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Workshop Aging, Care Need, and Quality of Life

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Call for Papers

Despite of health improvements with age, population ageing will lead to an increase in the number of people in need of care in the decades to come. We will discuss five issues surrounding caregivers and people in need of care:

1. How can we project care need?
2. What general conditions are necessary to reconcile employment and care responsibilities within families?
3. What do we know about the quality of life of care givers in private households? Does the reliance on external resources, e.g., mobile nursing services, have a positive effect on life quality?
4. Are there regional differences in care need and care resources of families? Do we have to expect an imbalance between care demand and family supply in selected regions in the near future? Is it possible to identify model or problem regions?
5. What kind of information do we have on the life expectancy and life quality of institutionalized people in need of care? Can we make a connection between present and future care need on the one hand, and regional mortality on the other?

The aim of the workshop is to present the latest quantitative results on care need and life quality of people in need of care as well as of care givers, and to discuss their political, societal, and economic consequences.

Interested speakers are asked to submit per e-mail topic suggestions together with a summary (max. 1 page) by 15.11.2007 at the latest. The contributions will be published in the conference transcript of the Rostock Center.