

Dear Colleagues,

It is with real pleasure that we announce the forthcoming conference entitled:

OLD AGE AS PSYCHOLOGY SEES IT

THREATS, OPPORTUNITIES, SUPPORT

Krakow, 21 - 22 April 2022

The conference will present reflections in three thematic areas.

The first area of reflection will be related to the threats that may arise in late adulthood in diverse spheres of life. The threats may be linked to the physical conditions and diseases typical of an aging organism. They can also be seen in the mental sphere and concern cognitive, emotional processes, or personality. No less severe threats may come up in the social sphere, violating existing relationships with individuals or groups.

Next, we wish to present the opportunities that people have in their late adulthood. Due to the progress of medicine, biology, or ecology, the constantly changing conditions of older people inspire an optimistic perception of their potentials. Theoretical considerations and the results of empirical research provide data on numerous opportunities for retired people. It will be interesting to show both exceptional achievements (e.g., Aleksander Doba, a traveller and canoeist, or Adam Zagajewski, a poet) and the common achievements of the elderly.

The third area of reflection aims to present support options for older people and describe the state of the organised support activities offered by society. Societal expectations in the field of supporting the elderly will also be shown.

The Institute of Psychology of the Jagiellonian University and the Psychology Commission of the Polish Academy of Sciences, branch in Krakow, are the organisers of the conference to be held on **21-22 April 2022** (Thursday and Friday). The conference will be run on the Microsoft Teams platform of the Polish Academy of Sciences, branch in Krakow.

Please submit applications and presentation abstracts by February 20, 2022, to the following address: konferencja.starosc@uj.edu.pl

Detailed information on conference registration and fees will be provided in the next announcement.

The conference organisers plan to issue a collective monograph based on texts provided by the speakers.

You are cordially invited!

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