenos Aires, ",June 3-4,2013.(Prof. Isolina Davobe and Dr Lia Susana Daichman)**
- **Creation of the First Argentinean Observatory on Elder Human Rights, Faculty of Law, University of Moron, Province of Buenos Aires, June 2012.**
- **Organized and Co-Chair two Symposia at the Seul IAGG Congress 2013.**

a) Protecting and Promoting the Health and Human Rights of Older Persons at the End of Life: The role of Civil Society as agents of change within the United Nations systems, as well as with regional and national policy makers in moving towards a new international convention to protect the Human Rights of Older Persons.

b) Addressing Elder Abuse, Neglect and Mistreatment through a Human Rights Lens: A multi-country comparison of Perceptions, Interventions and Awareness among diverse cultures and disciplines such as academics, social workers, health care providers and elders themselves from South America to South Korea.

- **Invited as a Key Note Speaker and Convener on two Symposia at the National Argentinean Congress on “Productive Ageing” and “Who cares” in Buenos Aires Argentina ,September,2013**

MAIN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

- **Invited to continue being an Adviser to the National Program for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and Neglect, National Direction for Elders, Ministry of Social Development, as a joined effort between NGO, Academics and the Argentinean Government, (2013)**

UNITED NATIONS

GAROP

- *Participated of the GLOBAL ALLIANCE FOR THE RIGHTS OF OLDER PERSONS and Related Issues on the THIRD SESSION OPEN ENDED WORKING GROUP ON AGEING on: “Strengthening the Protection of the Human Rights of Older persons”, which took place from August 21st-24th,2012 ,at the UN Headquarters, NY and where we had a rather high profile as the ILC-GA, as well as at the American and Argentinean Embassies.*
- *Organized and Co-Chair Side Event with INPEA at the UN, August 2012.*
- *Participated on behalf of the ILC-Alliance in several and frequent Conference Calls, discussions and preparations of new statements and documents, participation of future International Events with representatives of the other 9 NGO (UN and ECOSOC), Help Aged, IFA, IAGG, INPEA, Age UK, AARP, Age Platform and IAHS (The International Association of Homes and Services for the Ageing).*

THE SOP (GAROP):

In preparation of an International Survey which will help to create a "Statement of Principles" that all civil society groups might be able to use to influence their governments. These are issues for people of all ages. We hope we would succeed to make UN Member States listen to the concerns of Older People and wider civil society on these so important issues.

For the time being it is only in English. Hoping to be translated into all UN Official languages and may be others as well, depending on collaboration and funding.

Later on ,the intention is to work by means of Focus Groups to have a different and more comprehensive approach to the subject and according to different cohorts.

- *Intensive preparation for the FOURTH SESSION OPEN ENDED WORKING GROUP ON AGEING on “Strengthening the Protection of the Human Rights of Older persons” towards an International Convention to be held at the UN, HQ from August 12 till August 16th, 2013.*

We are organizing daily morning Briefings and probably two Side Events (still in discussion)between GAROP, the UN NGO Committee on Ageing, AARP, Help Aged, INPEA, ILC-GA etc, and looking for the “adequate place” within the UN and some sponsors to make it possible.

RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS and COURSES

- ***Invited and finished a Chapter on “Elder Abuse and Neglect in Latin America” for a book on 'International Perspectives on Elder Abuse' University College, Dublin, Ireland***
 - ***ILC-Argentina`s contribution for the ILC- Alliance's Report on” Global Perspectives on Multigenerational Households and Intergenerational Relationship”***
 - ***ILC- Argentina`s contribution for the ILC- Alliance's Report on ” Integrating health and social care from an international perspective”***
 - ***ILC- Argentina`s contribution for the ILC- Alliance's Report on ” Productive Ageing” for the Prague Symposium and later Publication.***
 - ***ILC- Argentina`s contribution for the Joint Discussion Paper on Housing and Older People, March 2013.***
 - ***ILC- Argentina`s contribution on the” Active and Healthy Aging Project: Quality of life after retirement “,Research organized and published by ILC- Japan.***
 - ***ILC-Argentina in collaboration with ILC- South Africa prepared a Chapter on” Empowerment and Social Participation” for the Singapur Conference, June ,2013***
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- ***TNT-G Courses for Medical Doctors and Nutritionists Organized by ALMA (Academia Latino Americana de Medicina del Adulto Mayor) July, August, September and October 2012: "Total Nutrition Therapy Geriatrics (TNT G)", sponsored by Abbott under the auspice of COMLAT -IAGG and ILC- Argentina***
 - ***Organized an Intensive Geriatric Course on: “Care or Repair : That is the question”, at the Roux –Ocefa Foundation October, 2012***
 - ***Organized an Intensive Geriatric Seminar on:”Caring for Older Persons on situations of vulnerability :The right time for a change”, at the Roux –Ocefa Foundation October, 2013.***

Due to the worldwide and regional financial crisis, ILC-ARG is finding it difficult to funding new national and regional projects.

We are seeking partnerships with other National and International NGOs related to the Ageing Process, as well as with the rest of the ILC-Global Alliance.

Also since 2012 and on , trying to restructure our Board,Executive members and staff with a new legal status, which as an official Argentinean NGO will allow us to get into new type of `possibilities and proceed with different projects.

As the situations stands at the present time, we can only receive donations but not charge for any events we organize ,and/or make official contracts with the Private Sector , Governmental areas and other NGOs. These make it impossible to sustain the paid staff that we need and cover our own expenses.

So we expect this situation to be solved soon, for ILC- Argentina better continuity in the near future .

We are very much committed to raise Awareness in relation to Latin American Elders`s problems and get into Action by addressing Needs and Rights.

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