

MaxnetAging Conference II Program

November 2–6, 2005
The Westin La Quinta Resort, Marbella, Spain

Wednesday, November 2

Arrival and Opening

Morning

*Arrival in Malaga
Bus transfer from Malaga to The Westin Resort, Marbella*

Noon

Bus transfer from Malaga to The Westin Resort, Marbella

15.30

Coffee

16.00

Opening

Paul B. Baltes, Max Planck Institute for Human Development, Berlin

Introduction of Network Members

Special Topic I: Social Psychology of Aging

17.00

*Issues in Assessing Well-Being:
A Social Psychological Perspective*

Norbert Schwarz, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Commentary: **Shigehiro Oishi**
University of Virginia, Charlottesville
Bethany A. Teachman
University of Virginia, Charlottesville

18.30

Break

19.00

Reception

20.00 *Dinner*

Thursday, November 3

*Images of Aging: Historical Perspectives
Law and Aging*

9.00 *Historical Images and Realities of Aging*

Pat Thane, *University of London*

Commentary: **Stefan Ruppert**
Max Planck Institute for European Legal History, Frankfurt
Dorothea Noll
Max Planck Institute for European Legal History, Frankfurt
Hartwin Brandt
Otto-Friedrich-University of Bamberg

10.30 *Coffee*

11.00 *Images of Old Age in Eighteenth Century England*

Susannah R. Ottaway, *Carleton College, Minnesota*

Commentary: **Caroline Schuster Cordone**
University of Fribourg
Hartwin Brandt
Otto-Friedrich-University of Bamberg

12.30 *Lunch*

14.00 *Discussion Groups: Junior Fellow Projects*

16.00 *Coffee*

Law and Aging

16.30 *Facilitating Autonomy and Participation in Social Life While
Preventing Harm and Promoting Justice*

Richard J. Bonnie, *University of Virginia, Charlottesville*

Commentary: **Alexander Graser**
MPI for Foreign and International Social Law, Munich

Markus Roth
MPI for Foreign and Private International Law, Hamburg

18.30 *Break*

19.30 *Dinner*

Friday, November 4

Dynamics of Mortality and Morbidity
Special Topic II

9.00 *Longevity and its Consequences:*
Insights from an Experimental Insect Biology Program

James R. Carey, *University of California, Davis*

Commentary: Marc Luy, *University of Rostock*

10.30 *Coffee*

11.00 *A Medical and Epidemiological Perspective on Human Frailty*
and Multimorbidity

Kaare Christensen, *University of Southern Denmark, Odense*

Commentary: Katie Palmer, *Karolinska Institute, Stockholm*
Denis Gerstorf, *University of Virginia, Charlottesville*

13.00 *Lunch*

14.00 *Discussion Groups: Junior Fellow Projects*

15.30 *Coffee*

Special Topic II

16.00 *Behavior-Driven Enhancement of Cell Survival Factors:*
Can Brain Cell Loss be Stopped?

Timothy Schallert, *The University of Texas at Austin*

Commentary: Sebastian Jessberger, *Salk Institute, La Jolla*

18.30 Organizational Planning Meetings (Senior & Junior Fellows)

20.00 *Dinner*

Saturday, November 5

Plasticity of Physical, Mental, Cognitive and Social Health in Aging and the Oldest Old

9.00 *Cognitive and Brain Plasticity in Old Age:
Effects of Health and Physical Activity*

Arthur F. Kramer, *University of Illinois, Urbana*

Commentary: Stuart W. S. MacDonald, *Karolinska Institute, Stockholm*

10.30 *Coffee*

11.00 *Brain Plasticity in Aging:
The Role of Social Contact and Social Participation*

Martin Lövdén, *MPI for Human Development, Berlin*

Commentary: Brian A. Nosek, *University of Virginia, Charlottesville*
Frieder R. Lang, *University of Halle-Wittenberg*

12.30 *Lunch*

14.00 *Brain Plasticity in Aging:
Cognitive Neuroscience Perspective*

Lars Nyberg, *Umeå University*

Commentary: Paolo Ghisletta, *University of Geneva*

15.30 *Coffee*

16.00 *Adult Neurogenesis and its Activity-Dependent Regulation*

Gerd Kempermann

Max Delbrück Center for Molecular Medicine, Berlin

Commentary: **Markus Ullsperger**
MPI for Human Cognitive and Brain Sciences, Leipzig

Final Session

18.00 Discussion of Conferences III and IV

Chair: **Paul B. Baltes**, *MPI for Human Development, Berlin*

19.30 *Gala Dinner*

Sunday, November 6

Workshop:
Psychological Vitality in the Oldest Old:
Towards Definition and Measurement

Morning

*Bus transfer from the Westin Resort in Marbella to airport Malaga
(for conference participants who do not take part in the workshop)*

10.00– 15.00

Workshop

Chair: **Jacqui Smith**, *MPI for Human Development, Berlin*

Concepts of Physical Functional Status, Disability, and Frailty

Brenda W. T. H. Penninx, *VU University Medical Center, Amsterdam*

Toward a Concept of Psychological Functional Status and Vitality

Jacqui Smith, *MPI for Human Development, Berlin*

Participants: Denis Gerstorf, Paolo Ghisletta, Marc Luy,
Stuart MacDonald, Shigehiro Oishi, Katie Palmer,
Markus Ullsperger

All Network members and guests are invited

Afternoon

*Bus transfers from the Westin Resort in Marbella to Malaga
Transfers also arranged for departures on Monday*