

DELIVERABLE D2.6

Gaps analysis of EU Equalities strategies

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1. Description of the deliverable

In 2022, we planned to analyse the EU Gender Equality Strategy using an intersectional perspective and analysing what it means for older people, notably older women. Although we did some work on the Istanbul Convention (see deliverable D2.7 on 'Intersectionality') and met twice during the year with the European Women's Lobby Coalition to End Violence Against Women and Girls to discuss and develop a common political strategy (see deliverable D2.7), we were not able to analyse in detail the EU Gender Equality Strategy. However, we are planning to analyse the EU Gender Equality Strategy in 2023, where we plan to mobilize our members and provide a detailed analysis of it.

The postponement of this activity is due to the unexpected shift we had to implement following the invasion of Ukraine by Russia. When the war in Ukraine started, given the urgency, we decided to refocus our human resources to cover the immediate impact of the war on older people, both living in Ukraine and fleeing the country. All policy team (four persons) and secretary general deviated part of their time (+/- 15%) to cover this ad-hoc work priority. The budget has not been impacted since no additional resources have been used rather, we reallocated staff and time internally.
While the invasion of Ukraine is affecting all age groups, older persons are particularly exposed for those remaining in Ukraine and those crossing borders. Ukraine is among the fastest ageing countries in the world with more than 7 million people aged 65+, representing 16.7% of the total population. With older persons making up a third of all people in need of

assistance in Ukraine, this conflict can be considered the 'oldest' humanitarian crisis in the world. More information is available in deliverable D2.1 on 'Policy Analysis and recommendations on equal treatment of older persons'.

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