





World Health Organization

Overview of work done by various international organisations and the European Commission in the fields of healthy ageing and long term care

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## Introduction

There are many initiatives undertaken by international/supranational organisations in the field of healthy ageing and long term care. Among the key organisations are: **WHO** (headquarters in Geneva, WHO Centre for Health Development in Kobe, WHO Regional Offices including the one for Europe, the Observatory on Health Systems and Policy in Brussels); the **European Commission** (DGs Sanco, Employment, ECFIN, RTD); the **OECD**; the **UN** (UNFPA, UN Desa, UN ECE); and, the **World Bank**. Work done by NGO's and universities is largely excluded in this overview (unless work was conducted for the organisations mentioned above). Tables 1 and 2 below provide an exemplary overview of main activities by Organization, further split up by A) declarations, conferences, working groups, publications, and B) research projects, guidelines and country assistance.

Table 1: Declarations/conferences, working groups and main publications

	Activity or	Year	Description
	body		
European Un	ion/ European	Commiss	ion
EU	Council conclusions	2012	Guiding principles for active ageing *
EC through DG SANCO	Conference	2013	Frailty in old age, a public health concern at EU level
DG SANCO	Conference	2013	Adherence to medical plans in old age, a public health concern at EU level
EU	Council Declaration	2012	Guiding principles for active ageing and solidarity between generations *
EU	Council	2012	Healthy Ageing across the Lifecycle
Cyprus EU Presidency	Conference (Cyprus)	2012	Healthy ageing across the life cycle
European Commission	Communicati on	2012	Taking forward the Strategic Implementation Plan of the European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing
EC through DG SANCO/ DG CNECT	Conference	2012	European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing: From plan to action
EC through DG SANCO/ DG CNECT	Conference	2012	1st Conference of Parntners, Delivering Results for Partners European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing
EC through DG SANCO	Staff Working Paper	2013	Investing in Health part of the Social Investment Package
EC through DG ECFIN / EPC	Working group	Since 2006	Ageing working group: estimating age related expenditures
	Ageing report 2012 *	2012	Estimates of age related excpenditures for all EU countries
	Economic paper *	2012	LTC need, use and expenditure 2012
	Joint report *	2010	Joint report on health systems
EC through DG EMPL	Committee		Administrative Committee: coordination of social security rules and long term care coverage for mobile persons (see Tress study *).
	Tress study	2011	Coordination of LTC benefits (implemented by Ghent University)
EC through DG EMPL	Committee	Multiple	Social protection Committee: Peer reviews, information exchange, open method of coordination Subgroup on ageing issues: Proposal for working programme (2013)
	Staff working paper *	2013	Long-term care in ageing societies - Challenges and policy option
EC through DG EMPL/EU	European Year	2012	EY 2012: European Year for Active Ageing and Solidarity between Generations
EC through	Publication	From	Website listing all FP7 projects supporting research in the area of Human

DG RTD		2007	Development and Ageing: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/research/health/medical-research/human-development-and-ageing/index_en.html">http://ec.europa.eu/research/health/medical-research/human-development-and-ageing/index_en.html</a> and in the area of Public Health: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/research/health/public-health/index_en.html">http://ec.europa.eu/research/health/public-health/index_en.html</a>
	Communi- cation	2013/14	ASAPS support action: Bring EU-funded health research on cognitive ageing to the attention of the public, <a href="http://www.asaps-sharingage.eu/">http://www.asaps-sharingage.eu/</a>
	Communi- cation (fact sheet)	2013	The DO-HEALTH research project focuses on 3 types of intervention that have shown the most promising results in previous trials and large cohort studies: vitamin D supplements, omega 3 fatty acids and home exercise and provides practical health advice that can be easily accessed and applied by older people, <a href="https://www.do-health.eu">www.do-health.eu</a>
Organisatio	on for Economic	Cooperati	on and Development
	Working Party on Social Policy and Health Committee	From 1999	The OECD has a long-standing tradition of working on issues related to long-term care for frail elderly people, and on health and social care policies for ageing societies. See: <a href="http://www.oecd.org/health/longtermcare">http://www.oecd.org/health/longtermcare</a>
	Publication	2013	A Good Life in Old Age? Monitoring and Improving Quality in Long-term Care, June 2013
	Publication *	2011	Help Wanted, Providing and Paying for Long Term Care  Who uses long-term care, in which settings and at what cost?  What will be the effects of growing need for long-term care?  How can family carers be supported?  How can job quality in LTC labour markets be improved?  How will countries finance growing care needs?  How to improve value for money in the long-term care sector?
	Publication	2005	Long-Term Care for Older People
	Publication * Working papers *	2011	Health at a glance, annual publication, with in 2011 a special chapter on LTC  The Long-Term Care Workforce: Overview and Strategies to Adapt Supply to a Growing Demand (OECD Health Working Papers No. 44)  Policies for Healthy Ageing: An Overview (OECD Health Working Papers No. 42)  Trends in Severe Disability Among Elderly People: Assessing the Evidence in 12 OECD Countries and the Future Implications (OECD Health Working Papers No. 26)
			Consumer Direction and Choice in Long-Term Care for Older Persons, Including Payments for Informal Care: How Can it Help Improve Care Outcome, Employment and Fiscal Sustainability? (OECD Health Working Papers No. 20)

			Dementia Care in 9 OECD Countries: A Comparative Analysis (OECD Health Working Papers No. 13)
	Ad Hoc expert meetings on long-term care	2010, 2012	
	Future directions for LTC work		Dementia (assessment of burden, review of care and new approaches) Adapt supply to changing care needs Financial sustainability Quality and outcome measurement Better value for money in care and the transition of care and health Adressing care needs through smart technology and innovation.
World Healt	 h Organisation		
HQ/Geneva	WHA Resolution 58.33(2005)	2005	
	Meeting	2013	High level meeting on building systems to address functional decline and dependence in ageing populations
	Brochure *	2012	Good health adds life to years (global brief for World health day 2012)
	World report	2015	World report on ageing and health
	World health report *	2011	Health Systems Financing including universal coverage for a wide range of health services
	Background paper *	2008	LTC, the missing link in primary health care
	Report	2012	Dementia, a public health priority
WHO Centre for Health Developmen t (Kobe- WKC)	Publication	1998	World Atlas on Ageing <a href="http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/64466">http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/64466</a>
	Publication	2004	A glossary of terms for community health care and services for older persons <a href="http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/68896">http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/68896</a> http://www.who.int/kobe_centre/ageing/ahp_vol5_glossary.pdf
	Publication/ Report	2010	Hidden cities: unmasking and overcoming health inequities in urban settings: <a href="http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/44439">http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/44439</a> executive summary: <a href="http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/44468">http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/44468</a>
	Report	2008	Older persons in emergencies: an active ageing perspective http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/43909
	Report	2010	In search for equity in medical devices accessibility, WHO Centre for Health Development (WKC), Kobe, Japan, 13-14 July 2010: report http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/70533

	Report	2002	Proceedings of the WHO Kobe Centre International Symposium on Healthy
			Life From Good Dietary Practices : Kobe, Japan, 6 April 2002
			http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/67868
	Publication	2004	Ageing and Health Technical Report Volume 4
			THE DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE IN SHANGHAI
			Emerging patterns of primary health care for the ageing population
			of a megalopolis
			http://www.who.int/kobe_centre/ageing/ahp_vol4_shanghai.pdf
	Report	2005	Ageing and Health Technical Report Volume 6
			Public health policy and approaches for noncommunicable
			disease prevention and control in Japan: a case study
			http://www.who.int/kobe_centre/ageing/ahp_vol6_ncd.pdf
	Report	2002	WHO Kobe Centre Thematic Activities at the Valencia Forum, Development of
	·		Health and Welfare Systems - Adjusting to Ageing, Valencia, Spain, 1-4 April
			2002 : proceedings
			http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/67754
	Report	2001	A Framework for understanding community health care in ageing societies
			http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/66926
	Report	2002	WHO Kobe Centre International Meeting on Community Health Care for Older
			Persons in Urban Areas, Bangkok, Thailand, 10-12 July 2001: proceedings
			http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/67348
	Report	2008	Oral health in ageing societies: integration of oral health and general health:
			report of a meeting convened at the WHO Centre for Health Development in
			Kobe, Japan, 1-3 June 2005
			http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/43531
	Report	2002	WHO Kobe Centre International Symposium on Good Oral Health in Ageing
	Пероп	2002	Societies: Filling the Gap between Dental Health and Life Expectancy: Tokyo,
			Japan, 2 June 2001 : proceedings
			http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/67752
	Report	2002	Proceedings of the WHO Kobe Centre International Symposium on Good Oral
	Пероге	2002	Health in Ageing Societies: to keep healthy teeth for your healthy life: Kobe,
			Japan, 10 November 2001
			http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/67753
	Report	2002	Global review on oral health in ageing societies
	Report	2002	http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/67584
Regional	Resolution	2012	Strategy and action plan on healthy ageing in Europe, 2012–2020
Offices:	and strategy	2012	Strategy and action plan on healthy ageing in Europe, 2012–2020
EURO	and strategy		
LUNU	plan *		
	•	2013	Agoing and coveral health (Entre Nove), pr 77
WDDO	Magazine		Ageing and sexual health (Entre Nous), nr 77
WPRO	Publication	2006	Module on Ageing in <i>Integrating poverty and gender into health programmes:</i> A sourcebook for health professionals
	Mooting	2011	, , ,
	Meeting	2011	Informal experts' consultation on healthy ageing in the Western Pacific Region
	Advocacy	2012	World Health Day: videos, posters, news release, information and data,
	B.4	0.10	webpage, stories, etc.
	Meeting	9-10	Informal experts' consultation on ageing and health in the Western Pacific
		April	Region

		2013		
	Meeting	25-27	Meeting on ageing and health in the Western Pacific Region	
	(planned)	June		
		2013		
	Meeting	October 2013	64 <sup>th</sup> Regional Committee Meeting 2013: agenda item on ageing and health	
SEARO	Declaration	2012	Yogyakarta Declaration on Ageing and Health' at the Regional Committee (September 2012)	
	Review	2012	Review of national healthy ageing programmes at Regional Meeting of Managers of National Healthy Ageing Programmes (October 2012)	
	Regional Strategy	2012	Regional strategy for healthy ageing (2012); Draft strategy formulated and reviewed by Member States. Expert group consultation on the 'regional strategy for healthy ageing' (May 2013)	
AMRO	Meeting	2003, 2006, and 2012	3 Regional Inter-Governmental Conferences on Aging – Chile, Brazil, Costa Ri *In collaboration with ECLAC, FNUAP	
	Declaration	2013	Projected Approval of the Inter-American Human Rights Convention * In collaboration with the Organization of American States	
	Publication	2004/20	Primary Health Care for Older Adults Manual (1rs Ed) @013 2 <sup>nd</sup> Edition	
	Networking	2002-on going	Creation of the Latin American Academy of Medicine for Older Adults (ALMA)  More than 110 Geriatrics Professors on board	
	Networking	2010 and ongoing	Launch of the Specialization in Health Management for Older Adults. 200 Managers and Directors already graduated	
	Networking	2012	Signature of the University Consortium on Public Health and Aging	
	Plan of	2009	Plan of Action on the Health of Older Persons, Including Active and Healthy	
	Action		Aging – 49 <sup>th</sup> Directing Council, 61 <sup>st</sup> Session of the Regional Committee	
AFRO	Advocacy	2009 to 2012	Posters ; Country profile on Health and Ageing for the 46 countries of the Region (under review)	
		2012	World Health Day: Regional statement 4th Women's Health Day in the African region: Regional statement	
	Publication	2012	Health and Ageing in the African Region to be posted on the AFRO website (under review)	
	Policy Statement	2013	Technical document prepared for the 63rd Regional Committee on Healthy ageing in the African Region: Situation analysis and way forward	
	Meeting	19-22 Nov.2013	Regional consultation on Ageing and Health in the African region (planned)	
Observatory on health systems and	Report *	2012	Home care across Europe (with Nivel)	

policies			
(Brussels)			
	Policy briefs *	2008/9	Various policy briefs on sustainability, settings to provide care and health systems response
	Magazine *	2011	Ageing and LTC special in Eurohealth no 2-3
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United Na	ations		
UN ECE	Political declaration *	2002	Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing
	Ministerial declaration and report *	2012	Ensuring a society for all ages: Promoting quality of life and active ageing
UNFPA	Report	2012	Ageing in the 21 <sup>st</sup> century, a celebration and a challenge
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	Danam	2010	Langtown care religion for older remulations in resulting the sector and
	Report	2010	Long term care policies for older populations in new EU member states and Croatie, challenges and opportunities

<sup>\*</sup>Included in Dropbox folder with other reading material

Table 2: Research projects (funded), guidelines and country assistance

	Activity		
RESEARCH &			
Innovation			
European Commission			
EC through DG Sanco + DG Connect	EIP on Active and healthy ageing		Identify and remove barriers to innovation in health and care delivery. Extend average healthy life years in EU by 2 years by2020. 3 areas: prevention/health promotion, health & social care for older people, active ageing and independent living. (* strategic implementation plan)
EC through DG Sanco + DG Connect	EIP on Active and healthy ageing		Identify and remove barriers to innovation in health and care delivery. Extend average healthy life years in EU by 2 years by2020. 3 areas: prevention/health promotion, health & social care for older people, active ageing and independent living. (* strategic implementation plan)
EC through EAHC	Public Health Programme		2013 Call for proposals: Supporting the priorities of the European Innovation Partnership on Active & Healthy Ageing 2012 Call for Proposals for support of the European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing 3 projects: e-CAPACIT8, ACT Programme (Advancing Care Coordination & TeleHealth Deployment Programme) iCARE4U
EU & Member States	Public Health Programme		Work Programme 2013: Joint Action addressing chronic disease s and promoting healthy ageing across the lifecycle
EC through DG Sanco	Pilot project	2012- 2014	Pilot project aiming to increase consumption of fresh fruit and vegetables in local communities where household income is below 50% of the EU 27 average covering Romania, Slovakia and Bulgaria and targeting vulnerable groups such as children, elderly people and pregnant women. The European Parliament is supporting the project.
EC through DG Sanco	Pilot project	2014- 2015	Pilot project aiming to increase consumption of fresh fruit and vegetables in local communities where household income is below 50% of the EU 27 average covering Poland and Hungary and targeting vulnerable groups such as children, elderly people and pregnant women. The European Parliament is supporting

			the project. Based on a call for tender, the selection procedure is ongoing.
EC through DG	Pilot	2014-	Pilot project concerning the promotion of healthy diets
Sanco	project	2015	targeting pregnant women, children, as well as elderly people in 7 Member States; the European Parliament is supporting the project. Based on a call for tender, the selection procedure is almost closed.
EC through DG EAC	Call for Proposals		2012 Preparatory Action in the field of sport – Call for proposals: "Physical activity contributing to active ageing" (4 transnational projects selected, requesting €532.586,00)
EC through DG	Joint	2013-	Joint management project on adapting age-friendly
EMPL/ WHO Euro	Project	2015	environments to an EU context
EC through DG EMPL	Call for Proposals	Forseen Spring 2013	Call for proposals foreseen for integrated active ageing strategies for public authorities
EC through DG	Ambient		Joint R&D funding to improve living conditions of older people
CNECT	assisted living programma		based on ICT (see <a href="www.aalforum.eu">www.aalforum.eu</a> and <a href="http://www.aal-europe.eu/">http://www.aal-europe.eu/</a> ).
EC through DG	CARICT		Role by ICT in supporting carers
CNECT			http://is.jrc.ec.europa.eu/pages/EAP/eInclusion/carers.html
EC through DG Just	Daphne		Elderly abuse
EC through DG EAC	Life Long Learning		Acquire and recognize skills and competences by carers.
EU & member	Joint		More years better lives (* strategic research agenda)
states	programmi ng initiatives		2. Neurodegenerative disease research (2012)
EC through DG RTD	Innovative		Public-private initiative between the European Union and the
	Medicines Initiative		pharmaceutical industry association EFPIA, aiming at speeding up the development of better and safer medicines for patients. http://www.imi.europa.eu/content/home

EC through	6 <sup>th</sup> and 7 <sup>th</sup>	FP6	Since the beginning of FP7, 68 collaborative multidisciplinary
DG RTD	Framework	(2002-	projects (this represents over 309 million €) have been funded
	Programme	206)	in the area of healthy ageing. More information is available
	S		from: http://ec.europa.eu/research/health/index_en.html
			http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/home_en.html
			http://cordis.europa.eu/fp6/
		FP7	Tittp://cordis.europa.eu/ipo/
		(2007-	Of these, 27 projects (around 140 million €) specifically support
		until	research in the area of Human Development and Ageing:
		now)	http://ec.europa.eu/research/health/medical-research/human-
			development-and-ageing/index_en.html
			Various projects on Long term care such as:
			ANCIEN: www.ancien-longtermcare.eu
			INTERLINKS: http://interlinks.euro.centre.org
			SHELTER: http://lnx.starcomitaliaweb.eu
			COURAGE:
			http://www.healthcompetence.eu/converis/publicweb/project/
			1824
			RightTime Placecare: http://righttimeplacecare.eu
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WHO Centre for		2013	Development of core set of indicator for monitoring age-
Health	Research/		friendliness of cities
Development	guidelines		Contact: WKC at <a href="wkc@who.int">wkc@who.int</a> <a href="http://www.who.int/kobe_centre/ageing/age_friendly_cities/en">http://www.who.int/kobe_centre/ageing/age_friendly_cities/en</a>
(WKC)	Research	2013	Consultation on Advancing Technological Innovation for Older
	(WKC and	2013	Populations in WHO Western Pacific Region
	WHO units		Mapping of the needs for medical and assistive devices for older
	for medical		people in Asia Pacific through systematic reviews, surveys and
	devices,		consultation
	disability,		
	and WPRO)	2012	WILLO Clabel Former on Intersection for April 19 Dec. 1915
	Global Forum	2013	WHO Global Forum on Innovation for Ageing Populations: Planned: December 10-12, 2013, Kobe, Japan
	Research	2013	WKC Research Agenda for Social and Technological Innovation
			for Ageing Populations
	Research/	2011	Collaboration with Nihon Fukushi University: Japan
	Tools		Gerontological Evaluation Survey (J-AGES): equity patterns of
			ageing populations in Japan
			The AGES 2003 Cohort Study in Aichi, Japan
			Cohort Profile
			See:
			a)http://www.who.int/kobe_centre/ageing/j_ages_heart/en/in
			I dex ntmi
			dex.html b)http://www.who.int/kobe_centre/publications/aichi_gerontol

			ogical_japan2003/en/index.html
	Research	2012	Collaborations to evaluate Japanese progammes to prevent
			functional decline and long term dependence on care (kaigo
			yobo). Contact WKC.
			http://www.who.int/kobe_centre/mediacentre/ageing_210320
			12/en/index.html
AFRO	Country	2012	Support WCO/Congo in the elaboration of the "Plan national en
	Assistance		faveur des personnes du 3ème âge au Congo"
	Situation	ongoing	Assessment of Health and Ageing in 8 countries of the African
	analysis		Region (Algeria, Botswana Cape Verde, Congo, Chad,
			Mozambique, Sierra Leone and Zimbabwe)
SEARO	Database	2013	Preparation of national database on elderly population
			Agreement with Nepal Public Health Foundation (NPHF) – work
			in progress
	Regional	2012	Age friendly city/community initiative (2012-13): Moneragala
	initiative		district in Sri lanka and Ward 192 in South Delhi have introduced
			"age-friendly city/community"
	Regional	2013	Regional consultation on long term care (July 2013), Roadmap
	consultatio		for promoting/strengthening long term care in the Member
	n		States of South-East Asia
AMRO	Situation	2000	Implementation of the Survey on Health, Well-Being, and Aging
	Analysis		in 7 cities in Latin America and the Carribean
Worldbank		T	
	Country		
	assistance		
European Centre Vie	nna/EC DG Em	<del> </del>	
	Active	2013	Index for active ageing potiential for countries
	ageing		
	index		