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Welcome to the 4th DDSkills newsletter

An initiative of the project consortium to provide information on DDSkills activities and deliverables.

The DDSkills project, launched in January 2020, aims to develop training courses to enhance digital competences of professional caregivers, so they can make better use of new technologies, and support persons with disabilities & their families in the use of those technologies.



DDSkills 3rd Transnational Meeting held in Brussels

On the 12 October, the 13 project partners gathered in Brussels and online to present the latest developments, which includes the finalisation of the [Course Plan](#), the [Certification Scheme for the course contents](#), the [Certification Scheme for trainees](#) and the Handbook.

Partners also discussed the work priorities for the coming months, such as the development of the digital toolkits and the pilot trainings.

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• Digital toolkits: the toolkits will include a Virtual Reality application for social skills training, an Augmented Reality application promoting self-advocacy through role

playing, and a telepresence robot.

- **Pilot trainings:** the trained trainers will teach the DDSkills course to a total of 120 health and care professionals, 20 in each country (Ireland, Italy, Germany, Greece and Lithuania). It also includes the creation of the project's own platform and MOOC, to offer the training online and support interactions among students, professors, and teaching assistants.

With kind regards,
The DDSkills consortium

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Project News



Workshop on New technologies for assisted living - 8 October

The DDSkills partner Frankfurt UAS from Germany, held an online conference planned and carried out by the research center **FUTURE AGING** and the master course **Inclusive Design ID**. The conference "Connected Living" focused on specific research topics, connected inclusive living concepts and explored them from different perspectives. In this framework, partners presented the DDSkills project objectives and main deliverables. Access the publication from the conference [here](#).

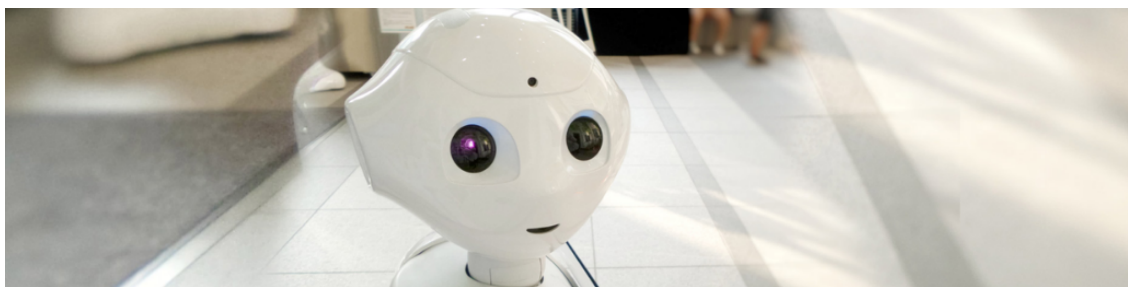


Workshops on Digital skills for service providers and persons with disabilities - 13 October

The DDSkills partner **Nikos Papastamatiou** from [Senseworks](#) and the project coordinator **Panagiotis Korfoxyliotis** from [To Ergastiri](#) presented the project during EASPD's International Conference 'The future is now: Person Centred Technology to empower people and disability services.' In a workshop on digital skills for service providers and persons with disabilities, both partners elaborated on the content of the DDSkills

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project and the project's digital toolkit. The presentation is available [here](#).

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