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Is Active Ageing a Policy Solution to Demographic Ageing in the European Union?

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Abstract:

Whereas some scholars claim that “active ageing should be mainstreamed as the leading paradigm for ageing policy across the European Union” (Walker, & Maltby, 2012), in Sociology we count on scarce discussions on how active ageing has been conceptualized, represented and institutionalized as a response to European challenges posed by ageing as a social phenomenon. This workshop will approach active ageing critically and from a Sociology of Social Problems Perspective in order to both appraise it beyond political rhetoric and calibrate its potential as a tool in the framework of the Sociology of Ageing.

About the referee:

Dr. Mariano Sánchez is Tenured Professor of Sociology at the University of Granada in Spain and International Affiliate to the Center for Healthy Aging at the Pennsylvania State University, USA. Former co-editor of the Journal of Intergenerational Relationships (JIR), and member of the Management Committee of the International Consortium for Intergenerational Programs, Dr. Sánchez has been involved in the drafting of two recent national and regional white papers on active ageing published in Spain. In 2010 he lead the seminar “The Promises of Active Ageing: Research, Development, and Innovation in Europe”, and in 2012 he co-edited a special issue of JIR focused on “Active Ageing and Intergenerational Solidarity in Europe: Celebrating the European Year 2012” within which he co-authored the paper “Active Ageing and Intergenerational Solidarity in Europe: A Conceptual Reappraisal from a Critical Perspective”. Dr. Sánchez has been technical coordinator of the Spanish Social Network of Experiences with Intergenerational Relations in the period 2005-2012, and along with active ageing his research interests include intergenerational relationships and practices, and the professionalization of intergenerational practitioners.

During his visit to the University of Cologne and ceres Dr. Sánchez would be delighted to meet colleagues who might be interested in developing personal and/or institutional collaboration around research and/or teaching linked to Sociology in general and Sociology of Ageing and intergenerational issues in particular.

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