

International Conference of JPI More Years Better Lives

Increasing the Knowledge Base on Demographic Change:
The role of JPI in creating evidence-based policies.
Reaching out to stakeholders and responding to societal needs

Equality and Wellbeing An exploratory Programme

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The challenge

Demographic change affects:

- How resources and opportunities are distributed
- The wellbeing of individuals

We do not understand the nature of all these changes, nor how policies might influence the effects



The aim

The aim of this programme is to better understand what can be done, in the context of demographic change:

- **To promote** a fairer society.
- **To improve the quality of life, wellbeing and health** of individuals across the lifecourse



Where this fits in the JPI's activities

This programme follows a series of JPI activities, including:

- Production of a Strategic Research Agenda for demographic change
- Three joint research Calls – extending working life, welfare models, ageing and place.
- Three “Fast Track” projects – data, employment, migration

We are now reviewing next steps and priorities. This programme will help us to do that.



The audiences for this programme

- The partners in the JPI (to shape our future work)
- National governments
- National research funding bodies
- Societal stakeholders
- Researchers



Eight topics

- Public attitudes to ageing
- Policies and strategies which ensure engagement of older people
- Changing intergenerational relations and policies
- The relationship between paid and unpaid work
- Ways of integrating public policy
- Measuring wellbeing for older people
- The role of migration in demographic change
- The experience of the oldest old



The strategy

- Aim for a rapid response
- Commission an expert author for each topic
- Convene an transnational expert workshop for each topic
- Produce a short, policy focused paper on each topic:
 - Outline what is known about the topic and its relationship to demographic change, equality and wellbeing (including what agencies are active in the field)
 - Identify research gaps
 - Identify key policy implications
- An internal JPI conference on all the topics – Autumn 2018
- A public conference?

