

Active Ageing Index in the wider EU policy perspective

Peer Review

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Active Ageing Index (AAI) aims

AAI is aimed to serve as an evidence tool

- to monitor (and compare) active ageing outcomes at different levels: international, national, and subnational
- to indicate the untapped potential of older people for more active participation in economic and social life and for independent living
- to promote a more active role and greater autonomy of older people in ageing societies

for mutual learning and advocacy of most appropriate policy measures





AAI policy context

- Ageing populations and budgetary constraints
- European Year 2012 demonstrating potential of older persons:
 - Employment
 - Social participation
 - Independent living

WHO Ageing concept

 Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing (MIPAA) and 2012 Vienna Ministerial Declaration on Ageing





Broader EU Policy framework

- Europe 2020 Strategy
- White Paper on Pensions (2011)
- European Commission Communication on Social Investment Package (2013)
 - Staff Working Document (SWD) on Long-term care
 - Staff Working Document (SWD) on Investing in health

Europe 2020

3 interlinked priorities



Smart growth

developing economy based on knowledge & innovation



Sustainable growth

promoting more efficient, greener & more competitive economy



Inclusive growth

fostering high-employment economy delivering social & territorial cohesion

Europe 2020

5 EU headline targets

to be translated into national targets

	by 2020	current level
employment rate as % of 20-64y, pop,	75%	69%
R&D investment as % of EU GDP	3%	2%
tertiary degree attainment	>40%	34%
early school leavers	<10%	14%
social inclusion fight against poverty	20 million out of poverty	114 mio
energy efficiency	+20%	

Europe 2020

7 flagship initiatives supporting the targets

Smart Growth	Sustainable Growth	Inclusive	
Innovation Innovation Union	Climate, energy & mobility	Employment & skills	
Education Youth on the move	Resource efficient Europe	An agenda for new skills & jobs	
Digital society A digital agenda for Europe	Competitiveness An industrial policy for the globalisation era	Fighting poverty European platform against poverty	



White Paper on Pensions (2011)

- An agenda for adequate, safe and sustainable pensions
- Staying longer in employment
- Saving more through supplementary pension schemes
- Addressing gender pension gap



Social investment approach (2013)

- Increase the sustainability and adequacy of budgets for social policies
- Pursue activating and enabling policies and provide adequate livelihoods
- Invest across the life course and make use of "untapped" potential
- Innovate and reform social policy based on evidence
- Streamline monitoring, governance and information





AAI First phase

January 2012 —February 2013

- managed jointly by UNECE and EC DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion
- undertaken by a team of researchers of the European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research in Vienna (ECV)
- advised by an Expert Group on AAI bringing together academics, civil society representatives and policymakers
- major output 2012 AAI results for 27 EU countries





Policy brief



Introducing the Active Ageing Index

Policy brief



Employment, Social Affairs & Inclusion Introducing the Active Ageing Index



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Second phase: AAI-II

October 2013 — December 2015

Further research

- Geographical extension of AAI
- Retrospective calculation of AAI
- Calculation of the next wave of the index
- Pilot studies in non-EU UNECE countries
- Contextual analysis of the results

Outreach to stakeholders

- Policymakers
- Academic community
- Civil society

Communication

- Maintaining and updating of AAI Wiki
- Data visualisation
- Presentations at conferences & forums
- Other means of dissemination
- Discussion forum



Expectations of this Peer Review

- Is there an "appetite" for the use of the AAI?
- Indication for how to develop the AAI in the future to make it more relevant at national and regional level;



Active Ageing Index next steps

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Project team and timeline

- European Commission DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion and UNECE — joint management
- Research consultant: Professor Asghar Zaidi + University of Southampton, United Kingdom
- Advised by the Expert Group on Active Ageing Index
- Timeline: October 2013 December 2015





Key activities

- Further research
- Outreach to stakeholders
- Communication activities



Further research

- Geographical extension of 2012 AAI
 - Calculation of the index for Croatia (new EU Member State)
 - Calculations for Iceland, Norway, Switzerland
 - Pilot studies in non-EU UNECE countries: Turkey and Serbia
- Retrospective calculation of the index
- Calculation of the next wave of the index
- Contextual analysis of the results



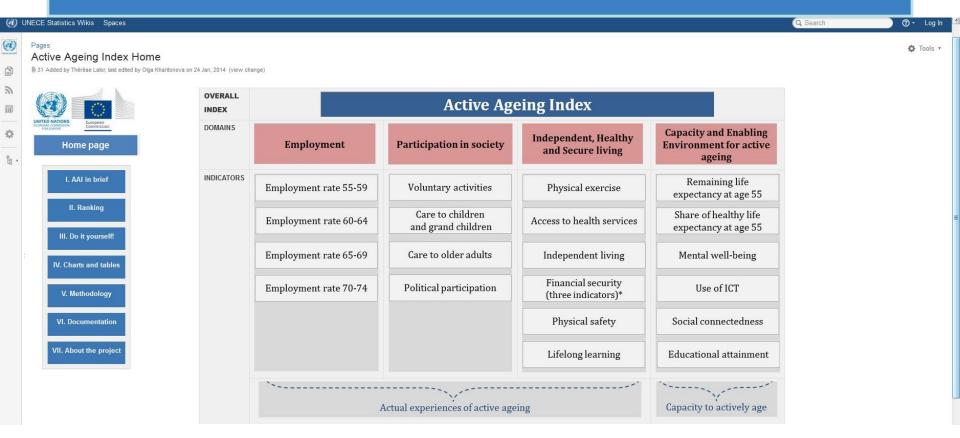
Outreach to stakeholders

- Dialogue with Stakeholders: use of AAI for evidence– based policy making – 14th November in Brussels
- Call for Papers International Seminar 16–17 April 2015 in Brussels
- Possibility to organize a national seminar
- Promote AAI within EU funded projects and initiatives
 - Comprehensive strategies for active ageing
 - European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing (EIP-AHA)





AAI Wiki



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For more information

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