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## “SENIOR – Learning throughout life” workshop

Multiplier event in Mărăsești, România

As a partner in the Erasmus+ project [Supporting Elderly Needs Is Our Responsibility](#) (SENIOR), [Voluntariat pentru viata](#) organized on the 3rd of July 2022 an event to present and disseminate the results of the project. The motto of the event was "learning throughout life", without age limit or social status. In this context, we shared the results and ideas collected for a more sustainable society with our guests who are part of the project's target groups: associations, companies, public institutions, authorized natural persons, who work with and for the elderly.

The event took place at the Marasesti Multifunctional Social Center and brought together 20 participants directly involved in activities with and for the elderly from Vrancea County, who can contribute to the development of active aging practices and the social inclusion of seniors. Thus, representatives of Voluntariat Pentru Viata collaborated with the invited partners.



Drăgan Daniel, project manager for Voluntariat pentru Viata gave a welcome speech in which he briefly presented the reasons why the community's active participation event is being held within the Erasmus+ program. He thanked everyone who promotes the SENIOR project and its results that have been developed with the other partners:

- [TEAM4Excellence](#), România
- [Voluntariat Pentru Viață](#), România
- [Asociația Deses-3](#), Spania
- [Instytut Badan I Innowacji W Edukacji](#), Polonia
- [Petit Pas](#), Italia



Then he introduced the project assistant Diana Alberta Pal, who took over the discussion and presented the values of the Voluntariat pentru Viață association, as well as about social and educational projects and about Erasmus+ as a European value. The topic of lifelong education was brought to the attention of the participants, emphasizing its importance and benefits.



The following results were explained and encouraged to be used both individually and within educational organizations:

- [Essential needs of educators to support seniors](#)
- [Supporting the elderly. Practitioner's guide](#)
- [Practical guide for facilitators](#)
- [SENIOR Magazine](#)
- [Practical Moodle guide for learners and trainers](#)

Workshop *How do we stay active as we age?* aimed to stimulate courageous conversations and collective intelligence of the group, exchanging experiences and opinions about seniors in an active society. The participants had to answer questions from the two discussion topics: *Let's define the third age together* and *Seniors in an active society*. Dragan Any Mary, together with Bogdan Chiriș Ionuț, opened a free discussion with the participants on the topics chosen.

In order to turn the SENIOR project into practical utility, Voluntariat pentru Viață will implement a program of national interest dedicated to the elderly, establishing a new social service. Social counseling service dedicated to the elderly.

If you are an educator or volunteer working with older people, stay up to date with future project opportunities on <http://trainingclub.eu/senior/> where we publish the latest updates and details of the project's implementation stages.

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