

Dementia and AI - future scenarios for health and care

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 - ▶ Impacts and options of technology
- Advices the Norwegian Parliament, governmental bodies and the public at large
- Participatory methods and foresight



► Why use scenarios?

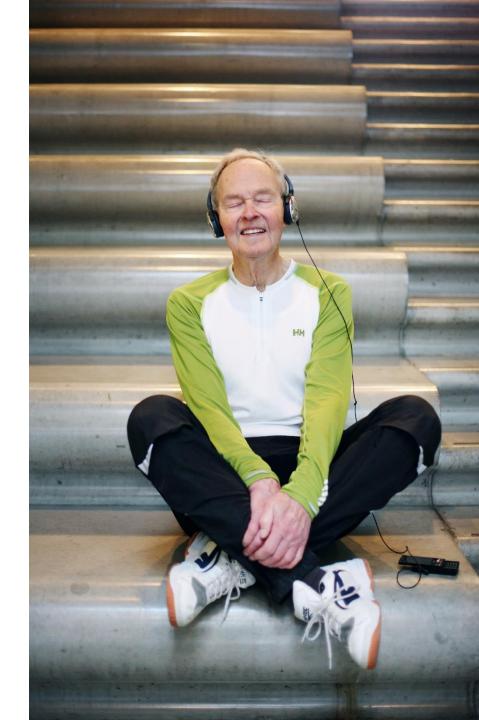
- Plausible and knowledge-based stories about the future
- ▶ A tool for discussing different futures
 - Understanding change
 - ▶ What choices do we have and what are the consequences?
- Demographics and trends





An ageing society

- ▶ Dementia in Norway: 100 000 people
 - > 200 000 in 2040
- Over 400 000 is affected being next of kin
- ► Fewer people working in the health and care sector



► Technology trends

- Smart houses and wearables
 - Medical sensors: blood pressure, weight, medication
 - Surroundings: fall detectors, gps
- Artificial Intelligence
 - Cognitive and emotional support from digital assistants
 - Physical support from robots
 - ▶ Data and algorithms can diagnose early





«Remember to take your medication, it is on the kitchen table»





Digital simulation

- ▶ Virtual reality
- Augmented reality
- Opportunities:
 - Activities and memories
 - ▶ Games and exercise
 - ▶ Help in everyday life who am I talking to?
 - ► Training for health workers, next of kin and volunteers



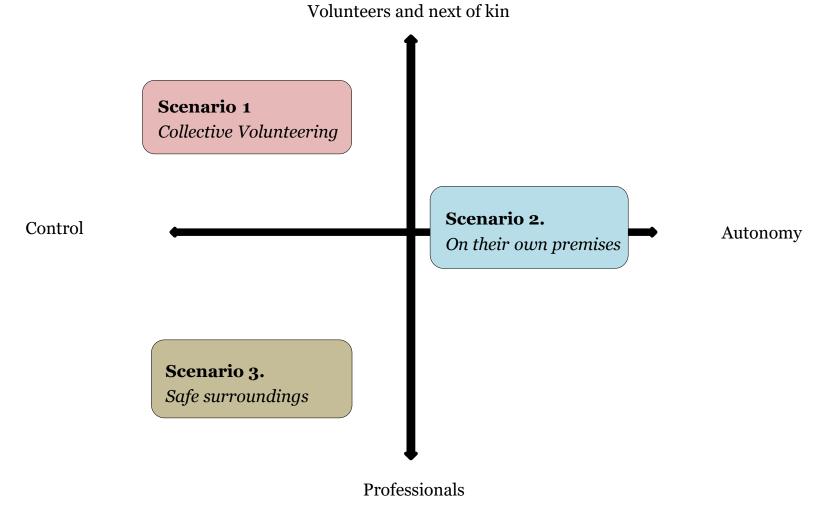


Uncertainties and political choice

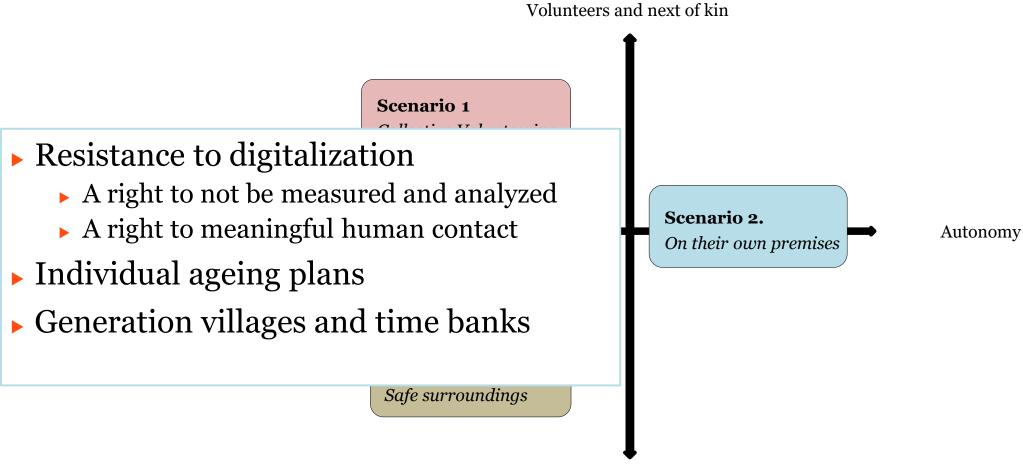
- ▶ How is health and care work organized?
 - ▶ Public models and professionalized services
 - ▶ Public platform and volunteer work
- ▶ What is prioritized: control or autonomy?
 - ▶ Having control over the disease
 - ▶ Value of autonomy







Volunteers and next of kin Scenario 1 Collective Volunteering Pressure on services Next of kin becomes responsible Control ▶ Compensation, support groups and courses Digital takeover Personal digital assistants for everyone Smart homes and sensor technology Scenario 3. Safe surroundings **Professionals**





Volunteers and next of kin

- ▶ State governance
- Screening programs and algorithms for early detection
- Digital Nurse Annie

Control

Scenario 3.
Safe surroundings

Professionals



Scenario workshops

- ▶ Stakeholders from health sector, business, academia and NGOs
- ▶ Goal: discussion, future visions and policy recommendations
- ► Topics
 - ▶ Family/next of kin and volunteers
 - National «technology package»
 - Data sharing and privacy
 - ▶ Integrity and involvement of the patients
 - ▶ The right to say no



► In summary

- Scenarios
 - ▶ A tool to discuss and reflect on different possible futures
 - ▶ Highlighting potential challenges, dillemmas and conflicts
- ► Stakeholder involvement
 - ▶ Strenghten technology development
 - Support poliy decisions





Thank you!

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