Trinity researchers win EU award recognising the Horizon 2020 ‘SEURO’ Project’s research in the field of ageing well and the silver economy.

On September 12th 2022 at a ceremony in the “Palais des Festivals et des Congrès” Cannes France, researchers from the Trinity Centre for Practice and Healthcare Innovation (TCPHI, School of Nursing and Midwifery) received the ‘Silver Eco and Ageing Well International Award’ in recognition of the ‘SEURO European H2020 project’ as a key research project advancing innovation in the field of ageing well and the silver economy. Special mention was also given to the research collaboration with industry partner IBM Research Europe across both the ProACT and SEURO projects since 2016 to advance the field of artificial intelligence and healthcare.

The ‘SEURO’ (Scaling EUROpean citizen driven transferable and transformative digital health – www.seuro2020.eu) project which began in May 2021, received €4 million under the European Commission’s H2020 programme to develop and evaluate 3 new digital self-assessment and recommendation tools to prepare any EU region to successfully implement and scale innovative, people-centric digital integrated health and social care solutions for multiple disease management. The support tools consist of a transferability self-assessment tool (ProTransfer) to assess an organisation’s preparedness for digital solution transfer; a behavioural change framework (ProBCF) to optimise a digital solution to people’s needs; and an artificial intelligence (AI) prediction model (ProInsight) to assess the impact of a digital solution on health system performance. The ProACT platform which was developed under a previous H2020 award (also coordinated by the team at the TCPHI which received €4.87m (www.proact2020.eu)) will also be further evaluated in large scale trials in Ireland, Belgium and Sweden. ProACT is a citizen-/people- driven, self-management orientated, digital integrated care platform capable of supporting multiple disease management and associated co-morbidities including wellbeing parameters (e.g., mobility and sleep) on a single user application.

The SEURO project will help provide key evidence to support EU healthcare services and organisations to adopt and scale digital health solutions in practice as well as proving the potential for the ProACT platform to support EU citizens living with multimorbidity to self-manage their health and well-being from home ensuring they can age well in place..

This award which is under the patronage of the French government ‘Ministry for Solidarity, Autonomy and Persons with Disabilities’ represents a significant endorsement for the work being conducted within the School of Nursing and Midwifery at TCD to advance the fields of digital health and ageing.

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‘SEURO’ partners

The SEURO multi-disciplinary programme includes: Irish academic partners Dundalk Institute of Technology (DkIT – Netwell/CASALA), one of the world's leading ICT companies (IBM), the largest home care provider (Home Instead Senior Care) and 2 EU service provider and technology networks (AAATE and EASPD)).

The Trinity Centre for Practice and Healthcare Innovation (TCPHI)

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