



WG2 Case study profile

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)	The current development of social services in the care of the older people: Deinstitutionalization and/or marketization?
Country/region/place investigated	Czech Republic, The South Moravian Region
Social service sector(s) investigated <i>(Erase non relevant ones)</i>	support older people in their natural social environment is the strong point of the official policy of social services in the Czech Republic; the role of field-based assistance increases as opposed residential care; the purpose of this case study is to report on the position of the domiciliary care service (community care service) as the typical means of field-based social services provision; case study focuses on the possibilities and risks of the domiciliary care services providing and the potential of this kind of service to ensure suitable care of older people in their place; in this context it is discussed the role of for-profit providers of care who are the new actors in the field of elderly care
Category of case study ('what' is investigated) <i>(Erase non relevant ones)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy (meso-level) - description of national/regional policy • experience (micro-level) - case study results of selected domiciliary care service agency • Actor(s) - social services providers, regional stakeholders, social services users • Place (s) -The South Moravian Region, municipality (Czech Republic)
Time frame considered <i>(from when to when)</i>	2009-2013
Five 'perspectives' <i>(Erase non relevant ones)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • local governance and horizontal relations between services and providers - official national policy and priorities of social care for the older people; strategy of providing the social services for the older people on the municipality level; for-profit providers as new actor in this field • funding mechanism - divergence between the national policy and the financing • impacts/outcomes of change - deinstitutionalization as the national priority is officially declared; in fact the demand for the social assistance is covered by for-profit providers increasingly; the for-profit providers are not bounded by Social Service Act to respect the national quality standards
Three processes in restructuring + crisis <i>(Erase non relevant ones)</i>	All these processes are relevant for the current development of the elderly care services in the Czech Republic.
Specific questions/focus	Where are the social services for the older people in the Czech Republic heading towards? Is it about the process of deinstitutionalization or expansion of for-profit providers of residential care services?
Local Stakeholder Network (LSN)	<p><i>Do you intend to set up a LSN:</i> YES NO</p> <p>The stakeholder network development as well as the workshops with stakeholders are arranged as the part of national COST project.</p>