

TRIAD 2.0



NEWSLETTER 1

TRAINING FOR INCLUSION OF AGEING PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES THROUGH EXCHANGE 2.0



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1. TRIADE 2.0: PROJECT INSIGHT

The number of elderly (aged 65 and above) will almost double, rising from 85 million in 2008 to 151 million in 2060 in the EU. Population ageing is one of the greatest social challenges facing the EU. The European Commission is forecasting a huge impact on a wide range of policy areas". The World Health Organization states: "National health provision schemes are often inadequate and do not recognize the special needs of adults with intellectual disabilities as they age. In addition, WHO, in its report "World report on disability (2011)" highlights the greater vulnerability to age-related conditions of people with disabilities.

Thanks to the progress made in the field of medical research, people with disabilities have now the tools to live longer. The expectancy of life of adults with intellectual disabilities (AAWID) is reaching to adults with no disabilities. However, their social inclusion is not being fully achieved in the European Union so far. Therefore, under the leadership of IVASS (Spain), UBUNTU den Achtkanter (Belgium), Narhu (Bulgaria), H.Gent (Belgium), Sint Vincentius vzw (Belgium), Familiehulp (Belgium), RIC Novo Mesto (Slovenia), UPV (Spain) and E.N.S.A. (Italy) joined forces to develop TRIADE 2.0.

This project, funded by Erasmus+ program, deals with the issue of social inclusion of Ageing Adults With Intellectual Disabilities (AAWID), due to their greater vulnerability, and looks for global methodologies and solutions to ensure them a good quality of life.

Thus, TRIADE 2.0 aims at:

- Developing specific training contents about ageing and intellectual disabilities adapted to their learning potentials;
- Developing and validating an IT training platform (MNAM) for ageing adults with intellectual disabilities;
- Improving the interpersonal skills and knowledge about healthy ageing of 150 AAWID during a 5-month training;
- Developing and validating a specific toolkit for educators;
- Improving the knowledge skills and competences about ageing and intellectual disability of 40 educators;
- Teaching how to use the IT platform to these 40 educators and their trainers.

2. EDITORIAL: IVASS INSTITUTO VALENCIANO DE ATENCIÓN SOCIAL-SANITARIA

By Julian Iniesta, Head of Unit of Social and Health Resources, IVASS

Related to the issue of population ageing, the Council of Europe's Committee on the Rehabilitation and Integration of People with disabilities highlighted that people with disabilities are facing a silent emergency within society due to the gradual and parallel phenomenon of ageing and to the increase in life expectancy achieved thanks to scientific advances in the field of health. This will turn into a short-term healthcare challenge as a result of the rise in the number of people with disabilities in need of care (Ventura Díaz, 2014).

Furthermore, according to the forecasts and data provided by the World Health Organization (WHO), the population aged 65 years old and above will double in the period between 2000 and 2050, increasing from 11% to 22%. This will consequently lead to an increase in the number of elderly people in need of long-term healthcare and exposed to the risk of suffering abuse. According to Cerme (2002), ageing adults with intellectual disabilities (AAWID) experience a situation increasing the likelihood of living in a situation frailty: while they will increasingly be in need of care, the health problems related to the ageing process of people without disabilities will prevail within society.

Following the same line of thought as the WHO, Aguado (2004) posits that the process of ageing in adults with disability is an emerging problem. While it already represents an healthcare challenge in the short-term, it might become a difficult problem to solve in the long-term, taking into consideration the with specific health needs and worries of ageing adults with disability, their need for higher economic resources, removal of barriers, home assistance, higher quality of services and an increase in the healthcare resources. In addition, more programs should be developed in order to boost the independence of ageing adults with disabilities, to foster the relationship and permanence in their environment, to improve their social life, leisure time and the acquisition of daily life skills.



Triade 2.0 project is born out the need of developing programs specifically addressing ageing adults with intellectual disabilities. By embracing the approach based on the multidimensional model of quality of life developed by Schalock and Verdugo (2002), the project has the main objective to promote the individual development of the social and personal independence by elaborating strategies and by developing training and learning activities. The latter will be tailored to:

- the changes experienced during the ageing process (Casado, 2011) by ageing people;
- the adaptive mechanisms they will develop as its health condition, functional situation (lost of autonomy, dependence) or social familiar situation (retirement, lost of love ones...) changes and their productive role will turn into a passive social role (Marin, 2003).

According to Casado (2011), the concept of ageing could lead to a passive vision of the person, which must be changed by creating more opportunities for the personal development of ageing people and for their empowerment through community inclusion, avoiding protective measures. In its "World report on ageing and health" (2015), the WHO recognizes that "to carry out a social response of public health and ageing is important, not only considering strategies that counteract the loss associated with ageing, but also strengthening the resilience and psychosocial growth".

Health and ageing are not only defined by the presence/absence of sickness, but also by their impact in the functioning and wellbeing of the person. Therefore, promoting a healthy ageing process is crucial to ensure the building and maintenance of ageing people's intrinsic capacity, and to enable those with a decrease in their functional capacity to do the things that are important to them. Both functional and intrinsic capacities can vary across the second half of the life course. Identifying the needs of people in these different phases of the life course is necessary in order to frame public-health actions that might support people during their ageing process (WHO, 2015).

3. WHO ARE THE PARTNERS ?

SPAIN : IVASS



The Instituto Valenciano de Atención Social-Sanitaria (IVASS) is a public entity attached to the Vice Presidency and Regional Ministry of Equality and Inclusive Policies, which aims to develop a policy in the field of social welfare, dependence, protection of people with functional diversity and / or in situation of dependency, as well as the provision, assistance and implementation of actions in the field of social services and programs.

IVASS has a staff of 800 professionals and serves 1200 clients in a network of more than thirty centers that are distributed throughout the three provinces of the Valencian Region (Castellón, Valencia and Alicante).

IVASS' mission is to provide care and support to people with specific needs for their comprehensive development in society. IVASS works to consolidate a Quality Service that, in a participatory manner, responds to the needs and demands of the people who are part of our organization or request our services.

The values that guide our practices are:

- ETHICS guides our actions.
- The defense of the RIGHTS of our clients.
- Commitment to improve the QUALITY OF LIFE.
- The HUMAN TEAM as the most important asset.
- EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION, through dialogue and mediation throughout the organization.
- The OPTIMIZATION of our resources with an integral management from the Social, Economic and Environmental RESPONSIBILITY.
- ACTIVE TRANSPARENCY and access to information.
- PARTICIPATION of clients, families and organizations.
- KNOWING to innovate.

3. WHO ARE THE PARTNERS ?

SPAIN : UNIVERSIDAD POLITÉCNICA DE VALENCIA (UPV) – SABIEN GROUP



The SABIEN group (Technological Innovation for Health and Well-Being) belongs to the Institute of Applied Information Technologies (ITACA), a centre of excellence for research and development of ICT, aiming to innovate and transfer its products and Research and Development services to the public sector, industry, commerce and the services sector.

The ITACA institute, affiliated to Valencia Polytechnic University (UPV), is located in the Polytechnic City of Innovation (CPI).

Our goal is to digitize the tools that experts consider more efficient to empower patients and to instruct monitors about the dimensions of personal autonomy and the particular needs of persons with mental and cognitive impairments. The platform that SABIEN will implement will be piloted in a number of users to later be used as a tool for continuous training and evaluation.

3. WHO ARE THE PARTNERS ?

BELGIUM : GROEP UBUNTU X 8K



Groep Ubuntu x 8K is a social network organisation for vulnerable people and families. We support nearly thousand people with a disability (wide range of 'disabilities': intellectual disability, double diagnosis, traumatic brain injury, people with autism, people with a distance to the labourmarket, people with a visual/auditory disability).

Our motto is: 'further, stronger, different'! We want to take a step 'further', we support people to be a full citizen, by empowering the client and his network. In co-creation with the client and his network, we search for unique and creative responses to their support needs. We aim to be 'stronger' by investigate in quality, development and innovation (f.e lifelong learning, acquire expertise). We work 'different', over boundaries of sectors, and in connection with the community. In everything we do, we keep in mind that Quality of Life and inclusion must be the outcome of our support.

3. WHO ARE THE PARTNERS ?

BELGIUM : HO-GENT



University College Ghent has selected the Orthopedagogy-Special Education department and the Expertise Centre on Quality of Life (E-QUAL) for this project. Orthopedagogics is the study of methodic, integrative and meaningful social interactions and support in pedagogical situations, with the aim to improve individuals' living situations, their quality of life and their participation in society.

E-QUAL engages in gaining knowledge on Quality of life, starting from a vision that reaches beyond a target group, sector and discipline. E-QUAL primarily focuses on professionals, facilities, political authorities, stakeholders and user associations that work with persons in socially vulnerable situations. Furthermore, the E-QUAL profiles itself by a strong partnership between applied scientific research and the professional field.

Dr. Ilse Goethals, who was also involved in the first TRIADE project, was selected for this project. She has experience in education and research that is related to pedagogical situations that are experienced as vulnerable. She is co-trainer of the Personal Outcomes Scale (POS) training for professionals working with individuals with an intellectual disability and is co-promoter and researcher of a three year multidisciplinary practice based research project on the care and support of ageing people with an intellectual disability.

3. WHO ARE THE PARTNERS ?

BELGIUM : SINT VINCENTIUS NETWORK FOR ELDERLY CARE



Sint Vincentius is a network of Services for the elderly in the Flemish city of Kortrijk, and is part of a greater cluster of 9 services for the elderly (GVO-active in the western part of Flanders).

Sint Vincentius is a residential care center with 138 studios for elder people with severe care needs, a short stay unit with 10 places, 6 studios for people with needs for revalidation. We also have 155 apartments for elder people on 3 different places in the range of Sint Vincentius. We stress on an 'as normal as possible' balance between living, life and care. Special attention is given to ethics, dementia, palliative care and meaning of life.

Sint Vincentius explicitly makes the choice to support every older person in the neighborhood, including those with intellectual disabilities. To provide great quality, we have a great network. We collaborate strongly with education and other organizations.

The goal of the Sint Vincentius care network is to give information, tools which support freedom of choice and an individual welfare package.

3. WHO ARE THE PARTNERS ?

BELGIUM : FAMILIEHULP



Familiehulp is a private non-profit home-care service, founded in 1949, who delivers daily care, support and domestic assistance in Flanders and Brussels. Familiehulp is active in four domains of home support services:

1. Home-care that

- focuses in general on adult people in need of care and in particular to the most vulnerable people in society: people living in poverty, people who need parenting support, people with disabilities, people with dementia, people with mental vulnerability, people who need palliative home care and so on
- strives to offer its clients optimal quality of life in their own familiar environment (at home or in different living forms) by giving comprehensive care. Attention is paid to the physical, psychological, social, ethical and spiritual aspects of care. In providing care, the possibilities and opportunities of the client and his network are always taken into account.

2. Domestic assistance with vouchers who is accessible to everyone

3. Day care for babies and children up to 3 years

4. Energy friendly renovations aimed to (older) people with a need for care or financially vulnerable people

In addition, Familiehulp has also - in collaboration with VDAB and ESF - 5 training centers spread across Flanders and Brussels, which train care givers.

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BULGARIA : NARHU



NARHU acts as an umbrella organisation bringing together all professionals who are working with people with disabilities in the domains of education, employment and social inclusion.

The team of NARHU involves well-known experts in the field of inclusive education, psychology and social work, with particular focus on active aging and quality of life.

NARHU team has long term experience in the development of innovative training courses in the field of enhancing social and transversal skills, digital literacy, independent living and other adult training activities strengthening self-confidence and self-esteem.

NARHU represents ca. 1850 professionals and legal entities all over Bulgaria.

3. WHO ARE THE PARTNERS ?

SLOVENIA: RIC NOVO MESTO - DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION CENTRE



We are one of the leading Adult Education Organisations in Slovenia with more than 50 years of experience. Our institute was established as a public equivalent body by the Municipality of Novo Mesto, the largest city of South-East Slovenia. We currently employ 30 people and cooperate with more than 130 regular external experts, teachers, mentors and researchers. We develop and implement formal and non-formal education programmes and offer guidance services for different target groups: general public, people living in rural areas, people with special needs, young adults, the unemployed, senior citizens, the Roma population, immigrants, employees in search for new trainings and education.

As a public body, we work closely with a wide network of local, regional and national partners, such as: municipalities, ministries, regional development agencies, chamber of commerce and industry, chamber of crafts, other Adult Education Organisations, primary and secondary schools, higher education institutes and faculties, NGOs, enterprises, etc.

RIC Novo mesto has rich experience in leading and coordinating different international projects, mainly founded by EU. We cooperate with a wide network of international partners and we care about quality of our work.

3. WHO ARE THE PARTNERS ?

ITALY : ENSA



ENSA is a network of cities and European Regions coming from 13 member countries that has the aim to promote international cooperation in the social field. ENSA was established by the Veneto Region in 1999. Since then the network has developed and supported solid partnerships between a wide range of European Regions and has carried out seminars, conferences, study visit programmes and exchanges of operators. The co-operation between partners has brought about the opportunity to carry out several projects financed by the European Commission. ENSA represents an excellent opportunity for local and Regional Authorities to participate actively in European policy making and programmes.

The network organizes its work in five subject areas of intervention. Each has its own “thematic network”: elderly, youth, child issues, disability and social inclusion. Social inclusion is a transversal issue of all groups. In the thematic working groups members plan and undertake study visits, exchange programmes, joint and shared projects.

Once a year a general Assembly is held: it is a platform gathering all working groups where the EU institutions are involved and open to the public where Local, Regional, European and international Stakeholders including the third sector, voluntary sector and private sector participate.

4. FIRST MEETING ROUND-UP



The first consortium meeting of the European project ‘Training for Inclusion of Ageing People with Disabilities through Exchange 2.0’ (TRIADE 2.0) was held on 25th and 26th February 2019 in Kortrijk (Belgium). All the partners of the consortium from Spain, Belgium, Bulgaria, Turkey and Italy actively participated at the event. The two-days meetings were hosted by Familiehulp, a private non-profit home-care service delivering daily care, support and domestic assistance in Flanders and Brussels, and Sint Vincentius, a network of social services for the elderly having a residential care center in the Flemish city of Kortrijk.

It was relevant for the project to be able to count on the collaboration of these two organizations in order to seek common answers to the challenges faced by ageing people with intellectual disabilities (AAWID).

The project, management, training and dissemination/communication plan were presented, but most importantly the partners discussed the implementation of the intellectual outputs.

NAHRU, the Bulgarian partner, is the leader of “My new inclusive job”, the first intellectual output. It consists of a training toolkit for educators, including a training plan, a workbook for trainers, a workbook for educators, teacher classroom PowerPoint presentations, and an online course.

4. FIRST MEETING ROUND-UP

During the meeting the objectives, activities and partners' responsibilities have been outlined. Partners decided jointly the most suitable structure of the workbooks in order to take into account both theoretical and practical needs of the ageing adults with intellectual disabilities.

Training pedagogical resources must be necessarily taken into consideration in order to develop training contents adopted to Ageing People with Intellectual disabilities' learning potential. The development of performance indicators that will be approved in the next transnational meeting is key to ensure innovation as well as to assess the learning process.

IVASS, the project coordinator and the responsible for the second intellectual output, presented a general overview of "My new ageing me". It is a visual and interactive training platform aiming to support the learning and training process of Ageing Adults with Intellectual Disabilities. The Valencia Polytechnic University (UPV) illustrated the concept of the Multilanguage platform. HoGent, the University College of Gent, discussed with the partnership the requirements to develop the validation methodology for the transfer of competences into the daily life of ageing adults with intellectual disabilities.

Objectives of the meeting: a draft text of the workbook for the first intellectual output will be presented, while the second intellectual output "My new ageing me" interactive training platform and the third intellectual outputs "Pilot training courses for educators and ageing adults with intellectual disabilities" will be further developed and discussed.

SAVE THE DATE: 2ND INTERNATIONAL CONSORTIUM MEETING VALENCIA - SPAIN

The partners will meet again in the next transnational meeting that will be held in Valencia (Spain) on 26th and 27th September 2019.

Objectives of the meeting: a draft text of the workbook for the first intellectual output will be presented, while the second intellectual output “My new ageing me” interactive training platform and the third intellectual outputs “Pilot training courses for educators and ageing adults with intellectual disabilities” will be further developed and discussed.



5. VIEWS OF A FIELD EXPERT: INTERVIEW WITH PATRIZIA SARTORI

LOCAL SOCIAL AND HEALTH UNIT N. 6 EUGANEA (PADUA)
RESPONSIBLE FOR DISABILITY,
DEPENDENCY AND EMPLOYMENT INTEGRATION UNIT

1) Facing demographic challenge, how is the issue of aging people with intellectual disabilities addressed in Veneto?, what kind of answers are provided to favor their social inclusion?

2) Do you believe that the results pursued by the Training for Inclusion of Aging People with Disability-Through Exchange - TRIADE 2.0 project, such as a training course for educators, an interactive training platform for aging people with intellectual disabilities and pilot training courses, could be useful in Veneto?



The complex regional system of interventions and services for people with disabilities is developed through a network of residential, semi-residential and home care opportunities, based on the strong support of third-sector subjects. Cultural, socio-economic and demographic changes continuously pose challenges to this network urging the system to co-design innovative responses to evolving questions and needs.

The push of persons with disabilities, families and different social actors towards an ever wider inclusion and self-determination, recognized by the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, has challenged the welfare traditional assistencialistic approach.

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To this end, the Veneto Region has implemented important innovations in residential services (development of a network of housing communities and assisted apartments, independent living projects and new forms of housing envisaged by Law 112/2016 for the “Dopo di Noi” - “After us”), in day care services (experimental daycare projects), and in home care (home care vouchers).

This is the framework in which the challenges of aging of persons with disabilities are evolving: the increase in life expectancy, which affects people with disabilities as the general population, is certainly a positive result, but at the same time it triggers new challenges. The greater vulnerability of people with disabilities, requires a preventive and multidimensional approach, with the aim of safeguarding their rights and quality of life.

The regional legislation (DGR n. 152/2018 - Experimentation of actions for taking care of people with disabilities over 65) is based on an analysis of the beneficiaries of the services offered by the Veneto Region: almost 1000 people aged over 65 and about 2000 between the ages of 55 and 65. By promoting a preventive and inclusive approach, this law emphasizes the centrality of the person's needs and abilities assessment and defines a personalized project. The technical component has to take into consideration the self-evaluation and self-determination of the person and the family. Another crucial element is the creation of a support network integrating the formal services with personal, family and social resources and enhancing the contribution that the person can give to the community, from a generative welfare point of view.

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For these reasons, a multidimensional assessment is foreseen before the age of 65 in order to reconsider the personalized project in light of the current needs, abilities and health conditions. The person and the family are to be actively involved and, when appropriate, a guidance towards elderly services is scheduled.

Furthermore, the analysis of the functioning profiles of People with Disabilities who are over 65 brings to the following conclusion: on the one hand, they still do not experience the same severe situations of the elderly people living in residential and day care structures; on the other hand, they may display regressions and behaviors which are not coherent with the educational and rehabilitation aims of the services for people with disabilities. Therefore, the Veneto Region advances towards innovative and flexible solutions.

As part of the Local Plan, the main tool for social and health planning, the territories of the Local Social and Health Care Units are developing new forms of collaboration between the services of the Disability and Elderly Sectors in order to ensure appropriate and effective responses to the needs of this target population.

Specific training actions, such as those experimented in the TRIADE 2.0 project supporting the carers and aging persons with Disabilities could be important point of reference for future developments promoting the resources and contributions that each actor of the system can provide.

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6. SYNERGIES WITH OTHER PROJECTS

ABOVE - ABILITIES ON THE MOVE



Lead: Conseil Departemental du Val de Marne (France)

<http://bubamara.hr/above-abilities-on-the-move/>

In many EU countries, the institutions and services evaluating the needs of people with mental health disabilities and supporting them, notice a particular difficulty with this population, especially with regards to finding them an employment. The ABOVE (ABilities On the moVE) project will allow the institutions, via the exchanges of best practices amongst professionals and vocational training methods, to meet the needs of people with mental health disabilities.

C&I – COGNITION AND INCLUSION



Lead: GROEP UBUNTU X 8K (Flanders, Belgium)

<http://www.ensa-network.eu/cognitionandinclusion/index-c-i.html>

The Cognition and Inclusion project aims at achieving social inclusion and equal opportunities for people with disabilities. Strategies to support cognitive skills and adaptation are significantly contributing to social inclusion and employment. This project wants to give access to methodologies to foster cognitive skills within LD adults, and to create necessary conditions for effective implementation. Main objectives:

- Promoting and showing evidence of the value of cognitive methodologies by mapping/analyzing successful approaches;
- increasing the importance of the mindset of professionals, organizations and adult learners by developing a valid mindset device on three levels, useful for HRM, VET and assessment of outcome of support/training.

7. EU AND PARTNERS RELATED NEWS

ANNUAL CONVENTION ON INCLUSIVE GROWTH

THE ENSA AND ELISAN NETWORKS SELECTED FOR THE INTERACTIVE SPEED DATING SESSION. PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES HIGH ON THE AGENDA

On 20 May 2019 the fourth Annual Convention for Inclusive Growth took place in Brussels with the main theme of Social Europe and its possible developments after the end of the Europe 2020 Strategy. The European Pillar of Social Rights, Agenda 2030 and the new Multiannual Financial Framework will be the basis of the work of economic and social inclusion for the upcoming years.

Through workshops and interactive sessions, on topics such as the European Pillar of Social Rights and its implementation as well as its relationship with the UN Sustainable Development Goals, the exchange of ideas and good practices to build Social Europe in the years to come has been stimulated.



During the Speed Dating Session 8 projects on the theme of the Future of Social Europe had been selected and presented. Two of them, ABOVE-ABilities On the move on the topic of the integration on the Labour market of people with psychic disabilities and ‘SEFAC- Social Engagement Framework for Addressing the Chronic Disease Challenge’ saw the ENSA and ELISAN networks as protagonists. Links were then made with the TRIADE 2.0 objectives.

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The recommendations that emerged from the Convention, underline the need to continue working for the improvement of social policies in Europe through closer collaboration between the social, economic and educational sectors. Synergy work between the public and private sectors and between the local, national and European levels is also essential. **The importance of adapting workplaces to people's changing lives through continuous and inclusive learning, with a particular focus on people with disabilities was highlighted.**

This year's Conference chose the European Pillar of Social Rights as its cornerstone, which must necessarily be implemented by continuing the fight against poverty and growing inequalities, adopting a broader social and environmental approach, promoting health and well-being, quality education and future work. **The conclusions brought the need of a global strategy between the Pillar and the UN Sustainable Development Goals:**

ENSA AND ELISAN GENERAL ASSEMBLIES 2019. YOUTH CARE PLATFORM, CARINTHIA 23,24,25 SEPTEMBER 2019

The Region of Carinthia, the ENSA (European Network of Social Authorities) and ELISAN (European Local Inclusion and Social Action Network) networks and the YOUTH CARE PLATFORM have the pleasure to invite you to their general assemblies, to interactive working groups and study visits and to an international conference that will take place in Villach on September 23rd -24th -25th 2019. Date and Topic of the conference: 24th September 2019, Prevention and help with addiction disorders. Date and Topic of the working groups and study visits: 25th September 2019, elderly and disability, youth, minors and families.

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7. EU AND PARTNERS RELATED NEWS

FINAL CONFERENCE – ABOVE ABILITIES ON THE MOVE, AND ENSA DISABILITY AND ELERLY WORKING GROUPS MEETINGS ,VAL DE MARNE 1ST AND 2ND JULY 2019

ABOVE (Abilities On the move) an Erasmus funded project, lead by Conseil Départemental du Val de Marne with a partnership that includes the ENSA is addressing the socio-professional integration of people with mental disabilities, focusing both on people in need and on the social services that support them. The TRIADE 2.0 partners and interested stakeholders are invited to contribute to the final Conference (July 2nd) and to join the elderly and disability working group meetings (July 1st).



DCRN (DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE REGIONS NETWORK)

You are invited to conference of the DCRN network that will be held in Brussels on July 9th. The meeting will addressed the topic of smart villages. A call for practices is open.



7. EU AND PARTNERS RELATED NEWS

FROM THE EU IN BRIEF:

European Disability Strategy 2010-2020, Evaluation

The evaluation assessed:

- whether the EU disability strategy is being implemented
- whether it has led to suitable policies/measures
- how it has influenced implementation of the UN Convention
- on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD)

https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/initiatives/ares-2018-4958882_en

Get ready for Conference of the European Day of Persons with Disabilities, 28th November 2019. It will be concluded on the 29th of November with the ceremony of the Access City Award.

Access City Award 2019, Breda wins 2019 Access City Award for making the city more accessible to citizens with disabilities. Breda 20/09 Event network of accessible cities - Examples of best practice in making EU cities more accessible

<https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?catId=738&langId=en&pubId=8208&furtherPubs=yes>

Ageing and Disability: Shaping the Agenda of Tomorrow

<https://www.easpd.eu/en/content/ageing-and-disability-conference-shaping-agenda-tomorrow-march-2019>

2019 Work Forum on the implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in the EU and its Member States

<https://ec.europa.eu/social/main.jsp?langId=en&catId=88&eventId=1400&furtherEvents=yes>

7. EU AND PARTNERS RELATED NEWS

European parliament approves a largely disability-friendly European social fund +

<http://www.edf-feph.org/newsroom/news/european-parliament-approves-disability-friendly-european-social-fund>

OUR GUIDE TO THE 12TH SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE OF STATES PARTIES TO THE CRPD, UN

Headquarters, New York, 10th June 2019

<http://www.edf-feph.org/newsroom/news/our-guide-12th-session-conference-states-parties-crpd>

EUROPEAN DISABILITY MOVEMENT CALLS FOR REESTABLISHMENT OF THE DISABILITY

INTERGROUP OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

<http://www.edf-feph.org/newsroom/news/european-disability-movement-calls-reestablishment-disability-intergroup-european>

GREETINGS FROM THE TRIADE 2.0 PARTNERSHIP!



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