WG2 Case study profile

WG2 Thematic group	**WG2.1a Older people and people with disabilities: the restructuring of governance**

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Title of case study (and priority ranking)	Ideas about good elder care at the municipal level
Country/region/place investigated	Denmark/5 municipalities (among these, two high and two low spending)
Social service sector(s) investigated *(Erase non relevant ones)* • Older people	Huge differences in the provision of elder care exists among Danish municipalities. Municipalities spend between between about €3350 (lowest spending) and €8220 (highest spending) per elder (+65) per year. The dynamics behind these differences will be investigated. Expecially, it will be analysed whether differences in spending is associated with different ideas as to what good elder care is all about.
Category of case study ('what' is investigated) *(Erase non relevant ones)* • Actor(s) • Place (s)	The study will be based on inteviews with central local actors in 5 municipalities. Inteviews will focus on: what is good care and how is elder care organized accordingly? About 10 interviews in each municipality has already been conducted.
Time frame considered *(from when to when)*	1st March 2013 – 1st March 2014
Five 'perspectives' *(Erase non relevant ones)* • Cost efficiency/quality/user satisfaction • Governance • Social and/or territorial cohesion	The study will focus on quality (what is good care), governance (how is care organized – public/private mix) and cohesion.
Three processes in restructuring + crisis *(Erase non relevant ones)* • Cuts/rationalization/management reforms (NPM, others) • *Horizontal* subsidiarity (involvement of/outsourcing to other suppliers)	The study will include trends of rationalization (local governments are under economic pressure), new public management and the involvement of private contractors.
Specific questions/focus	
Local Stakeholder Network (LSN)	*Do you intend to set up a LSN:* NO