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## WELCOME TO THE TAKE CARE NEWSLETTER

It is the first edition where the aims and the objectives of the project are being presented while the first achievements such as the launch of the website and the completion of the research phase and the future work of the project are highlighted.

We hope that you will find it interesting! Share with us your questions and your thoughts about the TAKE CARE project!

## TAKE CARE PROJECT – GENERAL INFORMATION

Statistics show that the need for qualified nurses will increase crucially in the next years; nursing will be one of the biggest offers for employment. Yet, a great deal of studies shows the difficulties nurses are actually confronted with. Most healthcare professionals in developed countries blame their malaise not on a shortage of the latest technology, or insufficient training, or poor work environments.

Take Care started on the 1st of October 2013 and is a «Transfer of Innovation» LLP Multilateral project which is funded under the LifeLong Learning Programme

- Leonardo da Vinci programme. The Take Care project concerns all citizens, mostly professionals in the health sector, but also all people who need or will need care service. The project aims to enhance mobility of the learners and the professionals (ECVET) of the target sector. Take care will develop innovative training material in the three selected fields: Management, Health and Safety, Soft Skills. These areas correspond to the main difficulties encountered by the professionals. The innovative learning modules will be ICT based: Health and Safety regulations and Soft Skills training

adapted to the needs of the target group will be available as online training.

The European Take Care project will raise the competence level of professional groups, considering them as group at risk by ultimately developing a new professional profile endowed with innovative skills to face the main difficulties affecting this sector, as understaffing, high stress factors and high accident rates.

## ABOUT THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL PARTNER MEETING IN ROME



New skills in the area of HEALTH CARE



On 21-22 November 2013 the Kick-off Meeting of the Take Care project was organised in Rome by CIAPE – The Italian Centre for Permanent Learning.

These two working days gave to the partners the opportunity to know each

other, to focus on the project aims and tasks and to plan the next project steps.



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## STATE OF THE ART, NEEDS AND CONSTRAINS IN THE EUROPEAN HEALTH SECTOR

The current state of the caregivers sector with regard to occupational health and safety, education and qualifications, legal and organisational circumstances and the soft skills of caregivers was analysed in all partner countries.

The aim of this activity was to test in what soft skills caregivers should be equipped and provide. This part of the project proceeded in two stages:

1. Desk research - analyzing the current state of affairs based on the secondary data available in partner countries
2. Questionnaire research - analyzing the needs of medical institutions in the field of soft skills

The outputs of the first step - a desk research - gave information about:

- International best practices and main

evidence based advantages deriving from managing health care facilities in a Safe, Sustainability and HRM oriented way,

- Health and safety legislation on different national levels.

The questionnaire research, conducted in all partner countries allowed for the identification of:

- Main tasks/competencies needed by managers of health institutions, e.g. in order to perform daily tasks in terms of HR management and safe and sustainable practice implementation,
- Main problems faced by managers of health institutions, e.g. in order to perform daily tasks in terms of HR management and safe and sustainable practices implementation,
- Particular barriers faced by health institutions e.g. barriers that prevent

the adoption of a flexible strategy for upgrading skills and competencies in the European Health Sector

- Possible incentives that could motivate health institutions, e.g. to invest in training.

The results of the study were analyzed and summarized by the University of Social Sciences (PL) in a Final Report.

## LAUNCH OF THE OFFICIAL WEBSITE



The official website of TAKE CARE project was launched. The stakeholders will be able to have access to the project's products, to participate in forum and learn about the forthcoming events regarding the Health sector.

The website can be reached via: <http://www.takecare-project.eu>



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## TAKE CARE PRODUCTS

The project's main results will be:

- Innovative training material in three selected fields: Management, Health and Safety, Soft Skills;
- An e-handbook describing innovative management tools available in all partner languages;
- Innovative Health Service Certifications;
- European Qualification Framework of the Manager in the Health sector;
- An innovative Mobile Educational Game;
- National Specialization Seminars;
- Four (4) Newsletters;
- Final conference;

## INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROJECT IS NOW AVAILABLE IN ALL PARTNERS' WEBSITES

If you are interested in learning more about this project you visit the project forum:

<http://www.takecare-project.eu/forum/index.php>

Or you may contact a TAKE CARE representative in your country:

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