

## The Healthy Ageing and Prevention Coalition

### About the ILC-UK

The International Longevity Centre UK is the UK's leading think tank on the impact of longevity on society and what happens next.

The ILC-UK was established in 1997 as one of the members of the [International Longevity Centre Global Alliance](#), an international network on longevity.

Since our inception, we have published over 325 reports, organised over 400 events including the annual [Future of Ageing Conference](#).

ILC has 25 years of experience working at the forefront of health policy and systems analysis and research and our networks and influencing ability on changing global health agendas is unparalleled.

### About our Delivering prevention in ageing world programme (2020-2022)

People are living longer but not necessarily healthier, resulting in significant health and economic consequences. Across the G20, preventable conditions still cost economies 1.02 trillion USD in yearly productivity loss among those aged 50-64 alone. Yet policy makers continue to fail to invest in prevention. Indeed, OECD countries spend on average only 2.8% of their health budgets on preventative health interventions like immunisation. For this reason, in 2019, we began our [Prevention in an ageing world programme](#). Since then, we've had considerable impact:

1. We helped convince G20 Ministers in Japan to commit to a joint focus on the prevention of ill health across the life course in 2019.
2. We informed the WHO's and UN's joint Decade of Healthy Ageing (2020-2030),
3. We fed into the [WHO Immunisation Agenda 2030](#) which led to a new chapter on life course and adult immunisation being added.

Prevention is rising up the international policy agenda, especially in the context of ageing populations. But we still need concerted action to ensure that governments and healthcare systems across the globe prioritise prevention and ensure that people across the life course can live healthier for longer.

### About our Healthy Ageing and Prevention Index and Coalition

Between 2022-2025 we will drive forward meaningful action, investment and collaboration across the world on preventative health.

- Through the production and launch of a global digital Healthy Ageing and Prevention Index we will hold Governments to account by tracking progress on prevention.
  - The Index ranks countries on six dimensions that are fundamental to healthy ageing. These include life, health and work span, income, the environment and happiness.
- Engage leading global health leaders to move from commitment to action on preventative health.
  - We will get buy-in and commitment from global policymakers and encourage key stakeholders to work together to drive action.
  - We will hold a series of ongoing global policy forums, including alongside the 76<sup>th</sup> World Health Assembly and the G20 under India's presidency, to engage directly with Ministers and senior policymakers.

The Healthy Ageing and Prevention Coalition will help to drive forward and communicate the key messages from our Index and previous and upcoming prevention and healthy ageing publications and widen opportunities to influence alongside our global policy forums. Through our united voice, we will be able to elevate the importance of prevention and healthy ageing among global health actors and respond to key policy developments and calls to action.

**Over the next three years, we want to see:**

1. The Index recognised by the WHO, OECD, the World Bank and other institutions as the go-to measure of progress on the prevention agenda.
2. Local, regional and national organisations to use the Index for holding their governments to account.
3. Governments investing at least 6% of their health budgets towards prevention in keeping with Canada who is a world leader in investing preventative health measures.

## **The Healthy Ageing and Prevention Coalition Terms of reference: General Membership**

### **1. Purpose**

The coalition is a group of global advocates for prevention coming together under a shared vision to improve population health by investing in preventative health. The membership comprises of leading individual experts, organisations (such as charities), academia, government and industry with a vested interest in healthy ageing, longevity and prevention.

The coalition's purpose is to:

- Drive forward and communicate key messages from the Healthy Ageing and Prevention Index and other global health publications, including continuing to demonstrate the health and economic case for investing in prevention.
- Elevate the importance of prevention among global health actors, respond to key policy developments and calls to action and hold governments to account.
- Influence change at the global and national level to ensure prevention is at the heart of global health policy.

### **2. Point of contact**

Arunima Himawan, Senior Health Research Lead, ILC and project lead for our [Healthy Ageing and Prevention Index](#) will be the main point of contact for the Coalition and act as liaison between the Coalition and ILC staff. All regular communication will come from this ILC member lead.

### **3. Roles and responsibilities**

Members of the Coalition agree to commit to:

- Including your name or organisation logo on the Healthy Ageing and Prevention Coalition webpage.
- Receiving scheduled communications from the ILC Senior Health Research Lead.
- Attending (virtually or in person as appropriate) one meeting each calendar year. An agenda and papers will be shared at least 1 week in advance and members agree to read these beforehand.

Members are also encouraged but not obliged to:

- Give feedback to draft external communications and policy statements written by ILC-UK on behalf of the Healthy Ageing and Prevention Coalition ahead of their final publication/submission by the Coalition.
- Chair or speak at events that are arranged by us as part of the Healthy Ageing and Prevention Index programme, around your topic of interest.
- Offer advice informally to shape the Coalition's programme of work.
- Share relevant contacts and contacting networks about opportunities to become involved in the project and/or share expertise.

#### **4. ILC's commitment to you**

Forging relationships with experts is critical to the success of our global health programme of work. Therefore, we will endeavor to make the most of this group without becoming a burden on your time, by:

- Carrying out an annual review of the terms of reference.
- Raising the profile of this group via our social media platforms and our main website and Healthy Ageing and Prevention website.
- Supporting your organization's activities by connecting you with stakeholders, including: highlighting best practice from members as relevant, inviting experts to speak at global policy forums on prevention and healthy ageing.

#### **5. Membership and tenure**

Given the minimal commitment, and aim to have a diverse group of stakeholders, we do not have a limit on the number of members and members can choose to join and or leave at any time. That said, we aim to have 20 organisations join by the time we formally launch the Coalition in May 2023, alongside the 76<sup>th</sup> World Health Assembly.

#### **6. Further information**

##### The Healthy Ageing and Prevention Steering Group

The Coalition's programme of work will be led jointly by ILC-UK and the Healthy Ageing and Prevention Steering Group. We will formally launch the Steering Group and Coalition in May 2023, alongside the 76<sup>th</sup> World Health Assembly.

The Steering Group will oversee the Coalition's activities, for instance, identify the topics that we want to focus on over a one-year period and developing a calendar of activities. The ILC-UK on behalf of the Coalition will be responsible for communicating the work of the Steering Group to all Coalition members and undertaking the agreed upon calendar of activities with the support of individual Coalition members. Members will therefore mainly help ILC-UK drive forward and communicate the work of the Coalition, elevate the importance of prevention among global health actors and contribute to any formal statements or materials the ILC-UK puts out on behalf of the Coalition, where feasible and time permits.

