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Healthy Ageing and Elderly Care Network News

Dear readers,

As some on this mailing list are relatively new to Eurodiaconia, I will allow myself to draw your attention to documents relevant to this network that we have produced over the last few years in consultation with members.

Our [policy paper](#) entitled Demographic change: services and social exclusion looks at demographic challenges, focusing on ageing, and presents recommendations. An accompanying [briefing](#) looks at the EU's role in meeting the challenges of an ageing population and what Eurodiaconia members could do.

We have a [toolkit on service user participation and empowerment](#) which includes good practice for different groups of people and examines the different elements of participation and empowerment. This followed on from our document Principles for quality diaconal social services available in [Czech](#), [English](#), [French](#), [German](#), [Serbian](#) and [Swedish](#).

Please let us know if you have used or plan to use these documents in your work.

Our upcoming People in Diaconia Network meeting will provide an opportunity to examine further challenges in employment in diaconia, which was of interest to participants in the last HAEC network meeting - more information below.

If you have information to share with the Network such as an event announcement or a publication on ageing or care for older people please to send it to me at laura.jones@eurodiaconia.org and I can add it to the next Network news.

Best regards,

Eurodiaconia events :

November 7-8 2011

Conference and Exhibition on Volunteering and Social Exclusion, Brussels...

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November 8-9 2011

People in Diaconia Network meeting, Brussels ...[read more](#)

November 21-23 2011

High-level seminar on exploring the Europe 2020 strategy, Brussels...[read more](#)

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- **Opportunity to explore employment challenges in diaconia.** The **People in Diaconia network meeting** for members will look at employment and making the link between EY 2011 and 2012 on the 8-9 November... [read more](#)

European News

- **New brochure on EU funding possibilities to promote active ageing** ...[read more](#)
- For Eurodiaconia members - comment on the new version of the WeDO quality framework for older peoples' care, discussed in the last network meeting. Laura Jones will send out the new draft.
- **New study on contracting for quality in long term care.** The European Social Network has published a research study on the relationships between financier, regulator, planner, case-manager, provider and user in long-term care and their impact on quality in six European countries.... [read more](#)
- **Call for proposals: Social Experimentation projects.** The European Commission has launched a call for large-scale transnational projects testing socially innovative approaches to four priority areas, including active and healthy ageing...[read more](#)

News from our partners

- Diaconia Research Journal - **call for article proposals** on good practice... [read more](#)
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