Reviewer’s report

Title: Effectiveness of a problem-solving based intervention to prolong the working life of ageing workers

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General comments:
The manuscript is clear. The question posed by the authors is well defined and the method proposed is appropriated although a randomized controlled trial would be "the best solution". However, the authors have clearly discussed the limitation of their study. A major strength of the study is to yield data on the intervention process for discussing the success and failure of the intervention.

Major compulsory Revision:
1. Please indicate which outcome measure (after 3 or 12 months ?) are studied in the regression analyses presented in table 3

Minor essential Revision:
1. In the method section, line 168, the seven aspects covered by the Work Ability Index could be shortly described.
2. line 386, do the authors refer to the Perceived work attitude?
3. Lines 409 to 412, “Reasons for not defining an action [...] lack of motivation.” Is it an assumption or an observation? I did not find the data supporting that.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests.