



## International Handbook of Participatory Approaches in Ageing Research with Anna Wanka and Christophe Humbert

6 th March 2025, 4.00 pm



**Dr. Anna Wanka**

Sociologist at Goethe University  
Frankfurt / Germany

The “**Ex Libris**” session is open to researchers and students in aging studies, sociology, and social sciences. It is also relevant for policymakers in aging, life course, health, inclusion, and demographic change, as well as professionals in social and public policy, social work, urban planning, and gerontology. Additionally, the session is suitable for NGOs involved in citizen participation and aging policies. Co-edited by Anna Wanka and Anna Urbaniak, the International Handbook of Participatory Approaches in Ageing Research provides both established and innovative perspectives on engaging older adults as co-creators in aging research. It advocates for a shift toward more inclusive and effective frameworks that genuinely capture the voices and needs of older adults.

**Dr Anna Wanka** is Sociologist and Critical Gerontologist. She is a renowned specialist in aging on the material and discursive construction of age throughout the life course.

Her research interests encompass a variety of topics, including life course transitions and the (re)production of intersectional inequalities, aging and technology, digital inclusion, and smart aging solutions. She also focuses on age-friendly cities and communities, as well as aging migrants and transnational aging experiences. In addition, Dr. Wanka's work includes lifelong learning and active aging policies, along with participatory research methodologies in gerontology. Dr. Wanka has extensive expertise in both qualitative and quantitative research methods and has developed reflexive approaches to mixed-methods research. She has contributed to numerous interdisciplinary projects and is recognized internationally for her work on aging policies and participatory approaches in social sciences.

The discussion will be moderated by **Jean-Philippe Viriot Durandal**, holder of the International SIÂGE Chair, with the participation of **Christophe Humbert, sociologist**, associate researcher at LInCS/UMR 7069, and research fellow at PSInstitut.

The event will take place at the University of Lorraine, Saulcy campus in Metz (**Espace Rabelais, Thesis Room, 2nd floor**).

It is also possible to attend this event via videoconference.

**Registration Required :**

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeyijdKoYpXILc03XIMrwcWMfIXaUUVQFB\\_01FhdK6fQRVNlg/viewform?usp=header](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeyijdKoYpXILc03XIMrwcWMfIXaUUVQFB_01FhdK6fQRVNlg/viewform?usp=header)