

Mapping dementia-friendly communities across Europe

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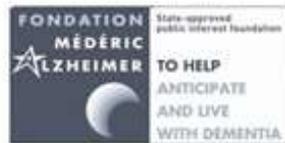
- To promote inclusive and sustainable environments for people living with dementia and their carers in communities across Europe;
- To encourage the inclusion and participation of people living with dementia in society as active citizens;
- To change society's perception of dementia;
- To transfer knowledge within Europe.

Who's involved?

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Started in 2011, EFID is now in its III Phase (2015-2016).

EFID I Phase (2011-2012):

1. A Europe-wide Awards Scheme “Living well with dementia in the community”
2. A learning platform:
 - Publication on frames and counter-frames
 - Workshop on messaging



ADI Conference, 24th April 2016

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"I am still the same person"

An invitation to communicate differently about Alzheimer's disease and related illnesses.



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EFID II Phase (2013-2014):

1. A Europe-wide Awards Scheme “Living well with dementia in the community” (II edition)
2. A learning platform:
 - Workshop on empowerment and inclusion of people with dementia in the community
 - Workshop on on the specific challenges of involving people with dementia from ethnic minority groups and their families in the community



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EFID III Phase (2015-2016):

1. A Capacity Strengthening Fund (CSF)
2. A learning platform:
 - Workshop « Towards a network of practitioners for dementia-friendly communities »
 - Publication « Mapping DFCs across Europe » and « Collection of DFC case studies »
 - Upcoming workshop on the exchange of practice and development of indicators to capture change (*Bruges, 10-11 May 2016*)



Mapping dementia-friendly communities across Europe

- A research commissioned to the Mental Health Foundation UK in 2014 and 2015.
- Information gathered through a literature review; an online survey; telephone interviews.
- Based on the research, EFID published an online collection of DFC case studies across Europe.
- Survey report and case studies will be released in May and will be available on www.efid.info

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DEMENTIA-FRIENDLY

CITIZENS



Findings

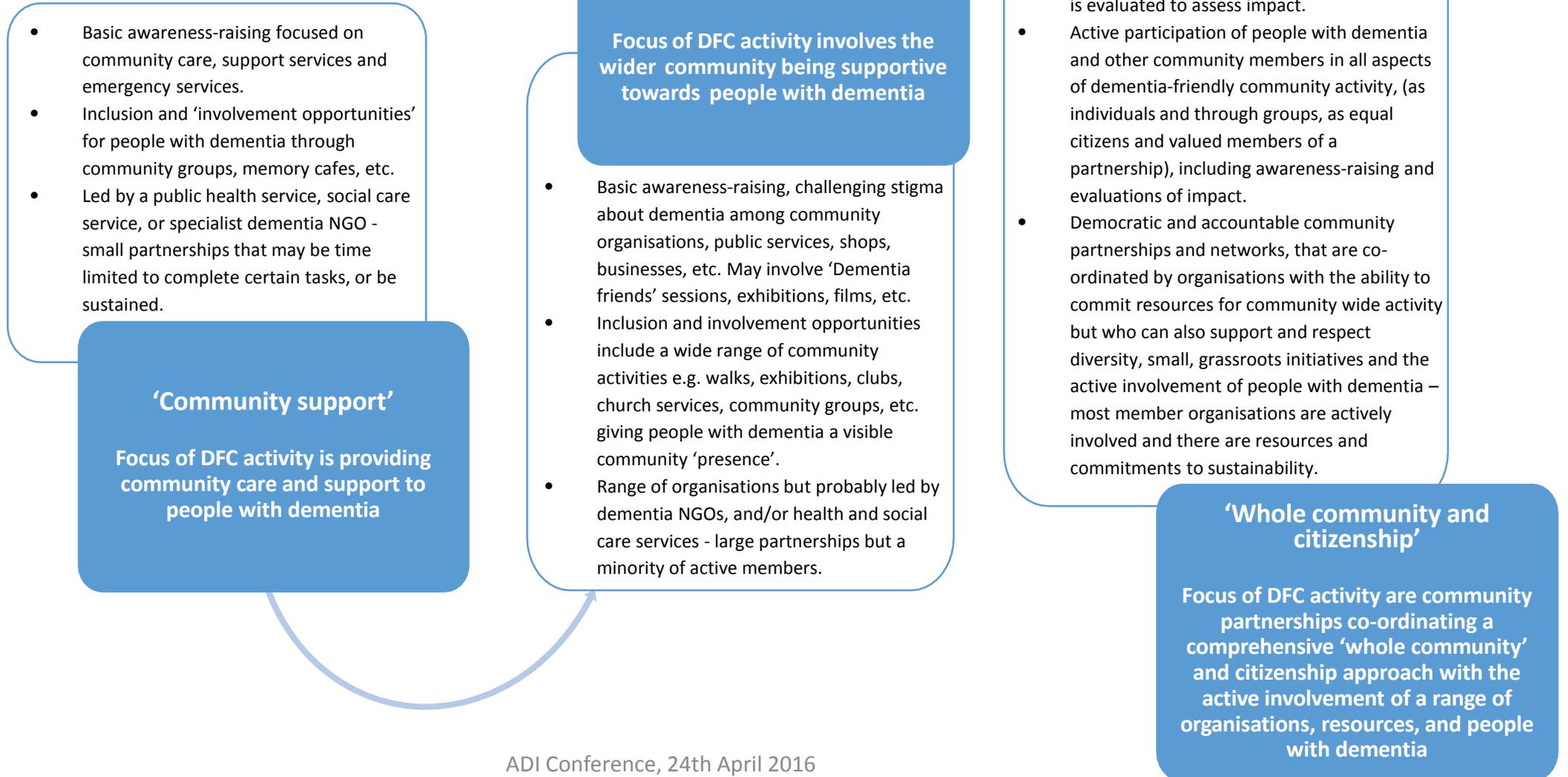
Essential factors to develop a DFC:

1. Providing training, education and awareness-raising about dementia.
2. Active inclusion and involvement of people living with dementia in the communities where they live.
3. Encouraging and supporting partnerships, networks and collaborations focused on developing dementia-friendly communities.
4. Securing and sharing resources for developing a dementia-friendly community.

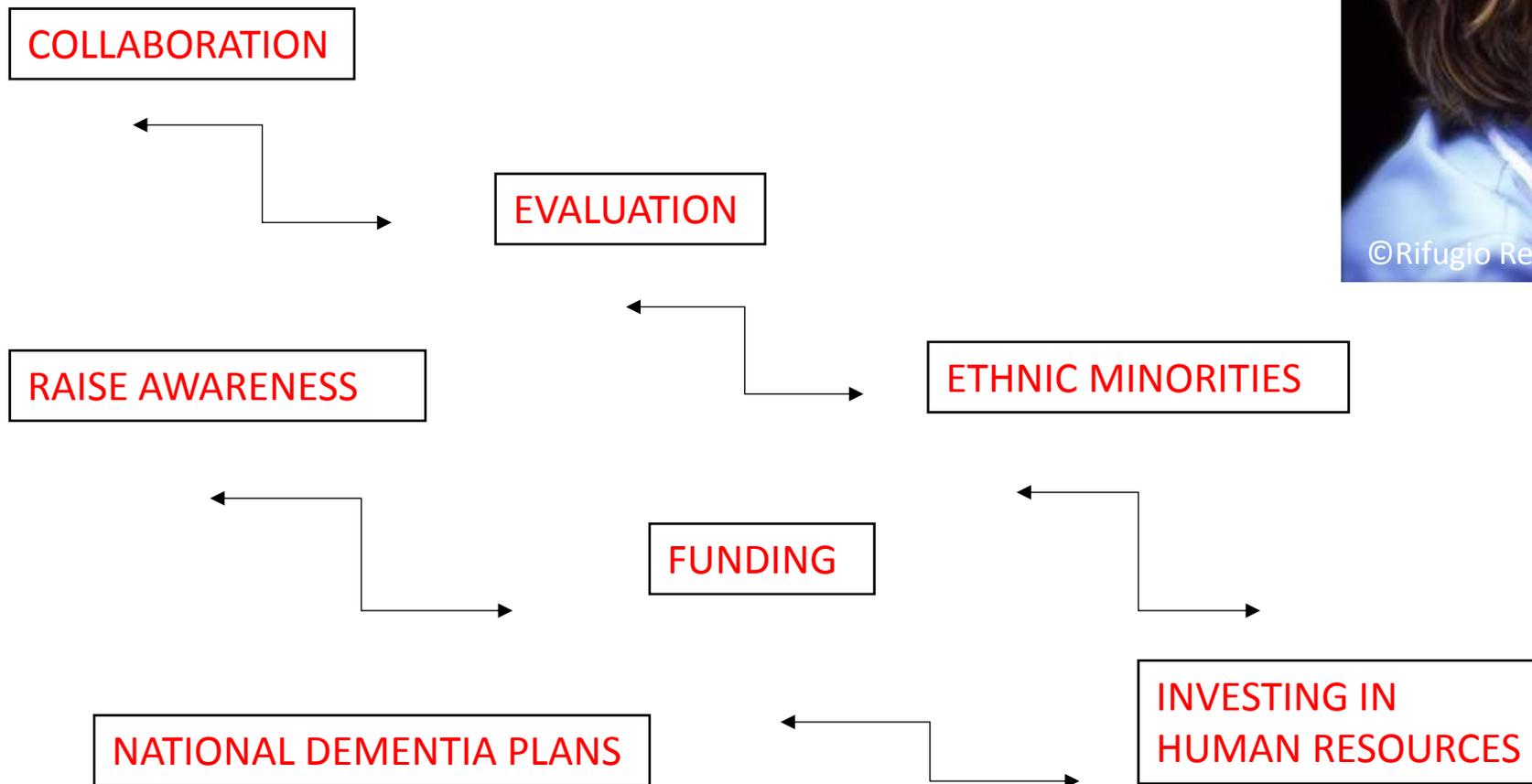
Policies and strategies relating to dementia-friendly communities: most dementia-friendly community activity was taking place at regional, municipal or local level.

Some strengths and challenges were identified relating to the development of dementia-friendly communities.

A Taxonomy for Dementia-friendly Community Activity (DEM-FACT)



Ways forward



Compilation of case studies

Available online: www.efid.info



Arnsberger dementia 'learning workshop', Germany

- **Where:** City of Arnsberg, Germany.
- **Who is involved:** the Special Department for Future and Old Age, plus professional and civil society services supporting people with dementia. In 2014 the 'learning workshop' won an EFID award.
- **Nature of activity:** Arnsberg addresses the challenges of demographic change with its concept 'Living a Long and Good life in Arnsberg'. This includes bringing services supporting people with dementia together in the 'Arnsberger Dementia Learning Workshop' to create a tight-knit support network for people with dementia and their environment. This involves establishing networks of professionals (medicine, nursing, etc.) and civil society partners (kindergartens, schools, cultural and economic institutions, etc.) who share the aim of improving the quality of life of people with dementia and their relatives. The main focus is on projects to connect generations, generate ideas, raise awareness, network, develop support and promote projects.
- **Website:** www.projekt-demenz-arnsberg.de

“We don’t consider dementia as a ‘burden’ to society but rather as an opportunity to get rid of stereotypes and change society’s practices. Our society has managed to give “time to life” but now it needs to give “life to time”.” (survey respondent)

Thank you for your attention!

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