

## Questionnaire for opinion poll

This questionnaire was created as part of the Erasmus+ Partnership “Ways to enhance active aging through volunteering - WEActiveVol” developed by partners from Poland, France, Lithuania, Hungary, Romania, Slovakia. The general objective of this project is to strengthen the volunteering among the over 50 people. This survey is part of the project and is aimed to identify the barriers for volunteering and to recognize any further training needs of people over 50. The results of the survey will be shared and discussed among the project partners. The survey is anonymous.

Background information:

- 1. Number of people (professional staff) actually working in organization:**
- 2. Number of volunteers actually working in organization:**
- 3. How long has your organization been involving people over 50 into volunteering? (in years)**
- 4. Type of organization:**
  - a) Nongovernmental
  - b) Public organization/institution
  - c) Private organization
  - d) Other (please, specify): .....
- 5. Area you work in:**
  - a) Art and culture
  - b) Sport
  - c) Hobbies and recreation
  - d) Education and research
  - e) Health care
  - f) Social services for children, youth, and family
  - g) Children and youth organization
  - h) Social services for people with disabilities/seniors
  - i) Social services for other target groups
  - j) Prevention, emergency situations, help in humanitarian crises and natural disasters
  - k) Environmental protection
  - l) Community and housing development
  - m) Advocacy
  - n) Politics
  - o) Support of charity, philanthropy, and volunteering
  - p) International cooperation
  - q) Religious and church-related activities
  - r) Professional organizations, chambers, associations, trade unions
- 6. Please describe briefly your experiences with involving people over 50 in volunteering?**
- 7. What do you think are strengths and weaknesses of people over 50 regarding involvement in volunteering?**

**8. What are the basic conditions that should be met by an organization that would like to start to cooperate with volunteers over 50?**

**9. What do you think which sources are most effective to inform people about volunteering and volunteer opportunities? (you can choose more options)**

- a) Volunteer centre
- b) Friends, relatives
- c) Active volunteers
- d) Employee of organization
- e) Webpage about volunteering
- f) Facebook
- g) Organization webpage
- h) Employer
- i) State/municipality office
- j) Newspapers, magazine
- k) Television
- l) Radio
- m) Leaflet, promotion material
- n) Public discussion, workshop, presentation
- o) Other (please, specify): .....

**10. What should an organization do, if it wants to retain volunteers over 50 for a long-term support?**

**11. In your opinion and according to your experience what are the main reasons why people over 50 start to volunteer? (you can choose more options)**

- a) They want to improve things, help people
- b) The cause is important to them
- c) They have time to spare
- d) They want to meet people, make friends
- e) They want to give something back
- f) They want to be connected with their interests/hobbies
- g) They are already involved with organization
- h) They want to get a recognized qualification
- i) They had received voluntary help
- j) It can help them get on in their career
- k) There is nobody else who can do it
- l) It is part of their religious belief
- m) They want to learn new skills
- n) Their friends/family did it
- o) It is part of their philosophy of life
- p) They want to use existing skills
- q) They feel need in the community
- r) It is connected to family/friends' interests
- s) They want to feel useful
- t) Other (please, specify): .....

**12. In your opinion and according to your experience what are the main limitations and barriers for people over 50 to start volunteer or to engage more in volunteering? (you can choose more options)**

- a) Nobody ask them for help
- b) They don't know how to start
- c) They don't have a free time

- d) They have health problems / issues
- e) They cannot make a long-term commitment
- f) They have a feeling that their help is not needed
- g) They are not interested
- h) They have difficult situation in work
- i) They have difficult situation in the family
- j) They prefer to give financial support
- k) They have a problem with transport
- l) They are dissatisfied with previous volunteering experience
- m) They think, they don't have the right skills/experience
- n) They are worried they will have to pay some additional costs
- o) They are worried they wouldn't fit in with other people involved
- p) They have a feeling they are too old
- q) Their family/partner wouldn't want them to volunteering
- r) Other (please, specify): .....

Thank you for your time.

In case you are interested in the outcomes of this survey, please, provide us with your contact information (e-mail address): .....

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