

The Hungarian Seniors 55+ eServices Guide to be published

Following the Slovenian Seniors +55 eServices Guide both in content and in format, CESCOI compiled the Hungarian version of the online brochure. The document includes information regarding those organisations and authorities whose activities and services are important for Seniors above an age of 55. These are national authorities, advocacy organisations, service providers in the field of employment, life-long learning (e.g. Senior Academies) and consultancy addressing elderly people. In each case, the Guide contains a brief description on the institution/organisation in question and provides their contacts.



[Central European Service for Cross-Border Initiatives](#) (CESCI) is a Budapest-based association promoting cross-border cooperation and mutual trust building in Central and Southeast Europe. CESCI was established in 2009 and it involves 52 members which predominantly are local and regional authorities but also professional organisations and natural persons take part in its activities. CESCI is active in border studies (research), cross-border planning, programming and programme evaluation, project and institutional development, national and EU level policy making and dissemination and knowledge sharing.

In the above context the association provides its support for peripheral remote border areas in Central and Southeast Europe characterised by dramatic outmigration and ageing tendencies. In these regions our association promotes the initiatives supporting the elderly people living there. But the major motivation for publishing the Guide was the encouraging attitude of one the member of our Board, namely professor emeritus Jože Gričar who is a committed advocate of seniors and their services.

Our Guide is a mutation of the Slovenian Guide. However, the share of information is necessary also in a cross-border context. For this purpose, we organise the [Szentgotthárd/Monošter forum](#) on a yearly basis convening experts from both Slovenia and Hungary to the city where the largest Slovenian minority lives in Hungary. The forums organised since 2012 have had diverging topics from agriculture and tourism to innovation technologies. In 2022, the central topic will be silver economy and elderly care. It is even more actual because the two governments agreed upon the launching of a joint cross-border development fund designed to support the Hungarians living in Slovenia and the Slovenes living in Hungary along the shared border. The fund (whose documents have been developed by the CESC team) will be financed equally by the two governments and one of its priorities concerns silver economy development and integrated elderly care services.