

**PROGRAMME**

**MARCH 9, 2009**

**11:30 h. Participants reception and accreditation**

**12:00 h. Congress Opening**

- **H.E. Mr. Guillermo Fernández Vara**, President of the Extremadura Regional Government
- **H.E. Mrs. Amparo Valcarce García**, Secretary of State for Social Policies, Families and Assistance to Dependency and Disability. Government of Spain.
- **Mrs. Carmen Colmeiro**, National Vice-president of the Spanish Red Cross.
- **M.I. Mr. Ángel Calle Gragera**, Mayor-President of Mérida city council.
- **Mr. Antonio Ventura Díaz Díaz**, Director of the European Academy of Yuste Foundation.

**12: 45 h. Opening Conference: "The sociological reality of disability and ageing in Europe", given by Prof. Alain Touraine**, Sociologist and Academician of the European Academy of Yuste.

**PRESENTER: Mr. Manuel Villar Junquera**, Ex-president of the Red Cross in Extremadura.

**16:00 h. Conference: "The care of people with disabilities: promotion of personal autonomy and the care of people at a dependent situation in Europe", offered by Mr. Antonio Jiménez Lara**, Sociologist. Programme Coordinator at the State's Disability Observatory.

**PRESENTER: Mr. Manuel López Risco**, FUTUEX Delegate Trustee for the State's Disability Observatory and Professor at the University of Extremadura.

**17:00 h. Conference: "The juridical protection of people at a dependent situation",** given by **Mrs. Belén Alonso-Olea García**, Professor of Labour and Welfare Law at UNED (Distance Learning University) and Welfare State lawyer.

**PRESENTER: Mrs. María del Carmen Yáñez Quirós**, City Councillor for Social Affairs at Mérida city council.

**18:30 h. Round Table discussion: "Services and levels of protection and promotion of personal autonomy and the care of dependants: balancing work and family life".**

- **Mr. Jesús Norberto Fernández Muñoz**, Assistant Director of Assessment, Quality and Evaluations at SAAD. IMSERSO. Ministry of Education, Social Policy and Sport.
- **Mrs. Pura García de la Rosa**, Expert in Dependency.
- **Mr. Antoni Bruel y Carreras**, General Coordinator of the Spanish Red Cross.

**Chair: Mr. Francisco Valverde Luengo**, President of FUTUEX.

### **MARCH 10, 2009**

**9:30 h. Conference: "The great milestones in juridical protection of people with disabilities at the beginning of the XXIst Century"** given by **Mr. Rafael de Lorenzo García**, Secretary of the General Council of ONCE.

**PRESENTER: M.I. Mr. José María Vergeles Blanca**, General Director of Health Quality and Knowledge administration. Regional Ministry of Health and Dependency of the Extremadura Regional Government.

**10:30 h. Conference: "The numerous faces of ageing: policy changes for the European countries",** given by **Prof. Ursula Lehr**, Academician of the European Academy of Yuste.

**PRESENTER: Mr. Adolfo Ledesma Muñoz-Redondo**, Vice president of the Spanish Red Cross in Extremadura.

**12:00 h. Conference: "Strategies to improve disabled and elderly people's quality of life"**, given by **Prof. Miguel Ángel Verdugo Alonso**, Chair in Psychology of Disability and director of INICO.

**PRESENTER: Mr. Casildo Brígido Vález**, Regional President of ONCE Extremadura.

**13:00 h Round Table discussion: "The role of the State, the Autonomous Communities and the Municipalities in the design of a system for the promotion of personal autonomy and the dependency care"**

- **M.I. Mr. Juan Carlos Campón Durán**, Managing Director for the Service of Promotion of Personal Autonomy and Dependency Care (SEPAD), from the Regional Ministry of Health and Dependency. Extremadura Regional Government.
- **Mr. Miguel Pereyra Etcheverría**, Vice-president of Spanish Federation of Brain Damage.
- **Mrs. Dolores Agudo Masa**, Vice-president of the Social Welfare Commission of the Spanish Federation of Municipalities and Provinces (FEMP)

**Chair: Mrs. María del Carmen Álvarez Albano**, Social Welfare Representative Deputy. Badajoz Provincial Government.

**16:00 h Conference: "Strategies to include in the comprehensive design for a system of detection and control of rare sicknesses"** offered by **Mrs. Raquel Rodríguez López**, Genetics Unit of the Immunology and Genetics Service. Infanta Cristina Hospital, Badajoz.

**PRESENTER: Mr. José Antonio Lagar García**, Journalist at RNE in Extremadura.

**17:00 H Round Table discussion: "Participation and demands of the associative movement of disability and elderly people in Europe in the context of UN Convention on Human Rights".**

- **Mrs. Pilar Villarion Villarino**, Executive Director of the Spanish Committee of Representatives of People with Disabilities (CERMI)
- **Mr. João Baptista**, Assistant-Director of the Social Action Department. AMI Foundation, from Portugal.
- **Mrs. Susanne Ohrling**, Senior Policy Advisor, Health & Social Welfare. Working group on Ageing. Swedish Red Cross.
- **Mr. Stefan Trömer**, International Assessor of ONCE Foundation.

**Chair: Mr. Jesús Gumiel Barragán**, President of CERMI-Extremadura.

**18:00 Closing:**

- **Mr. Francisco Javier Caro Delgado**, President of the Spanish Red Cross in Extremadura.
- **Mr. Adolfo Ledesma Muñoz-Redondo**, Vice president of the Spanish Red Cross in Extremadura.
- **Mr. Jesús Gumiel Barragán**, President of CERMI-Extremadura.
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