

# SAIN

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## Pre-conference workshop for early career researchers

We invite junior researchers to participate in a panel discussion with highly accomplished senior researchers in gerontology with informal conversations about career choices, with the title: **What I should have told myself 30 years ago, knowing what I know now.**

As part of the career-building and networking activities within the Swedish junior research network – SAIN (SWEAH Alumni Interdisciplinary Network) – a pre-conference workshop for early career researchers will be held, organised together with the British Society of Gerontology, the UKRI Healthy Ageing Challenge (UK), and the Swedish Gerontological Society. In this workshop, early career researchers will meet a panel of renowned international scholars in the field of gerontology. The panel will give their views and experience on important issues for early career researchers with plenty of time to ask questions.

Date: June 11

Time: 16:00-18:00

Venue: Eva & Georg Klein at Congress Venue (Biomedicum, entrance floor)

Drinks and snacks will be served

Price: Free. Pre-registration is required. There is a limited number of seats.

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## Introducing the panel



### Luigi Ferrucci

*Scientific Director of the U.S. National Institute on Aging*

► Dr Ferrucci is a geriatrician and an epidemiologist who conducts research on the causal pathways leading to progressive physical and cognitive decline in older persons. He is currently the Scientific Director of the U.S. National Institute on Aging, since May 2011. He is one of [the keynote speakers](#) at the conference.



### Merril Silverstein

*Marjorie Cantor Endowed Professor of Aging Studies, Aging Studies Institute, Syracuse University, USA*

► Merrill Silverstein is the inaugural holder of the Marjorie Cantor Endowed Professorship in Aging Studies, a joint appointment between Falk College and the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs. In over 150 research publications, he has focused on aging in the context of family life, with an emphasis on life course and international perspectives. Professor Silverstein plays a role in advancing collaborative research and teaching in the field of aging through Syracuse University's interdisciplinary [Aging Studies Institute](#).



### Nancy Pedersen

*Professor of genetic epidemiology at Karolinska Institutet, Sweden*

► Professor Nancy Pedersen has worked with understanding how genes, environments and their interactions influence how we age as well as susceptibility to age related diseases. Her work has predominantly been based on several longitudinal studies of twins, the earliest starting in 1984.



### Norah Keating

*Director, Global Social Issues on Ageing (GSIA), International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics, Honorary Professor, Ageing and Dementia, University of Stirling, UK*

*Co-director, Research on Aging, Policies and Practice (RAPP), University of Alberta, Canada  
Extraordinary Professor, Optentia Research Unit, North-West University, South Africa*

► Professor Norah Keating is a social gerontologist whose theoretical and empirical research has created evidence, challenged discourses, and influenced policy in the global, social and physical contexts of ageing. She has placed this work on the international stage through Global Social Issues on Ageing which fosters collaboration and critical thinking about ageing at the interfaces of regional issues and global trends.

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## Introducing the moderators of the panel discussion



### **Rebecca Baxter**

► Dr. Rebecca Baxter  
Registered Nurse, Senior Lecturer, Department of Nursing,  
Umeå University, Sweden.  
Swedish Gerontological Society board member (Sveriges  
Gerontologiska Sällskap; SGS)  
Member of SAIN (SWEAH Alumni Interdisciplinary Network).



### **Amy Prescott**

► Dr Amy Prescott  
Research Fellow, Department of Health Sciences, Brunel University;  
Committee Member of ERA, BSG.