

RECONNECTING POLICY MAKING & SCIENCE: HOW DO WE DO IT?

The European Innovation Partnership on Active & Healthy Ageing's approach to promoting healthy nutrition for healthy ageing

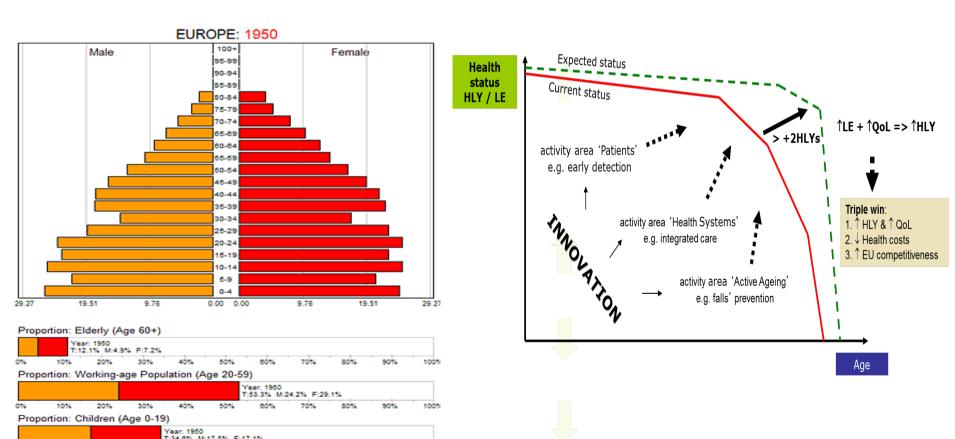
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The Challenge of an Ageing society



90%

100%



EUROPEAN INNOVATION PARTNERSHIP ON ACTIVE AND HEALTHY AGEING: APPROACH

- A Partnership owned by the stakeholders.
- Raising awareness and sharing good practices.
- Aligning funds, building on both old and new tools.
- Bringing demand and supply sides together.

Action Groups

Reference Sites



ACTION GROUP ON FRAILTY: AREAS OF INTERVENTION/GOOD PRACTICES & SCALE-UP

Frailty Action Group:

areas of intervention

- Support rationale at clinical/community levels: screening> assessment> intervention> monitoring
- Public awareness & education
- Mandatory nutrition status screening with standardized tools
- Nutrition training of health professionals & care-givers
- Establish quality standards of nutritional care
- Asses the implementation & impact of interventions
- Support equitable access to safe, effective & timely nutrition support
- Support research



good practices & scale-up

- Screening for malnutrition.
- Delivering information to general population, patients and care-givers.
- Analyze the association between malnutrition, muscle strength and frailty.
- Protocols for better nutrition & food intake habits.
- Creating linkages between the health care system & the community.
- Research in the fields of biomarkers, functional food & dietary supplements.
- Developing nutrition based interventions to diminish frailty & cognitive decline



MALNUTRITION IN OLDER PEOPLE IS A CHALLENGE...

† Prevalence

- Malnourished
- 5-20% in home care
- 15-35% in hospitals
- 10-75% in nursing homes
- At risk
- 32% in community
- 47% in hospital

Consequences

- † Health care costs: 170b in Europe
- ↓ ↓ Healthy & active life
- † Risks & adverse clinical outcomes (frailty/sarcopenia/ infections/wound healing)
- ↑ Stay at hospital
- ↑ Long term care

Intervention

- Awareness & education (general population, professionals, care-givers, managers, policy)
- Screening, assessment, treatment, monitoring
- Concerted, coordinated management & policy action



MALNUTRITION IN OLDER PEOPLE NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED AT EU LEVEL IN DIFFERENT AREAS

SCREENING/ ASSESSMENT	MANAGEMENT	RESEARCH
Screening & monitoring for nutritional status as an integral part of care. Early detection of those at risk of under-nutrition / unbalance nutrient intake.	A multi-disciplinary approach in clinical & community settings. Explicit quality standards for the delivery of good, adequate and safe nutritional care. Improve level of knowledge of professionals.	Clues for new nutritional products or nutrition supplements. Research on the mechanisms linking specific nutrients or dietary patterns to frailty.
Improve the level of screening & assessment of malnutrition in clinical settings and treat it timely & adequately.	Identify & implement incentives for stakeholders to support change in the desired direction. Scale-up of good practices that help overcome barriers to adequate diagnosis & treatment.	Clinical trials using nutritional interventions to prevent and treat frailty in older subjects. Research in the fields of biomarkers, functional food & dietary supplements.



POLITICAL ADDED VALUE OF THE EUROPEAN INNOVATION PARTNERSHIP ON ACTIVE AND HEALTHY AGEING

EIP Partners: bottom up innovation

inspire for policy action
evidence base
identify good practices working in real life

EC: facilitator & supporter

develop policy on active & healthy ageing align policy priorities with funding mobilise efforts & resources

Alignment of priorities in H2020, CIP 2013, PHP 2013, Structural Funds etc.

Knowledge and Innovation Communities

Joint Action on Chronic Diseases and Healthy Ageing (28 countries + 5 networks)

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Council Conclusions on nutrition and physical activity (Luxembourg, 20 June 2014)

High level conferences (e-Health, Gastein Forum, Conference of Partners, Frailty and Adherence Conferences, EUPHA, Chronic Diseases Summit)



Thank you for your attention!

European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing

http://ec.europa.eu/active-healthy-ageing

DG SANCO

http://ec.europa.eu/health

Horizon 2020

http://ec.europa.eu/research/horizon2020