

## Inclusive Caring Communities

How can the inclusion of people with disabilities in the community be improved?

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### Initiator

Kompetenzzentrum Zukunft Gesundheitsförderung

### Objectives

The participative and inclusive research project *Inclusive Caring Communities* revolved around two questions: What is needed for the successful inclusion of people with disabilities in the community? How can organisations working with/for people with disabilities and people with disabilities themselves be a driving force in the development of inclusive communities? The project tried to answer these questions, provide new, inclusive impulses for the two communities that were researched and contribute to a more diverse and comprehensive understanding of Caring Communities.

*Inclusive Caring Communities* was a cooperation of three research partners: queraum, Forschungsbüro Menschenrechte von LebensGroß and University of Graz.

### Implementation

The implementation was carried out in four phases:

**Planning and preparation:** In this phase, we specified the objectives and target groups, developed the research design and research and analysed data on the two districts of Graz.

**Research:** In this phase, the research team (queraum and Forschungsbüro Menschenrechte) carried out the participative research in the two communities. A range of research methods was applied.

**Development:** The results of the previous phases were analysed. The locally specific results were transformed into general propositions for the further development of inclusive Caring Communities.

**Transfer:** Interim results were transferred to the public (stakeholders, researchers etc.) during the entire research process. The main transfer took place at the end of the project.

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