

Healthy Aging Panel: Healthcare Resilience in the Decade of Healthy Ageing

June 12, 2.30 PM – 4.00 PM

Panel Summary:

The world has reached the forefront of modern history's most significant demographic change as people live longer and healthier. By 2050 more than two billion people will be over sixty years old, and older people will outnumber young people in all countries. As a result, our societies will change profoundly. Our lives, workplaces, healthcare, and financial systems must adapt to this new reality. In this panel, our speakers will contemplate the policy changes needed to improve our healthcare systems' resilience – focusing on shifting from our current focus on curative interventions to prevention throughout the life course and integrated care for older people in the context of the UN Decade of Healthy Ageing.

The panel will outline the need to move from our current acute care healthcare model to a model with earlier detection, better treatment, and valued prevention strategies. In addition, speakers will discuss the consequences of demographic change, the importance of integrating care for older people, and the need to invest in preventive measures such as fracture prevention and vaccines.

Panel Speakers (in order):

- **Hidenori Arai**, President, National Center for Geriatrics and Gerontology, Panel Moderator
- **Michael Hodin**, CEO of Global Coalition on Aging
- **Yuka Sumi**, Medical Officer, Ageing and Health Unit, World Health Organization
- **Naoko Ueda**, Director, OECD Tokyo Center
- **Kazuyo Tsushita**, Project Professor, Kagawa Nutrition University
- **Leon Ochiai**, Head of Sanofi Japan Public Affairs, Sanofi K.K.
- Joji Onishi, The Ministry of Health, Labour, and Welfare