

## The project

Aim of the project is developing and experimenting an ECVET system for professional profile of elderly caregiver, providing assistance at home or in nursing homes/shelters. The process will lead to sign a partnership agreement between Italian, Romanian and Polish Institutions allowing pupils to obtain credits, achieving a qualification in the care field, recognized all over the territories of experimentation regardless of the training institutions issuing qualification.

### The foreseen steps are:

- a) definition of the professional profiles (functions, knowledge and competences) by comparing analysis of professional profiles and available qualifications in all involved countries;
- b) definition of training units and related credits by involving practioner and social worker experts of the participating countries;
- c) joint definition of common standards for the training;
- d) joint definition of procedure to assess the acquired skills.

The system will be experimented in the involved territories: Italy (Sardinia and Friuli Venezia Giulia Regions), Romania and Poland, will involve at least 130 learners.



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**IQEA**  
evolution

**Improving Qualification  
for Elderly Assistants**



## Objectives

An ECVET system which leads to a mutual recognition of acquired skills and credit transfer in vocational training for elderly care workers.

Positive impacts are expected in several terms:

- supporting workers mobility and qualification of migrant paths; also facilitating a going back migration for those Romanian and Polish workers living in Italy and willing to go back home;
- empowering female workers, also concerning the increment of career opportunities;
- improving elderly care workers' conditions and social recognition;
- improving the overall quality of assistance for elderly people.

The ECVET agreement will support the improvement of training system in the involved countries and allow to obtain significant results.

## The consortium

The IQEA Evolution partnership is constituted by institutions able to give the project the best chances of success.

### Exfor

Training agency accredited by Sardinia Region, operating in vocational training especially oriented to local development, work and social policies.

### Sardinia and Friuli Venezia Giulia Autonomous Regions

The two Italian Autonomous Regions, give a fundamental contribution to the project especially in the pilot experimentations and dissemination project results.

### Anziani e non solo – Cooperative Society

Italian technical and scientific coordinator of the project, was formerly coordinator of European and national projects for social innovation in the elderly assistance.

### Kairòs

Italian organization experienced in training activities for employed and unemployed people, models creation and implementation for qualifying elderly care workers.

### Transfer Association

Polish NGO founded in 1997 by a panel of experts on VET issues with the aim to contribute to development of knowledge society promoting lifelong learning activities.

### Habilitas

Romanian organization has among its institutional goals: professional adult training and counseling for social, psychological and educational projects.

### IAT

A specialized German agency of the Bremen University, supports the project partners with its expertise on adopting the ECVET method.

## Impact and enhancement plan

The signing of formal agreement for the mutual qualifications recognition among Romania, Poland, Italy and Germany is actively supported by two Italian Regions.

The Italian Regions involved in the project, Sardinia and Friuli Venezia Giulia, will experiment in their own territories the tools and procedures tested by the project.

A positive impact is also expected in the wider Lifelong Learning process in the involved countries, both at institutional level (the involvement in the project will allow local institutions to re-think training policies and strategies in the social and health care sector) and at sectoral level (the training institution involved in the project will experience new strategies and tools transferable to other sectors).

The quality of the partnership is the real point of strenght of project IQEA evolution, because each partner involved has an active role in the process of experimentation and dissemination. It will allow to capitalize previous significant experiences in similar sector and allow to disseminate contents on a large scale, also thanks to the organization of seminars and a project website.

Moreover, the IQEA Evolution model application will improve the quality of life of the elderly people, especially not self-sufficient, thanks to a more suitable qualification of the home caregivers.