



## 57<sup>th</sup> Session of Commission on Population and Development (CPD) Virtual Side Event 2024

### Economic and Social Inclusion for Healthy Ageing

*A Call for Global Action*

**Date: 01 May 2024; Time: 8:30 am to 9:45 am (EDT, New York Time)**

#### Speakers' List & Meet the Speakers

**1. Dr. Rita Luthra,**

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*Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and Healthy Aging:  
Ethics, Equity and Changing Demographics*

**3. Dr. Colleen A. Kraft, MD, MBA, FAAP**

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*Healthy Adolescents, Healthy Adults*

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*Recommendations for public goods to promote healthy aging and equity of care*

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*Climate Change and Population Ageing – Challenges and Responsive Strategies*

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*Digital Literacy for Seniors for Social and Economic Inclusion in Africa*

## Youth Leaders / Youth Perspectives

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*Youth Perspectives on Healthy Adolescents for Healthy Ageing*

## Speakers / Presentation from World Health Organization (WHO)

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*Healthy Ageing over the Life Course*

## Agenda

<b>8:30 am – 8:40 am</b>	<b>Dr. Rita Luthra</b> , Introduction and WHEC's Initiatives
<b>8:40 am – 8:50 am</b>	<b>Dr. Ritu Sadana</b> , WHO's Initiatives for healthy ageing
<b>8:50 am – 9:00 am</b>	<b>Dr. Roger Worthington + Ms. Minchae Kang</b> SDGs and healthy ageing + Youth Perspectives
<b>9:00 am – 9:10 am</b>	<b>Dr. Colleen Kraft</b> , Healthy adolescents, Healthy Ageing
<b>9:10 am – 9:20 am</b>	<b>Dr. Vanathi Gopalak</b> , Promoting healthy ageing and equity
<b>9:20 am – 9:30 am</b>	<b>Dr. Edith Luhanga</b> , Digital literacy for Seniors in Africa
<b>9:30 am – 9:40 am</b>	<b>Ms. Manushi Sharma</b> , Climate change and population ageing
<b>9:40 am – 9:45 am</b>	<b>Q &amp; A</b>

## Event Organizer: Women's Health and Education Center (WHEC)

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