

Fakulteta za družbene vede Univerze v Ljubljani je članica mednarodnega projekta PAAR-Net.

Ponosni smo, da smo del PAAR-Net: Participatory Approaches with Older Adults (Participativni pristopi s starimi ljudmi), mednarodne raziskovalne mreže, ki jo podpira COST Action (CA22167) in koordinira Jagellonska univerza v Krakovu.

PAAR-Net se posveča ponovnemu razmišljanju o vključevanju starejših odraslih v raziskave, oblikovanje politik in praks. Projekt spodbuja vizijo znanosti, ki je vključujoča, sodelovalna in usmerjena v ljudi – znanost za ljudi, s pomočjo ljudi.

S spodbujanjem participatornih pristopov s starimi ljudmi PAAR-Net želi doseči, da bodo starajoče se družbe bolj pravične, vključujoče in trajnostne. Neposredno vključevanje starih ljudi pomaga zagotoviti, da politike, raziskave in storitve odražajo njihove resnične potrebe, izkušnje in pričakovanja. To vodi do učinkovitejših rezultatov in spodbuja socialno pravičnost in enakost za stare ljudi v različnih kulturah in državah.

Glavni cilj PAAR-Net je zapolniti vrzel med akademskim raziskovanjem in oblikovanjem konkretnih politik s spodbujanjem skupnega ustvarjanja znanja s starimi ljudmi. Mreža, ki jo vodita dr. Anna Urbaniak z Jagellonske univerze v Krakovu (predsednica akcije) in dr. Anna Wanka z Univerze na Dunaju (podpredsednica akcije), vključuje več kot 400 raziskovalcev iz več kot 40 držav, ki sodelujejo pri:

- organizaciji mednarodnih dogodkov, vključno z izobraževalnimi delavnicami in srečanji za izmenjavo znanja;
- podpori kratkoročnim znanstvenim obiskom;
- dodeljevanju štipendij za neodvisne raziskave in udeležbo na konferencah;
- pripravi znanstvenih publikacij, političnih poročil in gradiv, ki so nastala v sodelovanju s starimi ljudmi.

Delo PAAR-Net je razdeljeno na štiri ključna področja:

1. Zdravje, oskrba in podpora;
2. Skupnost in prostor;
3. Tehnologija in inovacije;
4. Sinteza in standardi kakovosti za participativno raziskovanje.

Akcija vključuje tudi forum mladih raziskovalcev in inovatorjev ter skupino starih soustvarjalcev, kar zagotavlja močno vključenost tako nastajajočih znanstvenikov kot tudi starih odraslih samih.

Raziskovalci, strokovnjaki in profesionalci z ustreznim znanjem so vabljeni, da se pridružijo PAAR-Net. Če se vaše delo nanaša na participativne pristope in katero koli od osrednjih področij akcije, vas vabimo, da se vključite.

Za več podrobnosti in informacije o tem, kako se pridružiti, obiščite uradno spletno stran projekta: <https://paar-net.eu/>

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We are proud to be part of PAAR-Net: Participatory Approaches with Older Adults, an international research network supported by COST Action (CA22167) and coordinated by Jagiellonian University in Kraków.

PAAR-Net is dedicated to rethinking how older adults are involved in research, policymaking, and practice. The project promotes a vision of science that is inclusive, collaborative, and people-centered—science for the people, by the people.

By encouraging participatory approaches with older adults, PAAR-Net aims to make ageing societies more fair, inclusive, and sustainable. Involving older adults directly helps ensure that policies, research, and services reflect their real needs, experiences, and hopes. This leads to more effective outcomes and promotes social justice and equity for older adults across different cultures and countries.

The main goal of PAAR-Net is to close the gap between academic research and real-world policymaking by promoting co-produced knowledge with older adults. The network led by dr hab. Anna Urbaniak from Jagiellonian University in Kraków (Action Chair) and dr Anna Wanka from the University of Vienna (Action Vice Chair) includes over 400 researchers from more than 40 countries, working together to:

- * Host international events, including training schools and knowledge exchange meetings;
- * Support short-term scientific visits;
- * Award grants for independent research and conference participation;
- * Produce scientific publications, policy briefs, and materials co-created with older adults.

PAAR-Net's work is organised into four key focus areas:

1. Health, Care & Support;
2. Community & Place;
3. Technology & Innovation;
4. Synthesis & Quality Standards for Participatory Research.

The initiative also includes a Young Researchers and Innovators Forum and an Older Co-Creators Group, ensuring strong involvement from both emerging scholars and older adults themselves.

Researchers, practitioners, and professionals with relevant expertise are welcome to join PAAR-Net. If your work relates to participatory approaches and any of the project's focus areas, we encourage you to get involved.

For more details and to learn how to join, visit the official project website:

<https://paar-net.eu/>