



“What’s new, Committee 2?” Social Policy and Public Health January 2012

General Issues

Save the date! 19-21 March 2012 AER Committee 2 Spring Plenary Session and Conference on Perspectives on Ageing

The AER Social Policy and Public Health Committee will hold its spring plenary session in Joensuu (North Karelia, FIN) on 19 March 2012. This is the opportunity for you to get an update on the activities of the Committee and to learn about what other regions are doing. If you wish to contribute and present your regions’ latest activities and projects, please contact the AER Secretariat (c.bullot@aer.eu).

A conference on Perspectives on ageing will be held on 20th March 2012, in the framework of the European Year 2012 on Active Ageing and Intergenerational Solidarity. Study visits linked to the conference topic will take place on March 21st.

More information will be uploaded on our website soon:
<http://www.aer.eu/events/health-social/2012/ageingperspectives.html>

Changes in AER Committee 2 Presidium and elections

Following the resignation of Prof. Vladimir Kopic from his mandate as Minister for health and social policies of the region Friuli-Venezia-Giulia (I), elections for an interim Committee 2 President will be held at the occasion of the AER Bureau meeting in May 2012.

Committee 2 is required to select one or more candidates for the post of interim Committee 2 President at the occasion of its spring plenary session on 19th March 2012. Applications for the interim Presidency of Committee 2 should be sent by 22nd February to the AER Secretariat.

Committee 2 Vice-Presidents Ms Agneta Granström and Mr Karsten Uno Petersen have kindly accepted to manage the Committee until then.

For more information, please contact Ourania Georgoutsakou (g.ourania@aer.eu, +32 2 880 95 65).

EC Funding Calls open! Active and Healthy Ageing

The investment priorities identified in the European Innovation Partnership for Active and Health Ageing are now being translated into EU funding priorities. Two calls for projects have been issued to this end. Start writing!

For more information on the European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing, please visit: <http://www.aer.eu/main-issues/health/active-and-healthy-ageing-innovation-partnership.html>

European Public Health Programme Deadline: 9th March 2012

Projects submitted under this call support the deployment of **innovative solutions for care provision**. A special focus is given to chronic disease management. Three different types of actions are covered by this call:

- seed money for pilot projects on change of care delivery
- supporting a partnership approach towards change in care delivery
- supporting older people’s health.

Funding available amounts to 4 021 820 euros

ICT Policy Support Programme Estimated launch: 1st February – deadline: 15th March 2012

Under Theme 3 “ICT for health, ageing well and inclusion” of the draft ICT PSP work programme 2012, funds have been allocated to the following objectives:

- wide deployment of integrated care
- open and personalised solutions for active and independent living
- enhancing digital capacity and skills of health, social care and social inclusion actors
- the development of a fall prevention network for older persons
- large scale deployment of telehealth services for chronic conditions management; standards and interoperability in e-health
- community building on active and healthy ageing.

More information on both these calls is available here:
http://ec.europa.eu/research/innovation-union/index_en.cfm?section=active-healthy-ageing&pg=calls

Equal Europe for People with Disabilities

Disabilities project – Next steps!

A number of regions active in the AER working group “Equal Europe for People with Disabilities” have decided to submit an application for EU co-financing under the current call of the Progress programme (deadline 2nd February 2012).

The proposed project will support the partner regions to develop education programmes in their regions about the UN Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities, the obligations it creates for regional authorities and how, in cooperation with the local disability movement, regions can implement its provisions.

The application process will be lead by Istanbul (TR), who also chair the working group.

For further details on this project, please contact Claudia Meschede (c.meschede@aer.eu)

E-health

Save the Date! Arctic Light E-he@lth Conference 2012 From Policy to Action

The County of Norrbotten (S) will be hosting the second edition of the ALEC Conference on 19-20 June 2012, an event gathering all e-health stakeholders, from politicians to the industry and civil society.

This edition will be dedicated to moving from policy to actions and spreading deployment of e-health technologies across Europe.

More information will be available on our webpage soon: <http://www.aer.eu/events/health-social/2012/alec2012.html>

Dates for your Diary!

Date	Location	Event
22 February		Deadline for application for the interim Presidency of Committee 2 g.ourania@aer.eu
19 March	Joensuu (FIN)	AER Committee 2 Plenary Session
20-21 March	Joensuu (FIN)	Conference on “Perspectives on Ageing” and study visits
19-20 June	Norrbotten (S)	Arctic Light E-he@lth Conference (ALEC 2012) From Policy to Action!

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