





### IDIH PROJECT FACT SHEET

AIM | Promote and increase international collaboration to advance digital health in the EU and key Strategic Partner Countries to support active and healthy ageing (AHA) through innovation



IDIH serves as a CATALYST for the INTERNATIONAL DIALOGUE in DIGITAL HEALTH for AHA



### **EXPERT-DRIVEN APPROACH**

### IDIH has set-up a **Digital Health Transformation Forum**

gathering top-notch experts, executives and advocacy groups from the six regions (EU, CAN, US, JP, CN, KR)



### **4 Expert Groups**

defined common priorities identified opportunities











### **Policy makers & User associations**

are consulted to validate the findings.

to define a

# ROADMAP for enhanced International Collaboration on Digital Health for AHA





### February 3, 2022 | Agenda

|       | IDIH Stakeholders' Event (public event)   |                         |
|-------|---|-------------------------|
| [CET] | Introduction and welcome by the IDIH Coordinator  |                         |
| 14.00 | Kristin Dallinger, Steinbels, IDIH Project Coordinator  |                         |
| 14.00 | Adopting assistive and digital technology for dementia friendly com-<br>a national randomised controlled trial.  Matthew Lariviere, Lecturer in Social Policy, School for Policy Stu<br>Sciences and Law, University of Bristol. Chair and EU Representat<br>Group on Inclusive Living. | dies, Faculty of Social |
| 14.15 | The SoCoTel plotform: digital co-creation from a human-centricity approach.  Blanca Deusdad Ayala, Associate Professor, Dep. Anthropology, Philosophy and Social Work, Rovira I Virgili University, Tarragona   |                         |
| 14.30 | The users' perspective to tackle Social Isolation. A hinge strategy to create a user centric community system in which local councils and care providers are actors, not owners.  Nanno van der Laan, CEO and founder, 112Motion.   |                         |
| 14.45 | The e-Vita project: EU-Japan Virtual Coach for Smart Ageing and its coordinator in Japan, the Smart Aging Research Center at Tohoku University.  Lorenz Granrath, Specially Appointed Assistant Professor, Tohoku University, Smart Aging Research Center                               |                         |
| 15.00 | Design and evaluation of age-friendly digital solutions. Addressing implementation and methodological challenges  Jie Wang, Vice President of Smart Health Care and Home Care Branch of China Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics (S2HC-CAGG)                                     |                         |
| 15.15 | Open Discussion   |                         |
| 15.30 | Closure of the event  |                         |

### **IDIH Stakeholder's Event:**

Digital Health for Active and Healthy Ageing. Addressing the needs of users

February 3, 2022 (14.00 - 15.30 CET)





# Adopting assistive and digital technology for dementia friendly communities: Lessons from a national randomised controlled trial

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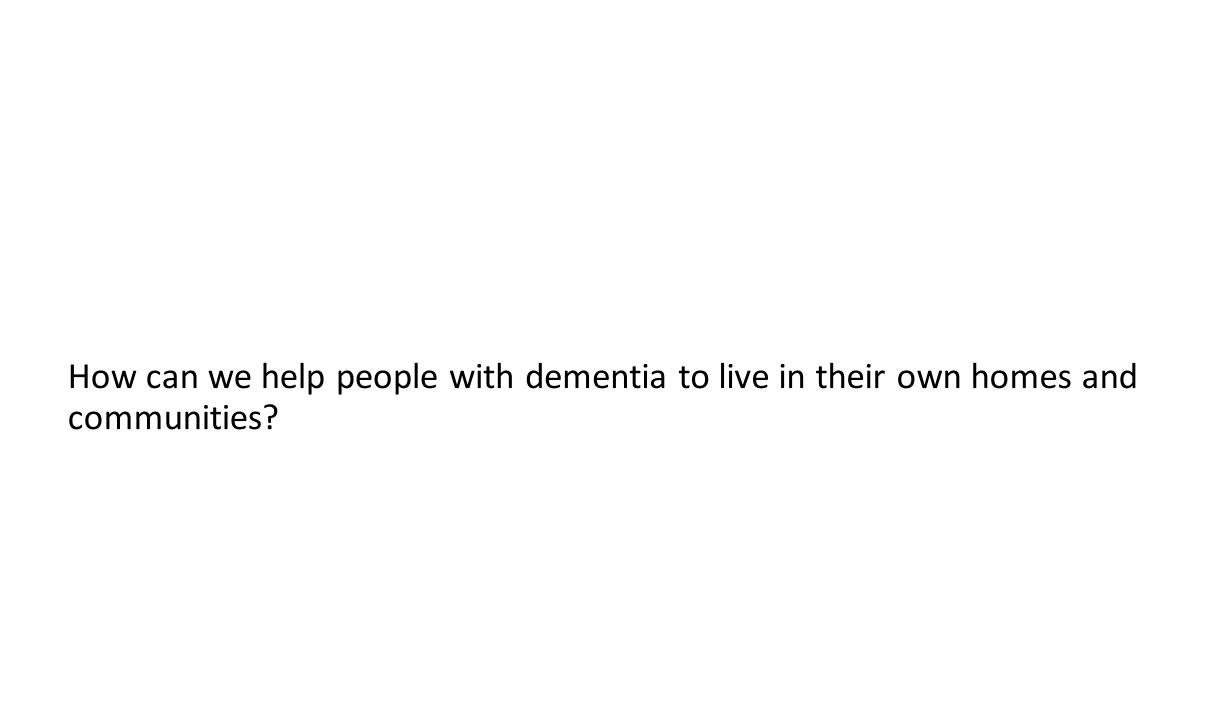


## What makes a community "dementia friendly?

"The Four Cornerstone Model" (Joseph Rowntree Foundation, 2012)

- Place (homes, other built environments, outdoors)
- People (what do people in the locality know about dementia?)
- Resources (how can locality's support people with dementia public services, businesses, shops, restaurants/cafes)
- Networks (how do different actors work together to support people with dementia)





# Assistive Technology and Telecare to maintain Independent Living At home for people with dementia (ATTILA)



### What was ATTILA?

Pragmatic randomised controlled trial (Leroi et al., 2013; Howard et al., 2021)

Investigated effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of assistive technology and telecare (ATT) to delay people with dementia permanently moving into residential care

Participant received an ATT needs assessment followed by installation of indicated ATT (intervention; n=248) or an ATT assessment with restricted installation to smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and pendant alarms (control; n=247).

Participants followed up for 104 weeks.

### Results

No significant difference between health and social care costs or societal costs between control and intervention.

No significant difference to delay permanent moves to residential care.

ATT not cost-effective.

# Insights from trial

Fidelity of the intervention was low in terms of matching ATT assessment, recommendations and installation.

This, however, reflects current practice within adult social care in England.

How did people actually use ATT in their own homes?

A Collaborative, COMMunity-based ethnography Of people with Dementia and their carers using Assistive technology & Telecare in England (ACCOMMODATE)



### What was ACCOMMODATE?

**Embedded ethnography** – qualitative approach to examine practices of people with dementia and caregivers with assistive technology and telecare in the national ATTILA trial (Lewis and Russell, 2011; Lariviere et al., 2021).

Observed practices of nine cases of people with dementia and family carers in their homes for six months per case (total 208 hours).

# **Analysis and Findings**

Situational analysis of fieldnotes and transcripts,.

Identified three broad themes from cases that captured and evoked how participants' practices with assistive technologies and telecare (ATT) shaped care relations and spaces:

- Placing care
- Replacing care
- Displacing care

# Placing care

The Smiths Case

We need to consider placement of technology in the wider context of peoples' lives – relationships, built environment, other humans and animals

How and where do we install technological interventions? To what effect on their 'successful' implementation? Placement matters.

# Replacing care

oThe Campbells case

Caring as surveillance

O How should we distinguish between care, security and surveillance when we design future care technologies?

# Displacing care

o The Drapers case

o Reconfigured and abandoned rooms in the home

O How should we design and implement care technologies that adapt to the changing spaces and places of care in later life for people with cognitive impairments?

## Introduction of bed: Sitting room as bedroom

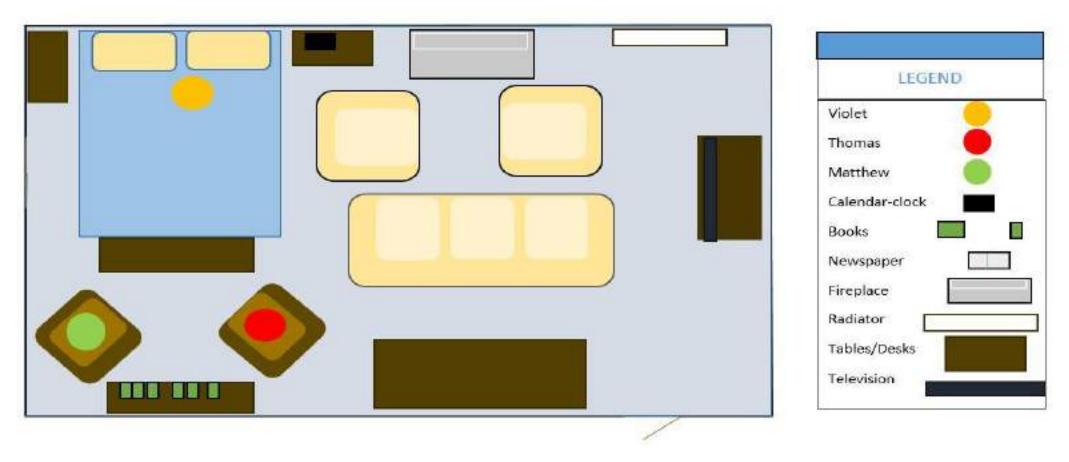


Fig. 1 Map of Violet Draper's sitting room from September 2015 visit

# Introduction of commode: Sitting room as bathroom

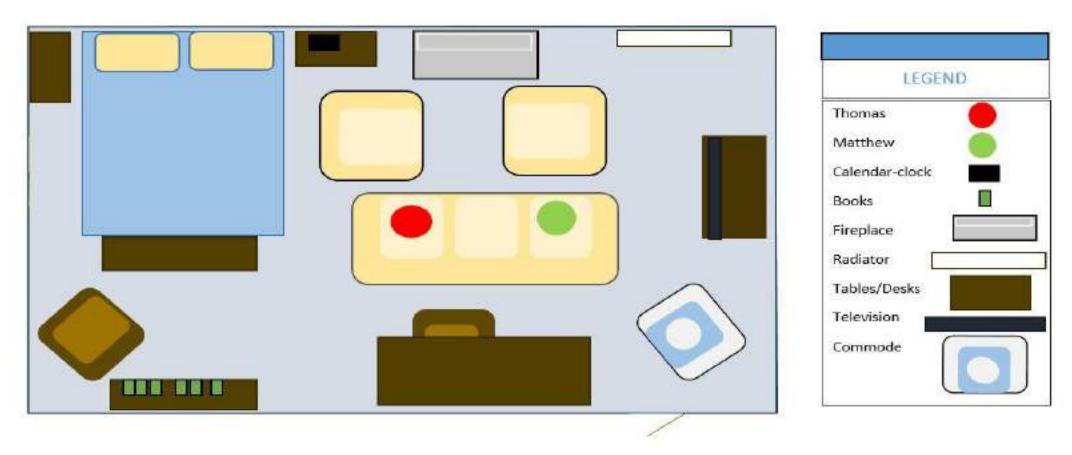


Fig. 2 Map of Violet Draper's sitting room from January 2016 visit

# AT equipment-dominated: Sitting room as institution

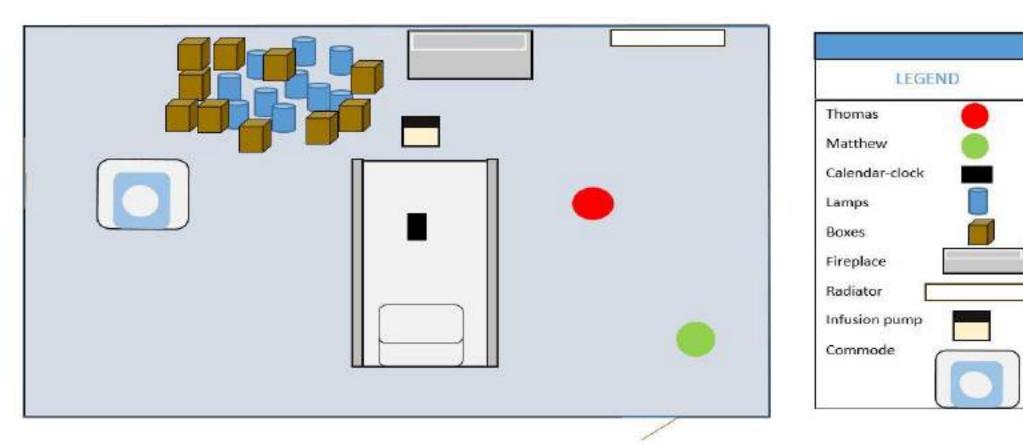


Fig. 3 Map of Violet Draper's sitting room from April 2016 visit

Care practices went from being co-located, face to face interactions to displaced and mediated through apps, screens.

Other care practices (e.g. personal care), which may have a greater impact on dignity and wellbeing, rendered invisible.

Carers reconfigured the home to meet shifting care needs of person with dementia. Participants had to continuously make ATT 'fit' in domestic places and routines.

Findings problematise 'living independently in the community'. Participants with dementia rarely left their homes due to carers' perception of risks and social isolation.

Many investigated technology (i.e., telecare systems) required people to be close to a base unit at home; risk-management of people with dementia through ATT may unintentionally confine them.

Current tech for people with dementia may disrupt people's sense of place, relationships, and ties to wider community.

Future technology needs to ensure that it attends to all aspects of the "The Four Cornerstone Model" (Joseph Rowntree Foundation, 2012).

Move beyond risk-management technology; explore how technology can enhance connections, not diminish them.

# Thanks for your attention.

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The SoCaTel platform: Digital co-creation from a human-centricity approach

IDIH's Stakeholders Event (on-line meeting)
February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 (14.00h-15:30h CET)



COORD: Dr. Blanca Deusdad Ayala Institution: URV





# WHAT IS SOCATEL?

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# SOCATEL partners

### **SoCaTel partners**



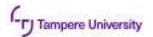
### **Members of the SoCaTel Project**



















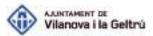






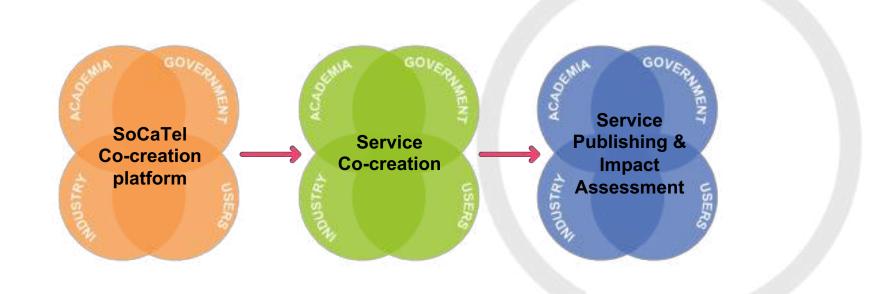






### What is SoCaTel?







# WHAT IS SOCATEL's HUMAN-CENTRIC APPROACH?

### 4 pilot sites and twinning

### **Quadruple Helix**

(Carayannis & Campbell, 2009)

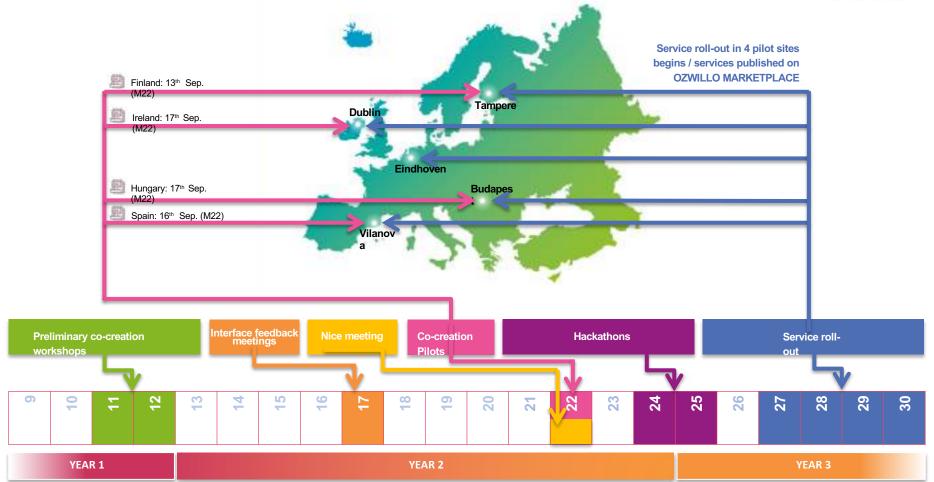






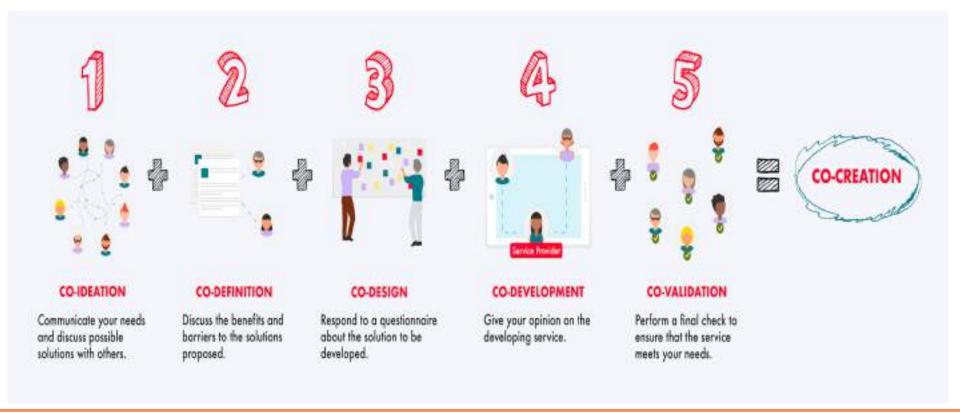
### **Methodology implemented**





### SoCaTel co-creation platform









### SoCaTel added value in a context of pandemic



### **IDENTITY CARD**

### MODERATOR



Moderators are internally sourced or independently contracted by, and accountable to, platform proprietors. They have access to specialist accounts to focilitate their role function which is to moderate or control participants' online behaviour. Moderators are required to have technical, ICT and legal expertise in line with their role function and in order to provide assistance to participants however, the Moderator does not participate in online co-creation conversations.

### Duties include:

- Verifying user profiles
- Liabling with the Facilitator
- Removing duplicate content
- Deleting content / messages
   Sending Spam warning messages
- Banning / unbanning users
- Permanently de-activoting accounts

### IDENTITY CARD

### **FACILITATOR**



Facilitators are internally sourced or independently contracted by, and accountable to, platform proprietors. They have access to specialist accounts to support their role function which is to facilitate the online co-creation process. Facilitators are required to have extensive experience of co-creation methodologies and their online configuration, ICT and group facilitation skills, and a good working knowledge of topics submitted for co-creation for example Long Term Care care services. Ideally a Facilitator will have strong links to a wider network of relevant stakeholders including policy makers from which they can mobilise support. The Facilitator is an active participant in anline co-creation conversations and liaises closely with the Moderator to maintain online standards.

### Duties include:

- Knowledge Base search / screen
- Signposting information on services
- Topic justification
- Inviting and encouraging active participation by multi-stakeholder group
- Supporting / clarifying / correcting co-creation processes and conversations
- Matching evidence to, and summarizing, ideas and comments
- Managing time frames and moving the process between steps
- Decision making as to overall fidelity of the co-creation structure, process, outcome
- Reporting inappropriate behaviour / content to Moderator





#### **Twinning Programmes**

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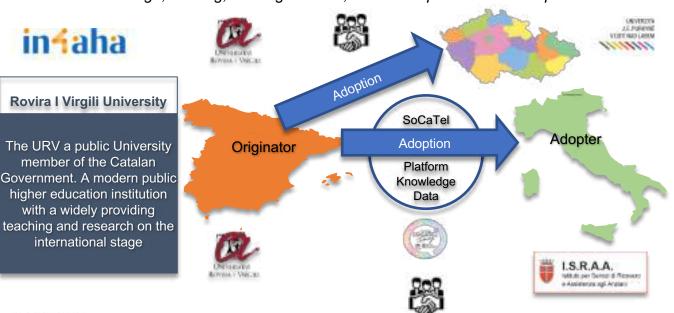
international stage







Goal of Twinning: Support scaling-up of digital health and care solutions across Europe. Twinning includes transfer of knowledge, training, and digital skills, as well as partial or full adoption of the solution



#### **Innovation Center** Usteckého Kraje

ICUK is a key systemic institution-building regional innovation ecosystem and directly contributes to the economic transformation for the Usti region

#### ISRAA

Public service provider based in the northeast of Italy. As a service provider for older adults, ISRAA intends to adopt the SoCaTel platform and create new LTC services



# TAKE A BROWSE ON SoCaTel PLATFORM



# WHO ARE THE BENEFICIARIES OF THE SOCATEL HUMANCENTRIC APPROACH?

#### Why the need for a SoCaTel platform?



Current practices are not meeting all people's needs;

- The right tool to support a social service reform;
- SoCaTel's approach to digital co-creation benefits all stakeholders;
- Cost-efficient in long-term care services.



#### The benefits of using SoCaTel





Is your organisation interested in co-creation and/or the SOCATEL platform? Get started with these resources: Download the SoCaTel platform: github.com/SoCaTel Technical support and co-creation facilitator training (fee-based): UP2SMART (www.up2smart.com / up2smart@gmail.com), - CyRtC (www.cyric.eu / info@cyric.eu) or Ozwillo (www.ozwillo.com / contact@ozwillo.org). Companies dedicated to encouraging the uptake of SoCaTel by public administrations across Europe. Co-creation techniques (D1.3 Co-creation Manual: www.socatel.eu/wp-content/sploads/2020/10/SeCaTel-D1.E., Co-creation-manual.pdf Do's and don't's for co-creating on the SoCaTel platform: www.socatel.eu/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/D6-4.pdf www.socatel.eu/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/D7.3.pdf Spread the word about digital co-creation within your networks: massive open online course: www.socatel.eu/mooc How to be a digital co-creation facilitator: www.socatel.eu/moderator-facilitator-2/





# WHAT ARE SOCATEL's LESSONS LEARNT?

#### WHAT ARE SoCaTeL'S LESSONS LEARNT?



- To build an 'ecosystem of stakeholders' community engagement and participation prior to co-creation and post-project;
- Stakeholders' participation in co-creation of LTC services ensures real citizens' needs are met in a cost/efficient way;
- Service suppliers, entrepreneurs and possible software developers should be engaged. This could be incentivised: facilitator or local authorities (managers) finding synergies amongst local actors.

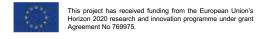




#### SoCaTel added value in a context of pandemic



- The pandemic has put in evidence in all Europe the poor health and living conditions in nursing homes systems;
- Digital co-creation has become and can be crucial in a pandemic, as an easy way to connect with a large range of stakeholders;
- To solve new emerging needs in an agile and fast manner being able to co-create on-line long-term care services from home;
- Having the potential to create a 'virtual community'.





#### For more information





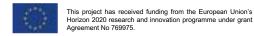


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# SOCATEL

Co-creating for a better life











#### EncourAGE,

#### The Community Health System that increases our citizens' Healthspan



The users' perspective to tackle Social Isolation and inactivity.

A hinge strategy to create a user centric community system in which local councils and care providers are actors, not owners!

Nanno van der Laan IDIH Stakeholders' Online Event on 3 February 2022:

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Community care EncourAGE behaviour change Active Aging "How-to" [strategy] Prevention Fall detection

healthy life expectancy [HLE+5] user empowerment Frail people Health and Social care convergence Social Isolation











We're on a mission to prevent or break social isolation & tackle inactivity.

We've developed a digital suite of products and services,
targeting the ageing market segments
with a range of PREVENTIVE care solutions aimed at improving quality of life of our citizens.

















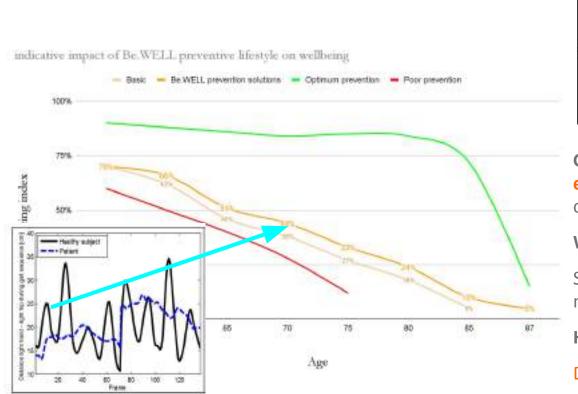
Care Watch | Voice App | SMS/messaging | Dashboard | Mobile Apps | Questionnaire Q&A | Drink WELL | Harmony Health: Decision support

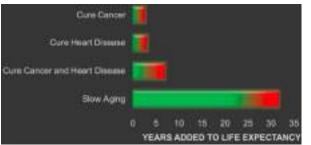






#### Moving away from a mindset fixed on risks & disease management





**Goal** is to add five years to healthy life expectancy [HLE+5], aka provide extra years of a healthy life.

#### What must be done:

Slow ageing by improving the physical & mental capabilities of our citizens.

#### How to do this

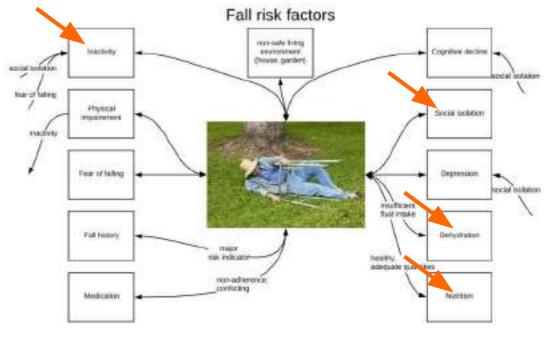
Deploy and foster open community systems



#### 112Mstion Smarter Healthcare Self-activated prevention and personal healthcare

#### An integrated approach to reduce frailty

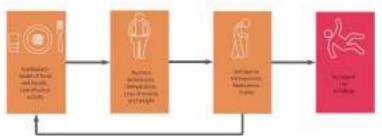
(and ultimately lower the fall risks)



Interconnected solutions potentially offer the most effective means to slow aging & reduce frailty. But that's the IT/Tech perspective!

A business process modeling approach is a must do to create efficient & successful communities!

A new collaborative organization model is a **must** have to develop and run communities!









#### Business process re-engineering: a prerequisite to success

Technology, in the way we apply this in health- and social care, is by definition a solution [to a problem]; however for a system to be successful it needs to be efficient and it needs to be customer centered. Re-engineering of processes is unavoidable; but the results are very tangible benefits!

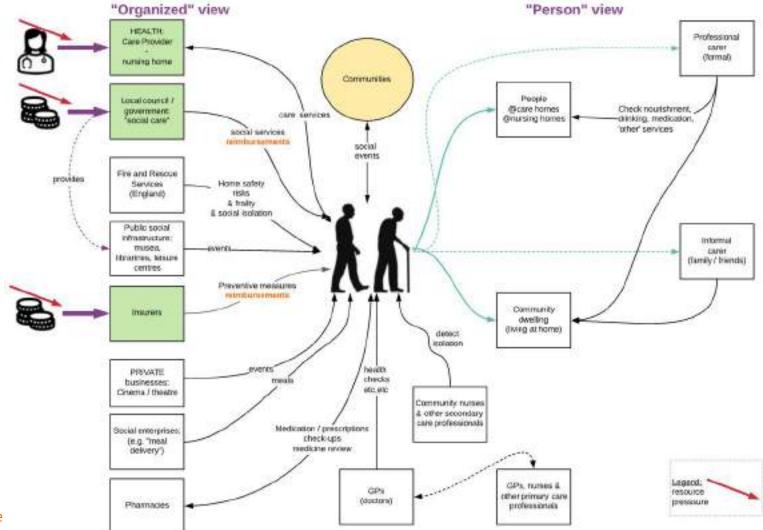


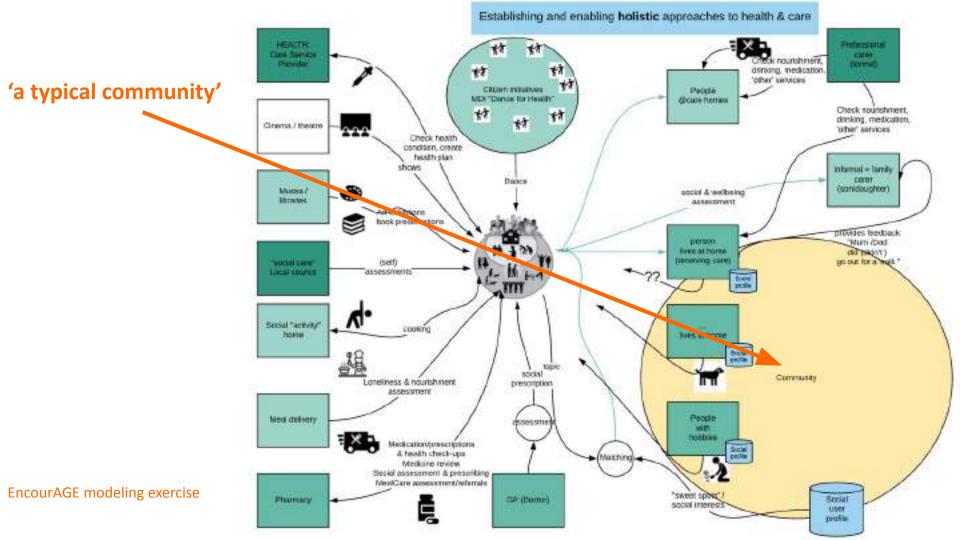


## 112Mstion Smarter Healthcare

Smarter Healthcare
Self-activated prevention and personal healthcare

A 'simplified'
High Level /
context diagram

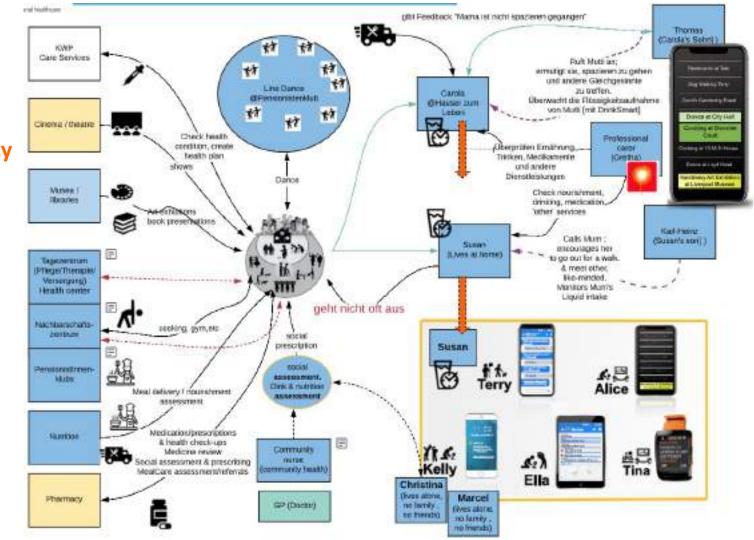




#### The EncourAGE

"sample" community

implementation





#### A new organization model is required to develop communities

Establishing a **collaborative organization**, which is described in the **MSP**<sup>®</sup> methodology, facilitates the development and operation of Healthy Ageing communities.

It's an excellent guideline / framework to use.







#### [some] reasons to adopt a new organization model

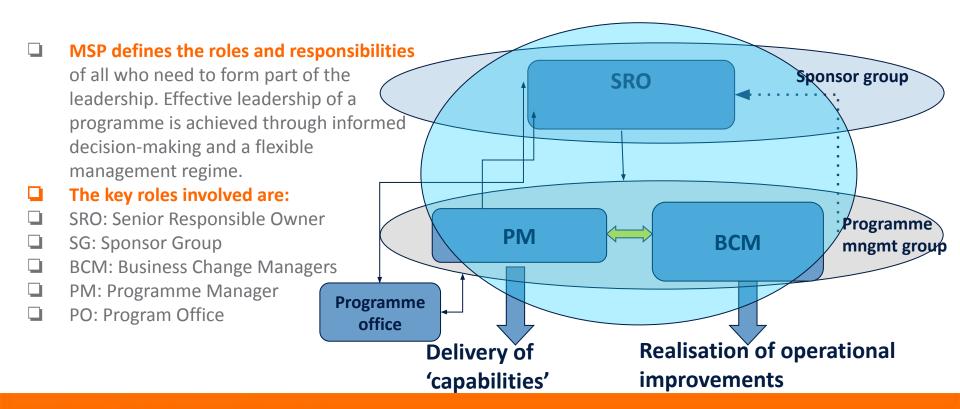
| Our    | common expertise applies to <i>established</i> organisations; however an " <b>ECOsystem</b> " type model requires |  |  |  |
|--------|---|--|--|--|
| a diff | a different, a collaborative organisation structure. Indicators are   |  |  |  |
|        | The existence of overlapping processes, the result of <b>established</b> organisational boundaries                |  |  |  |
|        | In case there is insufficient, or not yet established, board-level or government or business support              |  |  |  |
|        | Leadership is weak or is not identified yet or properly defined   |  |  |  |
|        | There are <i>unrealistic</i> expectations of the capacity and capability to change                                |  |  |  |
|        | There is <i>inadequate</i> focus on benefits  |  |  |  |
|        | There is <i>no real p</i> icture of the future capability   |  |  |  |
|        | The organizations <i>fail</i> to change the culture;  |  |  |  |
|        | which [culture] has to change needs to be identified and addressed  |  |  |  |
|        | There is a <i>poorly defined</i> or poorly communicated vision  |  |  |  |
|        | There is <i>absent</i> or <i>not enough</i> engagement of stakeholders.   |  |  |  |





# 112Mstion Smarter Healthcare Self-activated prevention and personal healthcare

#### [MSP®] Program management structure









#### **Roles explained**

#### **SRO** [Senior responsible owner]

Ultimately responsible for successful delivery of benefits.

Owner of the vision. Leadership & accountability. Funding & budget.

Overall governance. Interfaces with key stakeholders.

#### **Program manager**

Set up, manage and implement the program. Responsible for delivery of 'capabilities'

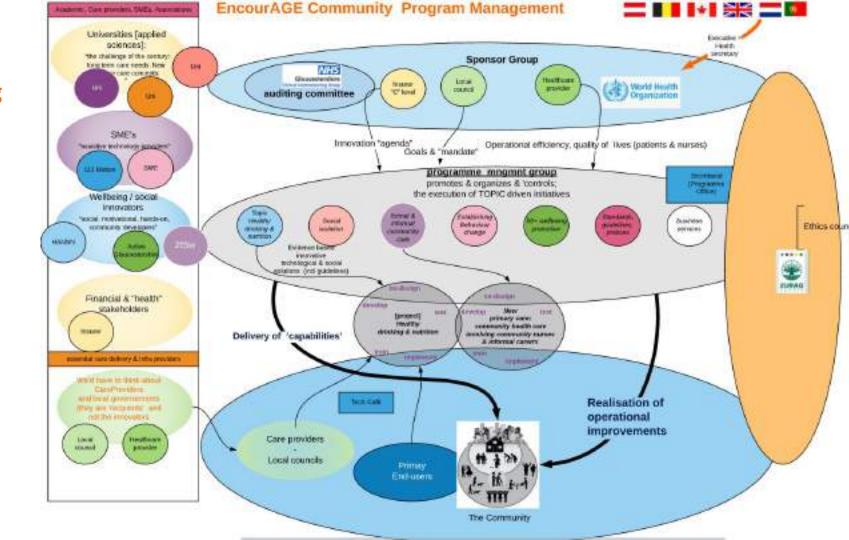
#### **Business change manager (change agent)**

Responsible for 'benefits' management, from identification to delivery and delivery, which ensures that improvements in the organization are 'embedded' (= main responsibility!).





Organizing & managing





EncourAGE provides the digital community infrastructure connecting elderly with carers, family and friends, councils and (local) businesses. It creates a new social, motivational, ECOsystem supporting everyday lives













We work with partners that have the vision, drive, energy, skills, endurance and belief in developing community type ECOsystems

(looking beyond "point" solutions (like mobile apps))

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With our partners, we



- Tackle Hydration: DrinkWELL
- meal delivery => mealCARE
- Pharmacy => PharmaCARE
- ★ stimulate social integrations
  - incorporating dance initiatives









# Harmony Health, the "no-code" solution to develop and run digital health communities













#### Nanno van der Laan







More information:

**EncourAGE Community IT** 

112Motion website

CareWatch wearable

<u>DrinkWELL - smart cup</u>







#### Content

- 1. Tohoku University: Smart Aging Research Center
- EU-Japan Project E-VITA / Digital Twin for Aging

# Tohoku University

Established in 1907

#### Ranked 1<sup>st</sup> place for Education in Japan

The Times Higher Education University Rankings, Japan, 2020

79<sup>th</sup> in QS Global World Ranking of Universities

#### **Designated National University**

One of only 3 in Japan, together with the University of Tokyo and Kyoto University



| Administrative staff   | 5,756  |
|--|--------|
| Undergraduates   | 11,094 |
| Postgraduates  | 7,704  |
| International students   | 1,346  |
| <ul><li>10 Faculties, 15 Graduate Schools,</li><li>6 Research Institutes</li></ul> |        |

| Tohoku University 'core values' |                    |  |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| Research-first                  |                    |  |
| Open-door                       | Ranked 1st         |  |
| Practice-oriented               | in patents in 2019 |  |



#### Notable Alumni

Tanaka Koichi – Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2002

Toyoda Kiichiro – Founder of Toyota Motor

Corporation



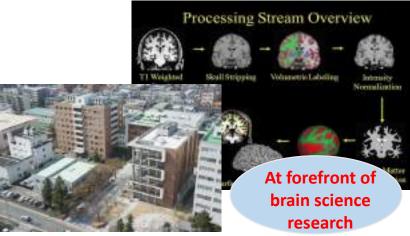
Tohoku University Hospital, Medical Megabank Organization / Katahira Campus

### Institute of Development, Aging and Cancer IDAC (&SARC)

| Highlights through IDAC's history |   |  |
|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| 1941                              | Established under Tohoku<br>Imperial Universit, with a<br>research focus on TB  |  |
| 1993                              | Became the Institute of Aging Medicine  |  |
| 2006                              | Pursuing the research goal of "Smart Aging"   |  |
| 2010                              | Certified as an "Aging<br>Medicine Research Center"<br>by Ministry of Education,<br>Culture, Sports and<br>Technology |  |
| 2011                              | Completion of the Smart<br>Aging Research Center<br>Building  |  |
| 2017                              | Creation of <b>Smart <u>Aging</u> Research Center (SAIRC)</b> within IDAC   |  |

"One of the most distinguished research institutes in the world regarding brain imaging, with advanced imaging facilities and large-scale brain databases"

| Major Research Divisions and Centers         |                   |  |
|--|-------------------|--|
| Aging Science                                | Cancer Science    |  |
| Brain Science                                | Cognitive Science |  |
| Cell Resource Center for Biological Research |                   |  |
| Pre-Clinical Research Center                 |                   |  |
| Environmental Response Center                |                   |  |
| >> 27 departments                            |                   |  |
|  |                   |  |





# Smart Aging Research Center

#### Dementia prevention research, to create a dementia-free society

**Goal**: clarify the **development and aging of the brain** for the purpose of preventing dementia and benefit society.

**Achieve**: Comprehensive Scientific Prevention Program

Elucidate and prevent the onset of dementia, enhance biological defense and immune response, using genomic medicine, omics research, lifestyle-assisted monitoring and daily life activities sensors, and human cohort studies (including across generations)

The **elderly cognitive intervention program** of IDAC can reduce medical expenses by more than 180 million yen per year per 1,000 people, a world-leading achievement



| Research divisions  |                                    |  |
|---|------------------------------------|--|
| Biological Defense Systems  | Biopredictive Medical Research     |  |
| Developmental Cognitive<br>Neuroscience                             | Socio-econonimic Aging<br>Research |  |
| Human Welfare Engineering   | Planning and Development           |  |
| Smart Aging College (Tokyo) - joined with <b>52 major companies</b> |                                    |  |

nationally, to bring results from science to society

| Major Awards Received  |  |  |
|--|--|--|
| Development of Cognitive Intervention                            | <b>Prof Kawashima:</b> MEXT Award, 62 <sup>nd</sup> Kahoku Cultural Award, Minister Internal Affairs and Communication Award, 34 <sup>th</sup> Inoue Harushige Award |  |
| Cognitive Science  | <b>Prof Sugiura:</b> MEXT Young Researcher Award   |  |
| Technology development for early diagnosis of cognitive diseases | Prof Arai: Japan Society for Cognitive Diseases Award, American Society of Nuclear Medicine Molecular Imaging Society: Image of the Year                             |  |
| Large brain database   | <b>Prof Taki:</b> Gold Award at Japan Radiological Society General Assembly ('08, '09)   |  |

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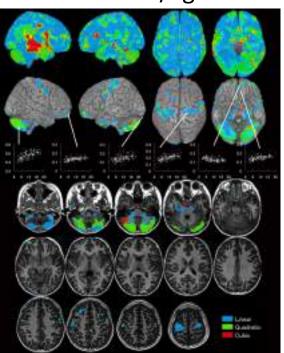
# Competence: human brain development study

We revealed how the human brain develops & factors affecting brain development

Brain's physiology: correlation between brain perfusion and age in children

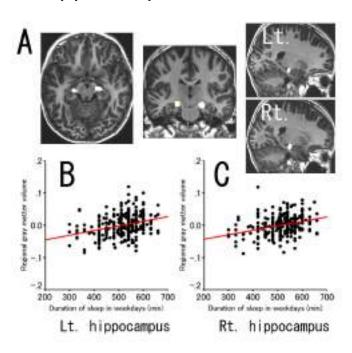
Taki, et al, Human Brain Mapping, 2011

Brain's cognitive resource: correlation between gray matter volume/age in children



Taki, et al, Human Brain Mapping, 2013a

Brain's memory: correlation between sleep duration and hippocampal volume

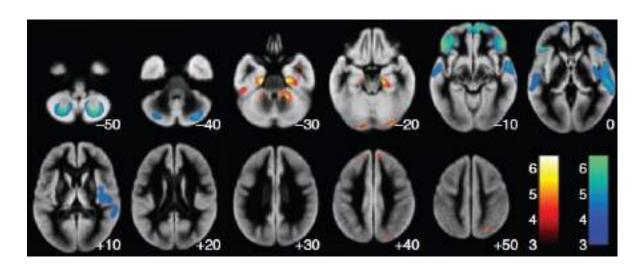


Taki et al., Neurolmage, 2012

# SARC competence: human brain study for dementia

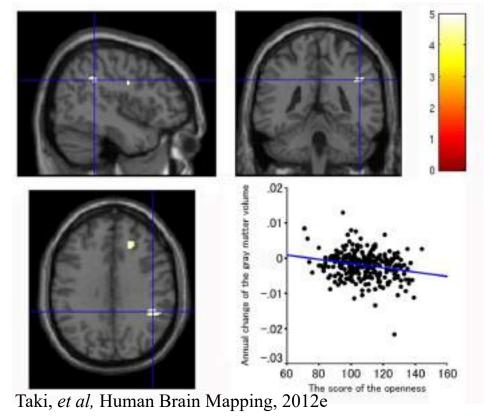
We have revealed how the human brain ages and what factors affect brain aging.

Correlation between gray matter volume and body mass index



Taki et al., Obesity, 2008

Correlation between gray matter volume and intellectual curiosity



# Industry-academia collaboration activities







**Cram School:** collaborates with Tohoku University in order to gain better understanding <u>how children's brains develop medically and scientifically.</u>

**Robot Maker:** test if <u>pet-like robot LOVOT helps to maintain the cognitive</u> <u>function of older adults and improve the subjective well-being of children and their parents in early primary schools</u>.

Cognitive function tests (memory, executive function, etc.) and 心 tests (subjective well-being, stress level, positive attitude, etc.) are done before and after intervention with intervention and non-intervention groups.

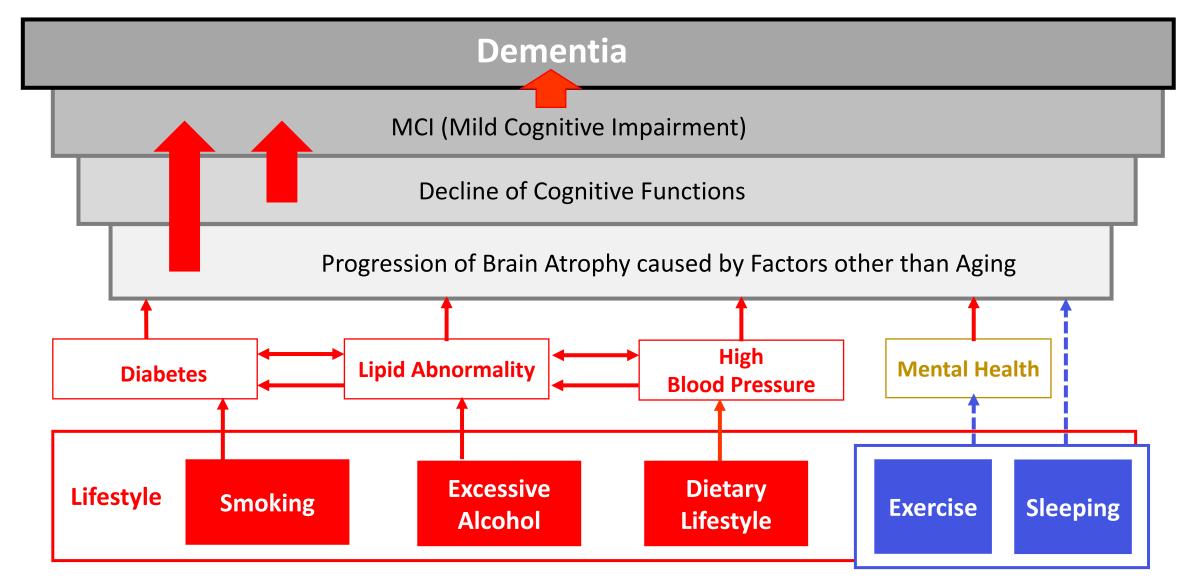
**Tourism Company:** has strengths in senior citizens and wants research on the correlation between travel and the prevention and suppression of dementia from a medical perspective, based on the hypothesis that there are changes in the brain before and after travel over a three year period.







### Important: Lifestyle Improvement for Dementia Prevention



### Content

- 1. Tohoku University: Smart Aging Research Center
- EU-Japan Project E-VITA / Digital Twin for Aging







# Project Summary 2021-2023

A European (H2020) and Japanese (MIC) funded project on Smart Living Support for the Ageing Society

# EU-Japan Project e-VITA



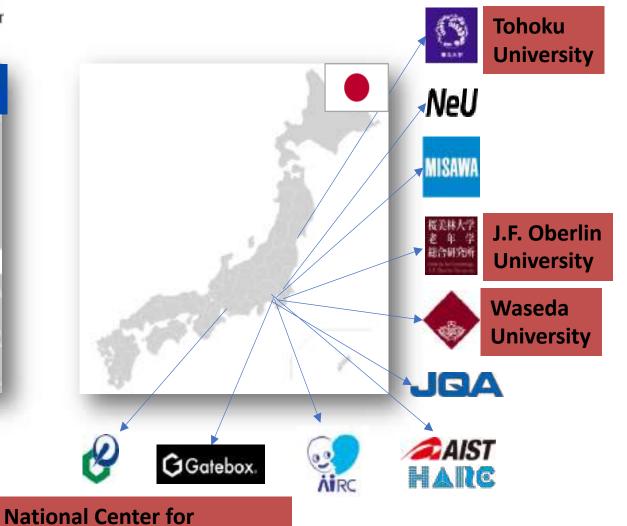
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### **Project - Objectives**

Socio-Technical System with Robots, Smart Devices and Trustworthy Al







- Objective 1: Develop a set of standards and norms for interoperability of advanced IoT, NLP and AI based smart living technology in Europe and Japan
- <u>Objective 2:</u> Develop an <u>advanced intercultural virtual coach</u> with seamless integration of smart living technologies, advanced AI and tailored dialogue interaction
- ▶ <u>Objective 3:</u> Enable smart living support and <u>tailored AHA interventions</u> for physical, cognitive, emotional, and social wellbeing of older adults in real-life settings in Europe & Japan
- ▶ <u>Objective 4:</u> Propose and design <u>practice-based ICT tools</u> to empower older adults to experience ageing as a positive process and meaningful period of life
- Objective 5: Conduct a proof of concept study to assess user acceptance in real-life environments from different countries and cultural backgrounds (EU/JP)
- ▶ <u>Objective 6:</u> Explore the feasibility of a <u>new ecosystem for disruptive innovations</u> of AHA coaching and incubation of SMEs and NGOs in Europe and Japan

### Needs-based approach

Target variable well-being



Autonomy

»I can do what I want the way I want it«



Competence

»I'm good in what I do«



Relatedness

»I feel close to the people I care about«



Popularity

»I have impact on what others do«



EU-JAPAN VITUAL COACH FOR SMART AGEING



Security

»I'm safe from threats and uncertaincies«



Stimulation

»I was experiencing new activities«



Physicalness

»That my body was getting just what it needed«



Meaning

»I feel a sense of deeper purpose in life«

### System Overview

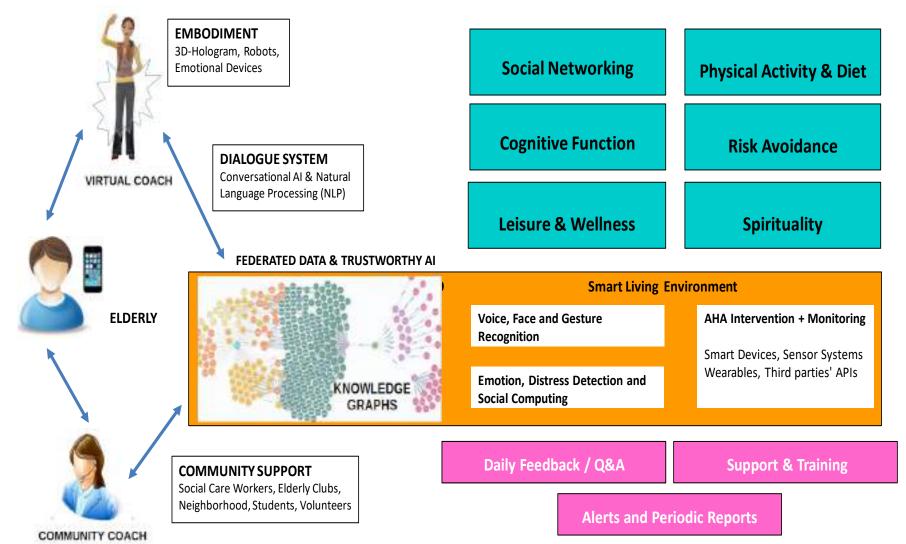






#### **USER, AGENTS & ACTORS**

### **FUNCTIONALITY (AREAS OF SUPPORT)**



### **Smart and Natural Interaction**







Knowledge graphs, Conversational AI & Machine Learning



Cameras Microphones Smart Medical Devices Sensors (indoor, outdoor) Living Lab Smart Devices Other IoT



#### (PERCEPTION)

ASR
Computer Vision (+Face, Gesture
Recognition)
Emotion Recognition

#### (APPERCEPTION)

Multimodal Annotation (incl. cleansing, disambiguation) Multimodal Alignment and Data Fusion

#### SYNTHESIS

TTS Embodiment (avatar)

#### DEEP LEARNING TOOLBOX

Vectorization, Feature Engineering, NN Implementation, Training Model Zoo

#### NATURAL LANGUAGE UNDERSTANDING

Tagging, Parsing, NER, [Stanford CoreNLP, UDPipe, spaCy]

Multimodal Disambiguation and Grounding

Coreference Resolution

Speech Act Recognition

#### MULTIMODAL SEMANTIC QUESTION ANSWERING

#### PERSONALIZATION AND ADAPTATION

User-specific fuzzy parameters tuning ("hot"/"dark"/"early")

Interaction history

#### DEVICE AND RESPONSE SELECTION

Intent Classification and Slot Labeling

Context-Aware Action Selection

#### DIALOGUE MANAGER

Clarification Questions Generation

Dialogue State Tracking, Dialogue Policy [ParIAI, DSTC8 BERT baseline, DialogFlow]

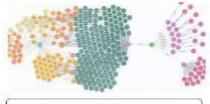
ACTION EXECUTION AND CONTROL

NATURAL LANGUAGE GENERATION

DIALOGUE SYSTEM COMPONENTS

#### DATA INTEGRATION AND KNOWLEDGE GRAPH POPULATION

Semantic Converters, MMKG Population Multimodal KG Embeddings Zoo



#### KNOWLEDGE GRAPH:)

#### LEGEND

green available software and training data, existing documentation on training violet - algorithm implementation available, data labeling and training is required

### **Intelligent Devices**









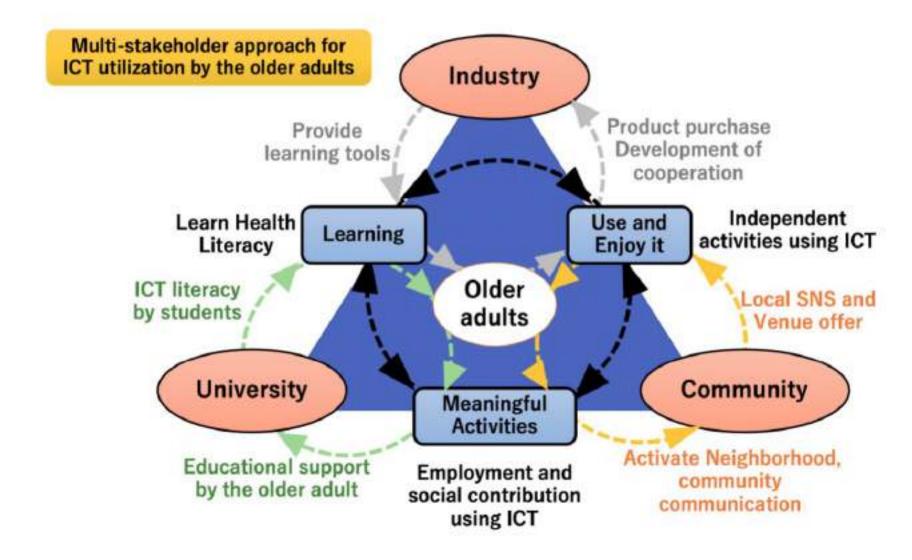
### Social Engagement

Local actors & communities

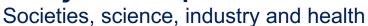








### Project Impact









- Independent living, and <u>improved quality of life</u> of older persons compared to the current
   State of the Art
- Usefulness and effectiveness of personalized recommendations and follow-up in terms of goals of <u>preserving physical</u>, <u>cognitive</u>, <u>mental and social wellbeing</u> for as long as possible
- Evidence of <u>user-centred design and innovation</u>, effective ways of human computer interaction, and user acceptance
- Fostering <u>social participation</u> and reducing social exclusion's risks of older adults
- Validation of <u>non-obtrusive technology</u> for physical, cognitive, social and mental wellbeing
- Strengthened <u>international cooperation</u> in research and innovation on Smart Living for AHA

# Thank you very much!

# Design and Evaluation of Age Friendly Digital Solutions

**Addressing Implementation and Methodological Challenges** 

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### **Outline**

- 1. The Age Related Digital Divide
- 2. The Initiatives in China
- 3. Rethink 'Age Friendliness'
- 4. A Framework
- 5. Conclusions

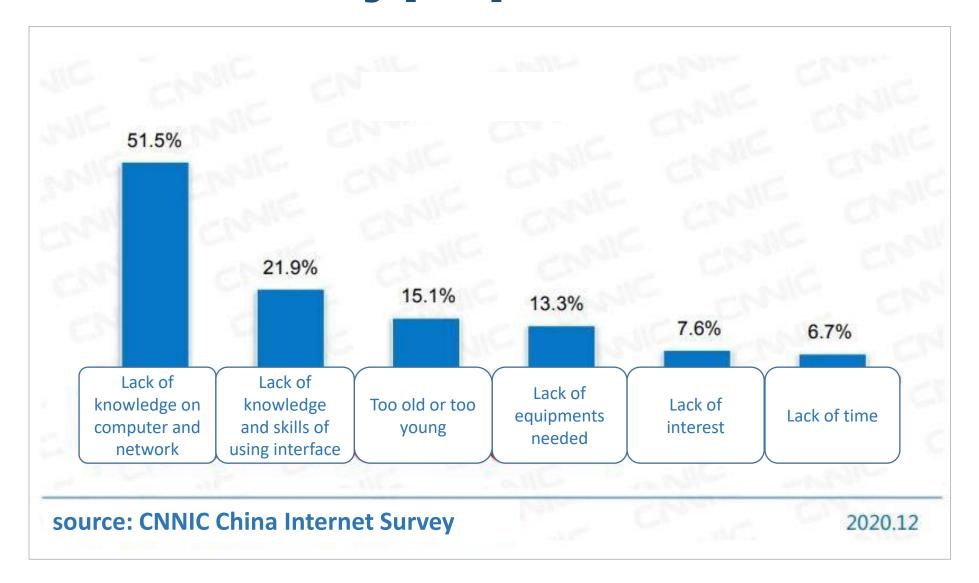
# **Age Related Digital Divide**

# The 47th CNNIC China Internet Survey

By December 2020, there were 416 mil. people not connected to Internet in China; 46% of which were people of 60+ years old.

18.3% of the total population were 60+ years old

# The reasons why people are not connected



# **Initiatives in China**

### **Initiatives in China**

State Council Decree:
Resolution to deal with obstacles faced by elderly while using smart technologies

### MII Decree:

Action Plan for Improving the Age Friendliness and Accessibility of Internet Applications



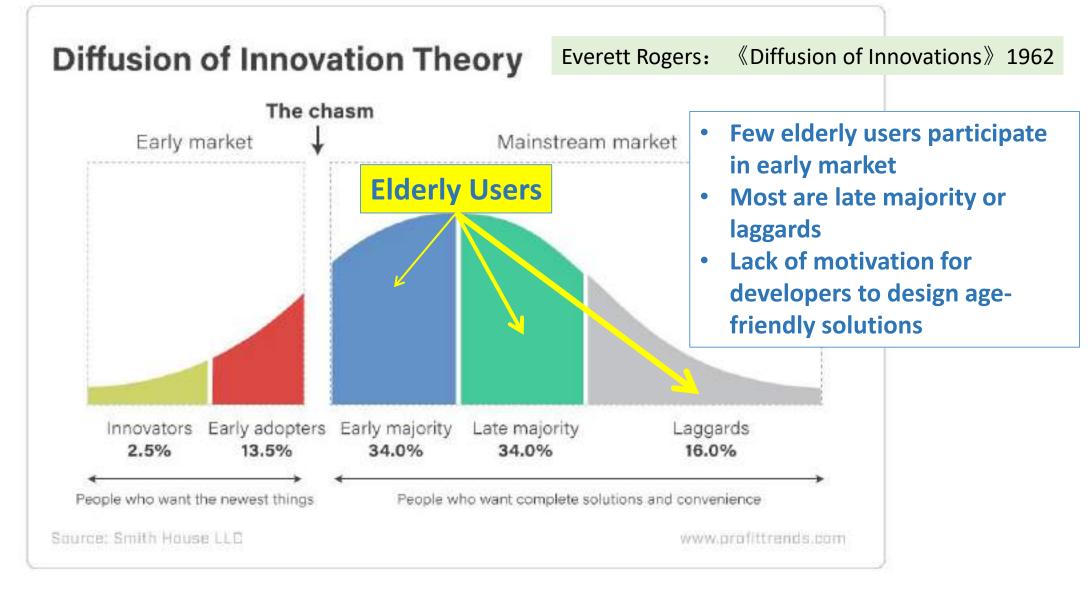
### **Initiatives in China**

### MII Decree:

- Compliance Requirements:
  - 1. # of registered users > 50 mil., Market share among top 5
  - 2. Six categories: news, social media, shopping, financial services, travel and healthcare
- Total 43 APPs need to complete modifications to improve the age friendliness and accessbility

# **Rethink Age Friendliness**

# Why is Age Friendliness Design Lacking



# **Negative Attitude Is a Big Part**

#### 1. Inconvenience

• unwanted calls, connection costs, mental effort to use mobile devices, discomfort of carrying the device all day, etc.

#### 2. Complexity of features design

• camera and pictures management on mobile phones, numbers of options and settings on mobile devices, etc.

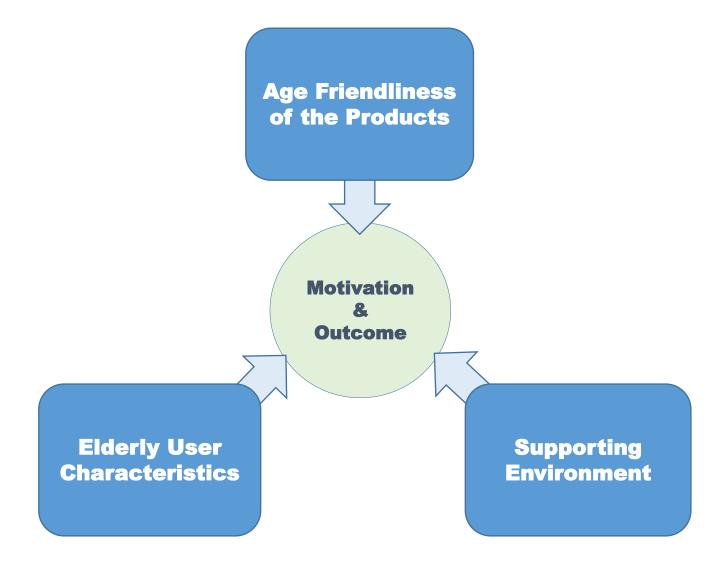
#### 3. Security and reliability

- lack of trust with the use of personal data, positioning technology not functioning when in the need, etc.
- 4. Low computer self-efficacy
- 5. Performance anxiety connected with computer use
- 6. Ergonomic impediments

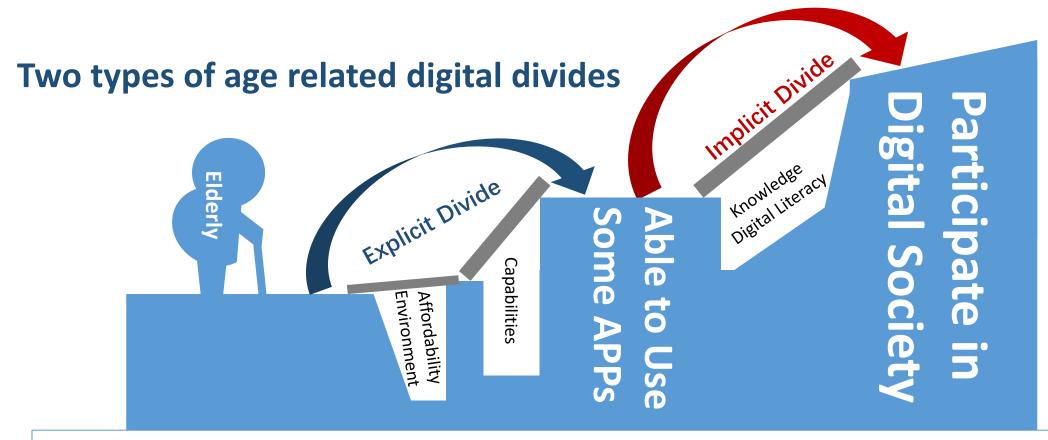
Gabriela Villalobos-Zúñiga , Mauro Cherubini; "Not a Technology Person: Motivating Older Adults Toward the Use of Mobile Technology";

https://www.researchgate.net/publication/318699817

# **Three Major Factors Impacting Elderly Usage**

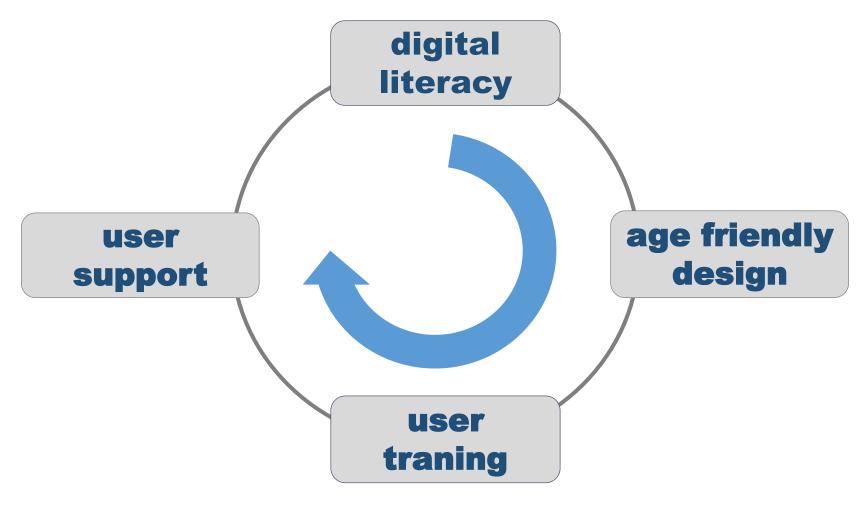


# More on the Digital Divide



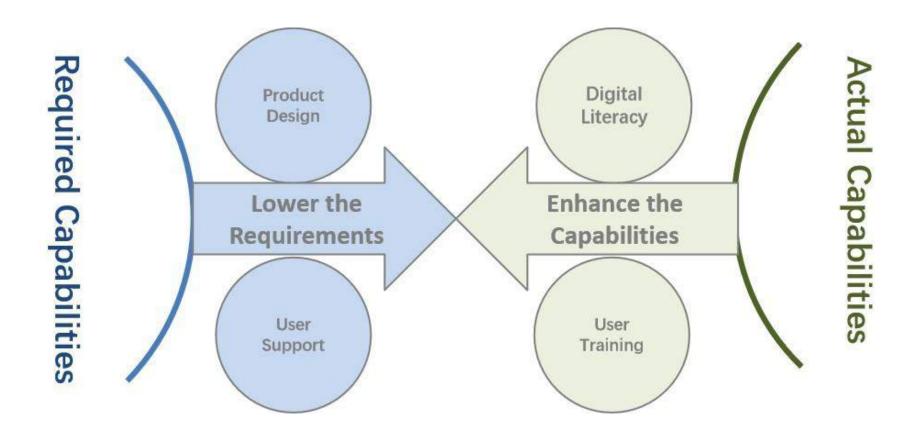
Need to maintain the capabilities and update the knowledge

# Age Friendly Design is Far from Sufficient



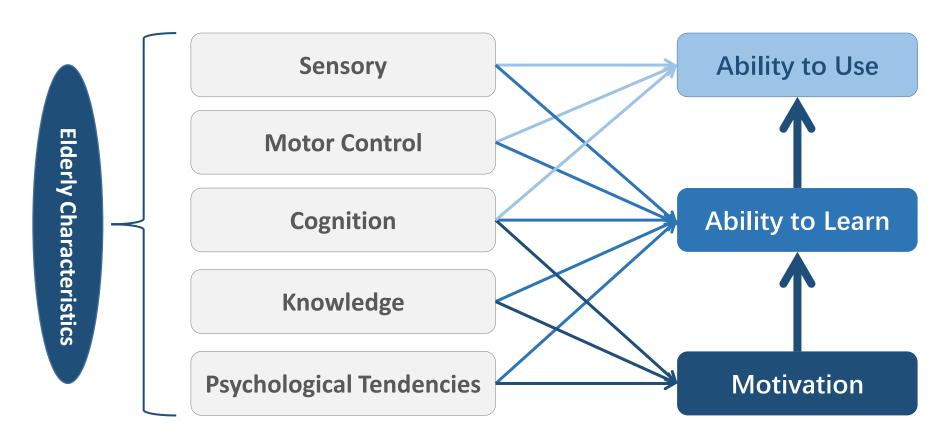
**A Systematic Approach is Needed** 

# **Bridge the Gap**



# **A Framework**

### A Framework: Age Friendly at Different Levels

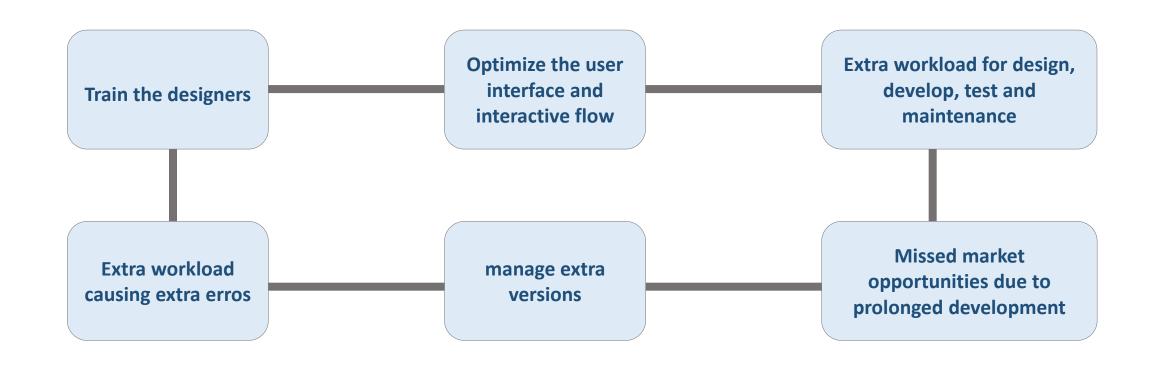


Large variations of the five characteristics result in diversed capabilities of the elderly.

#### **Age Friendly Design** Perceived **Other Support** Perceived Ease to Use **Usefulness** Matching the **Age Friendly Psychological** Capability Knowledge Needs **Tendencies User Mannual** Easy to Secure Remote Background **Understand Screen Sharing** Safety Anxiety Cognition **APP Kowledge Secure Remote Alternatives** Knowledge on **Screen Control Motor Control Risk Anxiety** Equipment Value **Delegate User Self Efficacy Digital Literacy** Sensory **Negative Label Mental Model**

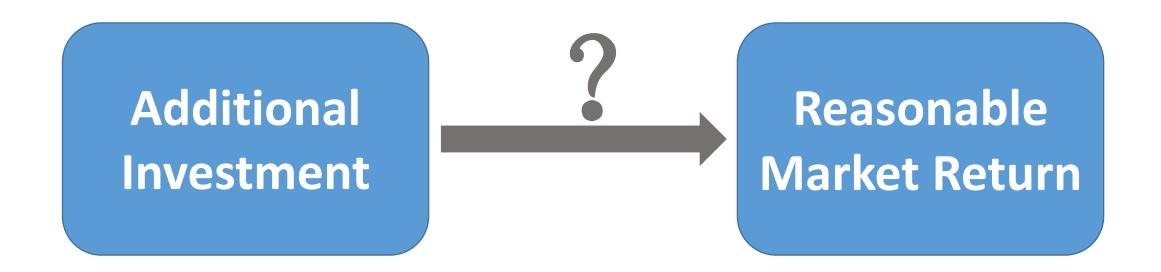
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# **Cost of Age-Friendly Design**



Can the extra investment be justified?

### Is there a sensible business model?



The return is too small, too slow, too late!
Additional (non-commercial) drivers are needed.

### **Conclusions**

- Lack of Age Friendly Design Is A Long Term Problem
- Users' Lack of Knowledge IS Part of The Digital Divide
- Age Friendly Digital Solutions Go Beyond Product Design and Need A Systematic Approach
- Age Friendliness Need Drivers Outside the Market

# Thank You!

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