

## STATE OF THE ART REVIEW OF VOLUNTEERISM<sup>9</sup>

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**Abstract:** The paper presents a research of the volunteerism in the partner countries of the GGA project - Keep going, reach goals, get an award: Empowering senior volunteerism [www.gogetaward.eu](http://www.gogetaward.eu). The opportunities and the traditions of voluntary work and the best practices are described. The research includes three areas according to the objectives of the GGA project: Data of volunteers; Volunteering and volunteer training policies; Good practices and organisations that are working with older volunteers. The results of the research show that there is a necessity to develop:

- an online toolkit for adult educators "Promotion of Older Adults' Organized Volunteerism"
- a Senior Award Program with bronze, silver, gold awards.
- a Manual for adult educators on how to run the Senior Award Program.

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