

# **Study on Best Practises in Europe on “ICT enabled independent living for elderly”**

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## Policy Context

- Socio-demographic change in European populations.
- ICT enabled solutions for independent living as one answer to these challenges:

- **cost savings in health and care services**
- **guarantee quality of life for individuals**
- **open new business opportunities**

## Study Rationale:

To receive full benefits from information and communication technologies, the EU Member States need better plans to exploit them. This is especially true for the domain of independent living:

**The Study should provide a better understanding of Member States approaches, strategies and results on “Independent Living for elderly”.**

# Study Methodology

- Desk research



- Structured interviews with national stakeholders and experts

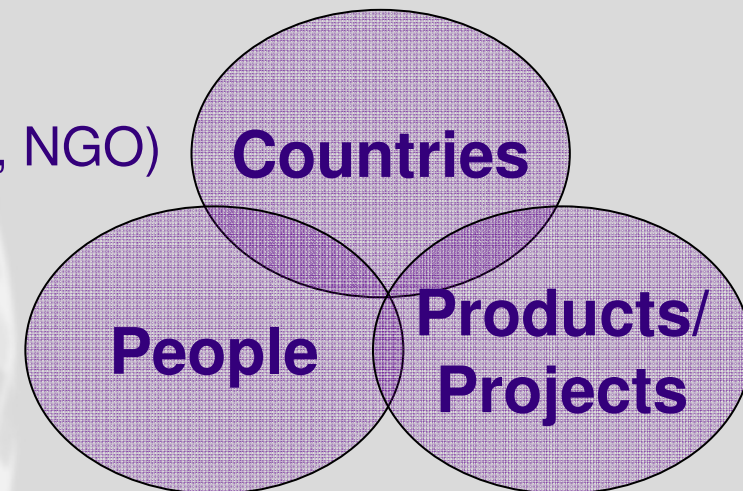


- Scope: 27 EU member states + beyond (e.g. USA, AU, CA, IN, JP, Mex)

## Study Outcomes

### 1. Online Database - Directory of

- European **Key Actors**  
(from research, industry, government, NGO)
- Available **Products**
- **Research Projects**
- **Literature**



### 2. Country reports + Synergies and Gaps on EU Level

**European Landscape of ICT enabled independent living for elderly**

# Website: [www.independent-living-for-elderly.eu](http://www.independent-living-for-elderly.eu) (or [www.ict-ile.eu](http://www.ict-ile.eu))



ICT FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING FOR ELDERLY

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### Welcome to the "ICT enabled Independent Living for Elderly" website

Global demographic trends are leading to a rapid aging of our societies, with a sharp increase in the elderly and the very elderly. This constitutes a major achievement of mankind, but our societies are only beginning to prepare themselves to meet the associated challenges of this development. First evidence suggests that "Information and Communication Technologies" - in combination with new services - can contribute positively to this scenario.

This website provides access to information on actors, products, projects and publications in this area. The study team continuously monitors websites around the globe to find new facts. We would be delighted if you could let us know about any interesting research initiative, product, or literature in the field. Please just copy a relevant link to us and if you like, you may leave your email address too, as we are working on an expert database which is not yet ready to be published ...

**Paste an URL or indicate us key words for an effective web search**

**Leave your eMail that we can contact you at a later stage**

Now, search our database:

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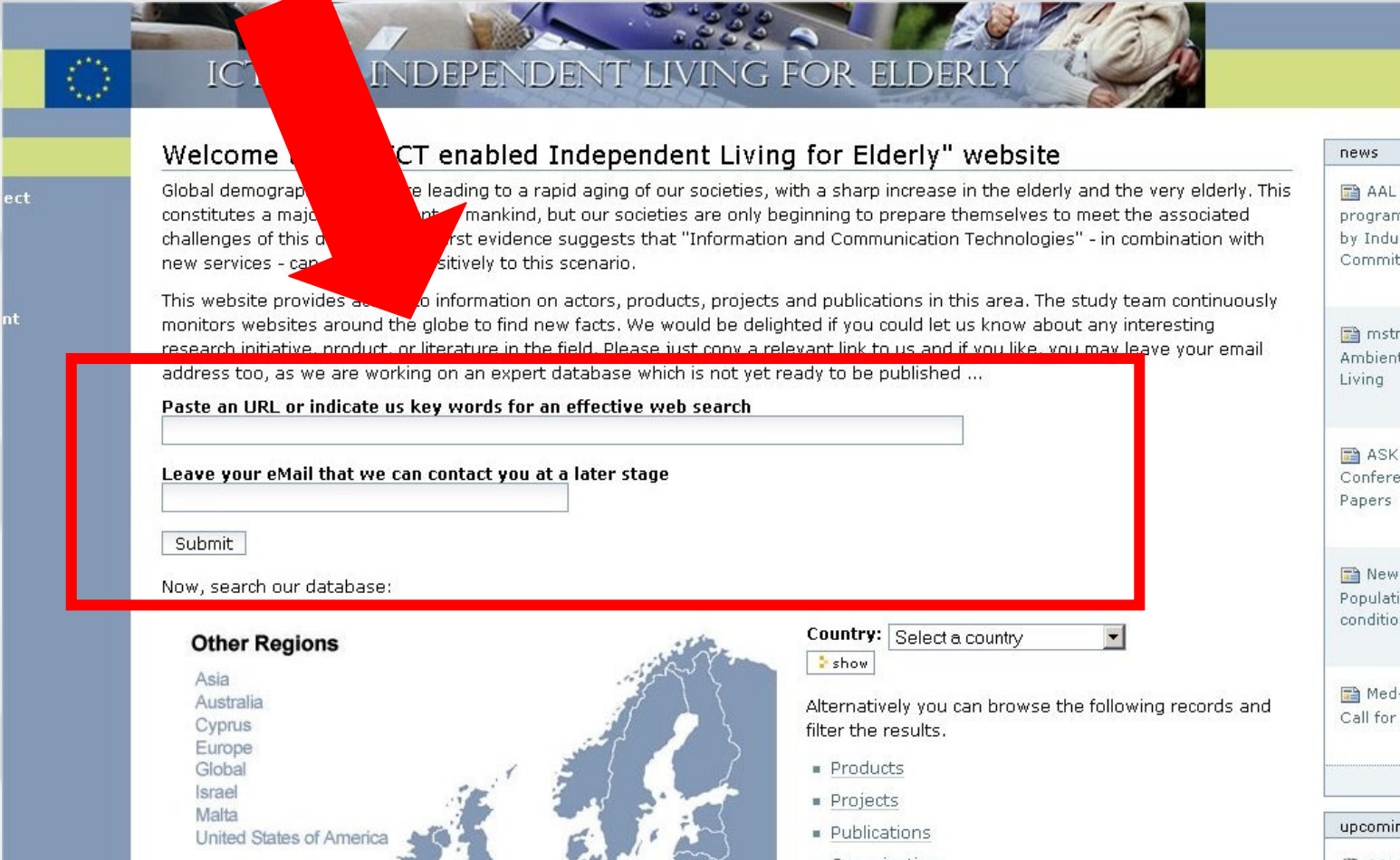
- AAL research programme approved by Industry Committee  
2008-01-28
- mstnews on Ambient Assisted Living  
2007-12-20
- ASK-IT Final Conference: Call for Papers  
2007-11-27
- New Statistics on Population and social conditions  
2007-09-24
- Med-e-Tel 2008: Call for Abstracts  
2007-08-29

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**upcoming events**

- AAL Congress dbb forum, Berlin, 2008-01-30
- eInclusion Information meeting Brussels, 2008-01-30
- Pervasive Health 2008 Tampere, Finland, 2008-01-30

# Submit your contributions to the study!



The screenshot shows the homepage of the 'ICT enabled Independent Living for Elderly' website. A large red arrow points from the top left towards the search and contact form. The form is enclosed in a red rectangular box and contains the following elements:

- A text input field for a URL or search terms, with the label: "Paste an URL or indicate us key words for an effective web search".
- A text input field for an email address, with the label: "Leave your eMail that we can contact you at a later stage".
- A "Submit" button.
- A search prompt: "Now, search our database:".

Below the form, there is a section for "Other Regions" with a list of countries: Asia, Australia, Cyprus, Europe, Global, Israel, Malta, and United States of America. To the right of this list is a map of Europe. Further right, there is a "Country:" dropdown menu with a "show" button and a list of categories: Products, Projects, Publications, and Organizations.

The website header includes the European Union flag and the title "ICT enabled INDEPENDENT LIVING FOR ELDERLY". The main content area contains a welcome message and a paragraph about global demographics. A sidebar on the right lists various news items and upcoming events.

**Thank you!**

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