ZAMORA STATEMENT ON DISABILITY AND ACTIVE, HEALTHY AND POSITIVE AGEING



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This document aims to serve as a reference when implementing transfer processes related to active policies on ageing. The Decalogue has been created taking into consideration 9 EU KEY issues on which INFAD - G21 are currently working together with their members and experts.

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- > During the Congress, experts in ageing from Europe agreed on concrete conclusions in order to create a document titled: "ZAMORA STATEMENT ON DISABILITY AND ACTIVE, HEALTHY AND POSITIVE AGEING".
- >These conclusions have been recently reviewed at the XXIV International INFAD Congress, held in Almería, Spain (2017 April).

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RESULTS AND CONCLUSIONS 1.- REINFORCE the existential dimension of the elderly person.

Respecting the dignity of the person and the vital psychological contract until the end of life.

2.- ENCOURAGE social participation.

Activating in the group of elderly and people with disabilities patterns of committed leadership, social participation and decision making, as a strategy to combat stereotypes.

3.- PROMOTE lifelong learning.

Promoting lifelong learning to achieve neuronal plasticity, neurogenesis and cognitive reserve.

4.- ACTIVATE the knowledge opportunity.

Implementing research and innovation processes in which economic agents (the silver economy) can explore new ways to optimize individual and ecological development of the elderly.

5.- POTENTIATE social contributions.

Encouraging the involvement of the elderly and people with disabilities in all social challenges, both in the areas of entrepreneurship and social innovation.

6.- IMPROVE healthy living habits.

Promoting healthy lifestyles that foster self-responsibility and personal self-care in health promotion, personal autonomy and well-being.

7.- DEVELOP new technologies to our elderly.

Facilitating the adaptability of ICTs to the special needs of the elderly and people with disabilities, through the development of user-centered prototypes.

8.- PREPARE processes of adaptation to retirement.

Making flexible retirement schemes based on job demand and professional performance.

9.- PROVIDE support resources in vulnerable contexts.

Activating socio-family and community support systems to avoid any type of isolation, especially in rural areas.







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