Ageing and old age inequalities framework

At present, there are no global instruments directed specifically at guaranteeing the rights of people 60 years of age or older.

In light of that absence, a regional human rights agreement has recently been produced known as the Inter-American Convention on Protecting the Human Rights of Older Persons.

That regional instrument's goals include efforts to promote, protect and ensure the recognition and full exercise of all human rights and fundamental freedoms of older persons on an equal basis.

The Convention also aims to contribute to the full social inclusion, integration and participation of all older people in the region.

The Inter-American Convention can also serve as a guide for considering older persons as a priority over the course of implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development on a basis of equality and non-discrimination.

This is especially true of the goals related to universal social protection and health coverage and both the recognition and valuing of care work.
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