



Welcome to the third MinD newsletter

Since our last newsletter, we've been undertaking more exchanges to help us to work jointly on a mindful design framework to help people with dementia.

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Visit 5

Midlands, UK

Participants were hosted by UoW and NHT while working on the data analysis process, training relating to dementia care and planning the next project actions.

Professionals from Fundación INTRAS (Spain) and Alexianer St. Hedwig Kliniken (Berlin) were involved in a variety of activities including data analysis of the interviews previously conducted in Berlin, contacting and establishing synergies with different actions coordinated by the Centre for Dementia in Nottingham.



Visit 6

Barcelona, Spain

The sixth secondment, in October, was the first secondment wholly dedicated to design. It saw a renewed discussion on the basic tenets of the MinD framework and its application through design. It provided an excellent preparation for the actual design phase of the project in 2017 through WPs 4 and 5, which focus on personal design and environmental design respectively to support people with dementia. These discussions were supported by a series of inspiring presentations and visits centered on architecture and wellbeing and technology



1st symposium

London, UK

After a short introduction by co-ordinator Professor Kristina Niedderer, the symposium began with the keynote of Professor Cathy Treadaway, reporting on her research and experiences of working with people with dementia through the LAUGH project funded by the AHRC as well as previous research.

The keynote was followed by three short presentations by consortium members:

- the concept of mindfulness with its two major schools of thought, and how it has been applied in the context of dementia care so far;

Other relevant activities included the attendance of different seminars promoted by the Centre for Dementia and the Institute of Mental Health, with the goal of training MinD researchers in Holistic Care for Dementia, Social engagement, and Research methods.

The analysis of the interviews carried out in Germany is under way. It promises important insights from participants with dementia and their carers about their daily life and subjective well-being that will feed into our mindful design phase.

health applications, such as wearables and e-textiles through the two hosting partners in Barcelona.

Secondment hosts PICHARCHITECTS, a renowned architecture agency, and EURECAT, a major technology provider in Catalonia, presented their work and vision, and arranged for a series of insightful and inspiring visits in the city and

to give the group first hand experience of their projects and development and production facilities.

- a summary of the data collection with people with dementia and their carers conducted as part of the first project phase;

- the possibilities of implementing mindfulness through design, including the analytical frameworks developed so far.

The afternoon was given over to discussion of a number of issues surrounding the state of dementia care, as well as the use, role and potential of design within dementia care.

MinD blog

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