



Connected Care for Elderly Persons
Suffering from Dementia

Final D1.1

Summary of national user group composition

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Introduction (BRE)

The aim of the CCE project is to support the development of a common, open, standardised and integrated European platform to deliver connected ICT-based assistive living solutions for the elderly, building on initiatives at the national level and, taking account of different funding mechanisms in EU member states (Social insurance-based; Germany and Hungary, private insurance-based; Netherlands and taxation-based; UK), to develop and assess business models to support the mainstream provision of assistive solutions. The focus will be on dementia sufferers, but the platform will offer the potential to be extended to other chronic conditions.

One of the key objectives of the project is to identify user requirements for sufferers of dementia, their carers and healthcare professionals in different member states (drawing on national groups) to ensure that the development of mainstream assistive technologies for elderly people is orientated towards the needs and lifestyles of users, and to gain an awareness of barriers to use. This report gives details of the establishment of user groups in Germany, Hungary, Netherlands and UK.

Dutch User Group

The Dutch user group will be drawn from the members of 'Alzheimer Netherlands'. It is a professional organization, with many regional branches and has links with other centers for Alzheimer universities in Netherland. For more information on 'Alzheimer Netherlands' see their web address below for more information. They will provide input from the primary end-users, very well versed in the matter.

<http://www.alzheimer-nederland.nl/content.jsp?objectid=255>

Germany User Group

The German User Group composition aims to establish contacts for:

- Gathering requirements (technical/usability/economic) for technical AAL installations from retirement homes management and representatives from health insurances or medical companies.
- Gathering first hand experiences with people suffering from dementia by addressing nursing staff, retirement homes and welfare organizations (also to establish direct contacts to people with Alzheimer's disease) and/or relatives and family members.

In principle the members of the German User Group are engaged in

- (a) External Workshop (where CCE is presented and assessed; requirements are gathered; results are presented);
- (b) Evaluations resp. Requirement Analysis by making available direct contacts to people suffering from dementia or to medical staff for first hand experiences or relatives.

Consequently the German User Group is composed of the following groups (indicated whether contact is used for a) and/or b)):

- Nursing Staff / Medical Staff:
 - *Pflege- u. Sozialdienst Darmstadt* (engl. Nursing and social services Darmstadt) (a)
 - *DRK Berlin* (engl. Red Cross Chapter Berlin) (a)
 - *DAHOAM* (Häusliche Krankenpflege und Altenbetreuung e.V. München) (engl. At Home – homecare and care for the elderly Munich) (b)
 - *IDOB* (Integrierte Demenzversorgung in Oberbayern) (engl. Integrated Care for people suffering from dementia in Upper Bavaria) (b)
 - *DRK Kaiserslautern* (eng. Red Cross Chapter Kaiserslautern) (b)
- Health Insurance Companies
 - *DAK Darmstadt* (a)
 - *KV Darmstadt* (a)
- Care Felicities:
 - *Wohnpark Kranichstein* (in Darmstadt)(a,b)
 - *Westpfalz-Klinikum GmbH (WKK) Kaiserslautern* (a,b)
 - *AWO Horst-Salzmann-Zentrum München* (a,b)
- Organization for People suffering from dementia / Organization for Seniors:
 - *Akademie 55+* (a)

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- *Demenzforum (eng. Dementia Forum) (a,b)*
 - *IHOE – Institut für Haushaltstechnik und Ökotrophologie Dr. Baier (engl. Institute for household and dietics Dr. Baier)(b)*
 - *Seniorenrat Darmstadt (engl. Senior Council Darmstadt) (a)*
 - *Alzheimer-Gesellschaft München (engl. Alzheimer organization Munich) (b)*
 - *Rothenfußer Wohngemeinschaften für demente Menschen (eng. Flat-share community for people suffering from dementia Rothenfuß) (b)*
- **Research Institution:**
 - *Protestant University of Applied Sciences Darmstadt (a)*

Hungarian User Group

The Hungarian User Group has been founded under the control of MOHE (Mrs Jolán Bajnai, President). The first meeting of the user group was held on 25th September 2009 to give a general overview of the project and accepted a working schedule. They have started to prepare a questionnaire for their needs.

Members of the user group are given below:

- MOHE
- Social Institute of the Budapest XI. district (Local Government Home Care Organization for elderly people)
- Hungarian Jewish Social Foundation (Home Care for Holocaust Survivors)
- HARRIS Health Service (Home Care Organization)
- MA-VI 2001 Bt. (Home Care for people suffering in dementia)
- TERRA 95 Bt. (Home Care Organization)
- Ölelo Kéz (Embracing Hands) Foundation (Home Care Organization)
- BME EMT

Other organizations in Hungary have indicated that they will be joining to the user group.

UK User Group

The members listed below from the Digital Access Provision (DAP) forum have agreed to participate in the UK user group.

- 3DReid
- ADI
- BIS (UK government department)
- Cisco
- Centrihealth
- Connecting for Health (UK government department)
- Continua Health Alliance
- Enabling Concepts Management
- Foundation of Assistive Technology
- Hereward College
- HoIP
- Housing Communities Agency
- London Borough of Newham
- Mouchel
- MediLink
- Microsoft
- Peverel
- Royal Institute of British Architects
- SASIE
- Shared Learning Group (12 Local authorities)
- Telemedic
- Tunstall
- Welsh Assembly (UK government department)

BRE will work with the DAP consortium to find the user requirements of local government, primary care trusts and users via a series of workshops to be organized in November and December 2009. In addition the DAP members will also allow BRE to discuss other research being undertaken in the UK on assistive living and dementia, as well as discussing the project with UK health department (NHS).

Summary and Conclusion

User groups in all the partners' countries; Germany, Hungary, Netherlands and UK, have now been established and this report completes task 1.1 of work package 1.