

## **Medical University Varna**

Dear participants and guests of the remarkable School of young researchers,

It is a great honor of our town to be a host of this International Summer School of young researchers on population ageing.

It became a tradition the most important forums of the Institute of Population and Human Research at the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences organized in response of its objectives of the projects ERA-AGE 2 and FUTURAGE to be contributed by the Medical University of Varna. Remarkable and lasting are the results of the scientific conference 'Ageing and Health' which took place here – in the Varna town, 15 of May 2009. It was assisted by the lecturers of the Medical University and students as well. It was a step ahead in our effort to raise the interest of our future young professionals in such important problem as healthy ageing.

I would like to use this event to declare that the themes on ageing are presented in divers' areas of medical research. We are going to enlarge our activity and to stimulate involvement of the young colleagues.

The organization of this Summer School by the Coordination Team of ERA-AGE 2 Project and its Director Prof. A. Walker is a good example for our practice in preparing students and young researchers as next specialists dealing with ageing issues. By the way we are interested in the two projects ERA-AGE 2 and FUTURAGE as well which help us to be integrated to the European research infrastructure.

On behave of the Medical University Board I would like to convey my best regards to all organizers of this Summer School in Varna and to wish all participants welcome and successful work.

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