

## **NESTORE**

## Non-intrusive Empowering Solutions and Technologies for Older people and Retain Everyday life activity

Your pathway to wellbeing

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"Difficult roads bring to wonderful destinations"

A 42-month-old journey comes to an end. The Horizon2020 project <u>NESTORE</u>, funded to deliver a prototype for a virtual coach to motivate healthy and active habits for better well-being, virtually met many of its stakeholders during an on-line final workshop on 25 February 2021.

Over 90 attendees explored and discussed the project's challenges and lessons learnt in co-design, technological development, pilot organization and implementation, and exploitation. Exchanges brought <u>vCARE</u>, <u>CAPTAIN</u> and <u>Council of Coaches</u>, fellow research projects, to share their findings and legacy. The event also allowed the European Commission to dive into its strategies supporting digital solutions for ageing well, including the <u>Green Paper on Ageing</u> and the <u>European Health Data Space</u>.

To manage expectations, complexity and fragmentation in the user experience and technologies in such a multi-dimensional project was no easy task. As the NESTORE Scientific Coordinator reminds, "life is an extraordinary travel, getting older is sometimes an Odyssey..." but NESTORE tried to indicate the right pathway. Its approach was to contribute to well-being in older age with good teamwork, overcoming a world-wide pandemic, and supporting with ongoing efforts to a paradigm shift, bringing prevention at the center. **NESTORE emphasized that each of us can act towards our own well-being, by empowering the users with some friendly and useful digital solutions** sustaining one's motivation to remain healthy and active, especially when a boost is needed.

The consortium wished the journey could have been much longer. That could have offered the opportunity to strengthen the co-design results, to run a validation study on a larger sample and to raise more awareness around reimbursement issues and innovative services, which require innovative business models and policies.

But this can be part of a next journey.

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