VINTAGE – Valorisation of INnovative Technologies for AGing in Europe

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V.IN.T.AG.E aims to propose innovative solutions to make ICT more accessible and attractive, promoting benefits to the quality of life and independence of the elderly from ICT in partner countries, as well as including local stakeholders from different fields of the society in order to create a European network which might exploit project results even in the future, in different European countries facing new needs and problems.

Equipping senior citizens with the skills that they need in order to cope with change and remain active in society will be the core objective of the project and will be achieved by setting up favourable conditions in order to overcome the most common barriers and also more specific problems linked to different geographical locations and particular disadvantages.

The first activity which will be undertaken by the partnership is an extensive social research in order to collect and compare information at European level directly coming from the main target of the project: senior citizens.

The training courses for elderly people will be organized within a wider initiative which will involve public authorities and private companies, as well as volunteering associations and adult education providers, Universities of the Third Age and local media. In fact, for the success of the project, it is necessary to implement an awareness raising campaign in each partner country, so as to promote a positive attitude on the part of local stakeholders towards the set up of an integrated system based on social solidarity, environment protection and digital inclusion of firstly senior citizens, and then other marginalized groups.

Other specific and transversal objectives of the project:

- the organization of an international workshop for trainers active in the field of adult education

- the recovery and upgrade of obsolete hardware devices, the consequent reduction of dismantling costs and the protection of the environment

- the promotion of open source software in all spheres of the civil society