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Application to join the WHO Global Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities

The municipality of Östersund hereby wishes to apply for membership of the WHO network Age-friendly Cities and Communities.

The municipality of Östersund have politically decided long-term strategies for an inclusive and health promoting municipality, ongoing collaboration with stakeholder organizations, stakeholders within as well as outside the municipality including volunteer organizations and Universities. Our ongoing work with fulfilling these strategies include actions on several levels e.g., accessible and inclusive outdoor environments, accessible housing, individual and group-based health promotion, development and implementation of e-health solutions, all in close collaboration with users and academics.

The application for membership in the network is made to further strengthen the municipality's ambition to be inclusive and accessible to all citizens and to promote health in the population. Also, the municipality wishes to share knowledge and inspiration with other members of the network.

The municipality of Östersund has examined the purpose of the network and the information provided as well as what is required from members in the network. The municipality of Östersund undertakes to work and present feedback to the WHO in accordance with the network's cycle of continual improvement.

If you have any questions regarding our application, please contact Magnus Zingmark, Head of research and development on active and healthy ageing, Health and Social care administration, Municipality of Östersund at +46703211187 or magnus.zingmark@ostersund.se

Best regards



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