Senior´s Learning in the Digital Society

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Preliminary report

Information for the part Management and implementation

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I. Please describe the **current situation** in your project **what have been realised** and **what are you doing** in the project currently.

In the initial phase of the project, the UA collaborated in the development of the survey on the use of ICT by older people. Considering the results reflected in the report, it was considered appropriate to offer courses in the priority areas e-commerce and security, and in the use of tablets and smartphones. Nevertheless, the emergence of the pandemic revealed other needs and students and training staff were trained to work on online courses.

Although certain tasks required more time investment due to the pandemic, we think that we are adequately complying with the SELID plan of actions.

Currently there is an offer of 11 online or ICT-related courses underway

1. How many **people have been involved** in the project activities (organizer/staff, seniors, others)?

Staff members: 6 people – 1 project coordinator, 1 translator, 1 information technologies specialist, 1 project technician, 2 administrative supervisors.

2. Are there some **other institutions**, NGO, Clubs, firms, shops, etc. **involved in the project?**

ADICAE (Association of Banks, Savings Banks and Insurance Companies)

Venues and classrooms of the University of Alicante in different towns of the province

Club Euconet

3. Have you organised some **learning courses in ICT for seniors** – which are new from the total number; on which subjects, for how many seniors? (Please, compare, if you innovated your study offer)

Below is a list of courses on or using ICTs and the number of people enrolled. We have pointed out the courses that are new, either because they are specifically about ICTs or because of their use. Innovation accounts for a total of 43.5% of the total number of courses offered for the first semester of the academic year 2020-21.

Workshops:

- Rights and advice on internet shopping – 60 – New face-to-face
- Do you know how to pay with your smartphone?- 70 – New face-to-face
- Connect and learn at the UA - 31 – New online

On-line and ICT courses

2019-2020
- Acquisition of skills in new technologies (EUCONET) - 66
- History of the Crown of Aragon: myths, legends and historical realities – 29 – New online
- Introduction to Eastern knowledge: texts, mythology and practical wisdom in India – 17 – New online
- Elementary English IV – 17 – New online

2020-2021
- Elementary English I – 12 – New online
- Intermediate English I – 18 – New online
- From the earliest neolithic settlers of Alicante to the modernity: new interpretations – 16 – New online
- Alicante's natural parks: wetlands – 14 – New on-line
- Start to mindfulness for personal skills development - 12 – New online
- Muslims, Mudejars and Moors: the voices of Islam in history - 27 – New online
- Sepharad and the medieval Jews: traces and memories of a forgotten past – 33 – New online
- Making videos from your own photos and videos – 40 – New ICT and online
- Cities and empires of Greco-Roman antiquity - 23 – New online
- Make of your smartphone, tablet and social networks – 12 – New online
- Acquisition of skills in new technologies (EUCONET) - 24

4. Which **dissemination activities** you have realised, **for how many people** (for example: Newsletter, Flyer was distributed to the students groups, senior clubs. Project presented at some conferences, meetings, etc.).

- Newsletters: 1
- Distribution of flyers – 2.000
- Project presented at conferences and meetings - 20
- Press articles – 5
- Radio interviews - 3
- Posts – 8
- Streaming and youtube: 3
- Publicity of courses: 10

5. Do you have link/information about the **project on the University website** with the project information?

There are links in English, Spanish and Catalan.

https://web.ua.es/en/upua/projects/tabs/selid-senior-s-learning-in-the-digital-society.html

6. What is a **success in this phase of the project**?

We would like to highlight two situations that we consider a success in this phase of the project:

- the two e-commerce workshops, which were attended by 60 and 70 people respectively.

- The delivery of three on-line courses during the period of confinement imposed by the COVID epidemic, which were attended by a total of 63 people.

-The preparation, coordination and training of teachers for the online teaching

- The training of students: video-tutorials and UACloud seminars, which have meant that students are able now follow more online courses – 31 students.

7. How many **seniors filled in/replied on the project questionnaire**?

The questionnaire was completed online by 221 people.

II. How did you use the project **budget for the Management and implementation**? (Please, just briefly mention if for the personal costs, equipment, website, rooms, meetings, courses – lecturers, etc.).

The budget was used for buying some equipment (computer and screen), printing material for the courses and flyers, paying teachers.

III. Who has realised the project **monitoring in your institution** until now? (for example: project coordinator, head of the institution, National Agency....)

The project monitoring has been realised by the project coordinator

IV. Please **describe if you had some problems**, which is necessary to solve (besides/except the COVID situation).

The pandemic revealed the need of maintaining the training through online courses both for students with good technological skills and for those who do not have them. We also realised that the teaching staff were not prepared. So the effort has been made, on the one hand, to offer opportunities for all types of students to access online training (with support courses) and on the other to train teachers.

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