

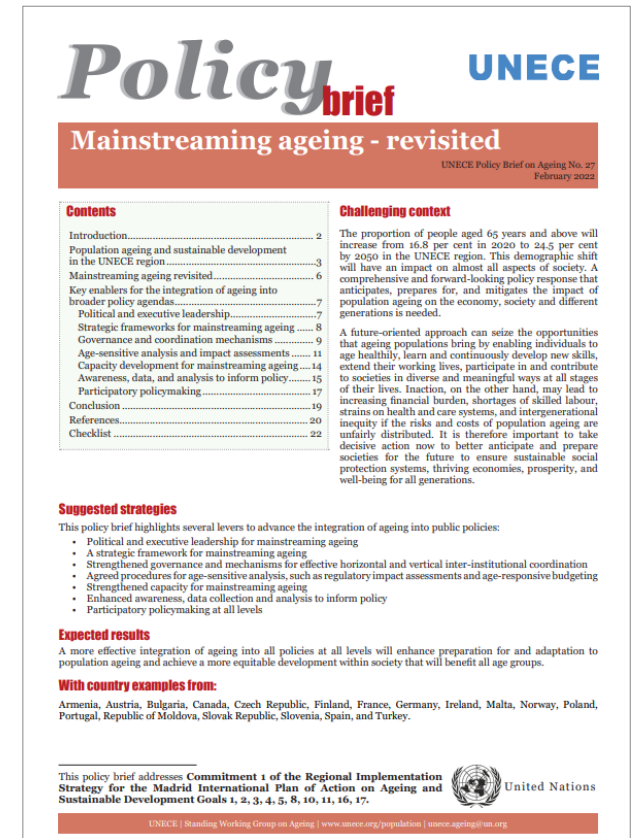
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Policy Brief No. 27 - issued in Feb 2022

## Mainstreaming Ageing – revisited

- Available on UNECE homepage
- Language versions:
  - English & German
  - Russian (*in preparation*)



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## Aims:

1. Revisiting the **concept** of mainstreaming ageing
2. Highlighting core **enablers** for advancing the integration of ageing into broader policy agendas



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- Some **key findings**:
  - Importance of **data & analysis**
  - Importance of **inclusion of multiple & diverse stakeholders**
  - Importance of **clear political mandate & strategy**



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## Next Policy Brief No. 28 (to be issued 1<sup>st</sup> Q of 2023)

### Background

- Topic agreed at 14th SWGA meeting in 2021
- Dedicated to theme of 2022 Ministerial Conference

### Societal context

- Inequalities across income and access to health and services
- Discrimination based on age deep-rooted, intersecting with other forms of discrimination
- Covid-19 pandemic's differential impact on older people, e.g., mortality and social interactions

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## Focus

- **Broadly:** Joining forces for **solidarity** and **equal opportunities** throughout life
- **Specifically:** Older persons in **vulnerable** situations and **intersectionality** of factors that can prevent equal opportunities across the **life course** and need to be addressed in a whole-of-society approach

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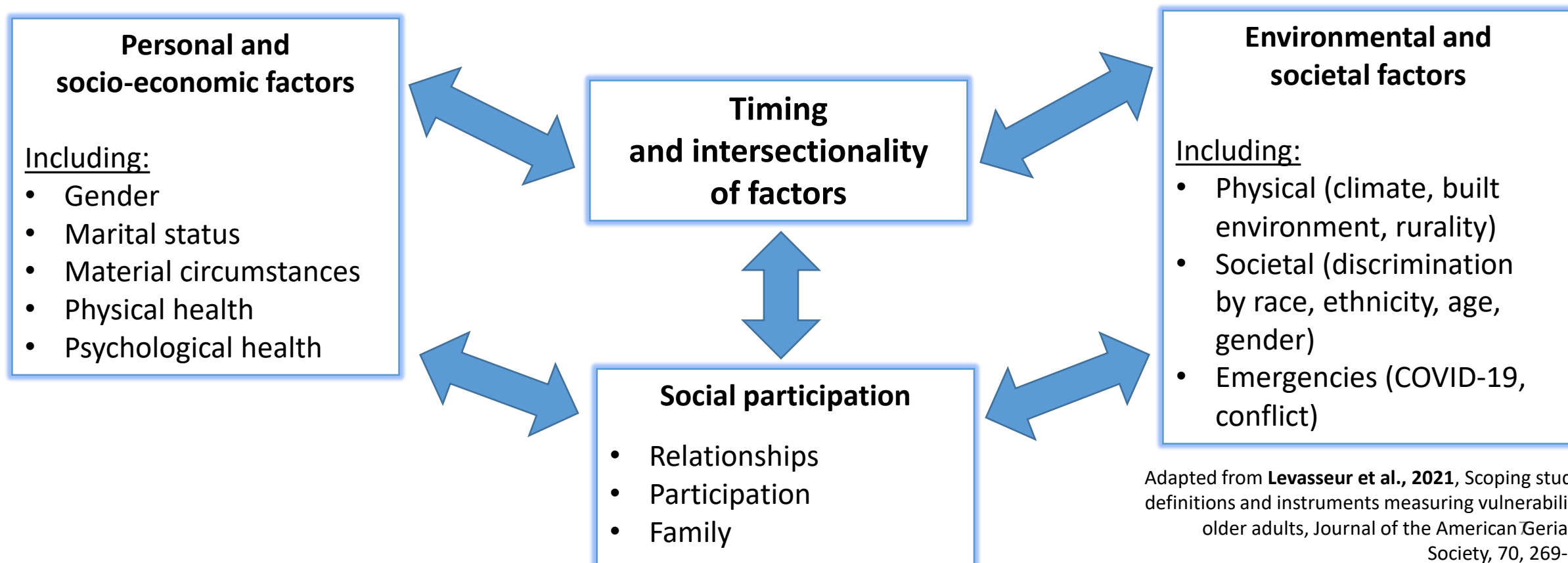
## Aims

- Offer **conceptual discussion** of factors causing vulnerability in later life
- Review **policy strategies** from across the UNECE region to prevent vulnerability in later life, protect older persons in situations of vulnerability, mitigate the impact of adverse events and enhance resilience
- Formulate concrete **policy recommendations**

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## Situations of vulnerability among older adults



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## Examples of situations of vulnerability among older persons

- **Older women experiencing age and gender **discrimination****
  - May be at risk of poorer access to services and lower social participation
- **Older adults **with low pensions****
  - For instance, at risk of poorer access to basic services and necessities; more vulnerable to inflation /price shocks
- **Older adults with **dementia** living in an institutional setting or at home**
  - May not enjoy the full expression of their human rights; may be at risk of abuse or have unmet care needs.



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## Suggestions regarding specific situations of vulnerability to be included shared in the survey:

- Natural disasters caused by climate change
- Precariousness linked to the energy crisis
- Lack of access digital technologies
- Vulnerability to digital fraud & consumer protection
- Lack of social participation / inclusion
- Income poverty & social pensions
- Maltreatment of older individuals in long-term care homes