

Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, April 21, 2021

Time: 5:00-7:00 pm

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Organization and Minutes: Heinrich C. Mayr, Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt

Agenda:

1. Welcome to the meeting; *H.C. Mayr*
2. Short presentation of the participants
3. On the periphery or actively involved? Contribution to the European Commission's public consultation. Green Paper on Aging: Fostering solidarity and responsibility between generations. University of Maribor Centre for Professors Emeriti and Retired Higher Education Teachers. *Prof. Dr. Lučka Lorber, em. Prof. Dr. Jože Gričar*
4. The „Seniorstudium liberale“ at Alpen-Adria-Universität Klagenfurt; A joint educational offer from Klagenfurt higher education institutions to elderly people; *em. O.Univ.Prof. Dr. Paul Kellermann*
5. The Role and Goals of the European Association of Professors Emeriti; *em. Prof. Natale Gaspare De Santo, MD, President*
6. A Group of Signatories: Minister of Seniors Appointment. Position Paper; *em. Prof. Dr. Jože Gričar*
7. Discussion
8. Conclusions

Ad AI 3:

Prof. Dr. Lučka Lorber and Prof. Dr. Jože Gričar present the paper on “Green Paper on Aging¹”, which has been developed at the University of Maribor. At its core, it is about promoting "active citizens" in the sense of "active aging" and their quality of life - a cultural and social concern that governments have to take care of. The paper was sent to the Slovenian government and to the EU Commission.

¹ https://ec.europa.eu/info/sites/default/files/1_en_act_part1_v8_0.pdf

Reactions and contributions to the discussion from the group of participants are welcome.

A project application to the EU is also being considered, once the corresponding call is open: "Learn, Connect, Communicate, Exchange Knowledge and Help about how to use Internet & Technology".

Ad AI 4:

Prof. Kellermann presents the history, the objectives, the successes and challenges of the "Seniorstudium Liberale²", which has been offered at the University of Klagenfurt for more than 10 years in cooperation with other post-secondary educational institutions in Carinthia.

Ad AI 5:

Prof. Natale Gaspare De Santo informs about the aims and the role of the European Association of Professors Emeriti by means of a set of slides. He refers in particular to a number of important publications concerning the "Human Capital of Age", and to the first congress of the Association, which took place in Athens in 2019. A key objective is to counteract discrimination against old age and old people.

Ad AI 6:

Prof. Dr. Jože Gričar briefly explains the intention and content of the paper, which calls on the Slovenian government to establish a Ministry for Seniors.

Ad AI 7:

As there had already been very intensive discussions in the context of the individual agenda items, the discussion here focuses on the objective of drafting a paper against age discrimination, which is to be disseminated in all participating 17 countries and in the EU.

Ad AI 8:

The next meeting of the group will be held on [June 2, 2021, 17:00-19:00 CET](#). Introduction to the meeting's topic by [Dr. Lucija Čok, Professor Emerita](#), Former Rector, [University of Primorska](#), Slovenia.

The September meeting will be organized by Prof. Tamás Kozma at the University of Debrecen.

² <https://www.aau.at/universitaetslehrgaenge/seniorstudium-liberale/>