



## WG2 Case study profile

WG2 Thematic Group	WG2.1b Older people and people with disabilities: Care and wellbeing
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Title of case study (and priority ranking)	Aging at home in Iceland - care of older people with disabilities
Country/region/place investigated	Iceland
<b>Social service sector(s) investigated</b> <i>(Erase non relevant ones)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Older people</li> <li>• People with disabilities</li> <li>• Services in social assistance</li> <li>• Restructuring of ss in general</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul>	<p>The care of older people in Iceland will be discussed, especially the current developments and challenges in care provided to those with complex health problems.</p> <p>In the case study the legislation, social policy and services of older people will be studied. Results from recent studies and official statistic will be used to shed light on the situation.</p>
<b>Category of case study ('what' is investigated)</b> <i>(Erase non relevant ones)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Subsector/policy/programme (meso-level)</li> <li>• Project/initiative/experience (micro-level)</li> <li>• Actor(s)</li> <li>• Other</li> </ul>	<i>See above</i>
Time frame considered <i>(from when to when)</i>	2008-2013
<b>'Perspectives'</b> <i>(Erase non relevant ones)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cost efficiency/quality/user satisfaction</li> <li>• Governance</li> <li>• Social and/or territorial cohesion</li> <li>• Gender</li> </ul>	The paper will focus on describing the developments of care of older people by analyzing legal and policy documents, but also discuss a research on the situation of those on the waiting lists for services.
<b>Three processes in restructuring + crisis</b> <i>(Erase non relevant ones)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cuts/rationalization/management reforms (NPM, others)</li> <li>• <i>Vertical</i> subsidiarity (administrative re-arrangements between <i>government</i> levels)</li> </ul>	The responsibility of the services for older people in Iceland is divided between two major service providers, the municipalities and the state. The municipalities are responsible for providing the social home help, but health care centers run by the state are responsible for providing home health care. The plan of the future elder care is that the municipalities will be responsible for all services. These processes have been relevant for the development of care services for elderly people in Iceland.
Specific questions/focus	Development of Icelandic care services for elderly people in light of the Nordic social care model.
Local Stakeholder Network (LSN)	<i>Do you intend to set up a LSN:</i> NO