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HUMAN CENTERED DESIGN

INTRODUCTION, TOOLS & METHODS

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HCD WHAT IS IT?



Human centred design (HCD/UCD) is a process in which the **needs, wants, and limitations** of end users of a product, service or process are given extensive attention at each stage of the design process.

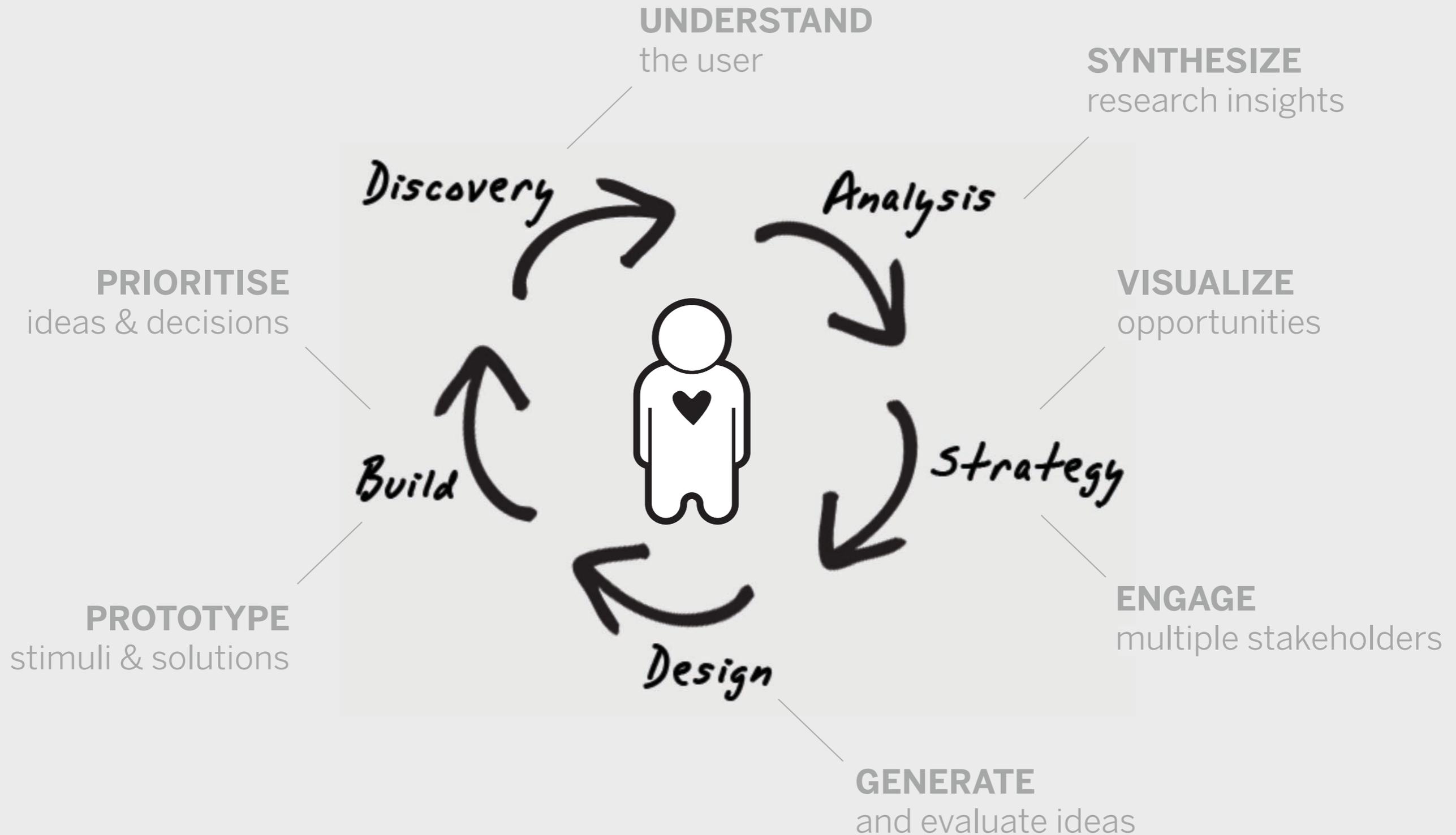
PUT THE PEOPLE YOU
SERVE AT THE CENTER
OF YOUR DESIGN
PROCESS TO COME UP
WITH NEW ANSWERS TO
DIFFICULT PROBLEMS

PRODUCT
SERVICE
EXPERIENCE
INTERACTION
SYSTEM
PROCESS



From the design of a product to the design of an experience or a system, the **growing complexity** designers deal with has raised the need to identify new methods and tools.

HCD HOW TO DO IT?



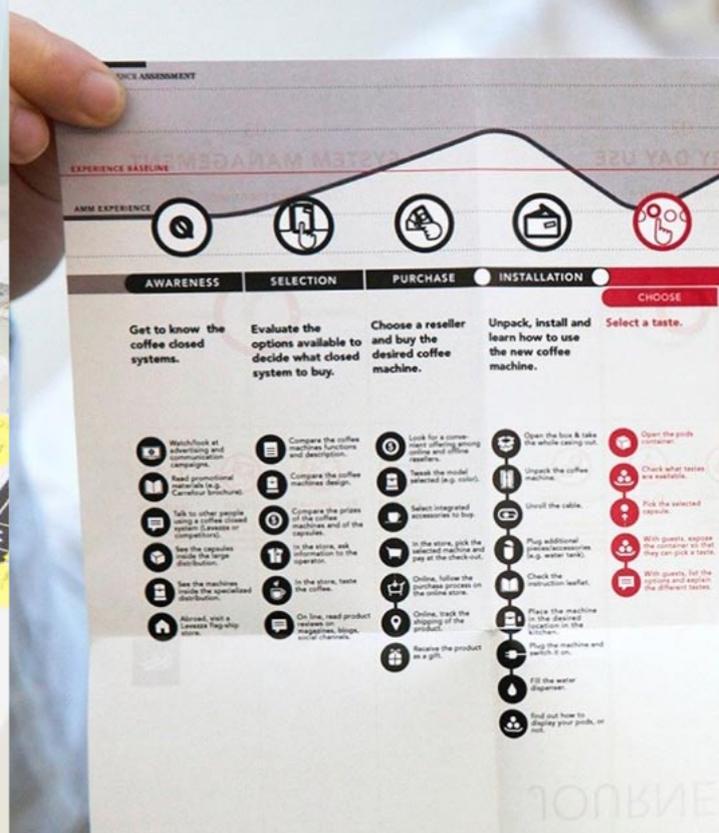
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UNDERSTAND THE USER
IN DEPTH INTERVIEW

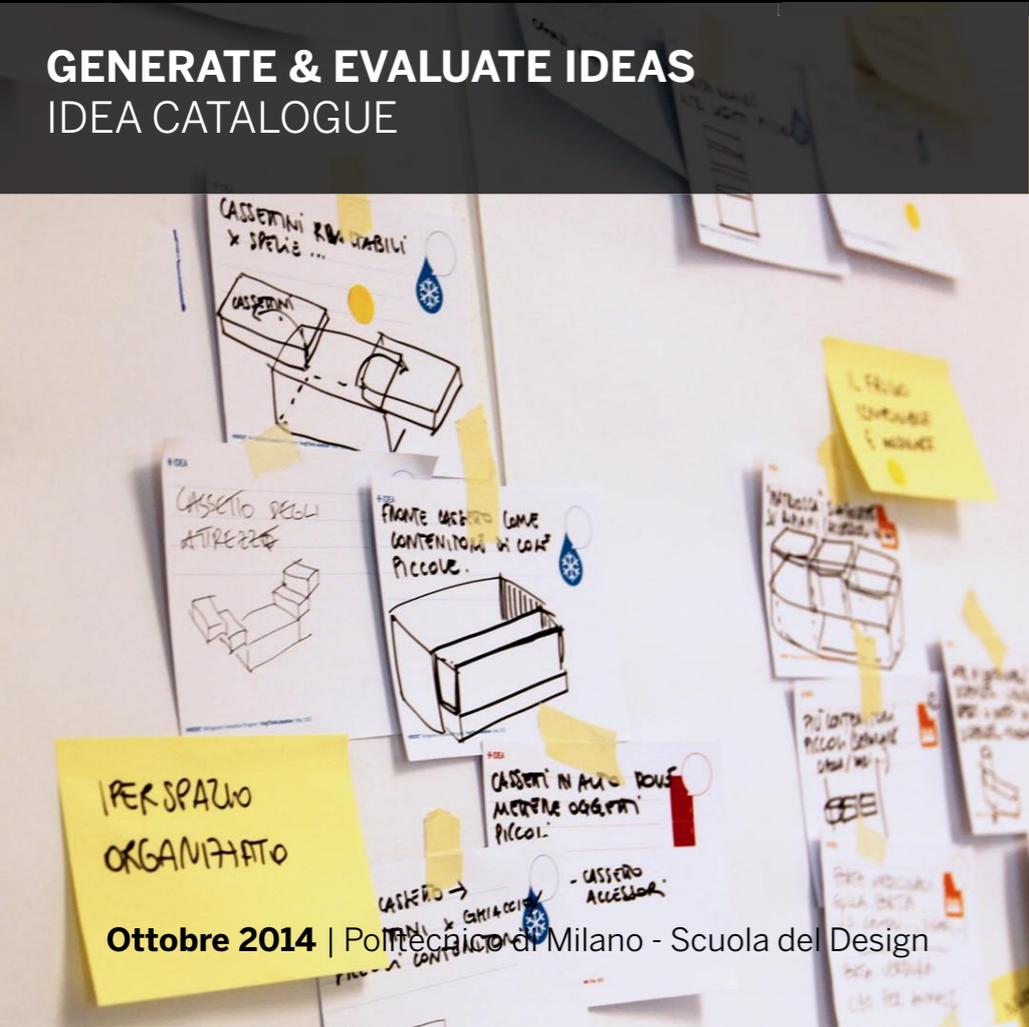


SYNTHESIZE RESEARCH FINDINGS
AFFINITY MAP



VISUALIZE OPPORTUNITIES
EXPERIENCE JOURNEY

GENERATE & EVALUATE IDEAS
IDEA CATALOGUE



COLLABORATE WITH MULTIPLE STAKEHOLDERS
MAKE & BREAK

HCD HOW TO DO IT?

DESIGN KIT

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MINDSETS METHODS CASE STUDIES

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Methods

Human-centered design is a practical, repeatable approach to arriving at innovative solutions. Think of these Methods as a step-by-step guide to unleashing your creativity, putting the people you serve at the center of the process to come up with new answers to difficult problems.

IDEATION IMPLEMENTATION BY QUESTION VIEW ALL

MY METHODS

HTTP://
WWW.DESIGN
KIT.ORG/
METHODS

HOW DO I CONDUCT AN INTERVIEW?

INTERVIEW

GROUP INTERVIEW

EXPERT INTERVIEW

CONVERSATION STARTERS

DOWNLOAD YOUR LEARNINGS

BRAINSTORM RULES

BUNDLE IDEAS

CREATE A CONCEPT

DESIGN PRINCIPLES

HCD HOW TO DO IT?

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In this phase your Design Team will work together in a workshop to translate what you heard from people into frameworks, opportunities, solutions, and prototypes. During this phase you will move together from concrete to more abstract thinking in identifying themes and opportunities, and then back to the concrete with solutions and prototypes.

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DELIVER
The Deliver phase will begin to realize your solutions through rapid revenue and cost modeling, capability assessment, and implementation. This will help you launch new solutions into the market.

Abstract

OPPC

SO

Concrete

H C D

HUMAN
CENTERED
DESIGN
TOOLKIT

HCD EXAMPLE

DePaul Health Center for SSM Health Care, 2000





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**ACTIVATING
THE RWANDAN
REBIRTH**
JUNE 2014

Memorials play an important role of teaching and moving us so that we will never feel detached and complicit again of tragic events that injured humanity. But most of the time when we visit such places, we remain shocked but unable to act beyond that experience. Virtually every visitor to a genocide memorial or holocaust museum can attest to overwhelming feelings of sympathy, sadness and outrage, but **most visitors can also attest that they did nothing substantively differently as a result.**

HOW CAN WE RETHINK THE EXPERIENCE OF THOSE MEMORIALS TO ACTIVATE VISITORS FOR A BETTER HUMANITY?

10
DESIGNERS

7
DAYS

KIGALI
(RWANDA)
+
LONDON
(UK)



KIGALI GENOCIDE MEMORIAL RWANDA

MASS GRAVES

IMMERSION & CONTEXTUAL OBSERVATION

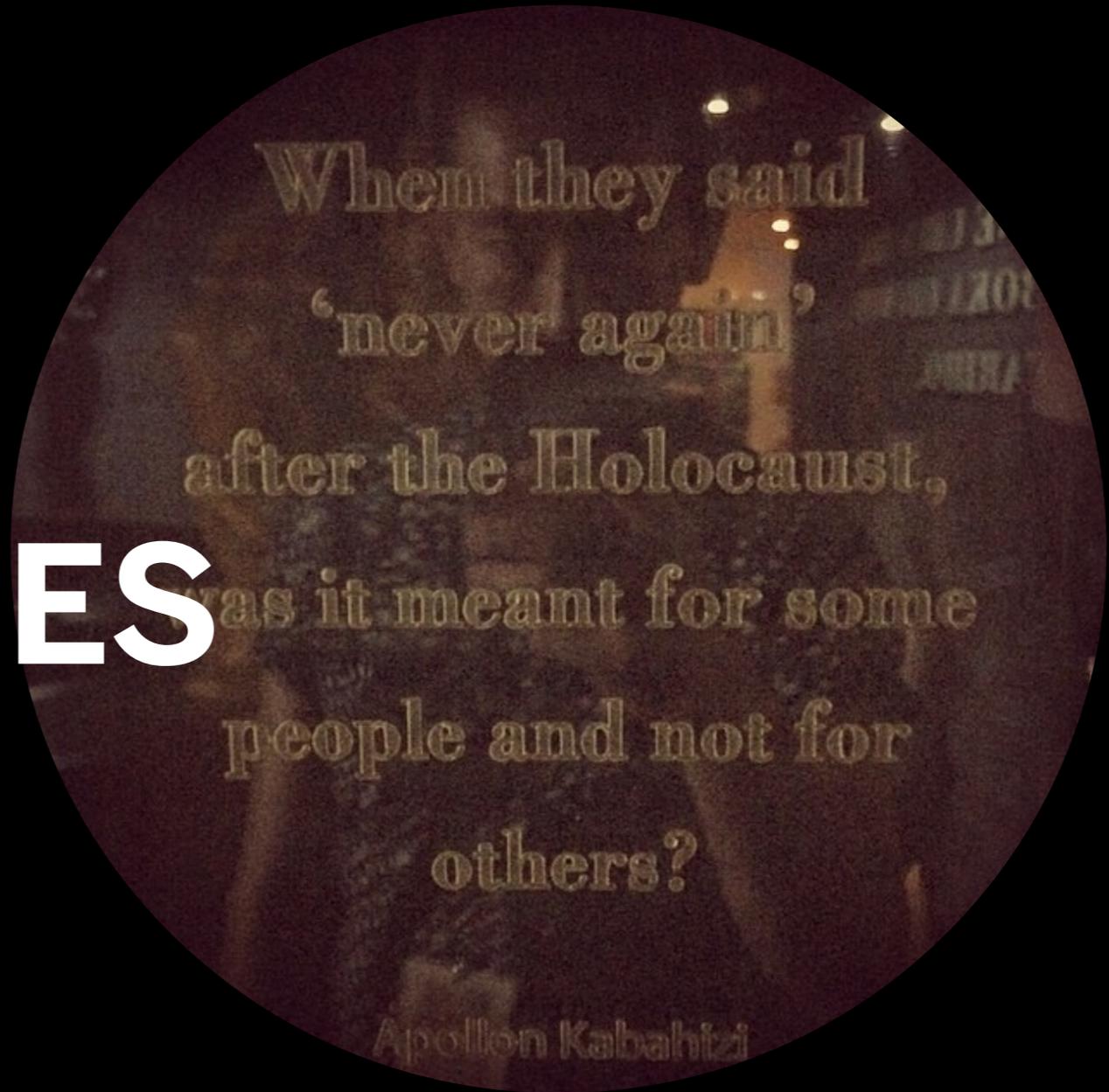
UX FOR GOOD PROJECT STORY

PHOTOS & REMAINS

IMMERSION & CONTEXTUAL OBSERVATION

OTHER GENOCIDES

IMMERSION & CONTEXTUAL OBSERVATION



Indele

Carrollle

CHILDREN ROOM

IMMERSION & CONTEXTUAL OBSERVATION



Your donation can make a difference in Rwanda

CALL FOR ACTION

IMMERSION & CONTEXTUAL OBSERVATION

If you have been moved by your visit to the Centre we ask that you support our commitment to preserving memory, supporting survivors and building a peaceful Rwanda.

\$10.00 = a pair of shoes so a child can attend school

\$20.00 = a school textbook

\$30.00 = a week of school fees

\$36.00 = one month support for a widow and her family

\$50.00 = five students to attend a workshop at the Centre

Please place your donations in the box below

Thank you for making a difference

For more information or to arrange a monthly donation please talk to staff at Reception or visit:

www.kigalimemorialcentre.org

Kigali Genocide Memorial 

END!

IMMERSION & CONTEXTUAL OBSERVATION



UNDERSTANDING KGM

WHAT IS ITS ROLE?

WHY IS IT RELEVANT?

WHO GOES THERE?

WHAT IS MISSING?

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CONTEXTUAL IMMERSION

VISITS TO OTHER EXHIBITIONS

IN-DEPTH INTERVIEWS

SHADOWING



INTERCEPT INTERVIEWS

CONTINUOUS LEARNING & SYNTHESIS



Rwanda is a story of resilience, rebirth and regeneration.

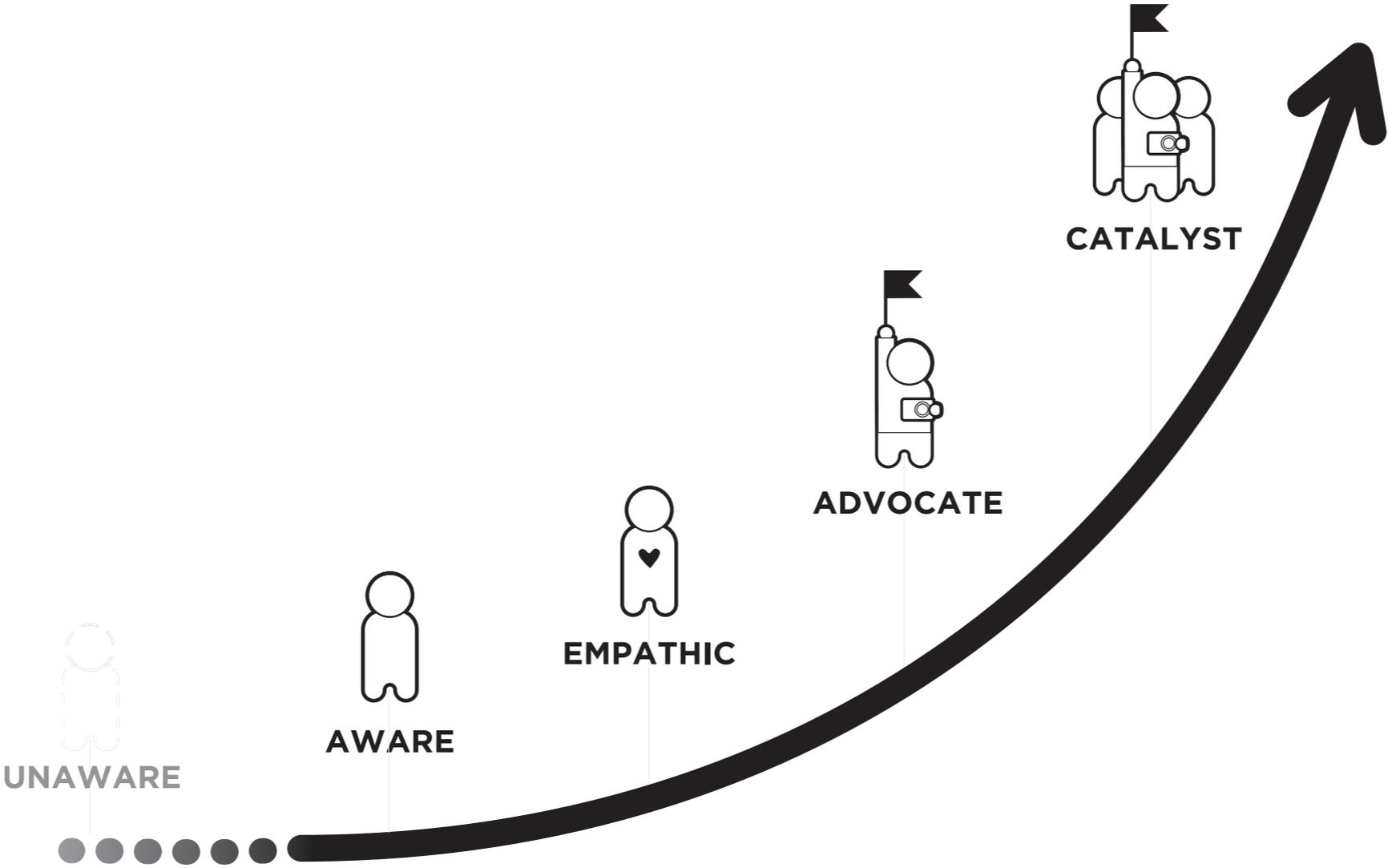
“You can’t talk about the genocide without talking about our rebirth: that’s the Rwandan miracle”.



THERE'S AN
OPPORTUNITY TO TELL
THE HOLISTIC STORY
FROM GENOCIDE TO
REBIRTH.

HOW

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OBJECTIVE

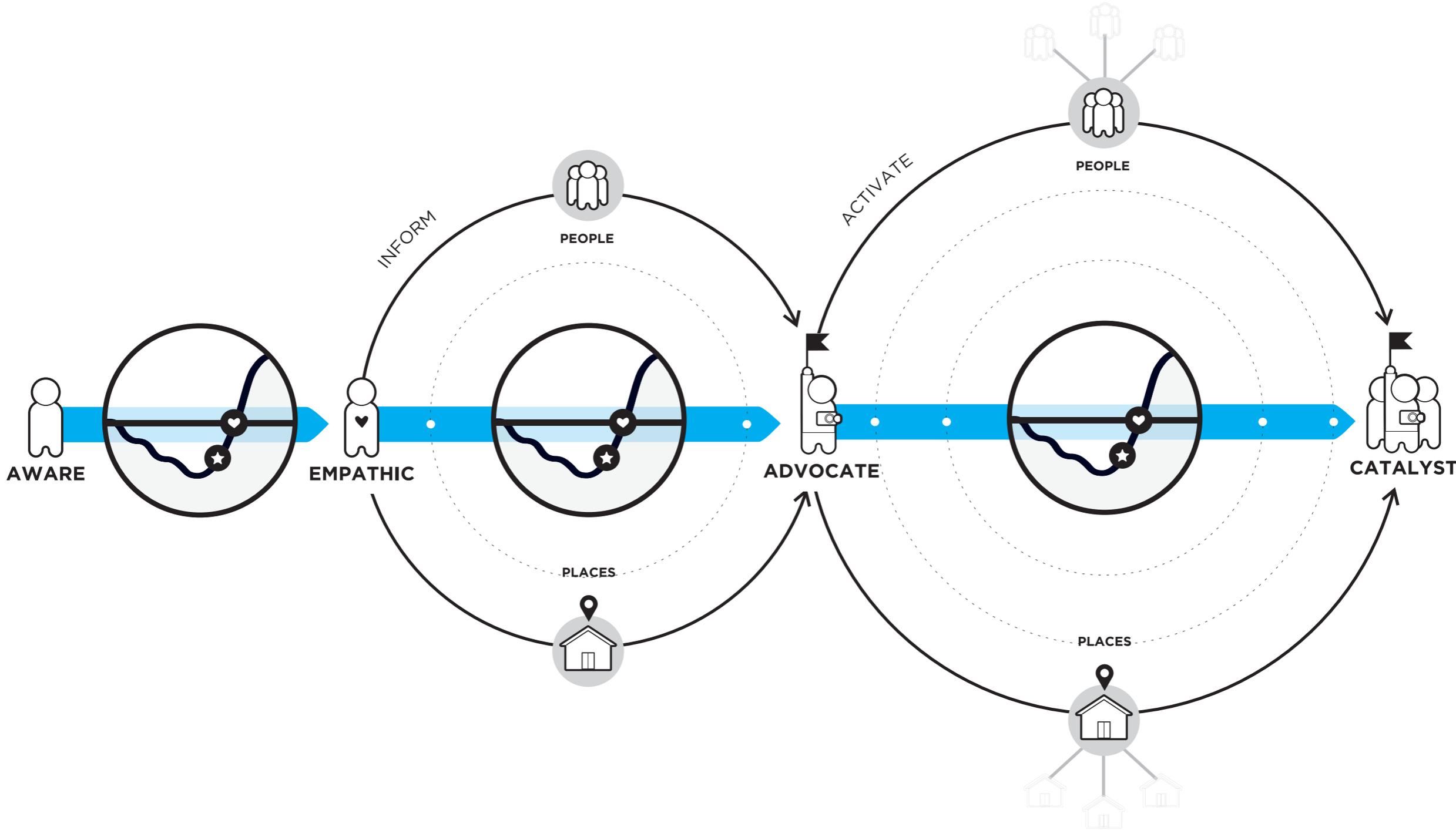


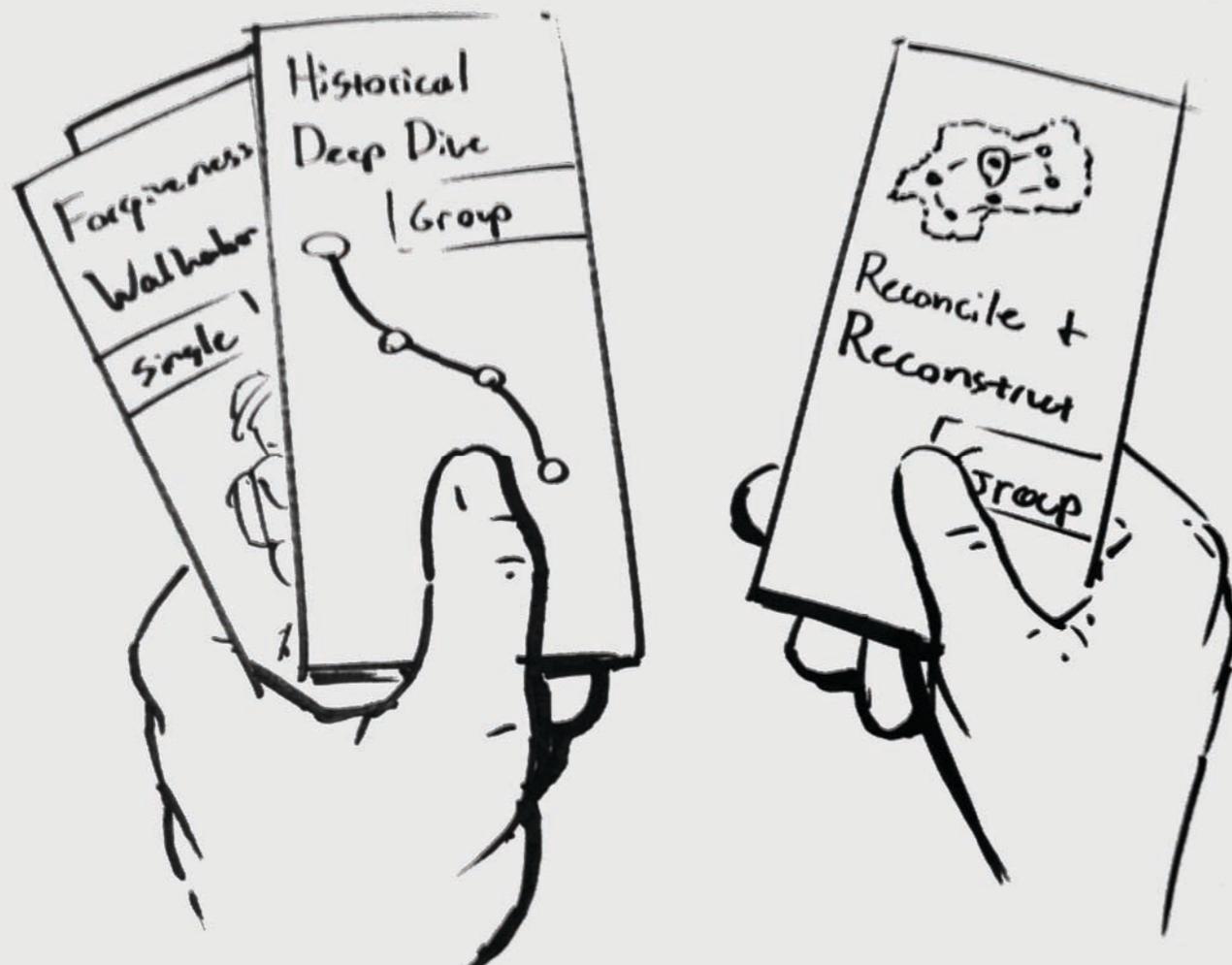
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EXPERIENCE FRAMEWORK**

COMPASSION



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CONVERSION POINTS

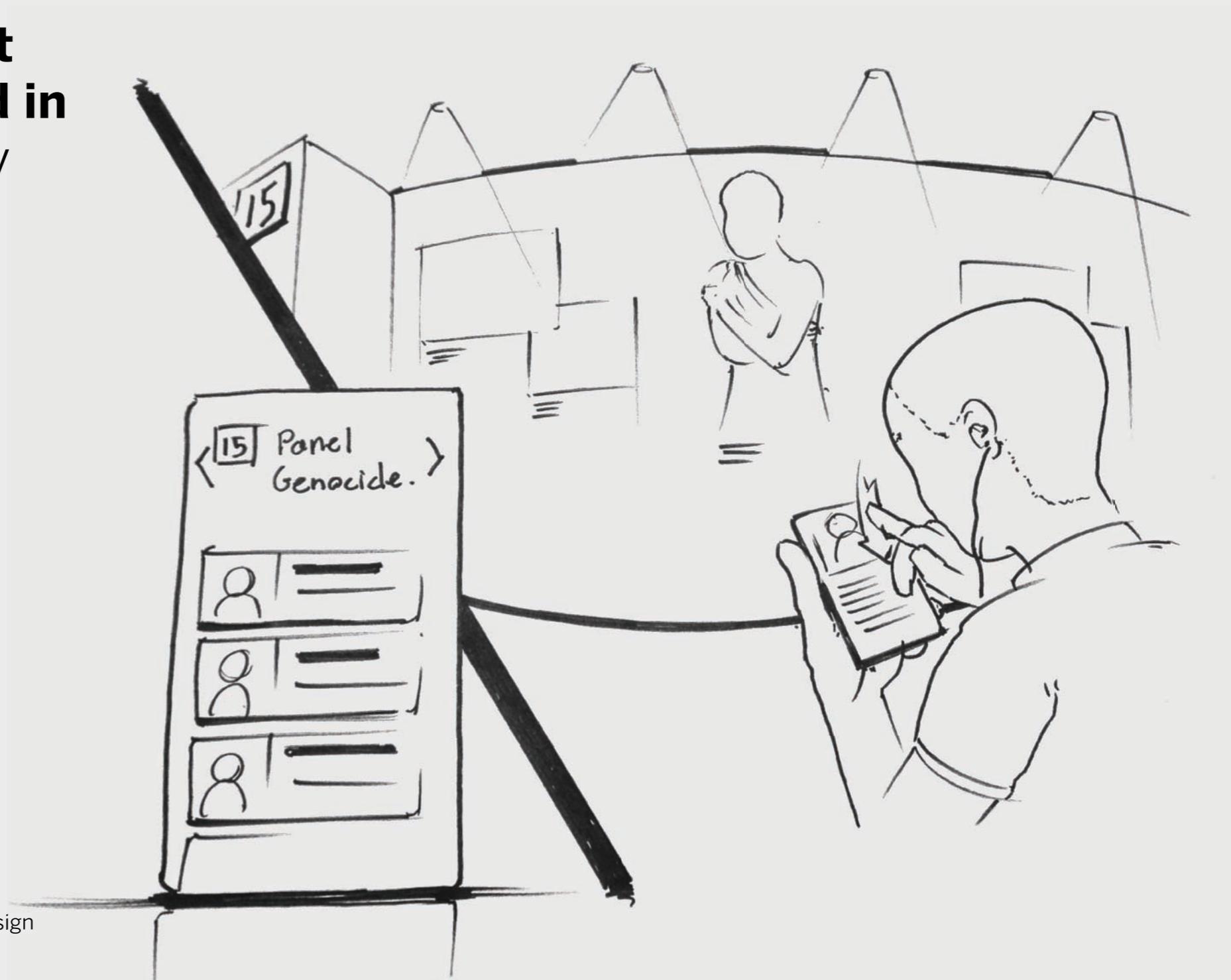




Extend the experience outside the memorial by creating dedicated paths and deep dives.

Raise awareness by making visitors selecting their journey at the beginning.

Augment the content and stories displayed in the physical space by giving access to the memorial's archive, creating different narratives and connections based on what visitors are interested into.



Give visibility to the moments of hope by creating a space in the museum to display stories of reconciliation.



Support reflection by creating breaks in the physical flow of the visit.

**Bridge the gap
between will and
action** by reminding to
the experience later on
(i.e. a letter to be
opened on the way back
home).

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USER RESEARCH
HANDS-ON

User Research is a collection of activities specifically undertaken to **inform and inspire** the design of products and services.

USER RESEARCH INTRODUCTION



QUANTITATIVE RESEARCH

Quantitative research generates, refines and evaluates marketing decisions and opportunities.

UNDERSTANDING DEMOGRAPHICS

Numerical

Distant from participants

Large samples

Surveying opinions

KPI Value Determination

What people say



UNDERSTANDING HUMANS

Pictures and words

Close to participants

Small groups

Understanding behavior

Observing action

Finding underlying motivations

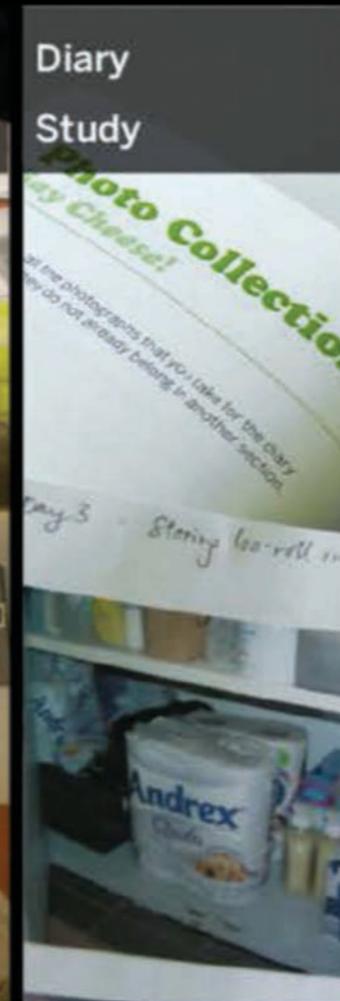
What people say, do, think.

QUALITATIVE RESEARCH

Design research illuminates human problems,
both known and unknown.

USER RESEARCH METHODS

Contextual
Immersion



FOUNDATIONAL

Help us to understand needs

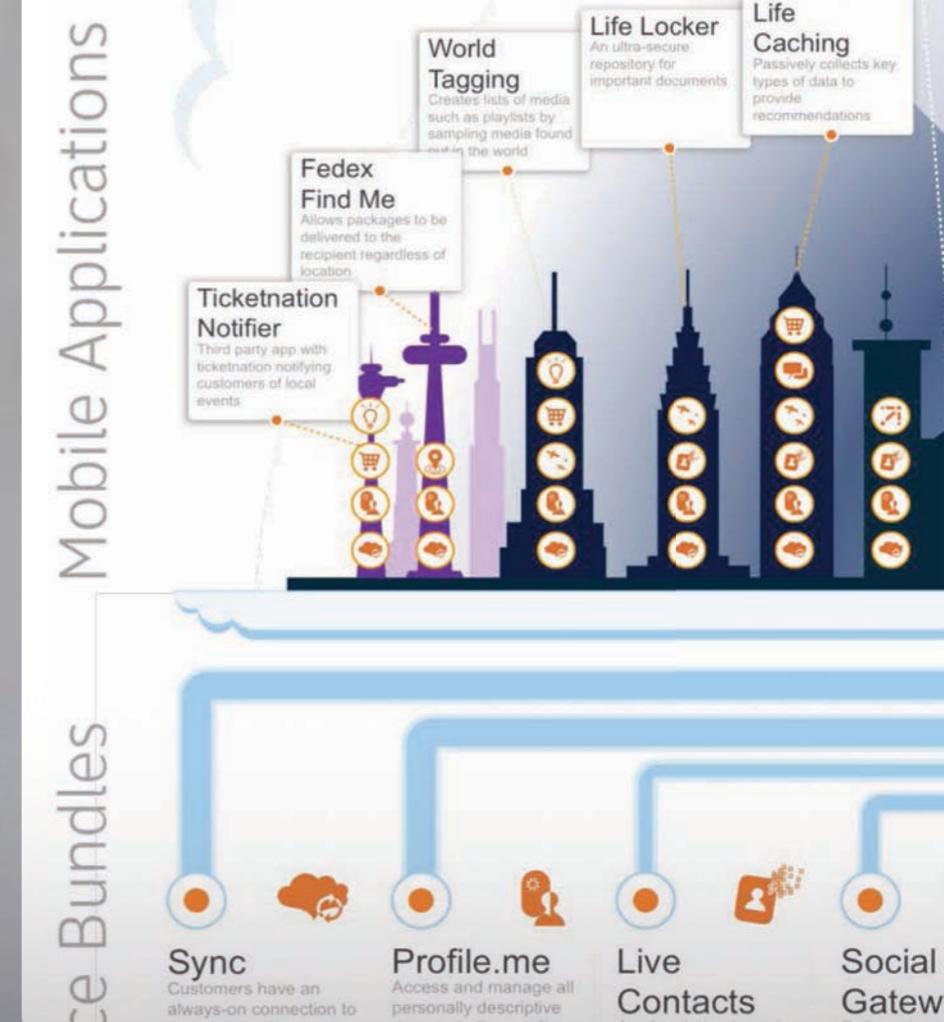
GENERATIVE

Help us to create the right design

EVALUATIVE

Help us get the design right

USER RESEARCH METHODS



EXISTING RESEARCH

Establish a solid foundation by looking at existing research.

TREND ANALYSIS

Look at key technology, social and behavioral trends that will have direct impact on the way users will be motivated to adopt and use products in the categories.

STAKEHOLDER & EXPERT INTERVIEWS



CROWD-SOURCE TOOLS

Believes inspiration can come from everyday life, thus people everywhere are invited to provide photographic insights on a key project topic.

CONTEXTUAL IMMERSION

We go in-home, on-site, and get in-context with a rigorous on-the-ground qualitative research process that generates insights by rapidly immersing the team in the context of use and opportunity.

SHADOWING/ SHOP-ALONG

Observations and interviews in-store elicits insights around shopper expectations and concerns, off-the-shelf impressions and the in store experience.



DIARY STUDIES

In conjunction with a contextual inquiry, diary studies allow participants to reflect more accurately on their own behavior by capturing it across time.

CONTEXTUAL OBSERVATIONS

Interviewing, observing and carefully documenting attitudes and behaviors in the context in which the design solution will be used.

IN-DEPTH INTERVIEWS





PARTICIPATORY DESIGN

Engages participants in a dialog around crafted stimuli which can be combined in ways to help participants convey their expectations.

CONCEPT CRITIQUE

Participants provide candid reactions to prototypes or demos of product concepts, by probing to understand why we modify the design solutions to better meet needs.



EXPERIENCE PROTOTYPE

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COGNITIVE WALKTHROUGH

Modified version of the academic method, allowing us to efficiently gather data on key usability issues and expectation alignment issues in a group session.

USABILITY TESTING

Formalized study to assess the efficiency, satisfaction and effectiveness of a design by providing participants with tasks to complete us a prototype or final product.

USER RESEARCH
BUILDING A RESEARCH PLAN

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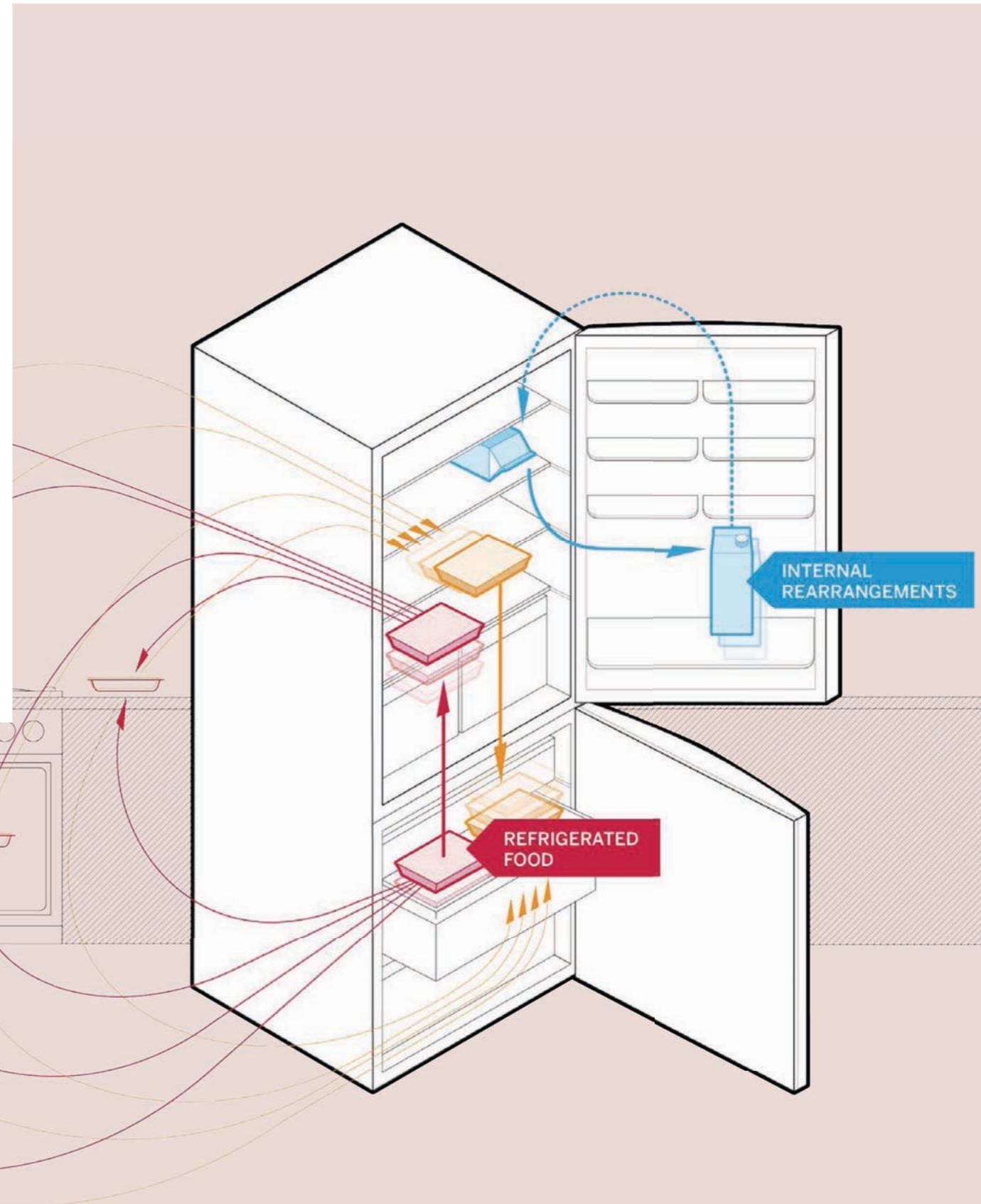
Plan the research by defining:

01. Goal
02. Method
03. Participants
04. Locations
05. Time Frame



01 GOAL

State the **focus** and **objectives** of the research activities based on what you need to design and what you already know.



Define the methods to **engage** the participants in the research activities and collect information.

e.g.: contextual interviews, observations, diary studies, focus groups,...



03 PARTICIPANTS

Define the **target user** you need to address and prepare a screener that outline what **criteria** is required to select your participants.



Target definition

Alcune domande riguardo lei e la sua famiglia

3. Quale delle seguenti intervalli di età rispecchia il suo?

- < 24 - Termina
- 25-45 – Continua
- > 46 – Termina

4. Household

Quale affermazione rispecchia la sua situazione familiare?

- Vivo solo/a - Termina
- Io, il mio coniuge / convivente – Termina
- Io, il mio coniuge / convivente e 1 (o più) bambini – Continua (→4a)

4a. Qual è l'età dei suoi bambini? (Almeno 1 bambino di età inferiore a 14 anni)

Bambino 1

- 0-6 anni – Continua
- 7- 13 – Continua
- Oltre 14 anni – Termina

Bambino 2

- 0-6 anni – Continua
- 7- 13 – Continua
- Oltre 14 anni – Termina

Crowd-sourced tools can be used to quickly gather input from a broader spectrum of users

Keep a multifaceted perspective



Schedule your activities, considering preparation time, field-work, duration of the sessions, debrief and synthesis.

Don't underestimate travel times between locations



OUTPUT



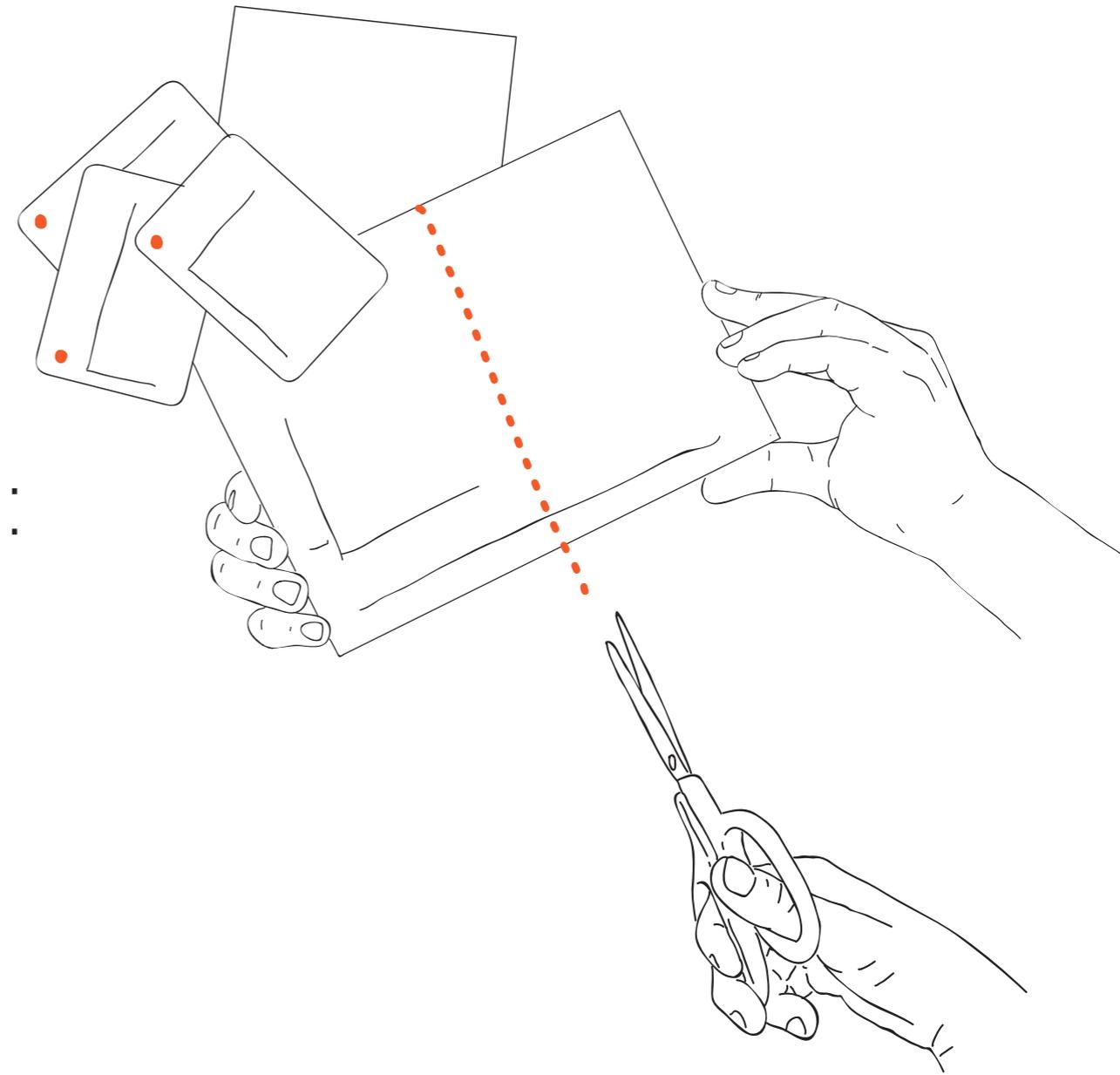
**RESEARCH
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USER RESEARCH
TOOLS & ACTIVITIES

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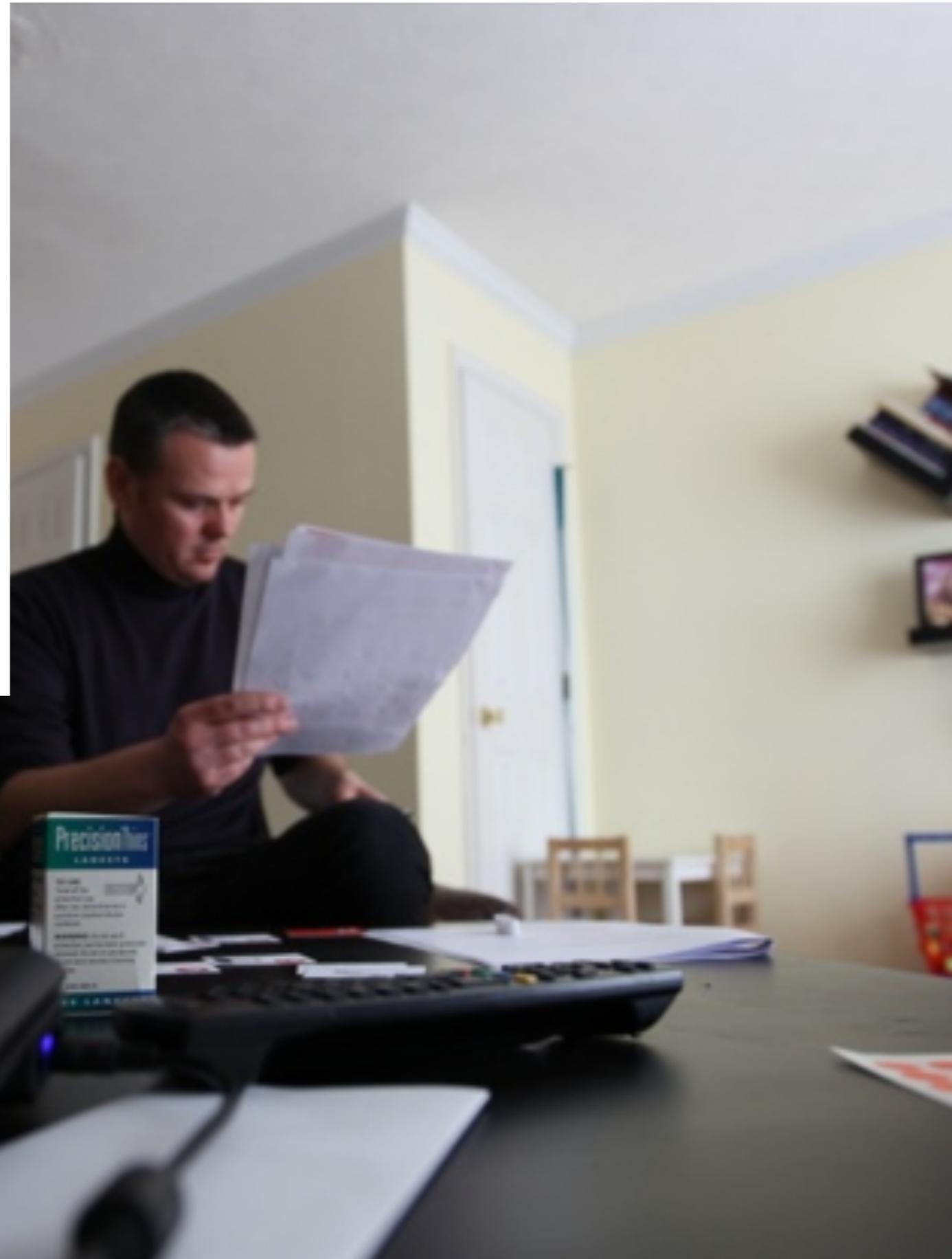
Design the research sessions:

01. Discussion guide
02. Hands-on activities



The discussion guide outlines the **areas of investigation** you plan to focus on, detailing all the questions and activities.

*Building a discussion helps defining the flow of the interview **before** going in the field.*



Areas of investigation

The objective of the research is to understand how the HCPs manage their patients with diabetes. Specific areas of investigation that we have identified include: (A) HCP workflow, (B) tools & approaches, (C) data analysis.

(A) WORKFLOW

The workflow will be investigated at two different levels: the routine of a typical working day and the sequence of activities during a visit with a **PwD**.

- **DAILY ROUTINE:**
Which is the typical day of the HCP? What are his tasks? How does he manage his time and visits? How is he related to other professional figures (e.g. the assistant)? Which is the balance between work and life?
- **PwD VISIT WORKFLOW:**
Which is the sequence of actions/tasks? How long does each activity last? Which are the devices or instruments involved? Which factors have an impact on the way in which the visit is managed?
A quick simulation of a visit can provide a useful immersion to recover all the aspects, helping the interviewer understanding the whole experience.

(B) TOOLS & APPROACHES

Apart from the specific moment of the visit, how does the HCP manage, support and monitor his patients with diabetes? We've identified 3 areas that can be interesting to explore:

- EDUCATION
- MOTIVATION
- COMMUNICATION

Which tools does the HCP use to educate his patients, motivate his patients and communicate with his patients? Which factors can affect the way in which he approaches these activities? It's important to see directly those tools if possible.

(C) DATA ANALYSIS

Understanding how the HCP uses and interacts with the patient diabetes-related data is one of the core parts of the interview.

The HCP will be asked to focus on the instruments related to data analysis and specifically on the Information Management software he is using. What information is most relevant? Which are the most recurring paths? What triggers the HCP attention and why?

We'll ask the HCP to walk us through some cases to get to a more complete understanding of the meanings and interaction with the available information. Once more it's important to understand what changes in terms of data management according to the different segments of patients.

Interview guide

We plan to give a brief introductory leaflet to the participants a few days before the interview in order to clarify the main topics we're going to delve into and let them be prepared with what we need to look at.

The interview will be structured as a conversation, guided by a sort of direct simulation. Although each interview will be properly structured, the frog team will ensure adequate discussion in order to capture as many insights as possible.

Interview introduction: PRELIMINARY QUESTIONS (10 min)

objective: set the tone for the interview and gather few necessary background information

To begin each interview we will ask some basic information.

Questions will include but not be limited to:

- *What's your role inside this medical practice?*
 - *How long have you been working in this practice?*
 - *What's your background?*
 - *What are your previous working experiences?*
 - *Who are your collaborators?*
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02 HANDS ON ACTIVITIES

In addition to the traditional interview, use **hands-on activities** to help push the conversation deeper and into new areas.

e.g.: card sorting, image sorting, collaborative diagrams,...



02 HANDS ON ACTIVITIES

London, November 2010
One-word association



London, November 2010
Image association



02 HANDS ON ACTIVITIES

Kiboga, June 2013
Card-sorting



02 HANDS ON ACTIVITIES

Mpigi, June 2013
Idea prototyping



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**RESEARCH
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**DISCUSSION
GUIDE**



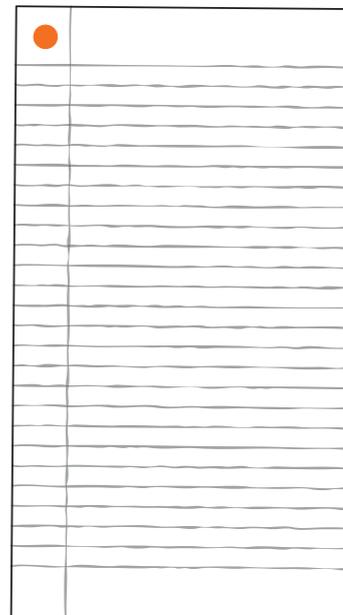
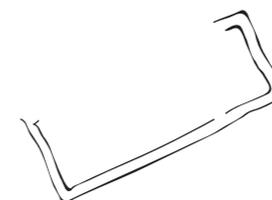
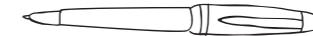
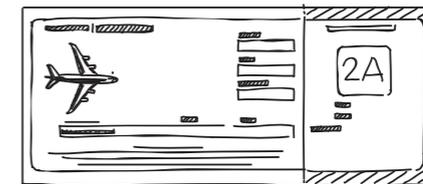
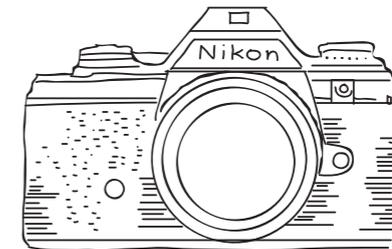
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MATERIALS**

USER RESEARCH
FIELD PREPARATION

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Prepare the team for the field-work:

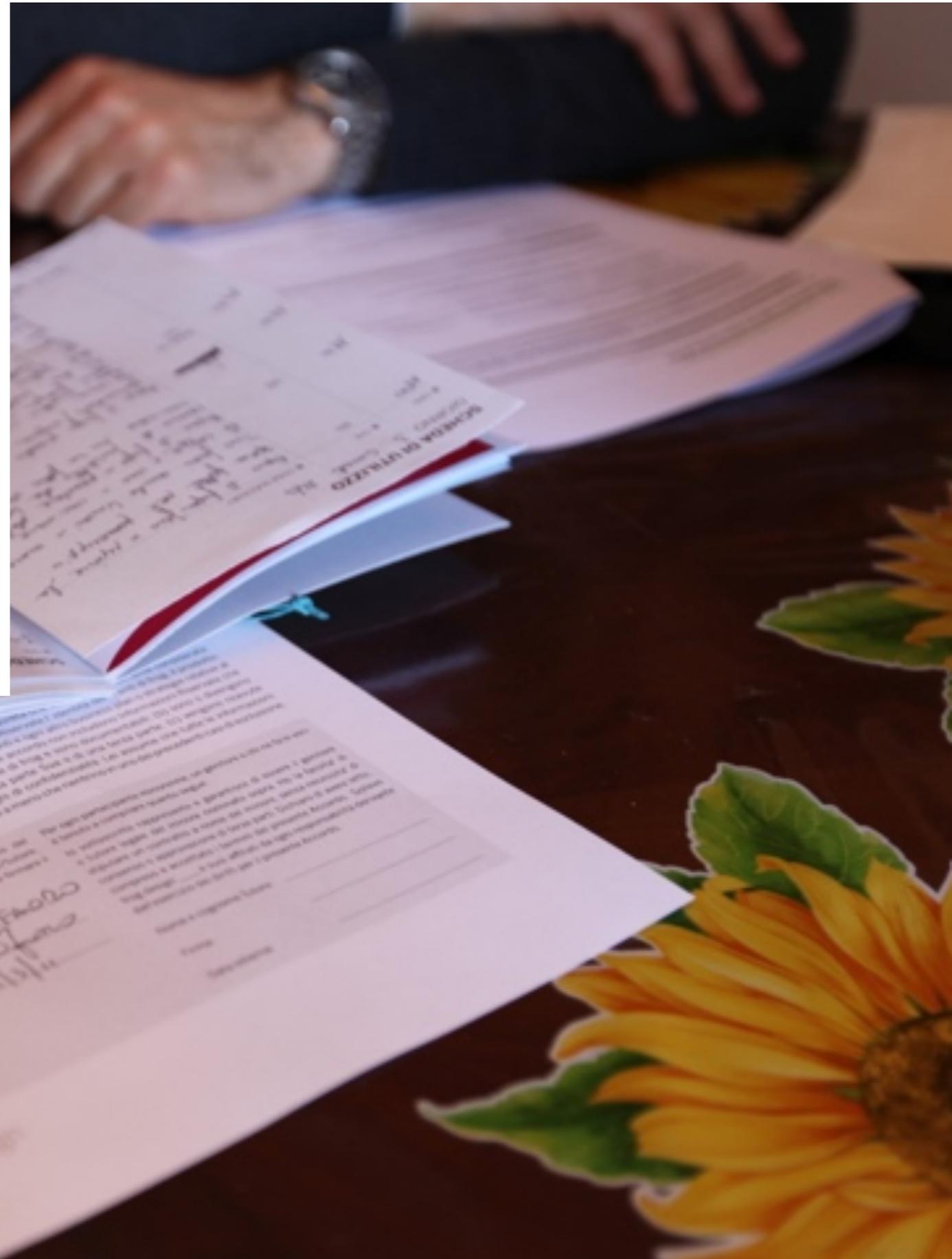
01. Permissions
02. Roles & tasks
03. Recording methods
04. Equipment



01 PERMISSIONS

Release forms establish and **protect the rights** of both you and the participant.

- *Ask the permission to record the interview*
- *Clarify the usage of the material*
- *Show the photos before asking to sign the disclaimer*
- *Leave to the participant your contact information*





DICHIARAZIONE DI CONSENSO AL TRATTAMENTO DEI DATI PERSONALI

Il sottoscritto.....
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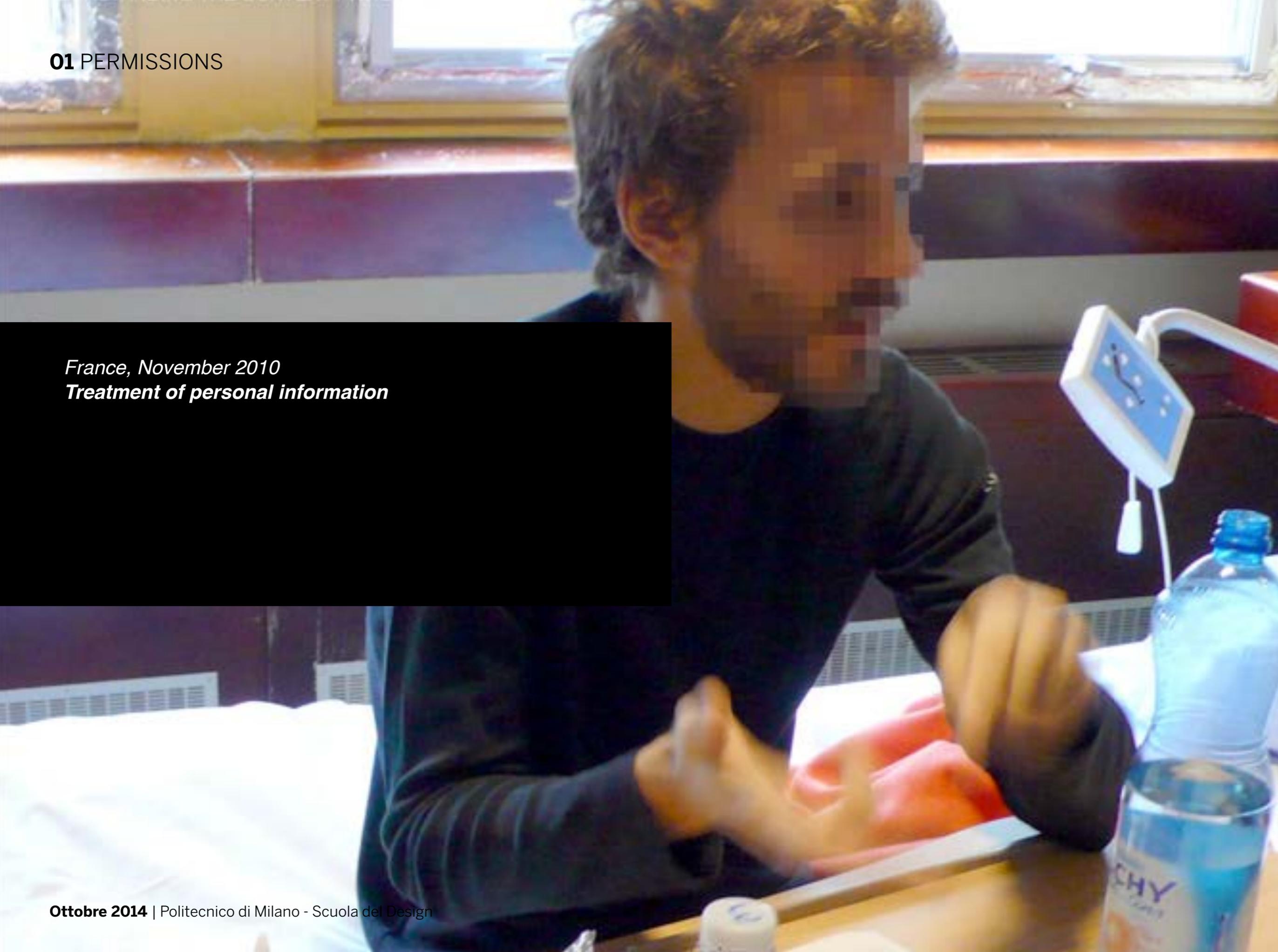
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 - d) degli estremi identificativi del titolare, dei responsabili e del rappresentante designato nel territorio dello stato, di responsabili o incaricati.

01 PERMISSIONS

France, November 2010
Treatment of personal information



01 PERMISSIONS

Atlanta, January 2012
Treatment of personal information



The contextual interview team shouldn't exceed **3 members**: moderator, note taker and photographer.

Usually the note taker plays a support role, including setting up the recording equipment, facilitating the hand-on activities and asking additional questions.



02 ROLES & TASKS



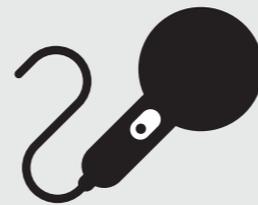
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IN FIELD RESEARCH



NOTE TAKER

IN FIELD RESEARCH



INTERVIEWER

IN FIELD RESEARCH



TRANSLATOR

IN FIELD RESEARCH



PHOTOGRAPHER

IN FIELD RESEARCH

Recording **notes and images** during an interview is essential for later analysis and sharing with your team.

Plan out your recording tools before getting into the field!



03 RECORDING METHODS

Milan, October 2011
 Customized notebook



TABACCHI

SCHEMATA D'ITAL TV

CASSA / RICEVITORE

SCHEMATA PERMANENTE D'ITAL

BANCHE X FUMIGARE + SCHEDARIO 10 e LOTTO

TABELLA DEI TEMPI

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"A VEDIAMO OGGI POMERIGGIO ..."							
03	1	F	35 EXT	15:00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
"GIUCA, ASPETTA, RIGIUCA (10 e LOTTO) NON SI SIEDE"							
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"ASPETTA IN PIEDI, SI FACCIO SCHERMO X ESTRA? CIAO TONY, A DORO ..."							
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Atlanta, January 2012
Nikon IID, Flip-camera, tripod

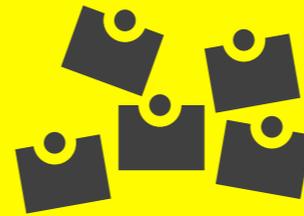
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**RESEARCH
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**RESEARCH
KIT**

USER RESEARCH
IN-FIELD ACTIVITIES

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IN-FIELD ACTIVITIES

Some tips to remember while running the research:

01. Before starting the interview
02. During the interview
03. Data capturing
04. Processing information



Don't forget to:

(1) observe & capture the context, (2) introduce your equipment and the team, (3) get the participants permissions



Follow some rules:

- Establish credibility
- Remain open minded
- Shape the dialogue
- Consider body language
- **Ask why**



Record the explicit
(needs expressed by the participant), **uncover the implicit** (latent needs they don't initially express).

Interview + observe



While observing and interviewing participants, researchers capture **words, phrases and quotes.**

Field notes can be recorded using different tools (e.g. by hand in a field notebook or digitally with a computer)



03 DATA CAPTURING

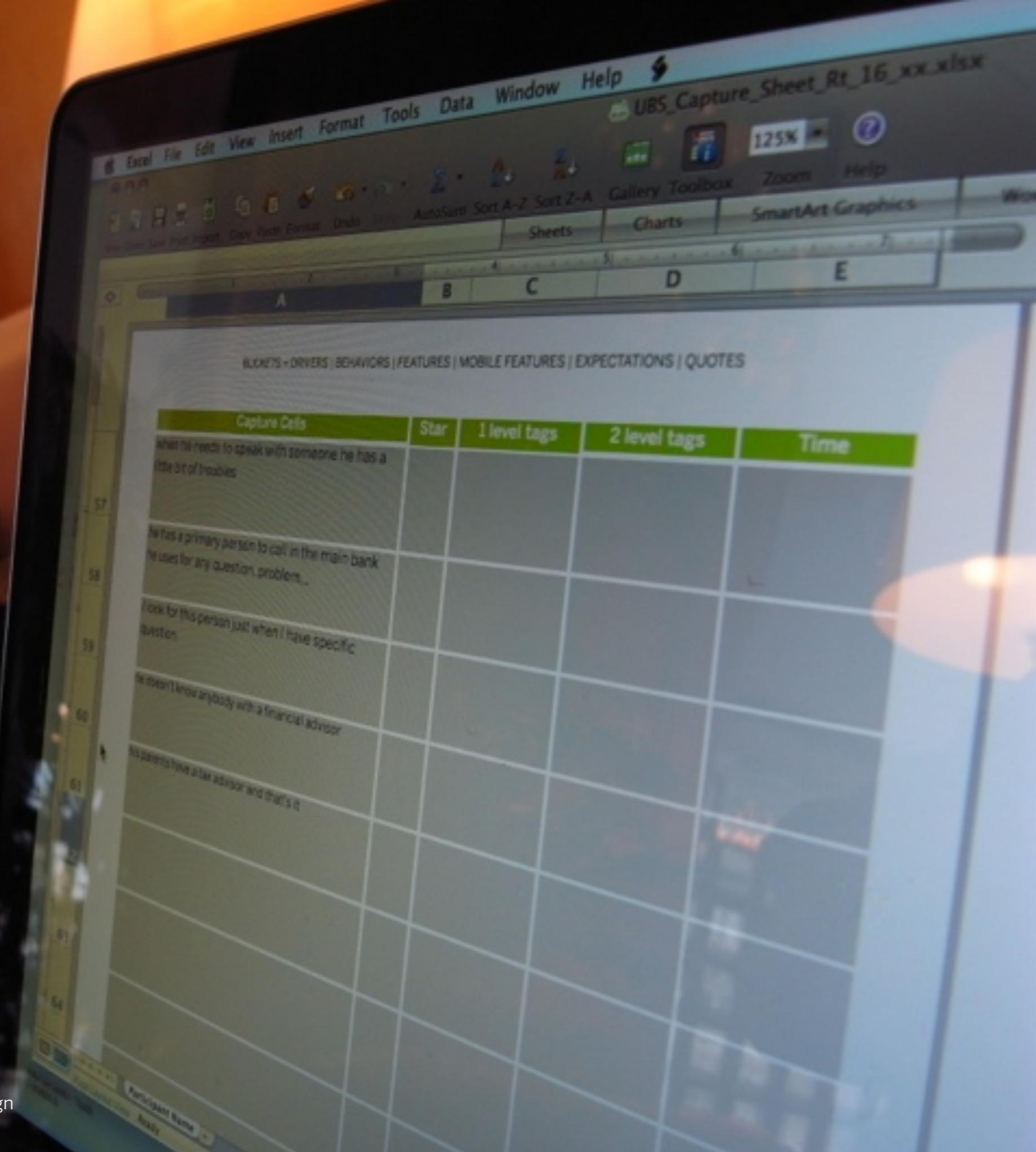
DATA/QUOTES

OBSERVATIONS

INTERPRETATIONS

03 DATA CAPTURING

Zurich, December 2010
Excel capturing tool



Photographs can capture a spectrum of data, from broad contextual information to specific details.

Gather a wide range of pictures to ensure depth of coverage!



can you show me



Capturing **audio** is fairly easy and unobtrusive. Great for re-listening to get detail that you may have missed with your field notes.



Video is one of the most comprehensive data capture techniques, recording the realism of time and the subtleties of emotion.





New Delhi, November 2012
Intercepts

WAFFLE HOUSE

03 DATA CAPTURIN

Milan, October 2011

Being participants in your own research



04 PROCESSING INFORMATION

Dedicate time after each interview to process and **capture what you learned** with the other team members.

e.g. 'our three key learnings for today are...'



OUTPUT



**AUDIO/VIDEO
RECORDS**



**DIGITAL/ANALOG
NOTES**



**CONTEXT/PEOPLE
PHOTOS**

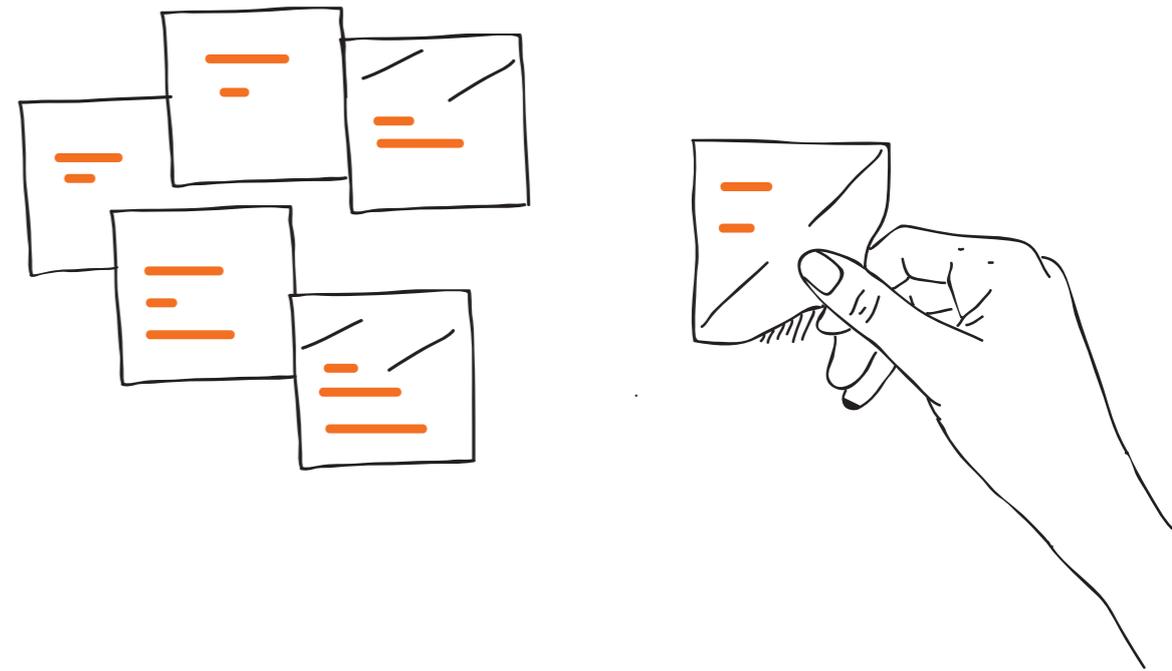


**ROUGH
INSIGHTS**

USER RESEARCH
SYNTHESIS

USER RESEARCH
SYNTHESIS

How do we translate the **chaos** of research insights into something meaningful for the project?



The volume of data captured can be overwhelming: be **diligent** and develop a **consistent** storage method.

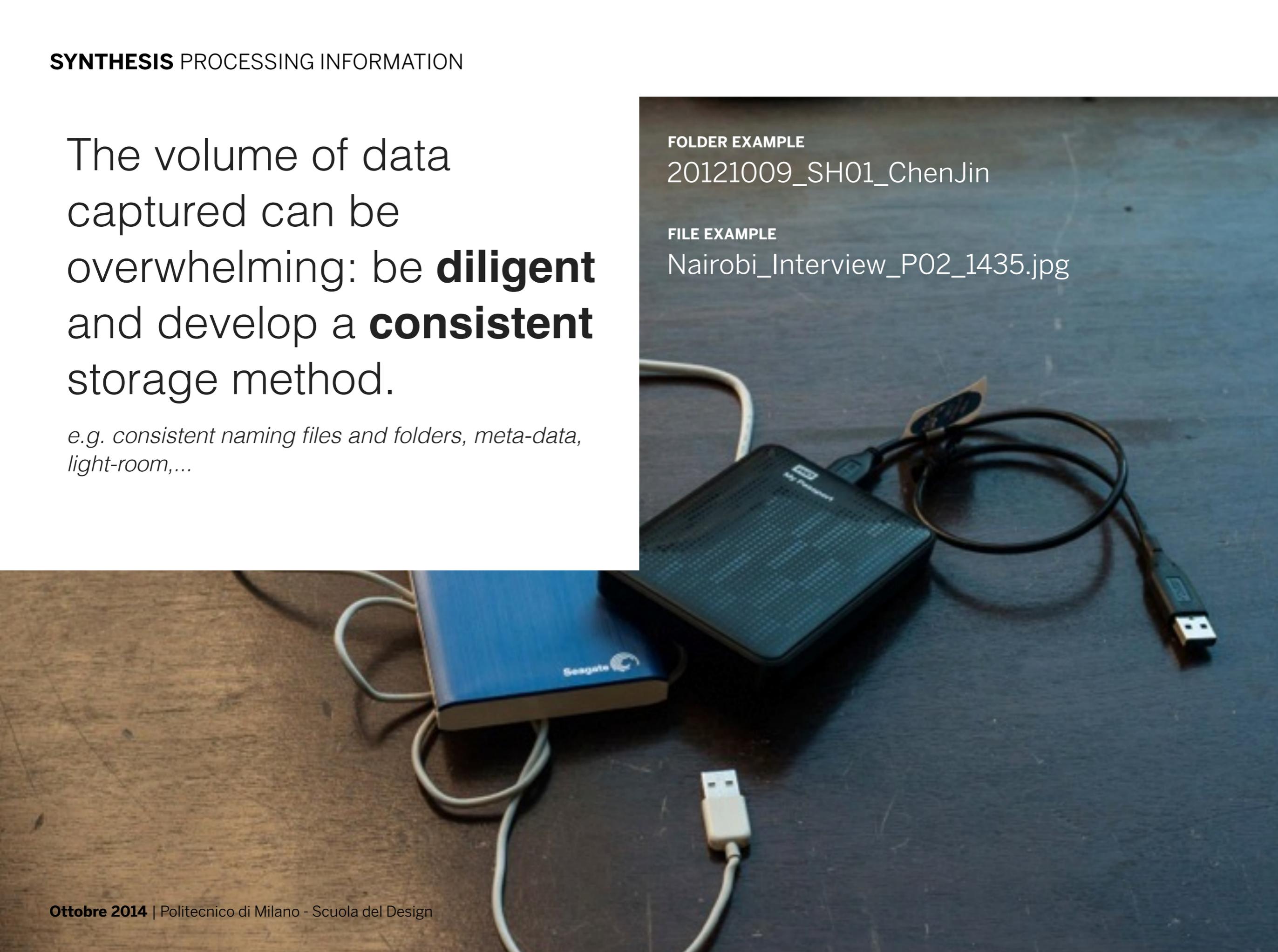
e.g. consistent naming files and folders, meta-data, light-room,...

FOLDER EXAMPLE

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FILE EXAMPLE

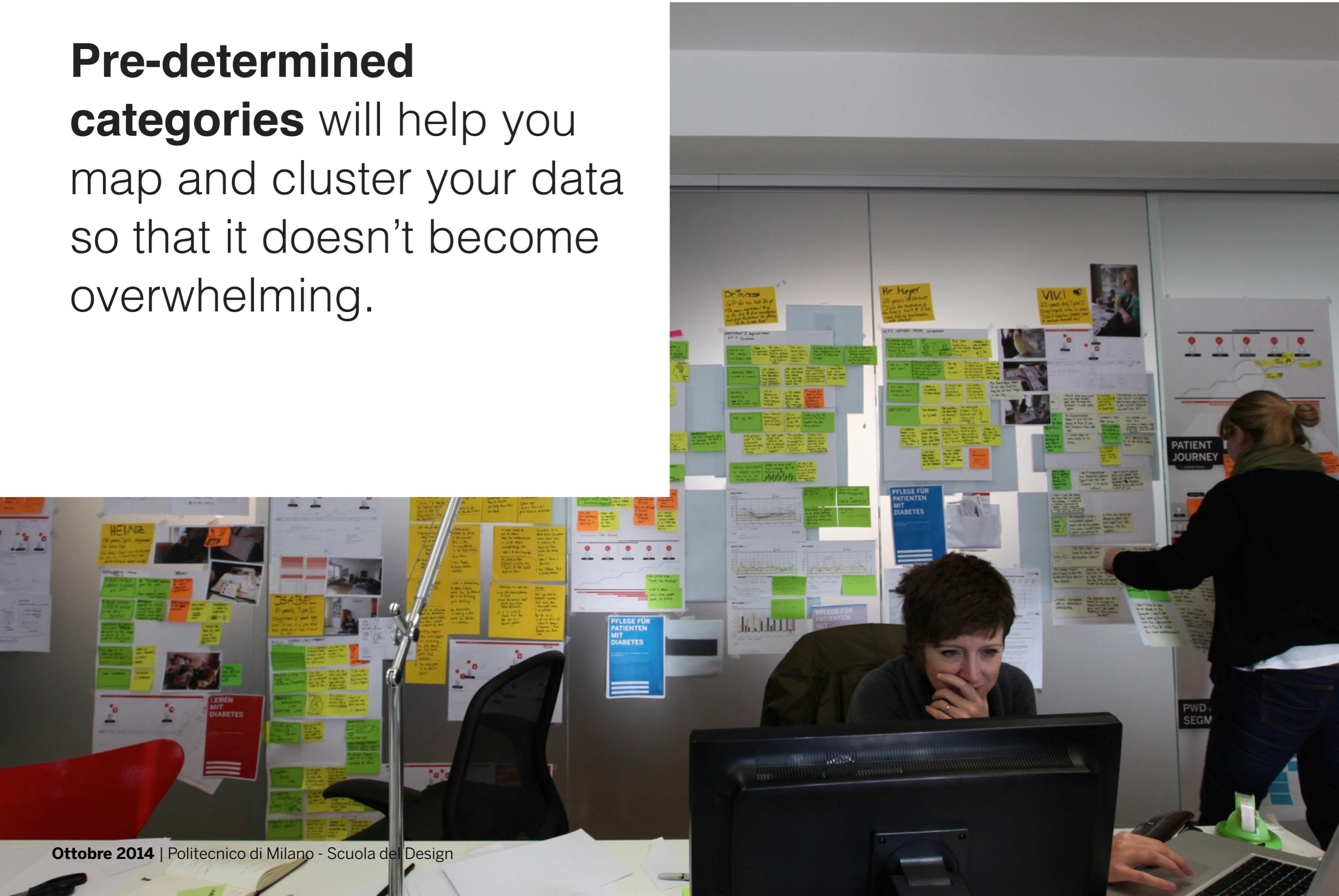
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Atlanta, June 2012
Video encoding into a cab

Pre-determined categories will help you map and cluster your data so that it doesn't become overwhelming.



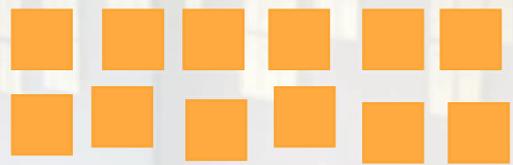
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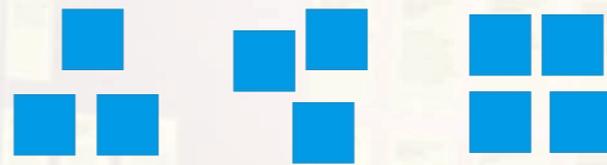


I saw this + I know this = Insight



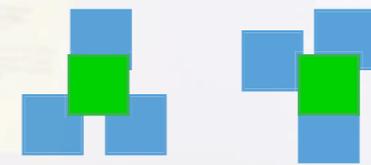
Make Observations

Analyze your field notes and document interesting observations, anomalies, or things you found unique.



Group & Interpret

Group the observations similarity. Ask, "Why" about each observation group and answer this question based on your own personal experience and what you know about the situation.



Draw Insights

From the key observation summaries in each group, craft provocative statements of truth.

SYNTHESIS DATA ORGANIZATION



Milan, December 2010
Synthesis wall

OUTPUT



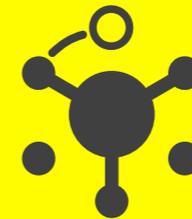
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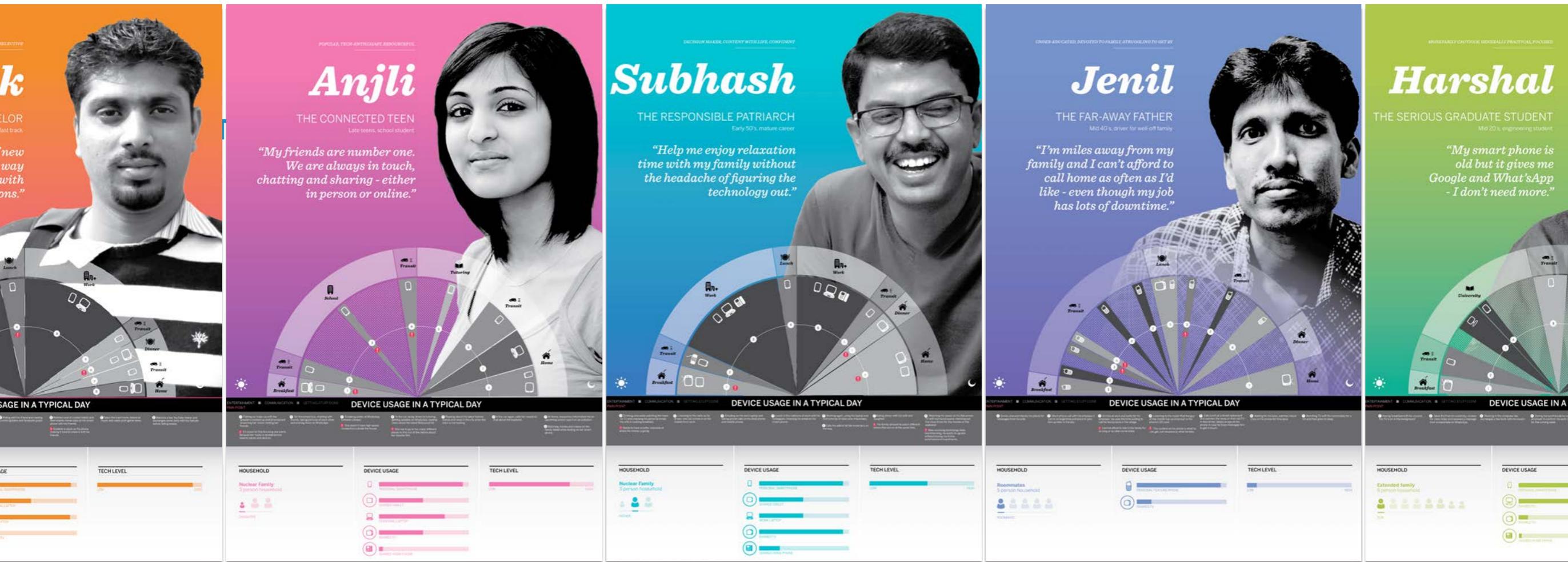


**EXPERIENCE
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**SYSTEM
MODELS**

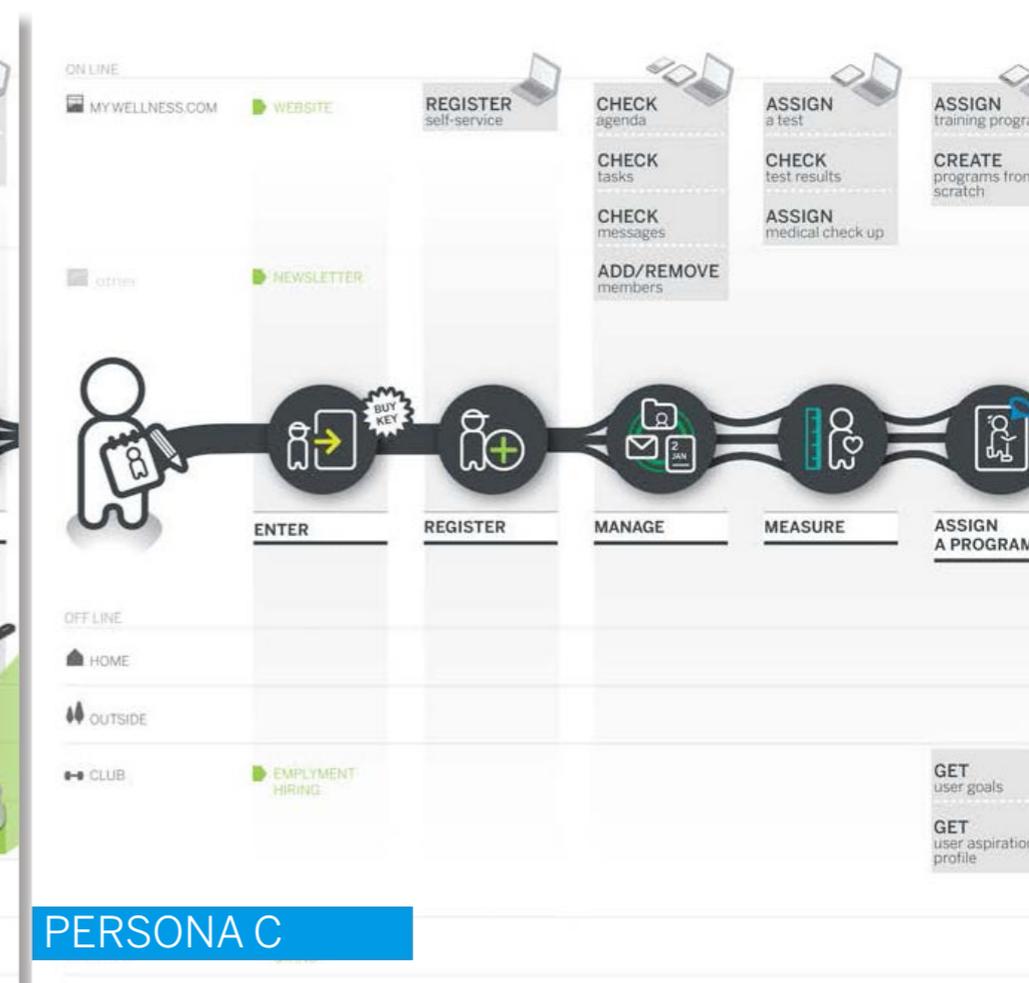
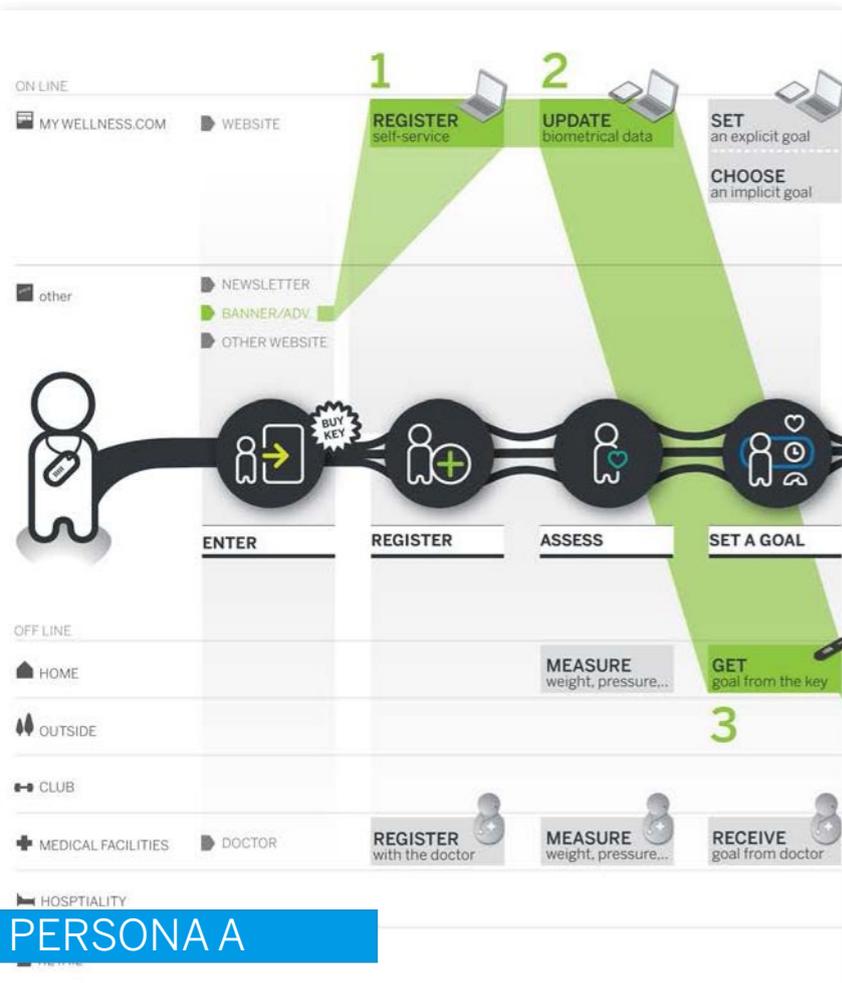
EXAMPLE: PERSONAS



The more human and believable your persona is, the easier it will be for the team to focus on them.



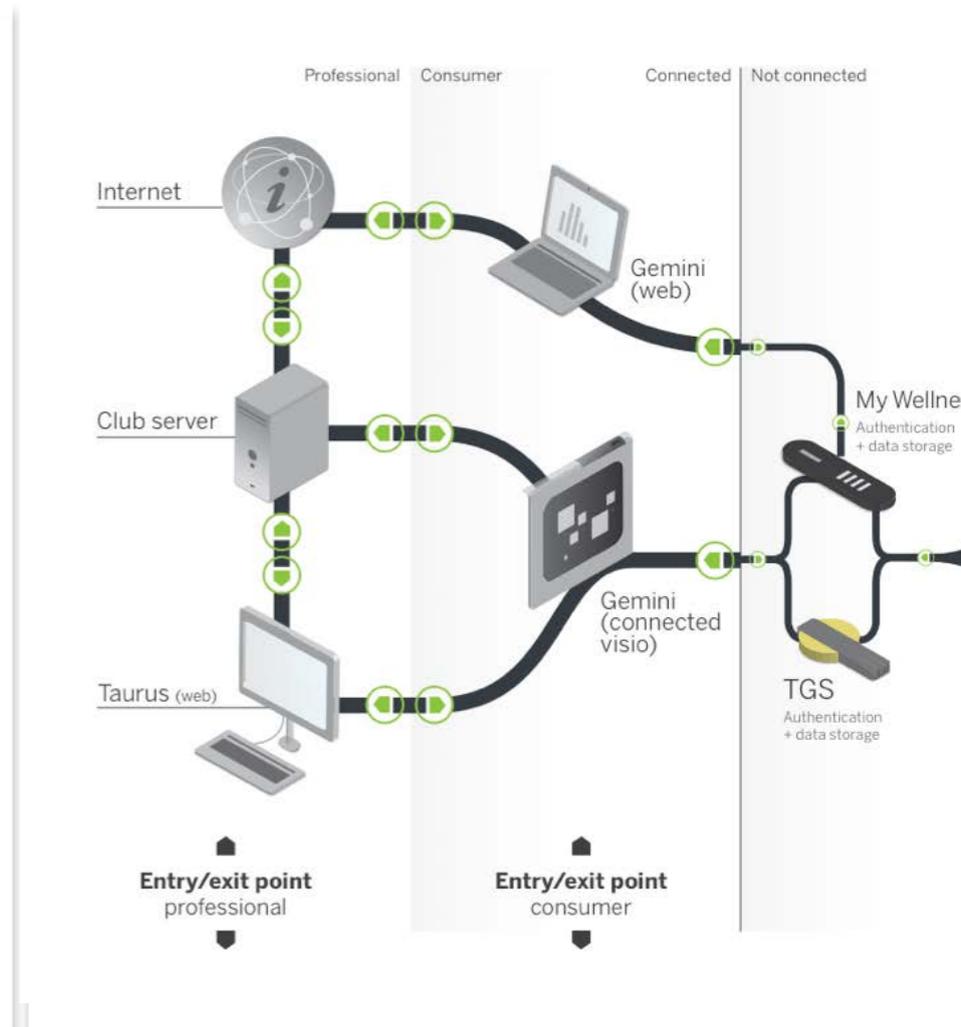
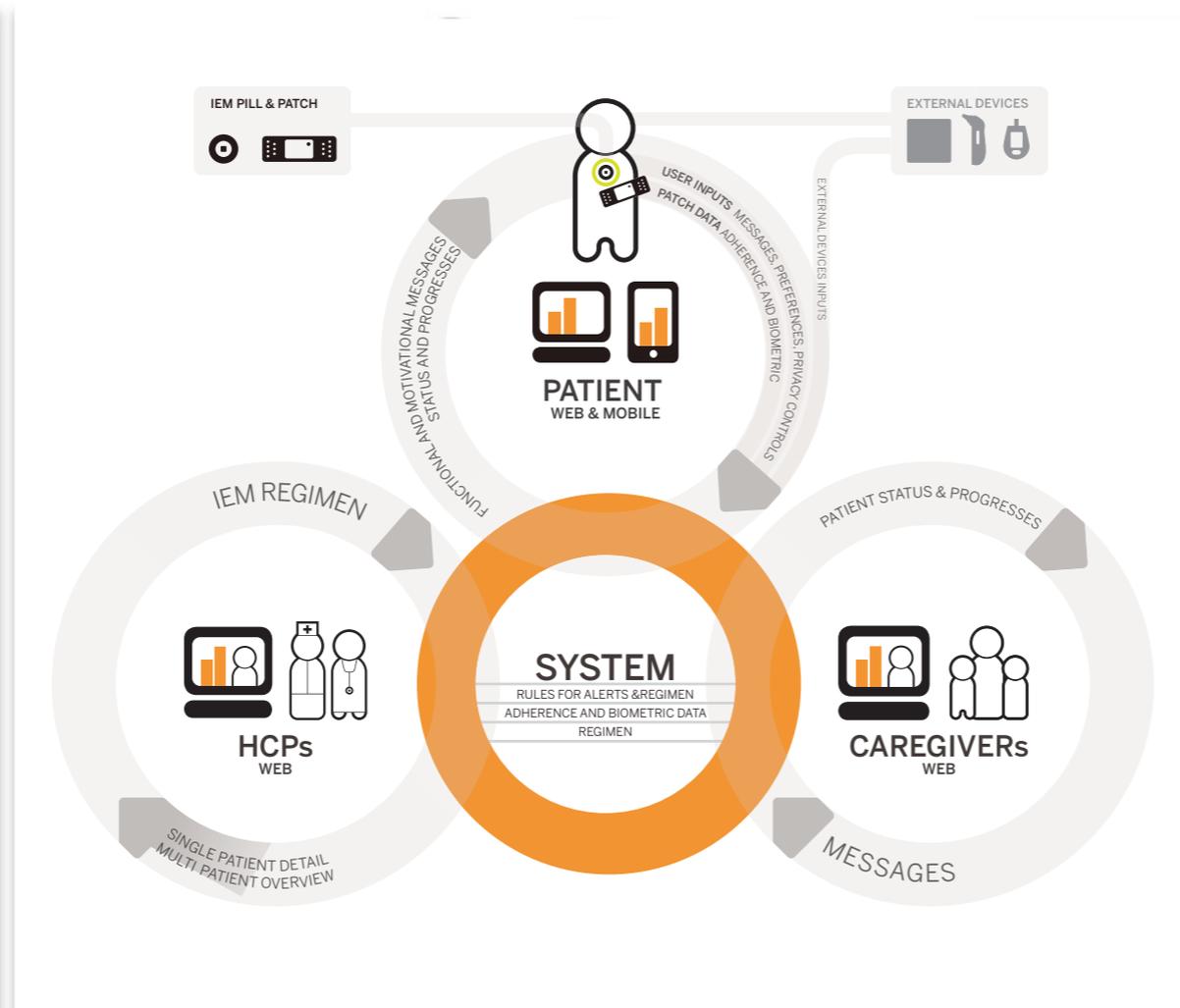
EXAMPLE: JOURNEYS



Creating a detailed customer journey for each persona/user archetype can help to compare their different experiences.



EXAMPLE: SYSTEM MAPS



The same tools and procedures can be used to map the model of an organization and all the internal relationships.



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RECIPIENTS

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- SERVICE STAFF
- USERS

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THANKS