

# European Carers Day



**AGM workshop** Porto, June 1, 2022

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October 6

**Established in 2020** 

Different theme every year

2020: generic

2021: young carers



# ECD 2021 in figures

The ECD posters have been translated into 11 languages

3 press release templates have been shared with our members

The main Eurocarers Twitter account generated 9.600 Impressions

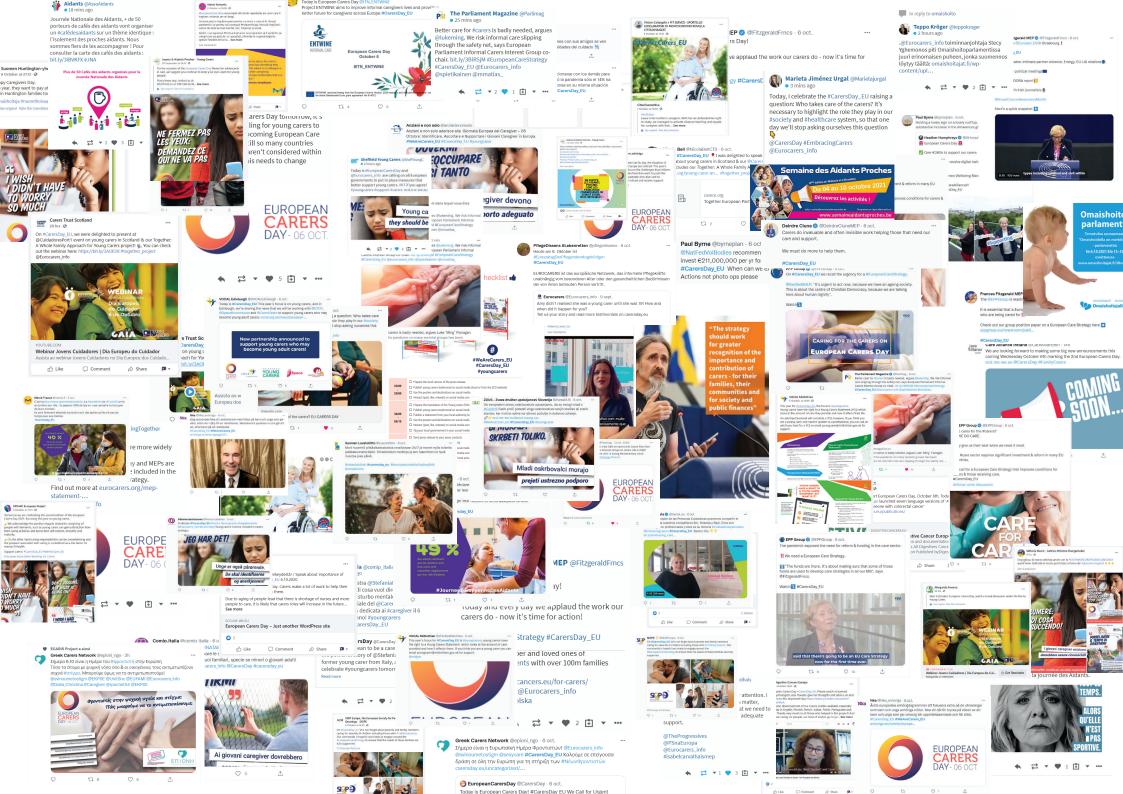
The European Carers Day Twitter produced 13.900 Impressions

8.400 people have been reached via our Facebook page

The ECD website has attracted more than 5.000 visitors in October

There was also a huge peak in the number of visits on the main Eurocarers website on the day

The campaign was relayed by a lot of sister organisations



# Experience from members

**Portugal** 

&

Greece

# Gender equality in caregiving



Why GENDER EQUALITY?

THE POLICY FRAMEWORK

**Towards work life balance** 

Gender gaps in care identified in the European Strategy for Gender Equality 2020-2050

Gender equality is a UN strategic development goal

### Why GENDER EQUALITY?

### **FACTS**

- On average in the EU, 59% of all informal carers (age 18 or over) are women
- Care is also provided in gendered ways. More women than men provide more demanding and intensive forms of daily caring
- Impact on women's integration on the labour market throughout their life: education and training, working time, life-long training, career development ...
- Impact on women's income, pension, access to social protection
- Impact on women health and well-being
- Impact on women' time for social and leisure activities
- Impact on women's freedom and self determination

### Why GENDER EQUALITY?

### **CAUSES**

- Traditional model and representations of women's role
- Institutional framework: employment, fiscal, care services policies
- Lack of recognition of the value of care in our societies
- Lack of integrated policies supporting informal care, ensuring that care can be combined with employment and social inclusion

### Why GENDER EQUALITY?

**EUROCARERS' WORK** 

Issue streamlined in all project, policy and advocacy work based on research available

**Regular cooperation with European Institute for Gender Equality** 

Eurocarers 'Position Paper: The gender dimension of informal care (updated Dec. 2021)



### **Resources:**

### **The European Union and Gender Equality**

Observatory - European Charter for Equality of Women and Men in Local Life

### **Promoting equality between women and men**

European Parliament policy

How to implement the Gender Equality Strategy to achieve equal participation of women and men Eurocarers

**Gender Equality Index** 

**EIGE** 

**European Strategy for Gender Equality 2020 2050** 

**European Commission** 

**Proposition of main message:** 

**Care should be equally distributed** 

*ы* between men and women*ы* between the family and the State

### **Angles for side messages:**

Across the EU, the bulk of unpaid care work is done by women

More equal sharing of care will eventually reduce workplace gender inequality

Overcome the "normal" decision for women to care (instead of men)

# The visual



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# inequality in CARE

# The slogan



# The poster





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between men and women,

between the family and the State.



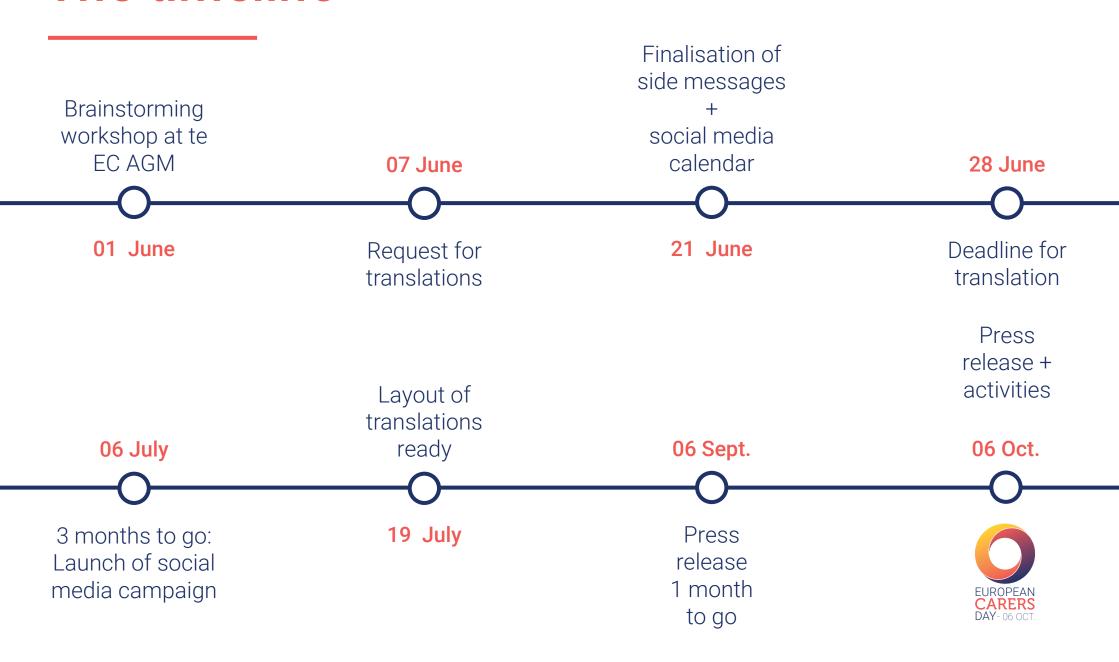




# The main message

# The side messages

## The timeline



# What's next?

**Suggestion of themes for 2023** 

# Comments or suggestions?

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