THE AGE BOOM ACADEMY 2015
Global Aging: Danger Ahead?

AGENDA

June 11-13, 2015

A Joint Program of the Robert N. Butler Columbia Aging Center at the Mailman School of Public Health and the Columbia Journalism School’s Professional Programs Division
Thursday, June 11, 2015

5:30 – 6:00 p.m.  Fellows Only - Pairwise Introductions
Ivy Lounge, Faculty House

6:00 – 7:00 p.m.  Reception

Master of Ceremonies
Jack Rosenthal
President Emeritus, The New York Times Company Foundation
on behalf of fellow co-organizers
Bruce Shapiro, Director, Professional Programs Division, Columbia Journalism School
Ursula M. Staudinger, Director, Robert N. Butler Columbia Aging Center

Welcoming Remarks
Linda P. Fried
Dean, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University

7:00 – 9:30 p.m.  Dinner

Health & Global Aging
John Beard
Director, Ageing and Life Course Programme, World Health Organization

Friday, June 12, 2015

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.  Continental Breakfast

9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Myth 1: Challenges of Population Aging Are Limited to the Developed Countries
Chair: Ursula M. Staudinger

Vegard Skirbekk (Columbia Aging Center & Norwegian Institute of Public Health)
Thomas Spoorenberg (United Nations)
Joel Cohen (Rockefeller University & Columbia University)


11:00 – 11:15 a.m.  Break
11:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.  Myth 2: Cities Are for Young People
Chair: Jack Rosenthal

Lilliam Barrios-Paoli (Deputy Mayor, Health & Human Services, NYC)
Louise Plouffe (International Longevity Center Canada)
Ruth Finkelstein (Columbia Aging Center & Mailman School of Public Health)

Journalist Moderator: David Andelman (World Policy Journal)

1:15 – 2:45 p.m.  Lunch
Sustainable Development Goals: Prioritizing a Society for All Ages
Helen Hamlin (International Federation on Ageing)
Q&A moderated by Ursula M. Staudinger

2:45 – 4:45 p.m.  Myth 3: Age-related Increase in Chronic Diseases Is a Problem of Wealthy Nations
Chair: Kavita Sivaramakrishnan

John Beard (WHO)
Moïse Desvarieux (Mailman School of Public Health)
Linda P. Fried (Mailman School of Public Health & Columbia Aging Center)

Journalist Moderator: Gail A. Reed (MEDICC Review)

4:45 – 5:15 p.m.  Wrap Up
Ursula M. Staudinger

Saturday, June 13, 2015

9:00 – 9:30 a.m.  Continental Breakfast

9:30 – 11:30 a.m.  Myth 4: Families Take Care of Their Elders
Chair: Ruth Finkelstein

Isabella Aboderin (African Population and Health Research Center)
Lawrence Cohen (University of California, Berkeley)
Kavita Sivaramakrishnan (Columbia Aging Center & Mailman School of Public Health)


11:30 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.  Lunch
Golden Aging: Is Active, Healthy and Prosperous Aging a Myth or a Realistic Goal?
Maurizio Bussolo (The World Bank)
Q&A moderated by Jack Rosenthal

1:15 – 3:00 p.m.  Story Clinic
Breakout groups led by Jack Rosenthal, Bruce Shapiro and Paula Span

3:00 – 3:15 p.m.  Closing Reflections
Jack Rosenthal

3:15 – 4:00 p.m.  Evaluations