

International Symposium Challenges on Active Ageing

Workshop Leuven- Málaga Active Ageing

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Resumen

Presentación del Workshop Leuven Málaga que se celebró durante el pasado mes de marzo y que sirvió de prólogo al International Symposium Challenges on Active Ageing.

Este Workshop y el Congreso fueron organizados por la Facultad de Estudios Sociales y del Trabajo de la Universidad de Málaga, dentro de los actos del Año Europeo del Envejecimiento Activo y la Solidaridad Internacional. La RevistaeSalud.com ha querido apoyar este evento publicando los abstracts y resúmenes de las principales conferencias y convirtiéndose en el medio oficial de este Simposium.

Introduction

The History of a common adventure

This First Symposium will be the result of the celebration of three main events in the Social Studies School. One of them is the celebration as FEST of the fifth edition of the Workshop- Leuven Málaga.

This Workshop was enacted in 2008, with the participation of students and professors from KHL in Leuven and FEST in the University of Málaga, and has attracted during all these years students and professors from different universities belonging to SOCNET.

The spirit of this Erasmus academic mobility was to strengthen the link among universities centers which are developing similar program of studies and enrich mutually on the process of learning and researching in different topics of Social Studies, and Social Work in particular.

When the project began in the University of Málaga in april 2008, the expectations were high. Each year we propose students to develop a presentation, in different groups, regarding a topic which is of mutual interest of which can be of special significance for the European Union.

Therefore, the topics so far had been: Resilience (first year), social , Good practices (second year), Fight against social exclusion (third year), and Volunteering in Social Work (four year).

This fifth year is a special moment to consolidate this initiative which has moved in these past years more than 200 students that's why from the Social Studies Faculty we have create this space in the spirit of the celebration of the EUROPEAN YEAR OF ACTIVE AGING, to promote that the fifth edition of the Workshop- Leuven, will be on the same topic as the International Week developed in Aprill, that's :

"Challenges on Active Aging"

It's fair to recognize at this point the significance contribution of the Students of the degree of Social Work at the University of Málaga and at KHL (all of them in their specific field), without them this initiative would't have been as successful as it's today. Also, the support from the Spanish and Leuven Dean offices respectively (specially Deans: Francisco Manuel Montalbán Peregrín at the Social Studies Faculty, UMA and Imran Uddin at the KHL, Leuven), to the believing that international practices contributes to improve the

quality of teaching for students, and the always warm support of the professors involved in these initiative from it's starting point (Specially to Maurits Wymans, Veerle Staepels, and Katrien Meireman from KHL and to Mariola Palma García , Carlos Gallego , and lately Veronica Martín Cristauro at UMA).

When New degrees to implement the Bolonia Process are taking place in both institutions the results on this field coming for the Workshop developed all these year it's spectacular.

That's why this fifth edition of the Workshop we want specially to celebrate the aniversario of this starting project, one afternoon in a european city , in the year 2008. To do this well wil effort in disseminate the project , the outcomes and all the previous work that have followed before this point , and that today, five years later, in 2012 can be presented to you.



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