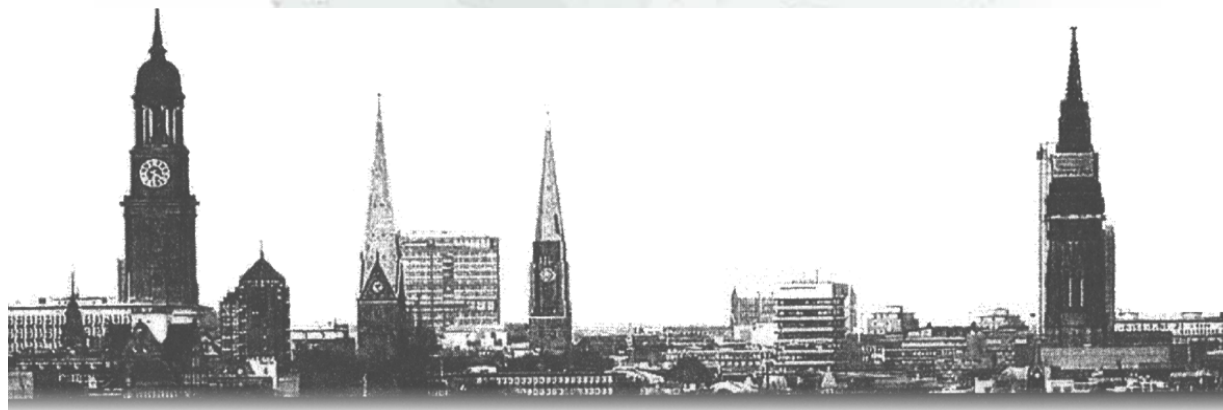


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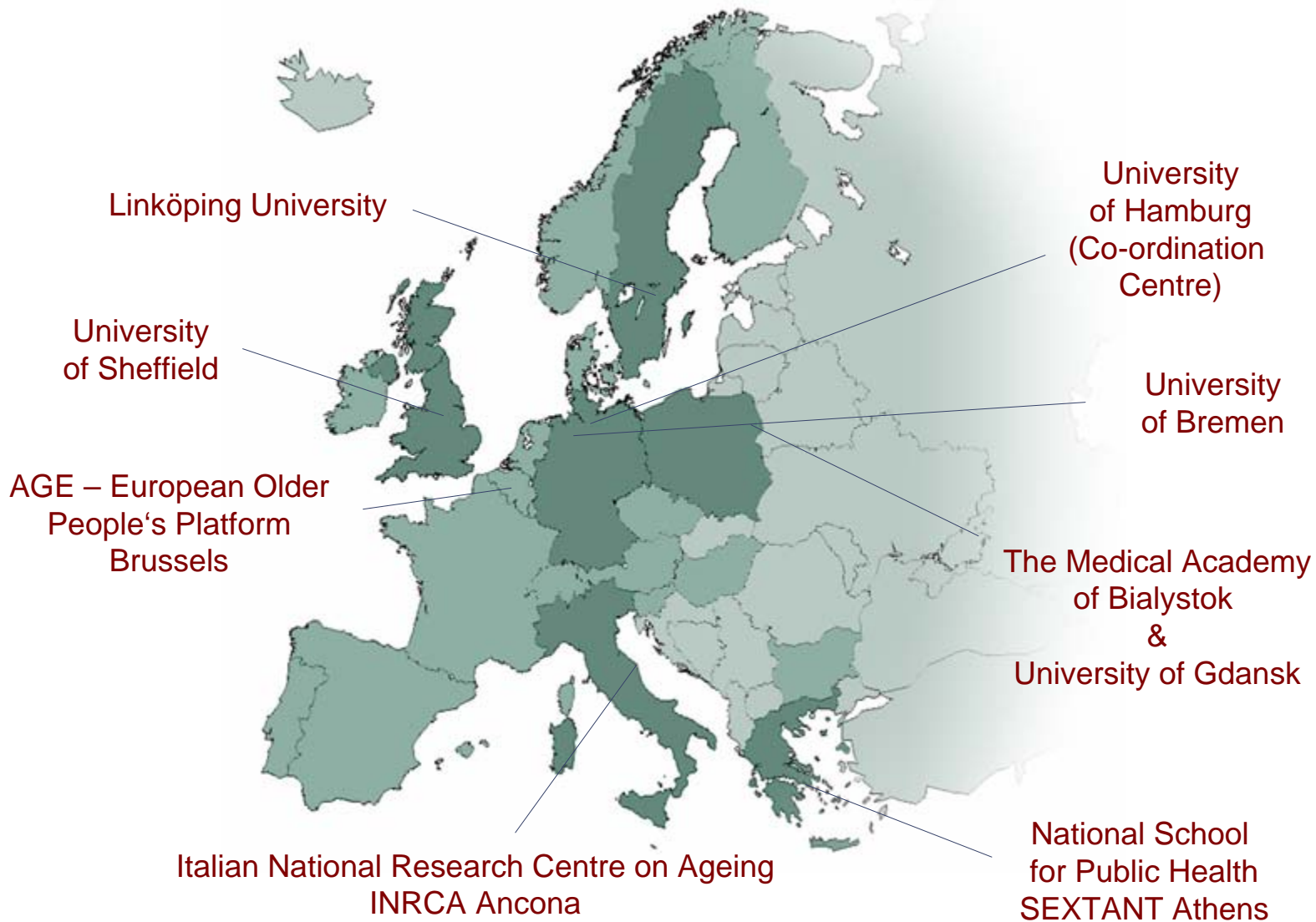


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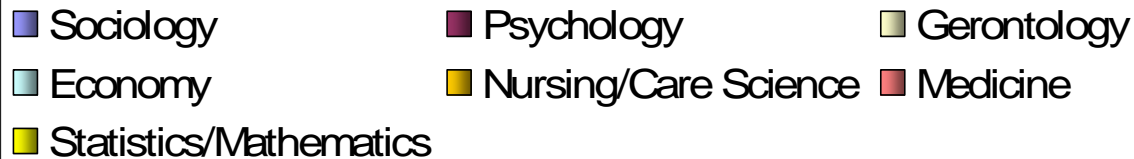
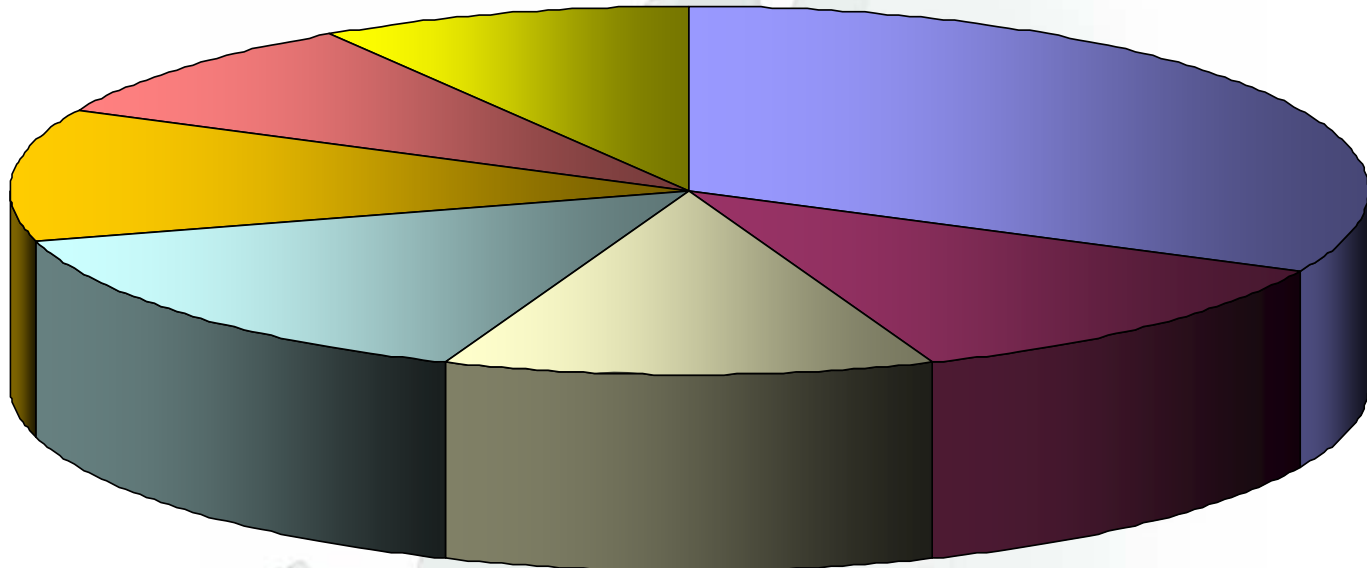
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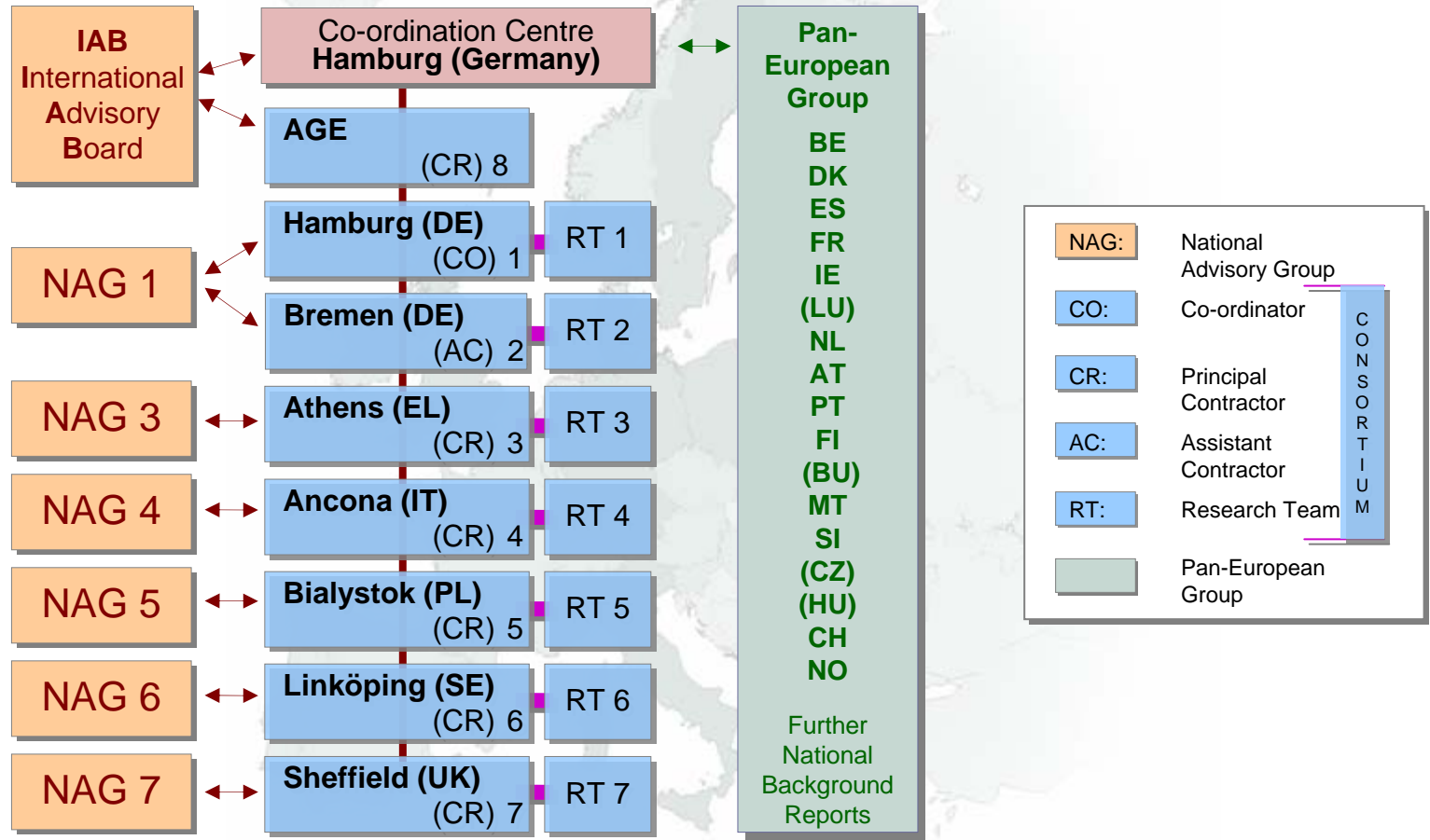
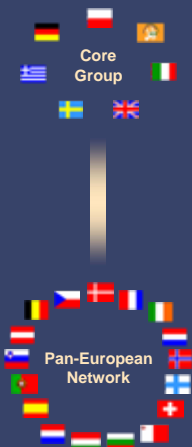
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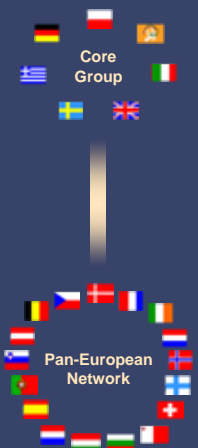
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Objectives

- Increasing old-age is combined with more frequent and longer phases of being in need of care
- Most families will have to cope with the situation that their ageing relatives will become dependent
- Long-term-care for several years as a consequence
- European policy: to enable older people to remain at home as long as possible...





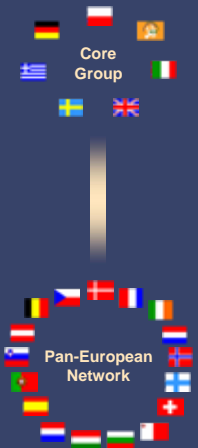
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- More support by family carers
- More alternative care arrangements, e.g. shared households for disabled or demented persons
- Better training and coping skills

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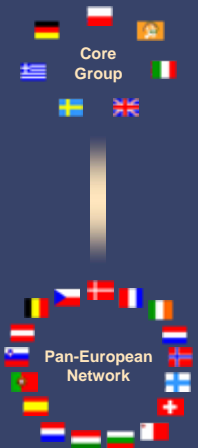
- The risk for family carers of becoming those in need of care has to be reduced





Aims

- To review the **situation of family carers of dependent older people** in relation to the
 - existence,
 - familiarity,
 - availability,
 - use and acceptability of supporting services.
- To provide policy recommendations for supporting a **partnership approach** between family carers, professional providers and the cared-for older people





Methods

Two major parts of EUROFAMCARE:

- **Pan-European background knowledge** focussing on the situation of family carers at the political level and using secondary analyses
- **In-depths studies** in the six core countries focussing on the empirical situation of family carers (6,000 interviews) and their cared-for





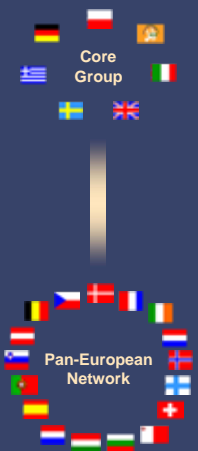
Background Reports

- **NABARE** reports: Same structure in all 23 reports following a Standardised Evaluation Protocol showing the issue of family care in every country

Methodology: Content- and Secondary Analysis

- **PEUBARE**: Pan-European synopsis of the European situation of family carers with respect to similarities and differences between the countries.

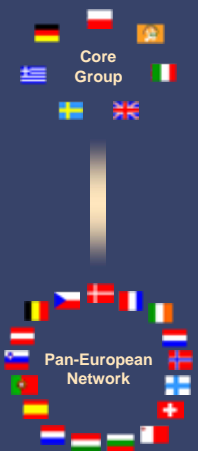
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European Policy Dimension

- To give feedback to the EUROFAMCARE partners with European level background information
- To disseminate the results of EUROFAMCARE to key policy actors and NGOs on the European level
- To stimulate the policy agenda with regard to the existence, familiarity, availability, use and acceptability of services to support family carers





Six-Countries-Study

In-depth studies in the 6 countries: Germany, Greece, Italy, Poland, Sweden and UK

- Face to face interviews using a **Joint Family Care Assessment (CAT)** with 1,000 carers per country providing 4 or more hours of personal care/support per week to an elderly relative (65+) in any need of support
- Follow-up survey 12 months later
- Service provider study

Data analysis at national and European levels





Content of the CAT

1. Older persons' demographic and background characteristics
2. Older persons' disabilities and needs
3. Carers' demographic and background characteristics
4. Carers' caregiving situations
5. Carers' quality of life
6. Financial circumstances
7. Service Use
8. Characteristics and quality of services
9. Country specific questions (e.g. LTCl in Germany)





Socio-economic Evaluation

A socio-economic evaluation on the basis of the National Surveys and the pan-European background information addresses

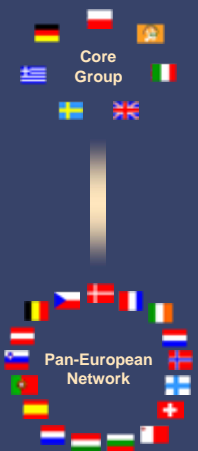
- the socio-economic situation of carers,
- the economic impact of family caregiving for society and for carers
- the effectiveness of services for carers.





Research Action - REACT

- To contact a network of service providers and privileged witnesses to discuss study results
- To better understand the gap between perceived needs and “Political Reality”
- To contribute to a change of attitudes / concepts / behaviours
- To provide guidelines for innovation, good practice etc.





Main Deliverables

Reports:

- Six-Countries Study - National survey reports (NASURE)
- Six-Countries Study - European survey report (TEUSURE)
- 23 National Background Reports (NABAREs)
- Pan-European Background Report (PEUBARE)
- Socio-economic Report (ECO)
- European Policy Report (EPR)





Activity levels for supporting family carers and EUROFAMCARE initiatives

Activity level		Target Group	Activities
Macro	European	All family carers	Carers' Network Carers' Charter Carers' Day
	National	All family carers	Guidelines for practitioners and carers Laws (e.g. LTCI) Carers' Association Carers' Charter
Meso	Providers. Other organisations	Groups of family carers with certain characteristics (typology)	Programmes to support family carers (good practice)
Micro	Individual Family Care	Individual family carer	Assessment, counselling and individual planning of care arrangements



