

Final conference – BRAVE NEW WORK

On 14th December was the final meeting of the European funded project BRAVE NEW WORK where partners from Greek, Italy, Spain and Germany meet. In Girona, a contemplative small town in the north east of Catalonia, the final outcomes of the project were discussed. Together with the Spanish partners, Aufbauwerk as coordinator of the project organised the conference.

Aim of BRAVE NEW WORK, which started in December 2007, was the mobilisation of people aged 50 and older to receive positive work experiences through an internship in a partner region. **New interests – new friends – new mobility: Brave New Work as an “once in a lifetime” work and travel experience!** – a slogan which accompanied the participants throughout their internship and beyond.

Round about 40 participants, including hosting institutions, attended the final conference. The project partners started to give a feedback of their experiences in convincing elderly people to take part in this project and the related problems at the beginning of BRAVE NEW WORK. Later on the participants reported about their working experiences in the new environment of a foreign country. They received the Europass Mobility, an official document stating their successful participation in the project. Finally, each participant, hosting institution and project partner received a documentary movie, showing the elderly people before, during and after their internship. The movie highlights the diversified working fields and affecting moments of the participants.