

Context

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Rural areas or zones remote from large urban cores currently have to face a problem of population aging and depopulation. Due to the smaller number of inhabitants, these areas have limited access to healthcare and social care services, which in turn contributes to increased migration to the cities. As a result, maintaining general public services, trade and private initiative, as well as job creation - essential factors to mitigate the depopulation – is hindered. In this context, the Project Health and Telemedicine Network for Rural Areas (RESATER) aims to create telemedicine services for the remote patient care in the territorial areas of action of the partners (Southwest Europe) and to develop professional practice models and experience exchange.