

NASLOV PROJEKTA: Older People and Technological Innovations - OPT-in

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VSEBINA PROJEKTA:

V zadnjih 20 letih imajo računalnik, internet in mobilna telefonija, osrednjo vlogo pri komuniciranju in si izmenjevanju informacij med ljudmi. Medtem, ko je veliko starejših že sprejelo novosti na področju IKT v vsakdanjem življenju, se pobude za pomoč uporabnikom ponavadi pojavijo potem, ko je izdelek že izdelan in s tem je področje uporabe že vnaprej določeno. Poleg tega so izobraževanje, s ciljem povečati družbeno uporabo novih tehnologij, najpogosteje izvajajo v klasični učilnici, kjer učitelj vodi izobraževanje. OPT-in projekt pa je analiziral ustreznost obstoječih pedagoških pristopov ter predstavil najboljše metode, ki omogočajo uporabnikom, da spoznajo in pričnejo z uporabo novih tehnologij v vsakdanjem življenju.

Natančneje je projektna skupina raziskala, ali učenje, ki temelji na samo-usmerjeni interakciji in podpori delovanja lahko:

- poveča možnosti za starejše in njihove spremljevalce, da sodelujejo z obstoječimi, novimi in nastajajočimi tehnologijami,
- ustvarja nova spoznanja in aplicira obstoječe, nove in nastajajoče tehnologije.

Cilji partnerstva so torej povečanje:

- zaupanja starejših in spremljevalcev za uporabo različnih tehnologij v vsakdanjem življenju,
- priložnosti za starejše, da sodelujejo z obstoječimi, novimi in nastajajočimi tehnologijami,
- uporabe tehnologije kot medija, ki povečuje možnosti starejših, da so aktivni v lokalni, nacionalni, evropski in globalni družbi.

PROJECT CONTENT

Over the last 20 years computers, the internet and mobile phones have taken a central role in changing how people communicate and share information. Whilst many older people have adopted ICT innovations in their everyday lives, initiatives aimed at helping people understand and use new technologies usually occur after the product has been designed and the area of application pre-determined. In addition, education aimed at increasing societal use of new technologies, have most commonly used classroom-based and teacher-led programs of learning. This pan-European lifelong learning project will, however, question whether existing pedagogic approaches are the best way of enabling people to learn about and use new technologies in their everyday lives.

More specifically the project team explored whether learning based on self-directed interaction and supported engagement can:

- enhance the opportunities for older people and their supporters, to engage with existing, new and emerging technologies,
- generate new insights and applications of existing, new and emerging technologies.

The objectives of the partnership are therefore to increase the:

- confidence of older people and workers to use diverse technologies in daily life,
- opportunities for older people and their supporters to engage with existing, new and emerging technologies,
- use of technology as a medium that enhances older peoples' opportunities to be fully engaged citizens in local, national, European and global society.

Link:

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