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Health systems and long-term care for older people in Europe

The project and its results

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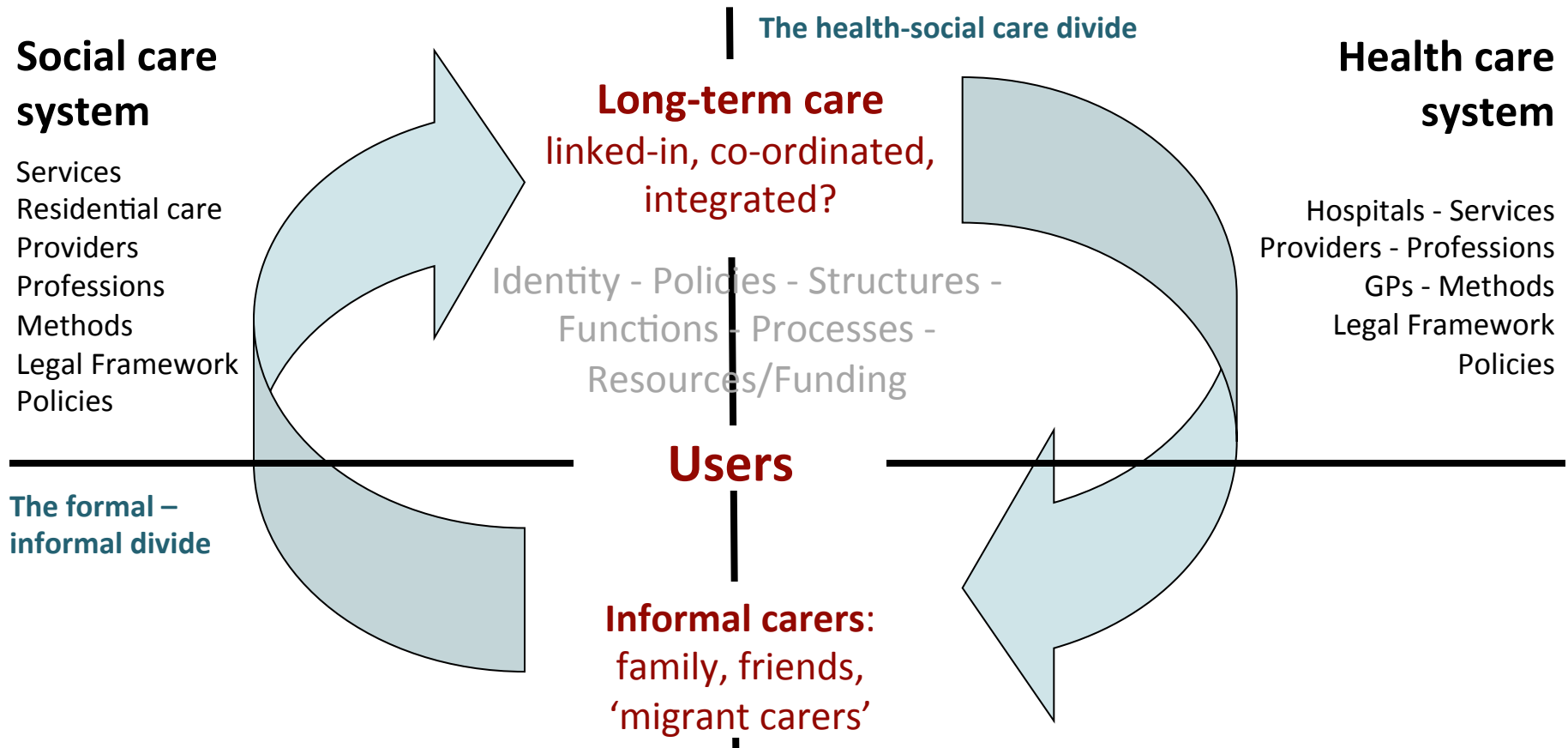
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SEVENTH FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME

16 partners from 14 countries ...

- European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research (Coordinator)
- Ecole d'études sociales et pédagogiques (CH)
- University of Southern Denmark (DK)
- Institut de Recherche et Documentation en Economie de la Santé - Irdes (FR)
- National Institute for Health and Welfare - THL (FI)
- Institut für Soziale Infrastruktur (DE)
- Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin für Sozialforschung – WZB (DE)

- CMT Prooptiki ltd. (EL)
- University of Valencia – ERI Polibienestar (ES)
- Studio Come S.r.l. (IT)
- Stichting Vilans (NL)
- Institute for Labour and Family Research (SK)
- Institute of Public Health (SI)
- Forum for Knowledge and Common Development, Stockholm County Council (SE)
- University of Kent (UK)
- University of Birmingham (UK)

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Towards an integrated system of long-term care

The health-social care divide

Social care system

Services
Residential care
Providers
Professions
Methods
Legal Framework
Policies

Health care system

Hospitals - Services
Providers - Professions
GPs - Methods
Legal Framework
Policies

Long-term care
linked-in, co-ordinated, integrated?

Identity - Policies - Structures - Functions - Processes - Resources/Funding

The formal – informal divide

Users

Informal carers: family, friends, 'migrant carers'

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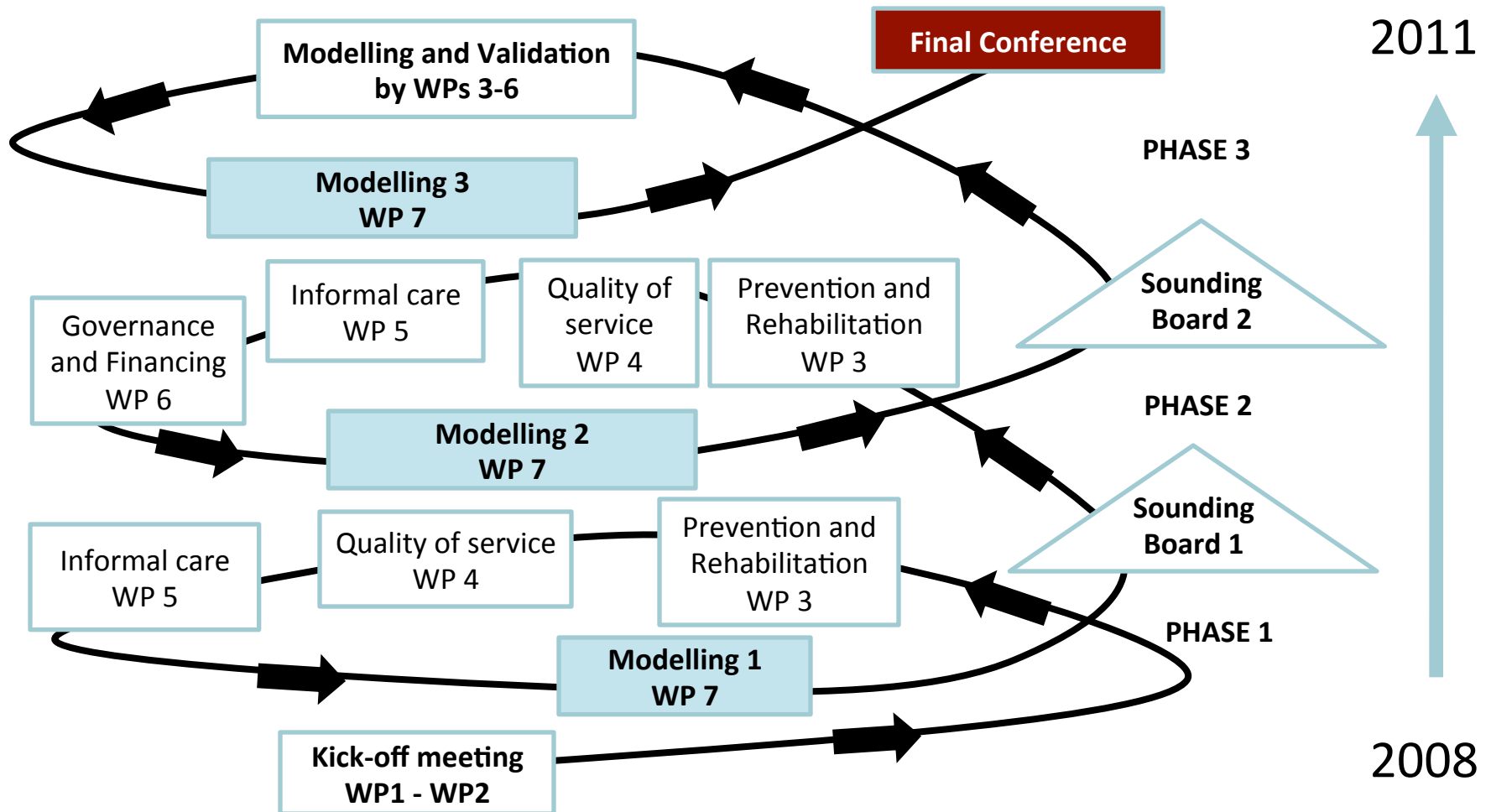
Objectives of INTERLINKS

Inspiring health and social care professionals and policy makers:

– To work towards integrated systems of LTC;

– To improve planning and delivery of services for frail older people at the interfaces between formal and informal care, and between social and health care;

– To integrate prevention, rehabilitation, quality management, governance and finance in the toolbox to develop LTC systems.

The project architecture

2011

Final Conference

Modelling and Validation by WPs 3-6

Modelling 3 WP 7

PHASE 3

Informal care WP 5

Quality of service WP 4

Prevention and Rehabilitation WP 3

Sounding Board 2

Governance and Financing WP 6

Modelling 2 WP 7

PHASE 2

Informal care WP 5

Quality of service WP 4

Prevention and Rehabilitation WP 3

Sounding Board 1

Modelling 1 WP 7

PHASE 1

Kick-off meeting WP1 - WP2

2008

Results of Phase 3

- **A European Framework for LTC**
  - 6 themes, 29 sub-themes and 135 key-issues
  - illustrated by about 100 validated practice examples

- **An interactive website** ➔ **http://interlinks.euro.centre.org**
  - to facilitate analysis and comparison
  - to involve users in providing feedback and their own practice examples

- **A final publication (in preparation)**
  - Transversal topics in LTC

Results of Phase 1 and 2

- **28 Case Vignettes and 14 Posters**

- **Several Working Papers on Modelling, Validation, etc.**

- **33 National Reports and four European Overview Papers**

  - Work packages & European Overviews on

    - Prevention & rehabilitation

    - Quality assurance & quality management

    - Informal care

    - Governance & finance of LTC

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The story of Mrs L.T. Care

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The INTERLINKS Framework for LTC

Input from background papers

- **National Reports and European Overviews**
  - **Prevention & Rehabilitation**
  - **Quality Assurance & Quality Management**
  - **Informal Care**
  - **Governance & Finance of LTC**

Modelling

- Themes, sub-themes and key issues
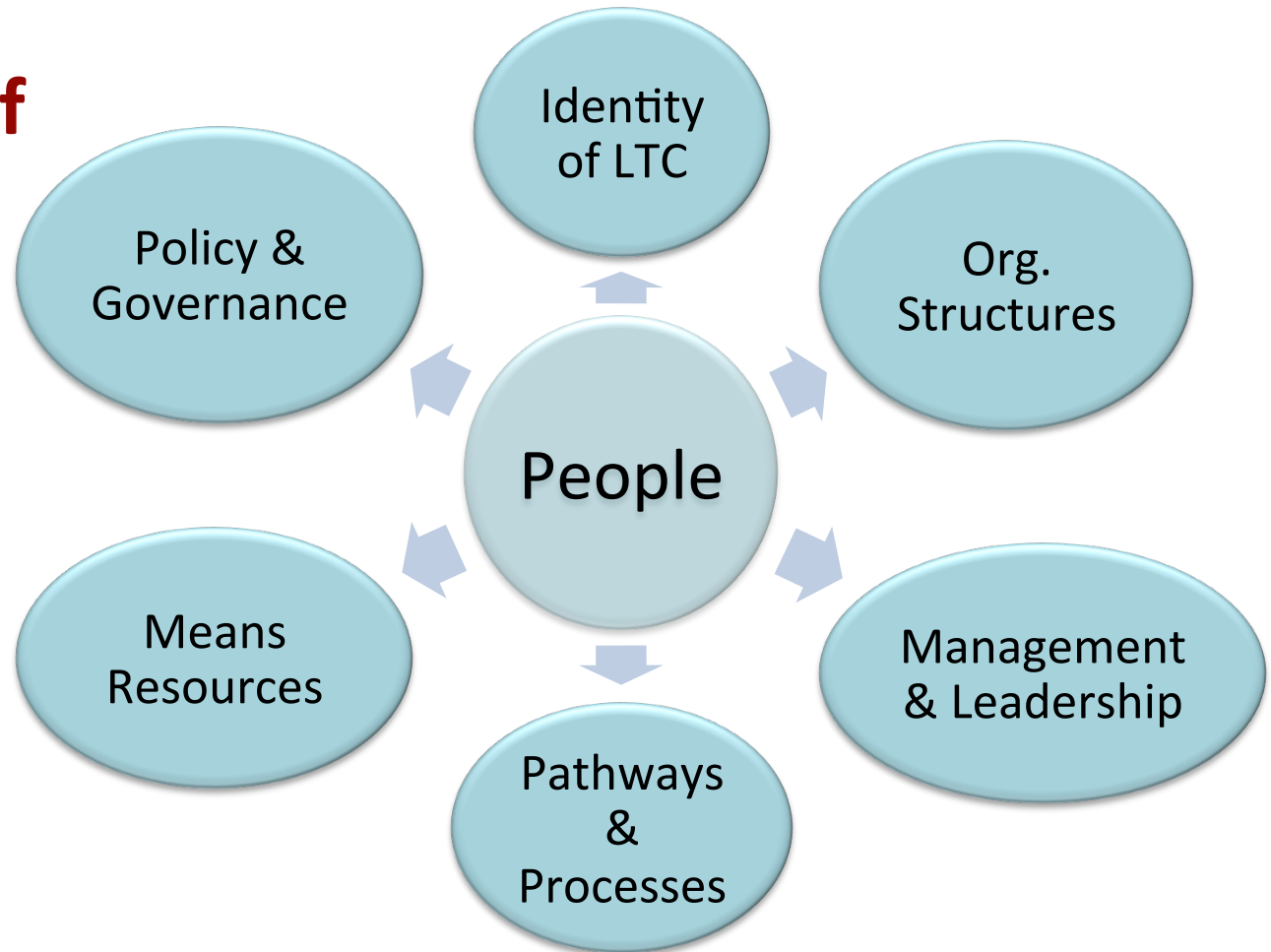
Describing and analysing individual themes

Themes — 6

Subthemes in each theme — 3-6

Key issues for each subtheme — 2-8

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Template structure

Status

Summary
 Benefit for user?
 Message for policy/practice?

Key Words

Why implemented?
 Which gaps/target group?

Description
 What is it, who is involved?
 How does it work?
 What resources?

Theme

Sub-theme

Key issue(s) addressed

Description and assessment

What are the effects?
 What evidence?
 How sustainable and transferable?

Strengths & Limitations
 SWOT-analysis

Links to docs/website

External Feedback

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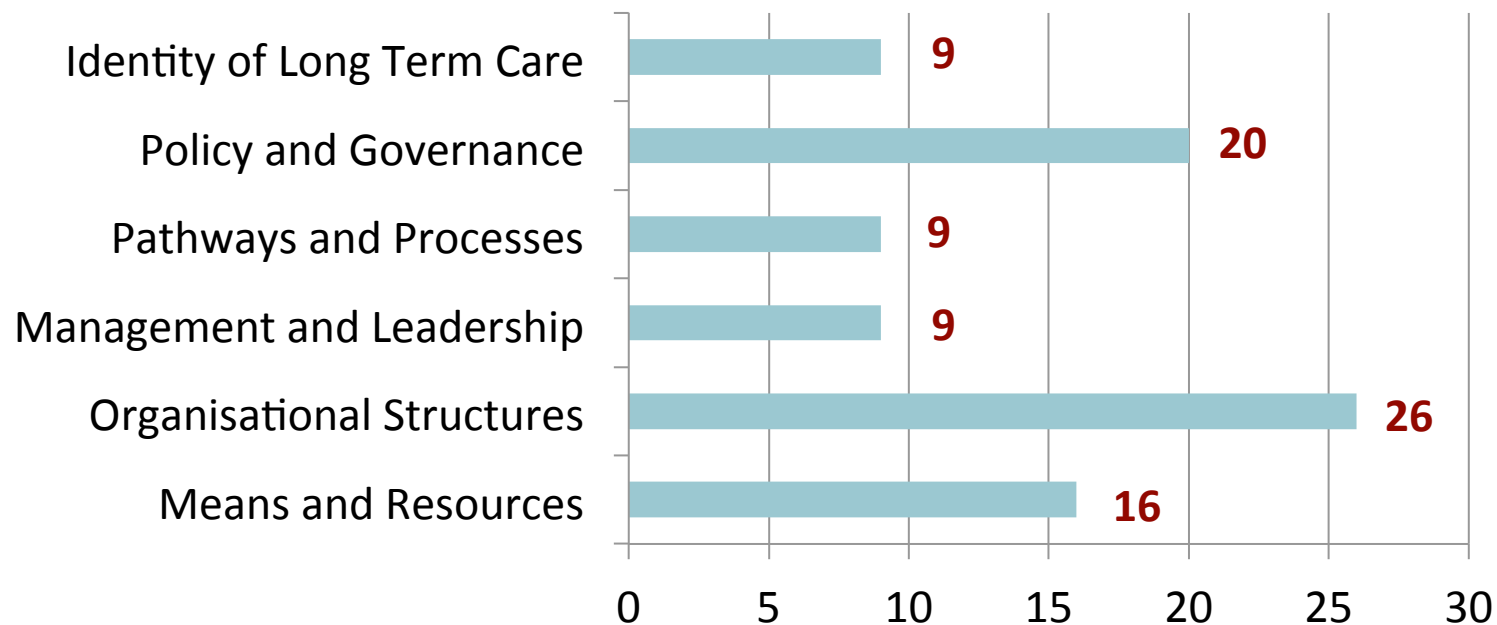 - **Governance & Finance of LTC**

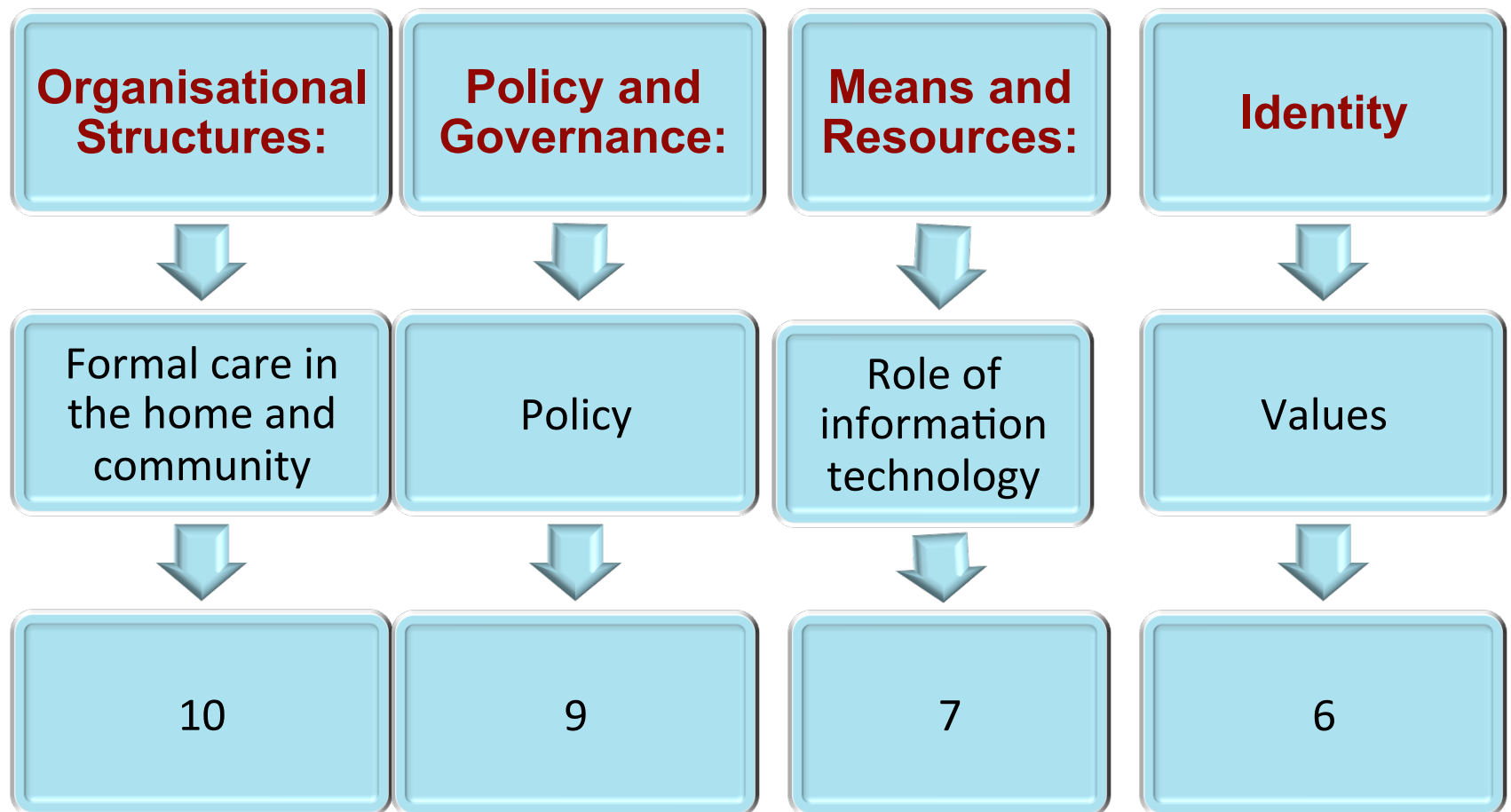## Modelling

- **Themes, sub-themes and key issues**

Validation processes to develop the framework and associated tools

- **Internal process**
- **National Expert Panels**
- **Sounding Board (European stakeholders)**
- **Peer reviewing**

Most popular key issues

Organisational Structures:	Policy and Governance:	Means and Resources:	Identity
↓	↓	↓	↓
Formal care in the home and community	Policy	Role of information technology	Values
↓	↓	↓	↓
10	9	7	6

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Commentary

The evidence base …

Getting consistency and agreement with terminology

Monitoring of quality

Sustainability

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Website contents

- The INTERLINKS Framework for LTC translated into an interactive platform
  - Feedback
  - Users' own practice examples

- Background information
  - National reports
  - European overview papers

Explore the INTERLINKS Framework during this Conference

- Workshops by THEMES

  – Subthemes and key-issues

  – illustrated by Practice Examples

- The Market Place of Practice Examples

  – Meet with authors and promoters

  – Explore the web site