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International Interdisciplinary Network on Smart Healthy Age-friendly Environments

With researchers and stakeholders from all sectors.

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If people should age at their own homes, how to align technological development with the building industry for smart environments in terms of POLICY and FUNDING, enhancing a more efficient health care system that may add better quality for less investment?
STAKEHOLDERS NETWORK

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SMART HEALTHY AGE-FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENTS

BIG DATA

IoT

AI
A new concept was created since 2017, based on the desire to implement **Smart Healthy Age-Friendly Environments (SHAFE)** across Europe, fostering happier and healthier people in all communities. This idea took shape and became a solid movement.

SHAFE began as a Thematic Network, approved by the European Commission, with the ambition to draw policy makers, organisations and citizens’ attention to the need of better alignment between health, social care, built environments and ICT, both in policy and funding.

The conclusions of this extensive work in 2018, gathering over 160 organisations as partners, was delivered to the European Commission and Member States in a Joint Statement and a Framing Paper in December 2018.

After this, SHAFE evolved to a European **Stakeholders Network**, which is currently working to achieve better COOPERATION and IMPLEMENTATION, as the major challenges for this next period.
JOINT STATEMENT ON SMART HEALTHY AGE-FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENTS

A SHARED VISION

COOPERATION

COMMUNICATION

RESEARCH FOR
PREDICTION / PREVENTION

NEEDS

FUNDING / CONDITONS
FOR IMPLEMENTATION

CITIZEN
EMPOWERMENT
THE AIM

SHARED RESPONSABILITY ON COMMON GOOD

The challenges of different sectors, such as ICT, the building industry and urban planning and the health and social care, as well as those of citizens and their communities are interlinked.

Responding to these challenges will foster awareness and support for the creation and implementation of smart, healthy and inclusive environments for present and future generations that enable them to learn, grow, work, socialise and enjoy a healthy life, benefiting from the use of digital innovations, accessibility solutions and adaptable support models in the European context.

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WHAT'S MISSING?

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The main goal is to foster awareness and support the creation and implementation of smart, healthy indoor and outdoor environments for present and future generations.
Establishment of local or regional ecosystems to work on health & wellbeing in an age-friendly digital world.

With citizens, public authorities, businesses, NGOs and researchers.

They will be supported by 5 Working Groups.
More than 700 submissions were reviewed by a team of experts from United Nations entities and “SHAFE implemented through NET4Age-Friendly” was one of the recognized good practices.

Our COST Action International Interdisciplinary Network on Smart Healthy Age-friendly Environments (NET4Age-Friendly) is built upon the SHAFE concept and is exponentially increasing the networking, the dissemination and knowledge exchange among scientists, business, public, local administrations, policy makers, professionals, and citizens.

It brings an inspiring and fruitful new way of cooperation that fosters knowledge and promotes grassroot implementation at a broader scale, combining top-down and bottom-up perspectives.

The meaning and notion of SHAFE as a holistic approach that promotes the alignment of policies and strategies is a unique roadmap for the implementation in and across Europe.
Thank you!

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