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the social dimension

of culture

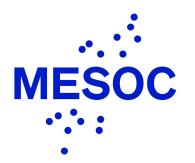




#### SUGGESTIVE CASES FROM MESOC



## **REMINISCENCE AS THERAPY**



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**Direct beneficiaries (the experience!)**: people with cognitive deficit, Alzheimer's patients, early dementia patients

**Key benefits**: long term memory stimulation, slow down of illness symptoms, memory training, stimulus to the cognitive function, ...



# **REMINISCENCE AS THERAPY**



#### La caixa dels records. Memòries d'una vida (VALENCIA)

- Started in 2018 inspired by other initiatives already implemented by museum institutions such as the MoMA in New York or the National Gallery of Modern and Contemporary Art in Rome
- The project is carried out by the Ethnology Museum of Valencia advised by specialists in the psychology of aging from the COTLAS Association (Colectivo de Tiempo Libre y Acción Social).
- It is part of the 'Friendly Museums' programme that the Department of Culture is developing with museums and different services of the Provincial Council
- The Ethnology Museum also participates in another experiment «Receta Cultura» related to the prescription of a specific cultural experience for specific patients (towards the creation of a diversified system of the cultural offer for health and well-being)





Direct beneficiaries (the experience!): terminal patients, patients with deep pains

**Key benefits**: stress reduction, psychological well-being, emotion management, sensory rihabilitation of hospitalized patients, people with disabilities and other specific target groups and their care-givers





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- Partnership with relevant health-care institutions
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## SEEDS FOR A SHARED POLICY BRIEF



A key ignition of the transition is the **cultural experience** (this is particularly evident when health is involved) and this implies:

- Creating new opportunities to innovate, experiment and spread new, alternative impactful cultural experiences
- Guaranteeing equal, wide and diversified access to cultural experiences

Targeting the **different spheres of action along the entire impact production chain** (from culture production sphere up to the action spheres of the impact domain, also including externalities) is relevant for the consolidation of the impact production chain itself



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Targeting the creation of complex ecosystems/networks involving a diversity of agents: public and private, out of the cultural domain and the impact domains, the beneficiaries, as well as the process «heroes»

The transformative power of impacts is multiplied by synergies among impacts chains. **More of the same is not enough! :** integrated cultural approaches are needed in a complex and systemic vision of welfare



