

Joint Academy Day 2025

Ageing Society

Austrian Academy of Sciences (OeAW) –
Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences (a+)

Tuesday,
25 Nov 2025
11:00 a.m.

Austrian Academy of Sciences
Festive Hall
Dr. Ignaz Seipel-Platz 2
1010 Vienna

In order to strengthen cooperation with partner academies abroad, the Austrian Academy of Sciences (OeAW) organizes regular Joint Academy Days. This event series is characterized by an interdisciplinary approach to a broad range of socio-political issues.

The Joint Academy Day 2025 is dedicated to the subject of “Ageing Society”. It is organized in collaboration with the Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences (a+), which coordinate the Swiss Platform Ageing Society. The event features two panel discussions and an interview session that explore the potentials and challenges of demographic change from various perspectives. In addition to members and staff of both academies, external experts also take part in the discussions.

Die Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften (ÖAW) veranstaltet regelmäßig Joint Academy Days, um die Zusammenarbeit mit Partnerakademien im Ausland zu stärken. Die Veranstaltungsreihe zeichnet sich durch ihren interdisziplinären Ansatz und ihr breites Spektrum an gesellschaftspolitischen Themen aus.

Der Joint Academy Day 2025 widmet sich dem Thema „Ageing Society“. Er wird in Zusammenarbeit mit den Akademien der Wissenschaften Schweiz (a+) organisiert, die die Swiss Platform Ageing Society betreiben. Zwei Paneldiskussionen und eine Interviewsession beleuchten die Potenziale und Herausforderungen des demografischen Wandels aus verschiedenen Perspektiven. Neben Mitgliedern und Mitarbeitenden beider Akademien diskutieren auch externe Expert:innen.

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Program

11:00 – 11:15

Welcome address

[Heinz Fassmann](#), President of the Austrian Academy of Sciences

[Yves Flückiger](#), President of the Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences

11:15 – 11:30

Introductory remarks

[Delphine Roulet Schwab](#), President of the Swiss Platform Ageing Society

11:30 – 12:00

Interview session

[Respected or ostracized? Historical and cultural perspectives on old age](#)

Moderation: Eva Stanzl, Wiener Zeitung

[François Höpflinger](#), Member of the Executive Board of the Centre for Gerontology, University of Zurich

[Stephan Kloos](#), Deputy Director, Institute for Social Anthropology, OeAW

12:00 – 13:30

Lunch break

13:30 – 15:00

Panel discussion

[The demographic rush hour of life: economic and social challenges](#)

Moderation: Eva Stanzl

[Alexia Fürkranz-Prskawetz](#), Deputy Director, Vienna Institute of Demography, OeAW and Full Member of the OeAW

[Christine Mayrhuber](#), Deputy Director, Austrian Institute of Economic Research
[Flurina Meier](#), Co-Head of Health Services Research, School of Management and Law, ZHAW Zurich University of Applied Sciences
[Marion Repetti](#), Head of the Institute of Social Work, HES-SO Wallis

15:00 – 15:30

Coffee break

15:30 – 17:00

Panel discussion

[The dignity and responsibility of growing old](#)

Moderation: Eva Stanzl

[Christoph Bock](#), Alumnus of the OeAW Young Academy, Research Center for Molecular Medicine, OeAW and Medical University of Vienna

[Ulrich Körtner](#), Former Head, Department for Ethics and Law in Medicine, University of Vienna

[Delphine Roulet Schwab](#), Professor, La Source Institute and School of Nursing, HES-SO

[Tenzin Wangmo](#), Professor, Institute for Biomedical Ethics, University of Basel

17:00 – 17:15

Closing remarks

[Bernhard Tschofen](#), Co-President of the Swiss Academy of Humanities and Social Sciences

[Christiane Wendehorst](#), President of the Division of Humanities and Social Sciences of the OeAW

Reception