

LONGLIVES

JPI MYBL FIRST TRANSNATIONAL CALL (JTC 2015) Progress Dialogue Form

The aim of the Progress Dialogue is on the one hand to support the projects regarding outreach and stakeholder involvement, and on the other hand to inform JPI MYBL about the progress of the projects. At the same time the dialogue is meant to contribute to the learning process of JPI MYBL when it comes to promoting and supporting policy oriented research.

Period duration	Start of project until filling the template 03/2016 – 01/2018 (sent to Call Secretariat on 19.01.2018)
Name of Project	LONGLIVES – Policies for longer working lives: understanding interactions with health and care responsibilities
PI / Coordinator	Peter Haan
Project Start and End Date	03/2016-02/2019
Project Funding	1.252.642 €
Countries Involved	Germany, Denmark, France, UK

1. Please provide an **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY** for the above mentioned project period – intended for publication by JPI MYBL and co-funders (250 words max):
(in non-specialist language).

The LONGLIVES project started in March 2016. It focuses on two key factors related to the interest in extending working lives among policymakers across Europe: the relationship of longer working lives with health and caring responsibilities. LONGLIVES brings together expertise from four countries – Denmark, Germany, France and the UK – to shed new light on how longer working lives might affect health and well-being of the older population, and how caring responsibilities may relate to individuals' work lives. A core focus of the project is understanding differences in these effects across the population and the resulting impact on inequality.

2. **PROGRESS AGAINST OBJECTIVES** - (500 words max):

Please explain progress against objectives for the project duration until today. We ask to include:

Progress against each work package or work strand and, Progress against your investments overall objectives and aims. Please also include comments on deviations from the original project plan as well as comments on tasks that were planned but not completed or tasks that were completed although they were not planned.

As for work package 1 (WP 1: Inequalities and policies at older ages: a comparative approach), we have recently published a first report on gender differences in retirement income and health across countries.¹

During our most recent cross-national project meeting in November 2017, we mainly discussed preliminary findings and coordinated on remaining steps of work packages 2 and

¹ Peter Haan, Anna Hammerschmid, Carla Rowold (2017): Gender Gaps in Pensions and Health: Germany, France, and Denmark, DIW Economic Bulletin 43/2017.

3 (WP 2: Longer working lives and the effects on health, WP 3: Caring responsibilities and longer working lives). Results will be made available when our analyses are completed.

We are currently mainly working on the remaining steps for WP 2 and 3. The results of these work packages will then provide the basis for WP 4 (WP 4: The outlook for labour supply, health and care giving and the possible effects of alternative policies).

3. HIGHLIGHTS AND IMPACT – (500 words max):

Please highlight the most successful or promising work in your view from the past project duration. Please provide examples of the impact (nature and scale) that your project is having on intended users (policy makers, front line practitioners, other investments, scholarly communities) or discuss potential impact and how to achieve it.

We expect the project to provide new insights into the interconnection between health, care, and retirement. Having a team with experts from four countries, we aim in particular at providing the scientific community with new evidence on the causal relation between health and retirement. Moreover, we will provide policymakers and stakeholders with new insights into the development of work and care patterns under status quo and alternative scenarios in the future. The particular strengths of our international team – that are key for reaching these goals - are the ability to think about national policies with an internationally comparative view and each country-team's expertise in methodology and national policy knowledge.

4. STAKEHOLDERS

Please give details of stakeholders currently engaged with the project or on project advisory boards, like how and when you involve stakeholders, how easy is it to engage them, and what the stakeholder's views and contributions are on your project.

Danish team: Finance Ministry engagement via the elder care module of microsimulation model being developed by DREAM. DREAM has recently undertaken a role similar to the Office of Budgetary Responsibility. We expect that our module will eventually contribute to the model forecasts.

5. NETWORKING

Please give details of networking activities e.g. workshops or conferences attended, invited talks, requests for information from stakeholders.

Part of our work has been already presented at workshops or conferences, such as e.g. the Annual Congress of the German Economic Association (Verein für Socialpolitik) or the Work, Pensions and Labour Economics Study Group (WPEG) conference in 2017. The feedback received was positive and constructive and helps us to further improve and extend our analyses.

After having published the Economic Bulletin article (Haan, Hammerschmid, Rowold (2017): Gender Gaps in Pensions and Health: Germany, France, and Denmark, DIW Economic Bulletin 43/2017.), the authors were invited to present the research at a workshop at the Hertie School of Governance in December 2018 (Lebensformen, Erwerbsverläufe und die Alterssicherung von Frauen). This workshop offered several interdisciplinary networking possibilities with researchers as well as practitioners from e.g. German Federal Ministries and the German Pension Insurance. Thus, this event not only increased the visibility in the scientific community but also helped us disseminate our findings further to stakeholders.

The UK project partner hosted an ESRC/DWP roundtable - comprising civil servants from



DWP and the Department for Health and a set of academics, in February 2017 as part of the UK Government's consultation on its "Work, Health and Disability" Green Paper.

The French project group had an IPP conference in December 2017 on projections of elderly care needs and plans a workshop INED-IPP in May 2018 on elderly care.

End of 2017, LONGLIVES researchers jointly applied for an entire special session at the 2018 Royal Economic Society Annual Conference which was recently accepted. This conference will take place in March 2018 in Sussex (UK).

Moreover, we have held three internal LONGLIVES meetings (September 2016 in Berlin, May 2017 in Copenhagen, November 2017 in London) so far, where we presented our progress and coordinated/discussed future steps and remaining challenges. The next meeting is planned for June 2018 in Paris.

6. DETAILS ABOUT THE PROJECT COLLABORATION

Are the collaborations in this project new or were these existing collaborations? How do you involve the academic partners and stakeholders in the project?

In the past researchers of the different institutes have been collaborating, for example in the ORA network, in projects of the Anglo German foundation or the ANR/DFG.

7. COLLABORATION WITH OTHER PROJECTS

Please describe actual and intended collaborations with other JPI/EU/national funded investments.

None.

8. COLLABORATION WITH OTHER JTC 2015 PROJECTS

Please describe connections, bilateral meetings, knowledge exchange etc. with the other four JTC 2015 projects.

It is useful to have networking meetings (we attended the meetings in London in 2017 and in Rome in 2016) with parallel funded projects to learn what the other teams are specializing in and to get to know other researchers in the interdisciplinary field of aging. Future networking meetings should – in our view – be primarily used for presenting project-specific findings to each other and giving/receiving feedback from each other.

In between the actual personal networking meetings, there were few contacts with other projects. We were in contact with EXTEND and FACTAGE. With EXTEND, we exchanged information about potentially interesting conferences and professional advice. FACTAGE invited us for a conference (unfortunately we could not follow the invitation).

9. COMMUNICATION OF OUTPUTS

Please list any papers, case studies, project factsheets, policy briefs, that have been generated by the project.

So far, we have published the following report:

° Peter Haan, Anna Hammerschmid, Carla Rowold (2017): Gender Gaps in Pensions and Health: Germany, France, and Denmark, DIW Economic Bulletin 43/2017.

German version: Peter Haan, Anna Hammerschmid, Carla Rowold (2017):



Geschlechtsspezifische Renten- und Gesundheitsunterschiede in Deutschland, Frankreich und Dänemark, DIW Wochenbericht 43/2017.

To disseminate the findings to the general public and to stakeholders, DIW published a press release which included key findings of this report (see: https://www.diw.de/de/diw_01.c.100319.de/presse/pressemitteilungen/pressemitteilungen.html?id=diw_01.c.567667.de). Moreover, we took the opportunity to disseminate our report via the MYBL newsletter.

10. ADDED VALUE OF THE JPI MYBL FUNDING

What has this funding enabled that was not possible through national or other EU funding schemes?

In general, the funding has enabled researchers (with similar research interests) from a set of different countries (facing similar demographic challenges) to work on closely related projects and interact - and learn from each other - on the approach taken and issues encountered and how they have been overcome.

As for the theme, JPI MYBL allows us to work on the interaction between pension issues and health issues which often happened to be treated as separate research issues, although they are both part of the wider economics of ageing. This has the advantage of exploiting tools, like dynamic microsimulation, mostly used for pensions in the context of elderly care provision.

The Danish project group adds specifically: Elderly care in Denmark is organized by the (95) municipalities. Both administrative responsibility and evaluation initiatives have been fragmented. National research funding initiatives have focused on technology and practical interventions for the elderly. The LONGLIVES project funding has allowed us to take a broader research perspective than would have been possible via alternative channels, encompassing elder care provision in the large.

11. JPI MYBL CALLS

Please provide any feedback from your experience as a JPI MYBL funded project that could help in developing and running future JPI MYBL calls.

12. AWARENESS OF JPI MYBL

Please provide details to the following questions:

Which members of the consortium were aware of the JPI prior to the first call?

None.

How did you find out about the First Call?

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