



STAC-Strategies Towards Active Citizenship



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Belfast Institute Partners:

- Belgium-Instelling Morale Dienstverlening, Oost-Vanderlan
- Belgium-Vrije Universiteit Brussels
- Czech Republic-WIZARD, personali management s. r. o.
- Netherlands-SPECTRUM, Instituut Maatschappelijk Welzijn
- Italy-Univerita'Degli Studi Del Molise

Project Description

STAC (Strategies Towards Active Citizenship) is a European Action Programme under Socrates tailored towards the Older European Learner. This institute, in cooperation with partners in Belgium, the Netherlands, Italy, and the Czech Republic, is currently engaged in rolling out this initiative. Belfast Institute's contribution is the Mature Learning Programme (MLP), a liberal education programme with a decided European dimension treating a range of topics within the Natural and Social Sciences, Humanities and Current Affairs. The concept of Active Ageing-the capacity of Older Citizens to lead productive and satisfying lifestyles-is a key component of both the MLP and STAC.

Aims

The overall aim is to exchange and disseminate good practices and to arrive at a consensus on possible practical pathways towards achieving this.

Objectives

- To develop and encourage skills that include motivation and empowerment strategies for Older Citizens at local level
- The recognition of barriers to uptake
- To share practices that counteract social exclusion
- To develop an enriched learning environment
- To make citizens aware of changes occurring at European level
- To develop an understanding of inter and intra cultural issues
- To create an inventory of good practice
- To improve the quality of life of the Older Citizen

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