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Subject: Combating ageism through the intergenerational fairness strategy and the UN Convention on the Rights of Older Persons

On 6 October 2025, Parliament held a plenary debate entitled ‘Intergenerational fairness in Europe on the occasion of the International Day of Older Persons’. The debate highlighted broad cross-party support for a more visible and concrete EU response to the challenges faced by older persons in ageing societies. This discussion takes place in a crucial international context, as negotiations are starting at the UN Human Rights Council on a future Convention on the Rights of Older Persons.

Despite these initiatives, ageism remains widespread, with serious consequences in areas such as healthcare access, employment, and equal treatment, as illustrated during the COVID-19 pandemic and in the labour market exclusion of older workers.

In this context:

1. Does the Commission intend to propose a dedicated action plan to promote age-inclusive and rights-based policies within the upcoming intergenerational fairness strategy?
2. What are the main findings and recommendations of the Commission’s study on ageism, and how does the Commission plan to translate these into concrete policy initiatives?
3. Is the Commission preparing a Communication expressing its support for the development of a legally binding UN Convention on the Rights of Older Persons, and how does it envisage its active involvement in these negotiations?

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