

Seniors in the Knowledge Society – seniorsKS

Information and Communication Technologies [ICTs] are widely used by society in general. People use these technologies not only to surf the Internet or communicate but also to create new relationships and networks, learn from the net, create new content and collaborate with other people and help each other. Seniors also want to feel “e-included” and go from simple readers from the net to people that participates actively in the net. The concept of the Knowledge Society [KS] represents the new society that is living, learning, sharing and experiencing through the net; seniors can’t be excluded from this new society.

Institutions taking part in this Learning Partnership [LP] are related to education for the elderly and ICT. We understand the importance of ICT in society, by the great opportunities provided and the risks they present. All these institutions are engaged in courses or processes aimed at the e-inclusion of older people in the KS, and through this LP is to exchange best practices and experiences, to make possible a more effective e-inclusion and higher quality.

Each partner will be responsible of one activity during the whole project. During the two-year project, all activities will be presented, planned, implemented and evaluated. This will allow the consortium to participate in the whole process of the activity (from design to test). By this process staff, teachers and researchers will co-operate and learn new methodologies, activities, courses and processes. Learners will also participate.

The first outcome of the project will be the content that seniors will produce as an example of their e-inclusion in the KS. Also a compendium of experiences and best practices will be published based on the activities that each partner will develop.