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# Teaching Basic Digital Competences for Seniors



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## The context

The development of digital competences is important not only for active users currently at younger ages, but also for the seniors' use in various areas of their life, so as they may handle more effectively various kinds of challenges.

The widespread integration of the Internet into everyday lives has changed the way we communicate, as the use of digital technologies became part of daily based services: from online shopping, to arranging for social meetings, learning new things or paying bills. While young people are used to new technologies, and Internet, seniors can be left behind and sometimes marginalized when it comes to technical innovation.

## The project

Our project will start on 11.12.2017 and end on 10.12.2019. With this project, our institutions aim to develop and implement innovation in the field of digital literacy, which is our actual need, by producing quality and concrete learning outputs for elderly citizens over 55 years old.

The targeted group are European seniors from six European countries (Turkey, Lithuania, Romania, Bulgaria, Croatia and Greece) who lack basic digital competences.

## Why do we need this project?

The researches we have done during the project preparation phase show that, in general, the projects and practices previously applied in this area do not take into account the pedagogical and psychosocial aspects of these people, as they are intended for the elderly as a general group, and are not targeted individually and locally.

## What's new?

Basically, in this project, there will be 2 innovations which will be developed on this target group.

The first one is 'a flexible teaching method' that will be tailored according to age and target group, using a pedagogical and psychological approach.

The second one, will be an 'interactive smart application' that can be downloaded onto desktop computers, mobile telephones and tablets that people of all ages can easily understand, tailored to their interests and needs.

## Other activities

- 5 transnational project meetings will be organized in 5 participating countries;
- 2 short teaching/training programs will be organised for staff members participating within the project
- 2 multiplier events based on the results will be organized;
- 120 seniors will be trained in their own countries, results will be assessed and tested and dissemination activities will be organized.

## The benefits for the seniors

- The joy of learning new things at this age is really good for their minds
- They can meet new people or stay in touch with their families abroad
- They can learn how to manage an account or how to use Facebook
- They can learn to stay safe on the Internet