

What's new in Social Security?



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Dear Readers,

Welcome to the first quarterly newsletter put together by the Social Security team at FAO headquarters. The bulletin aims to provide FAO retirees with a summary of major activities, events, meetings, and other important information including all aspects of medical and health insurances.

We are pleased to inform you that the meeting of the Joint Advisory Committee on Medical Coverage (JAC/MC) was held on 18 July 2018 in which 16 participants representing FAO, WFP, IFAD, FFOA, UGSS (FAO and WFP), AP-in-FAO, IFAD-ISA, and WFP-PSA attended. The last JAC/MC meeting was held almost two years ago, in April 2016. The purpose of the meeting was to review changes of the ToRs of the Committee and other issues. All of participants expressed their appreciation for the re-activation of the JAC/MC.

Introduction of a new Staff Pension Committee Secretary and new chief Social Security FAO

We are pleased to introduce the new Secretary of the Staff Pension Committee (SPC) and new Chief Social Security. Mrs Akiko Ikeda, national of Japan, has over 23 years of international experience in various departments and offices of the United Nations Secretariat, including Nairobi, UNHQ, PKO missions in Baghdad, Abidjan and Monrovia; and the Regional Commission in Beirut. As Programme Officer and Administrative Officer, she has been responsible for administration (human resources and finance), the human rights of persons with disabilities, peace-keeping, gender issues, fund management, and social development for the most vulnerable. Fluent in Japanese, English, and Chinese with a working knowledge of French and classical Arabic, she has residency in Shanghai, China. She is hoping to explore Italy, and is looking forward to working with all of you.



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Pensions

The 65th UN Joint Staff Pension Board meeting took place at the FAO HQs in Rome, Italy, from the 26 July to 3 August 2018. FAO organized the Board in which 150 participants, representing more than 30 Organizations, attended. The Board will meet again in July 2019, in Nairobi.

Did you know that you can directly call the following numbers to make an inquiry about your pension issue? Check on <https://www.unjspf.org/toll-free-numbers/> for further details.

Q&A

Q: What is GLADI?

A: The objective of this plan is to make available to you worldwide cover in case of Death From Any Cause (for the staff member, and spouse, with an optional Family Plan), Accidental Death and Dismemberment (for the staff member and spouse), and Total Permanent Disability (for staff member only). You can affiliate to this plan on a voluntary basis. Also your spouse can affiliate, but only for risks of Death From Any Cause and/or Accidental Death and Dismemberment.

Should you need further information, please contact Ms Olvido Escudero, Ms Elena Di Lorenzo and Mr Davide Sestini at the following email address: Medical-Insurance@fao.org

Upcoming events and news

- **Discounts at pharmacy and delivery:** Allianz is pleased to confirm the following discounts: (1) Farmacia Santa Sabina, Viale Aventino 68. Discount 17%. Home delivery by only 5 Euro. Ph 06-5743623 (2) Farmacia VIII Colle, Via Paolo di Dono, 35 (across from IFAD). Discount 13%; Ph 06-5030678 and (3) Farmacia Martino, Via Giulio Aristide Sartorio, 34. Discount 20%. Free home delivery. Ph 06-5126207. or email at martinofarmacia@libero.it
- **Coffee hours with FFOA:** FFOA invites all to friendly get-togethers every first Wednesday in FAO's Aventino room. For further information, please feel free to contact alex.vanarkadie@gmail.com.
- **Allianz Representatives in FAO,** Ms Valeria Cara and Ms Lisa Macaluso, have moved from D305/307 to a new location C198/C199.

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Thank you.

We look forward to working with you.