



NEWS ARTICLE

European Commission's 2009 Communication on Ageing

The Commission adopted on 29 April its 2009 Communication on Ageing. The Communication identifies as one of the key policy priorities the promotion of new services and products to serve ageing populations and encourages the introduction of technology in long-term care.

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Reminder: 3rd Call for Proposals under the CIP ICT Policy Support Programme – "ICT for ageing well" and "e-Accessibility" - the call closes on 2 June (Deadline: 02/06/2009)

Objective 1.3 "ICT for ageing well / independent living" foresees the launch of several pilot actions in support of the Action Plan on "Ageing Well in the Information Society".

REPORTS AND STUDIES

Analysing and federating the European assistive technology ICT industry - final report

This report represents the final report of the study, "Analysis of the Assistive Technologies Information and Communication Technologies (AT ICT) industry in Europe" for the European Commission. The global objective of the study has been to gain information as to the state of the EU AT ICT industry and to develop conclusions and recommendations to what steps can be taken to improve the competitiveness of the companies which form this industry.

PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL

CAPSILS (Common Awareness and Knowledge Platform for Studying and Enabling Independent Living) EU support action brochure

The CAPSIL Coordinating Support Action team is a strategic international coalition of University and Industrial partners; it is developing a roadmap for international collaboration on ICT & Ageing R&D between Europe, the US and Japan.

REPORTS AND STUDIES

Report from the expert meeting on web accessibility in Europe and the implementation of Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0

The recent adoption of WCAG 2.0, the ongoing work with the standardization mandate 376 on incorporating accessibility in public ICT procurements provide a new momentum for web accessibility. Expert meetings like the one which took place on 23 March 2009, where representatives of users and industry presented their views of what is required to achieve progress, are intended to provide the European Commission with advice on how to boost web accessibility in the EU Member States.