

On behalf of the World Health Organization and the International Federation on Ageing it is a pleasure to invite new and emerging leaders of age-friendly cities and communities from around the world to participate in an innovative and exciting learning opportunity: the third edition of the [Age-friendly Environments \(AFE\) ECHO Programme](#). The program will provide a safe environment where participants can share knowledge and learn from experts and other learners through collaborative problem-solving, to gain the skills necessary to advocate and drive the age-friendly model within their own city and/or community.

Background

The WHO Global Network for Age-friendly Cities and Communities (GNAFCC) was established in 2010 to connect cities, communities and organizations worldwide with the common vision of making their community a great place to grow older in. Through the Network's on-line platform "Age-friendly World", members access tools and resources that can guide and support their age-friendly work and exchange and learn from each other. Network members are also supported by [21 Affiliates](#), including the IFA, that play an essential role in promoting the creation of age-friendly environments and facilitating information exchange and learning between communities.

Program Curriculum Topics

The AFE ECHO is a multi-session learning cycle comprising of 5 one-hour sessions from 8.00 – 9.00am PHST ([click here to see the time in your time zone](#)) taking place bi-weekly over a 2-month period from 15 October to 10 December. Participants are expected to attend all sessions, as the experience and knowledge is cumulative. Additionally, after each session there will be a 15 minute optional Q&A session during which attendees can consult with the expert Hub Team. Members include Dr. Mikiko Kanda from the World Health Organization and Dr. Kathleen Brasher from La Trobe University.

Using Zoom video conferencing, participants are welcome from around the world, with this learning cycle to be held in English. To learn more about the program curriculum please visit the [IFA website](#).

Session 1 | The Age-Friendly Journey: An Introduction | 15 October 2024

Session 2 | Engage and Understand | 29 October 2024

Session 3 | Plan Strategically | 12 November 2024

Session 4 | Act and Implement | 26 November 2024

Session 5 | Monitor and Evaluate Progress | 10 December 2024

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