

SAFEGUARDING THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF OLDER PEOPLE

THROUGH
AN

INTERGENERATIONAL SOLIDARITY AND ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP APPROACH

Hanover/Online
NOVEMBER
2021

THE 13TH GERMAN SENIOR CITIZENS' DAY

Virtual 3-day event with lectures, discussion panels & workshops streamed from Hanover. Erasmus+ partners from Austria, Bulgaria & Ireland presented experiences from their countries and contributed to the discussion on the theme "Protect the Human Rights of Older People, but how?"

PROJECT MEETING

This planning meeting included a discussion of key issues facing older people in the partner countries and how these can be addressed. Issues included: impact of Covid-19; perception of older people; care & support; nursing homes; financial issues; loneliness; and adult guardianship systems

Dublin
NOVEMBER
2022

CREATE KNOWLEDGE – STRENGTHEN PEOPLE IN OLD AGE

The event included launch of a position paper entitled: Intergenerational Solidarity: Selected Considerations. It declared that stronger intergenerational solidarity is vital to addressing ageism and needs to be harnessed to create acceptance across society of a shared responsibility for care provision in older age.

Sofia
JUNE
2023

HOW SELF-DETERMINATION AND AUTONOMY OF VULNERABLE OLDER PEOPLE CAN BE BETTER PROTECTED & ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP ENCOURAGED

Themes for discussion and learning include Human Rights in Old Age: Ensuring Self-Determination and Social Participation; and a guided visit of the exhibition #GermanyDigital will follow a session on Strengthening Social Cohesion Digitally

Dublin
SEPTEMBER
2023

FINAL PROJECT MEETING

Final meeting of all the project partners, including reflective workshop.

JULY
2022
Bonn

HUMAN RIGHTS & OLDER AGE – WHERE RHETORIC MEETS REALITY

The first teaching, training and learning event sought to ground rhetoric around human rights issues with the experiences & perspectives of older people, professionals, and state bodies; and to examine the role of independent advocacy in protecting the rights of older people.

APRIL
2023
Vienna

THE IMPORTANCE OF PRACTICAL SOLUTIONS TO ADDRESS AND ENSURE THE RIGHTS OF OLDER PEOPLE ARE PROTECTED WITH THE SUPPORT OF INTERGENERATIONAL NETWORKS

Presentations and discussions during the three-day event spoke directly to the theme.

SEPTEMBER
2023
Bonn



Each Learning & Training event will be evaluated by an independent evaluator.



PROPOSED OUTCOMES



To develop, through learning and exchange of practice, how an active citizenship and intergenerational response to protecting the human rights of older persons in the participating countries can be achieved.



Engage learners in looking at ways of protecting the rights of older people, both as individuals and as a population group.



Raise awareness about older people's legal and human rights among both older persons and in civil society generally.



Highlight areas where older persons' rights may be infringed; and identify good practice where these exist.



Sage Advocacy received funding through the KA2 – Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices stream of Erasmus+ – administered by Léargas. The project has focused on safeguarding older persons' legal and human rights through active citizenship and an intergenerational approach. It involves a partnership between Sage Advocacy (Ireland), Pro Senectute (Austria), Tulip Foundation (Bulgaria) and BAGSO (Germany).

PROJECT OUTPUTS

Webpages produced in each partner country

Interactive PDF handbook for good practice

Synthesis report

Postcards developed in all partner languages to highlight four key issues affecting the human rights of older people

Intergenerational Statement

Position Papers:
● Intergenerational Solidarity: Selected Considerations
● Loneliness & Isolation



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