**Programme**  
**European Active and Assisting Living Programme**

### Overview
Joint R&D Funding and Support Programme Addressing the Demographic Change in Europe.  
- 6-year funding programme (2014–2020)  
- Total budget: EUR 600 million  
- Joint funding by the European Commission (from the Horizon 2020 budget) and the AAL Member States (via national funding)

### Goal
To enhance the quality of life of older people and strengthen the industrial base in Europe through the use of Information and Communication Technologies (ICT). The programme supports close-to-market, demand-driven research and development projects. Project results should be ready for market introduction 2-3 years after the end of the project. The topics are pre-defined ("top-down").

### Eligibility
Any university, university of applied science or other research institution, company (especially SMEs), or end-user organisation based in an AAL Member State. Switzerland is an AAL Member State and therefore eligible to participate and receive funding.

### Project Partners
Project submission by consortia consisting of at least 3 independent legal entities from at least 3 different AAL Member States participating in a given call for proposals. The consortium must include at least one eligible SME and at least one eligible End-User Organisation. Typical size of an AAL consortium: 3-10 partners.

### Financial Support
According to the national rules defined by the Swiss Federal Council in its decision of 20 October 2010 the following funding rates apply for Swiss partners in AAL projects:
- Contributions of universities, universities of applied sciences, research institutions, SMEs and end-user organizations: 50 %
- EU and Federal (Public funding) contributions: 50 % of eligible costs
- For large enterprises the following funding rate applies:
  - Contributions of large industries: 75 %
  - EU and Federal (Public funding): 25 % of eligible costs
The **maximum national funding per project** is CHF 800 000 (EU plus federal), with a maximum of CHF 300 000 per partner.

### Time Frame
Annual calls for proposals

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