



PROGRAMUL DE COOPERARE ELVEȚIANO-ROMÂN  
SWISS-ROMANIAN COOPERATION PROGRAMME

ROMANIAN AGEING MIGRANTS AND THE WELFARE STATE  
(Migranți români în vârstă și statul bunăstării)

Starting Date 01.01.2013  
Duration 36 Months  
Discipline sociology, social work, migration studies and family studies



Main Goals

The project's scope is to advance the state-of-the-art research in the area of ageing migrants and welfare provisions. The project studies four dimensions:

1. The strategies developed by ageing migrants to access welfare provisions
2. The welfare policies and provisions (formal, informal or public, private and third sector) for ageing migrants
3. The informal and voluntary provisions by ageing migrants
4. Transnational ties and the links to welfare.

The data produced would serve to expand the knowledge base of welfare services capable to contribute to the well-being of ageing migrants in Switzerland and beyond.

Activities

- Internships in Geneva and Iași
- Consulting the literature
- Identification and establishment contacts with Romanian migrants aged from Switzerland
- Access to Romanian institutions which can support the project with relevant informations
- Quantitative and qualitative research (interviews, questionnaires) in Switzerland and Romania
- Demographic and statistical analysis
- Participation in congresses, conferences, seminars in Romania, Switzerland, other countries
- Workshops with local stakeholders
- Articles and studies in peer-reviewed journals, individual and collective volumes
- International conferences

Expected results

The project will contribute to the knowledge production in this area by advancing the theoretical reflections on the topics of

- 1) ageing migrants,
- 2) the strategies of ageing migrants to access welfare provisions,
- 3) the articulation between public, private and third sector in the welfare provisions and
- 4) the role of ageing migrants in the provision of welfare. Just as important, the project will analyse in a comparative manner different groups of Romanian migrants in Switzerland, population that so far has been very little studied.

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