# ACTIVE AND HEALTHY AGEING: PARTICIPATION FROM THE THIRD SECTOR OF SOCIAL ACTION

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## PREVIOUS STUDIES







#### PROGRAMA DE PROMOCIÓN DEL ENVEJECIMIENTO ACTIVO, AUTÓNOMO Y SALUDABLE:

UN ESTUDIO COMPARADO DE LAS ACTUACIONES DEL TERCER SECTOR
DE ACCIÓN SOCIAL EN ESPAÑA Y TERCEROS PAÍSES

















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## THE STARTING POINT

Participation is a right for all citizens, but it is also a source of satisfaction and quality of life for older people that should be promoted within the framework of active and healthy ageing





## **OBJECTIVES**

#### **General objective**

To broaden the knowledge of the Third Sector of Social Action in Spain on the participation of older people in the field of active and healthy ageing



COMPARING STRATEGIES
TO PROMOTE ACTIVE AND
HEALTHY AGEING IN
TERMS OF PARTICIPATION

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ANALYSING GOOD PRACTICES IN SPAIN AND THIRD COUNTRIES

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REFLECTING ON THE ADAPTATION OF GOOD PRACTICES

04

ANALYSING THE IMPACT OF GLOBALISATION AND INTERNATIONALISATION

05

ANALYSING THE EFFECT OF THE GENDER PERSPECTIVE

### METHODOLOGY



#### Surveys

Professionals and volunteers 42 responses

## Discussion groups

People older than 60 (2)
Professionals of the Third
Sector (1)
Volunteers (1)

## Thematic working groups

Volunteers, professionals and senior citizens (3)

## International workshop with experts

2 ES, 1 NO, 1 CH, 1 UK + Representatives of the working groups



### DIRECT IMPACT OF THE PROJECT

**PARTICIPANTS** 

GIVES VOICE, DECISION-MAKING CAPACITY, EMPOWERS OLDER PEOPLE TO IMPROVE SOCIAL PARTICIPATION

**PROFESSIONALS** 

PROVIDES TOOLS FOR INCORPORATING OLDER PEOPLE'S PARTICIPATION IN PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS IN THE FIELD



#### INDIRECT IMPACT OF THE PROJECT

DISCUSSION GROUPS
AND WORKING
GROUPS

EVIDENCE ON THE NEEDS AND DIFFICULTIES OF OLDER PEOPLE WHEN PARTICIPATING

**ANALYSIS** 

PRACTICAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE PROMOTION OF PARTICIPATION IN THE THIRD SOCIAL ACTION SECTOR

PARTICIPATIVE EXPERIENCE

REFLECTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF PARTICIPATORY TOOLS AND METHODOLOGIES IN TRAINING, LEISURE AND FREE TIME ACTIVITIES WITH THE ELDERLY



#### PROPOSAL GT1

IMPROVING PARTICIPATION AND PREVENTING ISOLATION

CREATION OF A 'REFERENCE
PROFESSIONAL' TO PROVIDE
SUPPORT IN DIFFERENT TASKS IN
ORDER TO MAINTAIN AN
AUTONOMOUS LIFE IN RURAL
AREAS





#### PROPOSAL GT2



STRENGTHENING LINKS BETWEEN PARTICIPANTS OF THE 'ACTÍVATE' PROGRAMME FROM DIFFERENT MUNICIPALITIES

VISIBILITY AT A COMMUNITY
LEVEL OF THE ACTIVITIES
CARRIED OUT BY OLDER PEOPLE

HOLDING OF AN ANNUAL REGIONAL MEETING OF THE ACTÍVATE PROGRAMME



#### PROPOSAL GT3



SEEKING NEW WAYS TO EXPAND
THE NETWORK OF PERSONAL
CONTACTS IN ORDER TO STAY
INFORMED

OPEN LETTER WITH CONCRETE REQUESTS TO FACILITATE REAL PARTICIPATION IN TRAINING, LEISURE AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES



#### **HYPOTHESIS**

Social participation is a citizens' right

Social participation is beneficial for older people

There are barriers to the social participation of older people

The Third Sector promotes the social participation of older people

#### **LEARNING**

- There is no clear awareness of this right
- Violations of this right are perceived

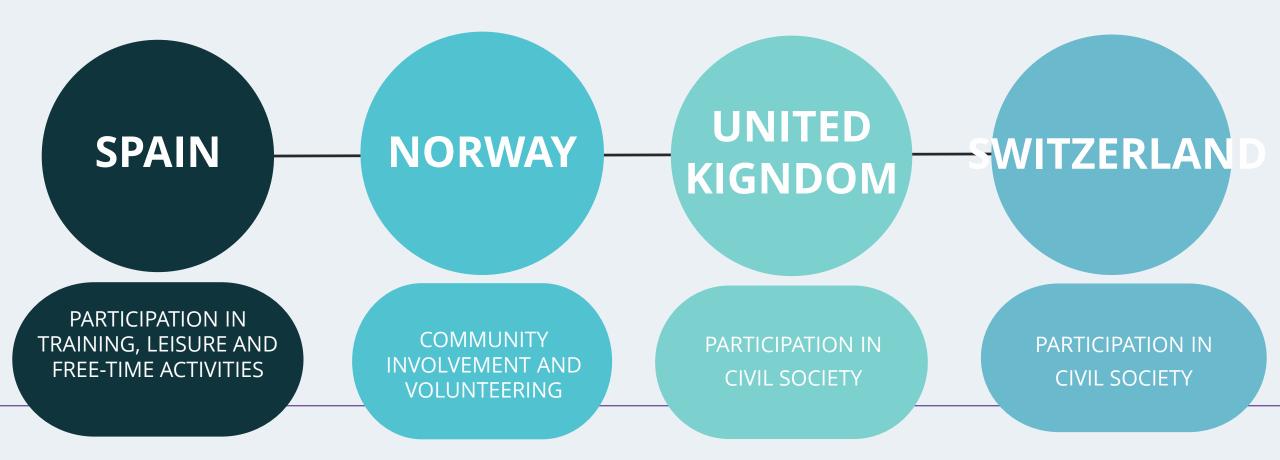
• Individual benefits are perceived, but social benefits are underestimated

- Barriers are perceived differently
  - Society: internal barriers for older people
  - Older people: external barriers that society puts up

• It is perceived that the Third Sector can do more to combat ageism within and outside organisations



#### STRATEGIES TO PROMOTE PARTICIPATION



THE RANGE OF
ACTIVITIES FOR
SENIOR CITIZENS

TRADITIONAL PARTICIPATION FORMATS

PROMOTION OF VOLUNTEER AND PAID ACTIVITIES FOR ELDERLY PEOPLE

> PROMOTION OF AUTONOMY AND AGEING AT HOME

PROMOTION OF
ACTIVITIES TO RAISE
AWARENESS AND
VISIBILITY OF
DIVERSITY, HELPING TO
COMBAT AGEIST
STEREOTYPES

CREATION OF
FAVOURABLE
CONDITIONS FOR
THE PROMOTION OF
ASSOCIATIONISM
AND ACTIVISM



#### RECOMMENDATIONS





#### **GENDER**

Incorporating gender mainstreaming and working on masculinities with older people



#### **UNWANTED LONELINESS**

Offering adapted and creative solutions through support and accompaniment in the different moments of daily life



#### **DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION**

Incorporating learning and forms of participation and inclusion based on diversity (sexual orientation, ethnicity, abilities)



#### **AGEISM**

Reflecting on one's own practices and raising social awareness

#### RECOMMENDATIONS





#### **COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION**

Giving more visibility and making forms of participation more flexible and diversified



#### THIRD SECTOR'S ROLE IN PROMOTING ACTIVE AND HEALTHY AGEING

Building bridges with the rest of the social agents, improving communication and its channelling, contributing to the change to a non-ageist mentality



#### PARTICIPATION IN CIVIL SOCIETY

Strengthening the culture of participation (accessible, safe spaces, training and capacity building)



#### INTERNATIONALISATION

Contributing to the dissemination of knowledge and good practices and strengthening spaces for dialogue



#### PARTICIPATION IN TRAINING, LEISURE AND FREE TIME ACTIVITIES

Offering more possibilities for involvement, rethinking the formats, adapting times and duration

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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