



RESEARCH

with experts

Dementia-friendly architecture, urban environments, and living places

An invitation for architects, urban planners
and designers, and wayfinding consultants

Deutsches Zentrum für
Neurodegenerative Erkrankungen (DZNE)



Dementia-friendly space - what does that mean?

The German Center for Neurodegenerative Diseases e. V. (DZNE) in Witten is currently conducting research into how built space (e.g., architecture, urban environments, and living places for people with dementia) can be arranged in a dementia-friendly way. But:

- What does that mean: dementia-friendly space?
- Is there a need at all?
- If so, which principles does dementia-friendly design and planning follow?

We invite you to a research interview. We are interested in the basic principles according to which you design, plan, or create a dementia-friendly built environment. We are particularly interested in your experiences and your assumptions.

The study has been approved by the Ethics Committee of the German Society for Nursing Science DGP (No. 21-028). A legal review of the study project ("Plan:D") by the responsible committees at the DZNE main site in Bonn has taken place (No: WI040). We commit ourselves to the agreements made for the informed consent, confidentiality, and data protection procedures.



Online interview

What is your benefit?

With your participation in the interview, you support ongoing research on the topic of dementia-friendly built space. In this way, you contribute your perspective and expertise and thereby make an important contribution to the future-oriented and sustainable planning/design of living places for people with dementia.

"Plan:D"

How can I participate?

1

Contact

If you would like to support our research through an interview, please send us an e-mail or give us a call.

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Further Information and Consent

We will send you information material about the study as well as an informed consent form for your participation and the data protection. If you decide to participate in the interview, please kindly sign the informed consent form and return it to us. Together, we will then make an appointment for the interview.



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The interview

We will ask you interview questions to which you can answer as freely and for as long as you like. There are no right and wrong answers: We are interested in your experiences, assumptions, and views.

The interview will take place online via a video-conferencing platform. The interview will last approx. 60-90 min, depending on our agreement.

The interview will be recorded using a recording device. In addition, demographic information, such as your name, gender, age, or the number of years you have worked in the studio/office will be collected.

Only your responses within the interview session will be analyzed, but not any data resulting from informal feedback, further collaboration, or from notes taken outside this interview (e.g., if you call us after the interview).

The results of these interviews will be analyzed in the **scientific study "Plan:D"**.



**We need
your
experience**

Who can participate?

All architects, urban planners/designers, wayfinding consultants, and planning stakeholders (m/f/d) who:

- are involved in design or planning processes on the topic of dementia-friendly built space
- and who have some experience with a specific planning project for people with dementia; regardless of whether it has been realized
- and who speak and write English well.

We are looking forward to your participation!

To participate or to ask further questions:

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We would be grateful if you could also pass this flyer on to interested persons and thereby support this research on the topic of dementia-friendly built space.

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