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JPI More Years Better Lives and its SRA

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Analysis and background of Joint Programming

- National research programs may duplicate each other.
- This discourages internationally-oriented research actors.
- The lack of program collaboration makes it difficult to address common challenges jointly. It complicates the pooling of data, hinders cross-border researcher mobility and training, and slows down the international dissemination of research results.
- It also hampers pan-European strategic research agenda-setting.

Joint Programming

addresses at first **the programme owners** of the Member States,
is a **process driven by the European Member States.**



JPI “More Years, Better Lives”: an introduction

- The ageing of the European population is a thriving societal development that is not yet tackled appropriately. The lack of programme collaboration makes it difficult to address common challenges jointly.
- First European coordination efforts in (specific) sectors (e.g. ICT and Ageing) have been implemented successfully (e.g. in the Art. 185 AAL Joint Programme).
- The JPI - as a Member States driven activity - seeks to face, analyze and offer research-based possible solutions for the upcoming social and political problems, make use of the economic potentials and establish a positive, holistic vision for **“Ageing in Europe”**.



Aims of the JPI “More Years, Better Lives”

- **Better coordination** of national/regional and EU activities relevant for DC
- **Exchanging best practice, pooling of expertise/ financial resources and performing joint activities.**
- Understanding of the multi-faceted phenomenon DC by a **cross-disciplinary and holistic approach** and **make use of the economic potentials of an Ageing European society and establish a positive, holistic vision for “Ageing in Europe”.**
- Elaborate a **European Strategic Research Agenda (SRA)** to identify research gaps, implement joint activities and formulate recommendation to political stakeholders (science-driven approach).
- **Have an impact on National and EU Agenda Setting** (Horizon 2020)
- Assure **input from end-users** and take full account of **societal needs** (SOAB). Raise public awareness towards the DC.
- Provide an **open platform** for countries and relevant organisations within the EU and beyond (WHO, OECD, UN, etc.). Networking with relevant EU activities (JPIs, AAL-JP, EIP-AHA, and others)

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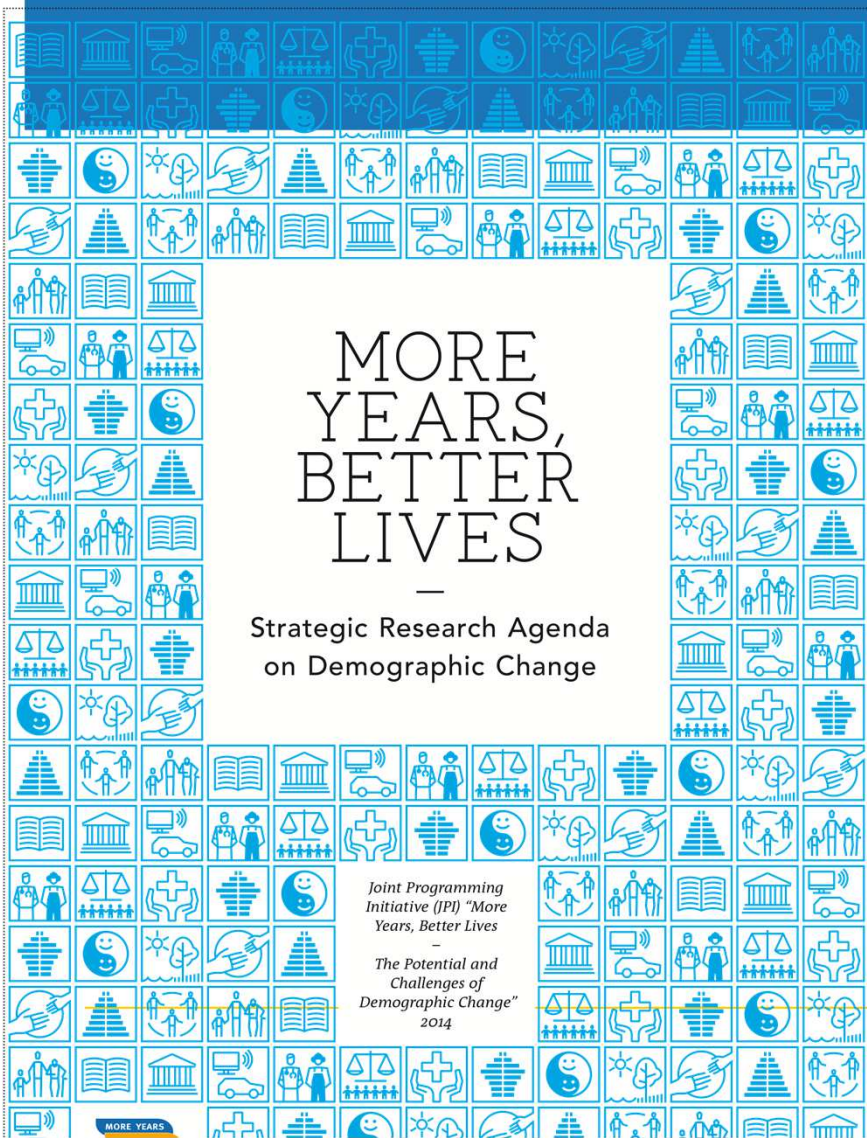
JOINT PROGRAMMING INITIATIVE „MORE YEARS, BETTER LIVES – THE POTENTIAL AND CHALLENGES OF DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE“

Members

**Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France,
Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland,
Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom.**

Observer

Turkey



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—
Strategic Research Agenda
on Demographic Change

*Joint Programming
Initiative (JPI) "More
Years, Better Lives
—
The Potential and
Challenges of
Demographic Change"
2014*

It **aims** to help all the participating countries, and other research funders like the European Commission, to **prioritise and design research activity related to demographic change.**

It was produced in discussion between the representatives of the participating states, the national research bodies, five transnational working groups of scientific experts, and representatives of European stakeholder groups. We were also informed by policy documents of the United Nations, and the European Union, and by previous research work, notably by the Futureage project, and the European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing.



The Strategic Research Agenda

Four research domains

Quality of Life, Health and Wellbeing (How to ensure the best possible quality of life for all people, throughout their lives (including the final stages), recognising the diversity of individual circumstances and aspirations).

Economic and Social Production (How can economic and social production be maintained across the extended lifespan in ways that are sustainable, equitable, and efficient in the use of human and technical resources?)

Governance and Institutions (How might institutions and decision-making processes need to change, at all levels from local to European, to meet emerging needs and to ensure that all citizens can be full participants in decisions affecting their lives as the normal life course extends?)

Sustainable Welfare (How is it possible to secure adequate levels of social welfare for all people, as the age balance of the population changes, and the proportion who are economically inactive grows?)

Welfare systems, in the broad sense, have evolved differently in different countries, but all will be challenged by demographic change).



The Strategic Research Agenda

Eleven research topics

1. Quality of life, wellbeing and health
2. Learning for later life
3. Social and economic production
4. Participation
5. Ageing and place
6. A new labour market
7. Integrating policy
8. Inclusion and equity
9. Welfare models
10. Technology for living
11. Research infrastructure



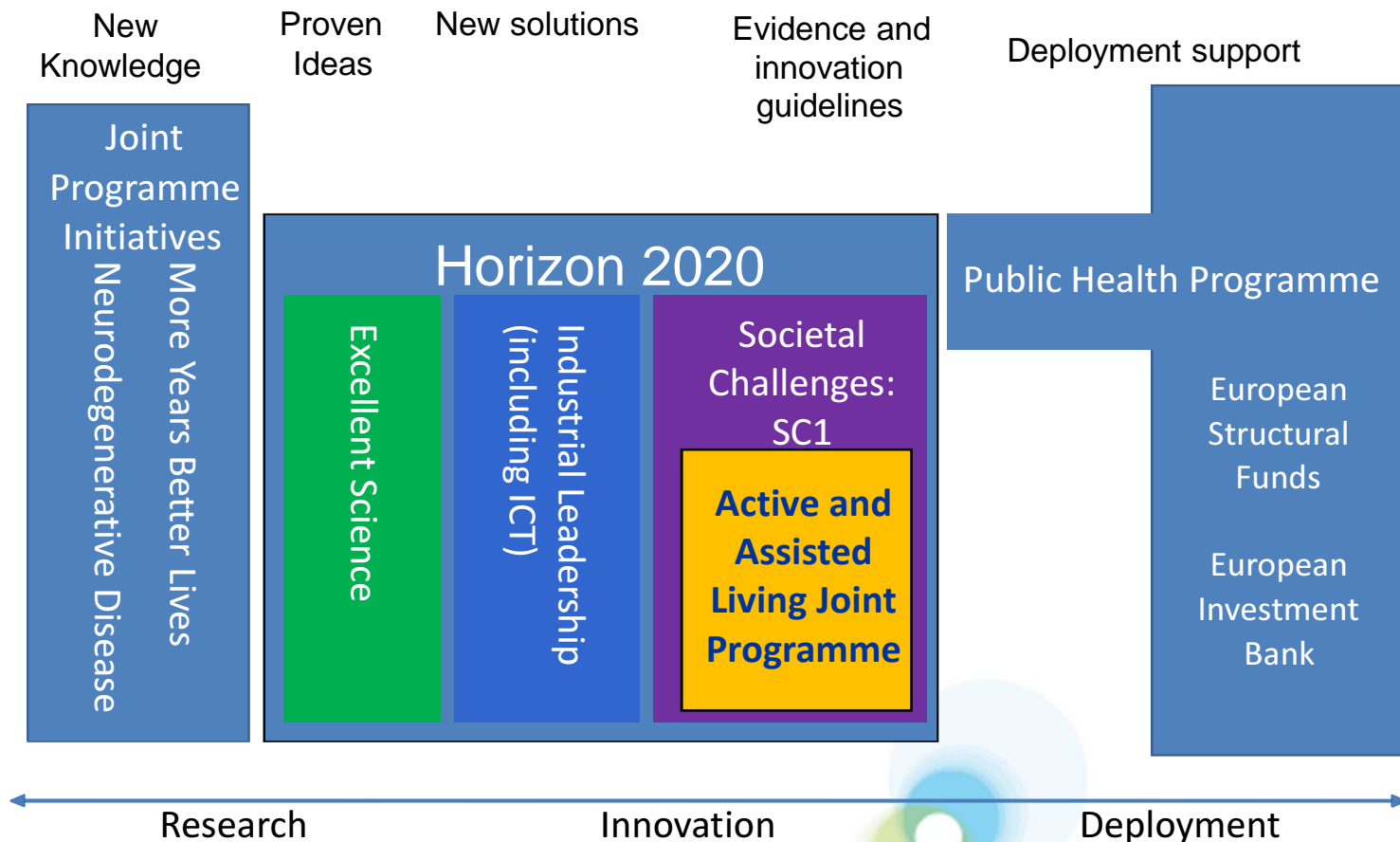
10. Technology for living. To explore how existing and emerging technologies can better contribute to the quality of life, contribution, and social engagement of people of all ages.

11. Research infrastructure. To support researchers and institutions in developing interdisciplinary methodologies and expertise; to undertake systematic reviews on demographic issues; and to improve the quality and accessibility of data to support demographic research.



AAL JP Positioning in the near future

Active and Healthy Ageing Partnership

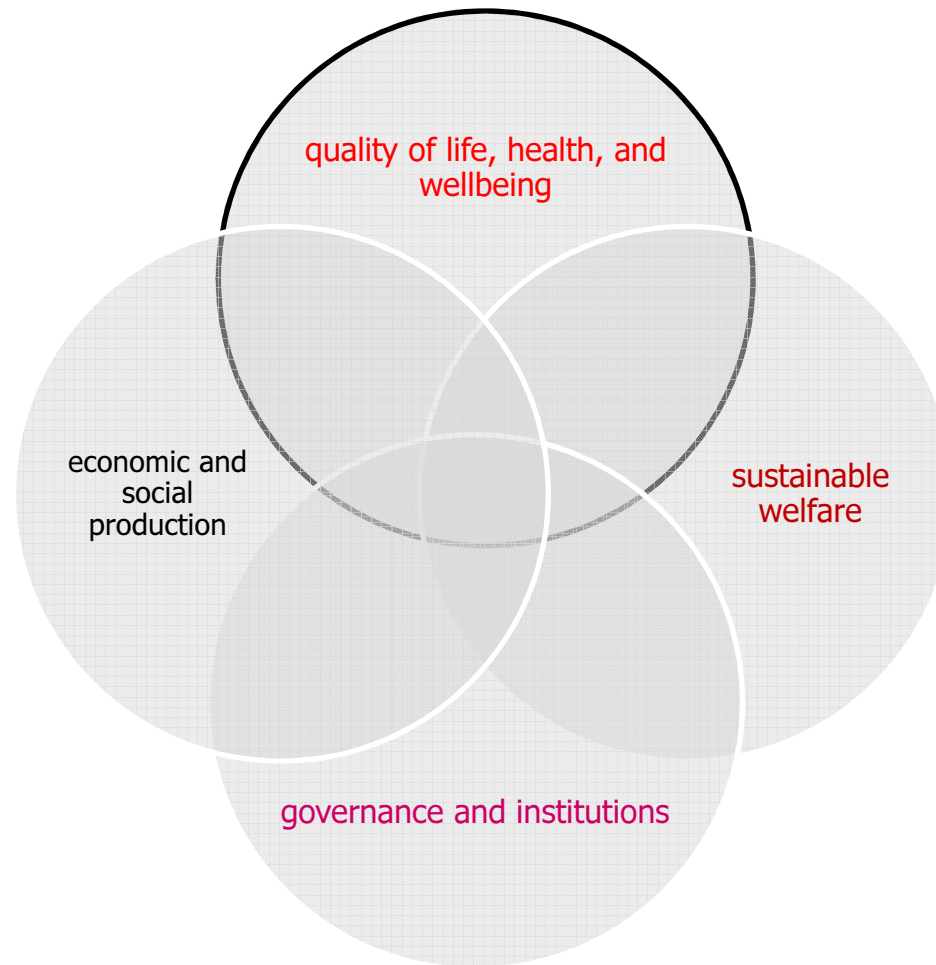




JP MYBL Strategic Research Agenda (draft for National consultations)



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Is it possible a collaboration between AAL-2 and JP MYBL?

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- ***AAL** and **JP MYBL** have some differences regarding the composition of countries and funding bodies endorsed to represent them,*

but

- ***AAL** may serve as an instrument for funding some topics of the Strategic Research Agenda (SRA) of **JP MYBL**.*

Built by

- The Autonomy of the two parties in **mutual trust**.
- Mutually agreed and worked thorough and worked by the respective constituencies .



*Some potential areas for collaboration
between AAL-2 and JP MYBL
(according to SRA draft) [I]*

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Securing wellbeing and healthy ageing (p12)

- specific models which respond to this new problem are urgently needed .

Developing appropriate technologies (p12)

- communication technologies can reduce the isolation of those who are no longer mobile.

Improving living conditions (p13)

- Communities also need to be designed to encourage social interaction, and make it easy for those with limited mobility to engage socially with a wider community, in whatever way they would choose.



*Some potential areas for collaboration
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Sustainable Welfare. *Key topics*

- **How best to integrate social and health policy to deliver the most effective and efficient solutions? (p31)**
 - How can the potential contribution of informal services to the welfare of older people be developed? (p32)

Governance and Institutions (p34). *Key topics*

- How can we achieve better integration between services providing health and social care (p35)
- What are the implications for older people of the spread of information technologies? (p35)

Institutional capacity building (p42)

- Transnational, comparative and interdisciplinary research may call for new forms of organisation and institution



Joint Programming Initiative

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The Potential and Challenges of Demographic Change

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Science with and for Society
Memory: To Know, To Preserve, To Share

Rome, 17th - 19th

November 2014

JPI-Neurodegenerative Disease/Alzheimer's
JPI-More Years, Better Lives
JPI-Cultural Heritage
Art. 185 Ambient Assisted Living

The aim of this conference is to showcase the achievements that are being pursued in the context of three European Joint Research Initiatives and one Article 185 project. This common effort is directed towards providing reflections, discussions and new tools for revitalizing fading memories due to disease, demographic change, catastrophes and armed conflict

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Thank you for your kind attention!

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