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What is SHAPES?

SHAPES is a large research project that is running across 14 European countries. The SHAPES consortium consists of researchers, technology companies, civil society and public organizations that aim at helping older people to continue living healthy and active lives both at home and within their communities.



How will SHAPES help older people?

To provide helping services, our researchers interview older people across the EU to get a broad understanding of how their daily lives work. We involve older people in the development of digital health services to ensure a sustainable use of these solutions and to allow managing and preventing health conditions that may be more prevalent among older people. Thus, SHAPES fosters the co-development of new digital services and digital devices in a joint approach of technology companies, technology and service advisors as well as its users and beneficiaries. At the same time, our researchers are investigating how different European health and care systems operate. This research helps us to create a SHAPES platform that provides user-oriented services and to ensure that all these digital services work together in a user-friendly way.



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How will the eHealth industry be able to interact with SHAPES?

The SHAPES project will provide an open and standardized one-stop-shop platform as a central gateway for older people to access digital solutions and services that facilitate healthy ageing. eHealth companies will be able to use this open platform to develop, test, and promote their digital health innovations. Through the academic-industry channels of the SHAPES consortium, companies will gain easy access to reach customers and users.



Can companies already work together with SHAPES?

Yes, SHAPES broadens its expertise by inviting organisations in several funded open calls to co-develop and integrate innovative solutions to meet the challenges of the project. As a result, the SHAPES open calls provide opportunities for not only industry but also other organisations to integrate their solutions into a large ecosystem at European level.



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Where can I learn more about SHAPES?

For a more details, please have a look at shapes2020.eu. On our website, we also provide our [public deliverables](#) that summarize the results of SHAPES. Please also feel free to contact us directly [here](#).



Are there any SHAPES events that I can attend?

Yes, we invite you to join our Dialogue Workshops that we run every six months (shapes2020.eu/workshops). In those workshops, we present and discuss important topics with everyone interested to ensure the success of SHAPES.

