



# ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY FOR PEOPLE WITH PROFOUND INTELLECTUAL AND MULTIPLE DISABILITIES

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Personalized intelligent platform enabling interaction with digital services to individuals with profound intellectual and multiple disabilities



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**Objectives:** Design and develop an ICT platform that enables persons with

PIMD to use digital applications and services that:

can enhance the quality of their life

increase their ability to self-determination

enrich their life

















#### **Target Group**

#### People with profound intellectual and multiple disabilities (PIMD):

- Profound intellectual disability
- Adaptive behaviour clearly below average

#### In addition:

- Motor impairment
- Sensory impairment
- Medical problems (e.g. epilepsy)

#### **Communication:**

- Usually no verbal language
- Mostly on a pre-symbolic level
- Often use of individual and unconventional behaviour signals

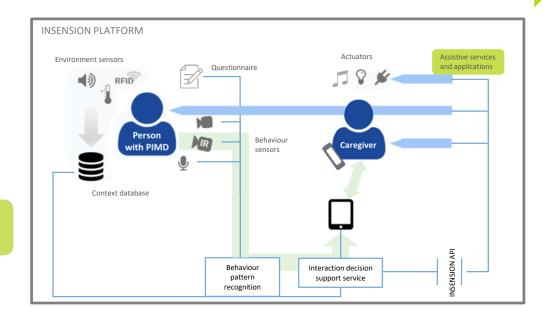
**Extensive support needs & dependency** 



### **Concept of INSENSION Platform**

#### **Approach: Technology-supported responsive environment**

- Analysis of behaviour signals and context factors
  - a) Questionnaire for proxies
  - b) Recognition Technologies
- Identification of potential needs for action
  - → Use of digital applications and services





# **Application Use Cases for the INSENSION System**

Definition by means of Focus Group Workshops



# **Definition of Application Use Cases: Focus Group Workshops**

| Aim:  | Defining those situations, which are most challenging for people with PIMD and their caregivers |  |
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| 3 workshops:  | Heidelberg (Germany), Poznań (Poland), Kraków (Poland)  |  |
| Participants: Relatives (e.g., parents), professional caregivers, ICT spe |   |  |



# **Overview of the Focus Group Workshops**

| Workshop |  | Focus scenarios   | Participants |                           |                  |     |
|----------|--|---|--------------|---------------------------|------------------|-----|
|          |  |   | Relatives    | Professional<br>Caregiver | ICT specialitsts | Sum |
| I.       | Heidelberg,<br>Germany<br>(30.11.2018) | Guaranteeing a high quality of care during <b>transitions</b> | 3            | 4                         | 2                | 9   |
| II.      | Poznań,<br>Poland<br>(11.12.2018)      | Guaranteeing a high quality of care during <b>night</b>       | 4            | 3                         | 5                | 12  |
| III.     | Kraków,<br>Poland<br>(11.02.2019)      | Impact of <b>external factors</b> on a person's mood          | 4            | 4                         | 2                | 10  |



### **Focus Group Workshops - Phases**

# Who are we designing for?

- How old are they?
- What do they like?
- How they spend their days?
- What are their interests?



#### Problem

- What are the areas of intervention?
- What are the needs and daily challenges?
- What kind of problems do our users face on daily basis?
- Creating the most fantastic and absurd ideas as possible. No filter. Just wonderful, raw ideas.
- This stage is about "why not?"
- What do we want?
- What is the solution?
- How do we imagine the solution?
- What are the benefits of applying this solution?

# Realist

- How can we apply this idea in reality?
- What is the action plan?
- What is the timeline?
- How to evaluate the idea?

- What could be wrong with the idea?
- · What is missing?
- Why cannot we apply it?
- What are the weaknesses in the plan?

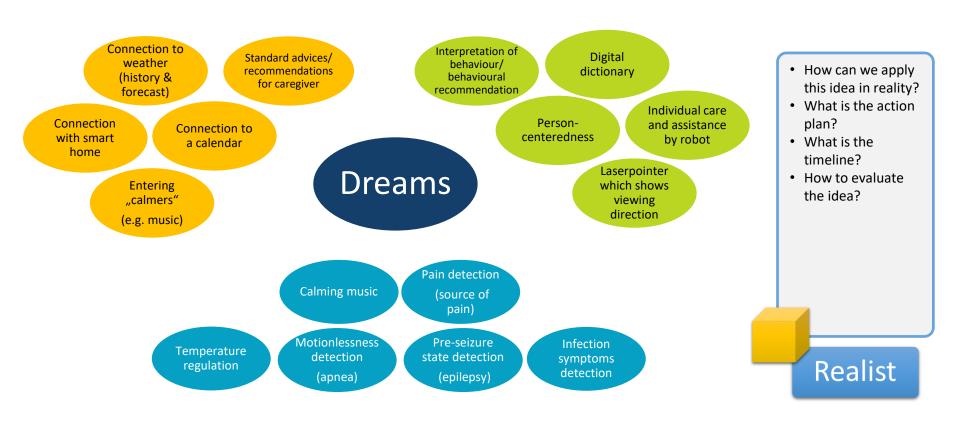
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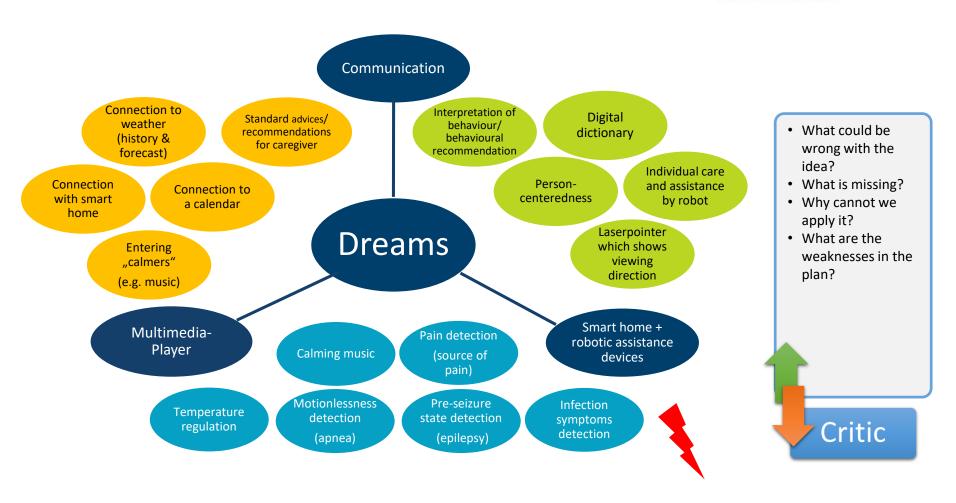














#### Conclusion

- Based on the findings and ideas of workshops:
  - → 3 technological application use cases



- Aim of each application → remedy in challenging scenarios, increasing the self-determination and improving the quality of life
- Inclusion of secondary users plays an important role (e.g. in terms of usability)



### Thanks for your attention!

Question, comments, remarks...?

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