

World Health Organization
WHO Global Network for Age-friendly Cities and Communities

Letter of Commitment for the WHO Global Network for Age-friendly Cities and Communities

To whom it may concern

The City of Lahti confirms its commitment to joining the WHO Global Network for Age-friendly Cities and Communities.

This network will offer a great opportunity to share our innovative ideas and best practices in age-friendly development we have done in past years. We are willing to interact communities worldwide to share our information and experience, also learn from others.

The City of Lahti is strongly leaning to the future. Therefore, we will offer our world-wide recognized expertise in sustainability for the WHO Global Network for Age-friendly Cities and Communities. We are a pioneer of smart, sustainable solutions and the European Green Capital 2021. We are convinced that this expertise offers a great base to combine both ecological and social aspects in tackling future challenges for better age-friendly cities. Also, in our forthcoming city strategy one major theme is *Welfare for sustainability*.

As we say: sustainable future calls for action, not just talk. We make bold environmental and welfare choices every day in Lahti together with universities, companies and with the aging residents. We will make the long-term environmental work in Lahti known both in Finland and around the whole world and make sure that also the 60+ citizens' everyday life in the city is smooth.

Welcome to Lahti.

Yours sincerely,



Pekka Timonen
Mayor
City of Lahti

