



LIFELONG LEARNING PROGRAMME 2007 – 2013, Call EAC/61/2006

Project Title: TOP+

Training Older Persons - Pioneer model Usable for older adult Trainers

Participating Organisations:

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- Magellan Partners, Belgium
- CYPRUS ADULT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, Cyprus
- TALLINN UNIVERSITY, Estonia
- Arbeit und Leben Düsseldorf, Germany
- CTV "SBIE" CENTRE OF VOCATIONAL TRAINING, Greece
- GS Italia, Italy
- International Research Institute of Stavanger AS (IRIS), Norway
- Wroclaw University of Economics, Poland
- Byweb Formação e Informática Unipessoal, Lda, Portugal
- Philean Consult, Romania
- Swedish TelePedagogic Knowledge Center (STPKC), Sweden

TOP + Aims to:

- a) **Identify best and worse practices in lifelong learning**, wend addressed to older adults (What and where are the new and innovative lifelong learning programs)
- b) **Create a framework of knowledge on key-question to lifelong learning in later life** (How does lifelong learning help older adults remain in their works and create fulfilling in their lives?)
- c) **Analyse the needs of older adults teachers and trainers** and write up comparative study in EU and Norway, regarding their learning opportunities;
- d) **Define a vocational expert profile to older adults trainers** (Catalogue of skills and competences) and foster an European standard;
- e) **Design and develop a vocational training Model to older adults teachers and trainers**, including a Curriculum and an innovative Training Tool
- f) **Create an innovative multimedia-compendium**, supported by video interviews and databases of all EU Countries, translated in the 23 official languages;

The **target groups** of our **TOP +** are:

- **Trainers and Teachers** who need to acquire or increase their skills in lifelong learning addressed to older adults
- **Older adults** employed, unemployed, at risk of unemployment or early retirement, unhappy with current strategies of lifelong learning, address to them and wish an opportunity for career improvement or transition.
- **Stakeholders** committed with the attractiveness and efficacy of education and training activities to older adults
- The **European society** in general which to increase rates of older adults in labour market by improving their fulfilment and active ageing

Long-term beneficiaries of TOP +

- **Education and Training organisations** that are in search of innovative and quality training material
- **Small and larger companies** dealing with age management problems and need to fulfil their employees training need and improve their productivity
- **NGO's** committed with the improvement of older adults quality of life and work
- **Other organisations**, especially those dealing with older adults. Ex: volunteers or unemployed