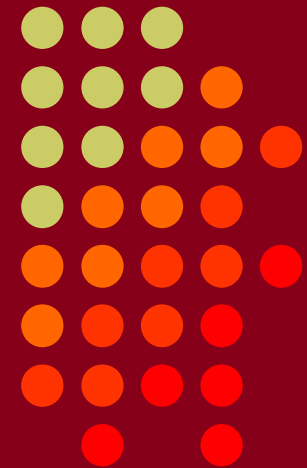


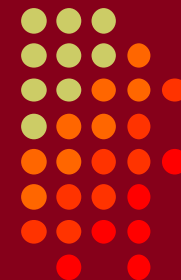
Community conflict resolution crime prevention

Some thoughts to raise discussion on the prevention of
community-based conflicts

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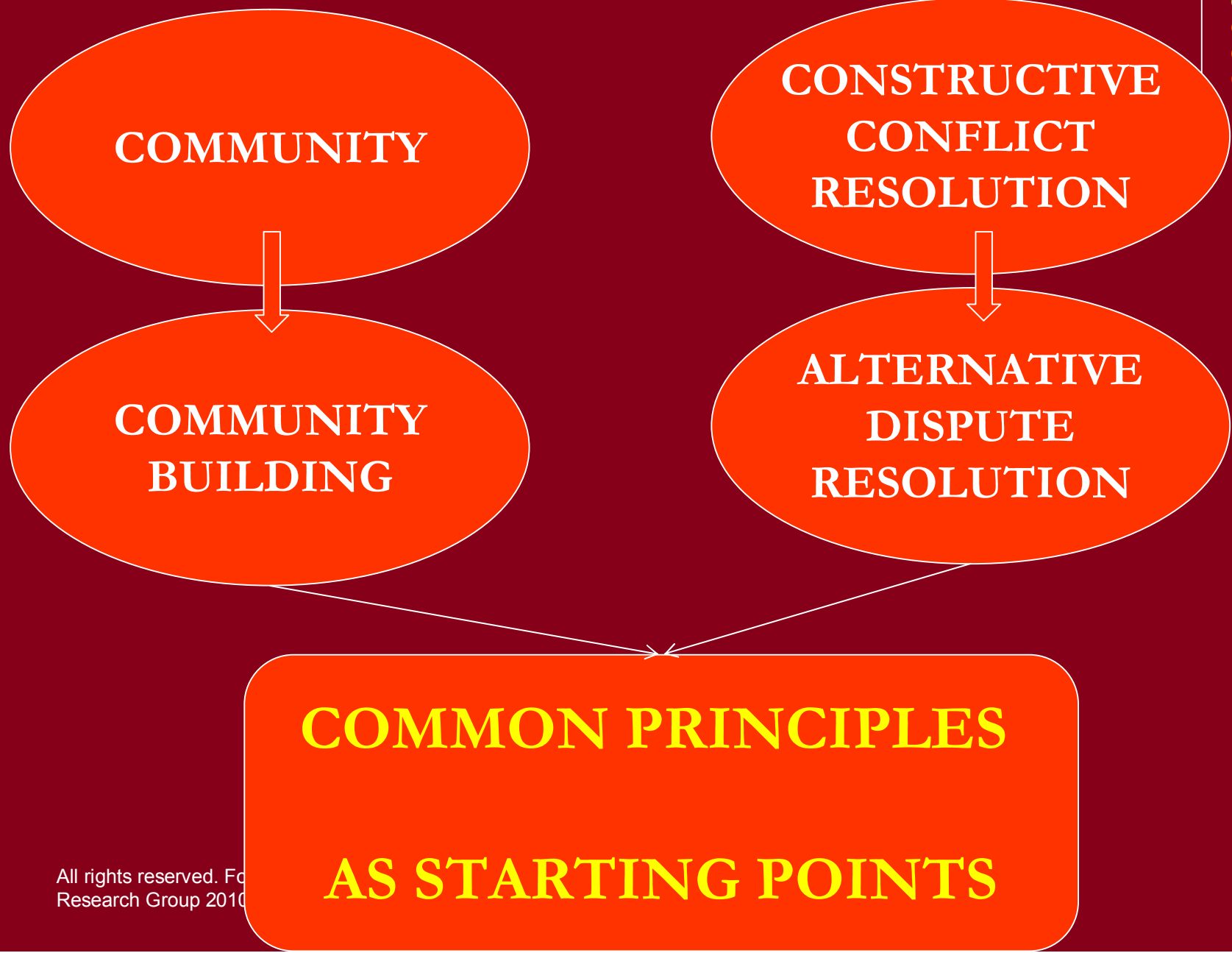
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Preventing conflicts?
or
Applying constructive
conflict resolution techniques
to prevent crime?

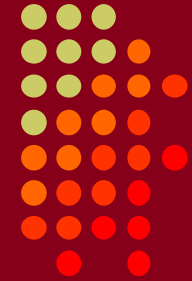
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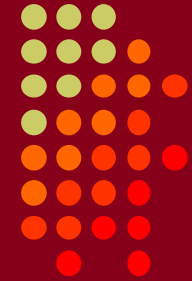
**COMMON PRINCIPLES
AS STARTING POINTS**

(SOME) COMMON PRINCIPLES AS STARTING POINTS:



- trust, honesty amongst the actors
- voluntary and active participation - bottom up responsibility taking
- involvement of an external and impartial professional (mediator, facilitator) into the decision-making
- empowerment of the parties
- autonomy: articulation of our own interests and needs
- ‘widening the circle’: involvement of supporters: widening the internal and external social network and the available resources

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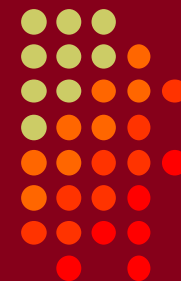


- (re)building and (re)strengthening community bonds
- cooperation and partnerships: thinking, learning, planning and working in a team
- sustainability – seeking for long term solutions
- "learning by doing"
- cohesion through communication
- future-orientation

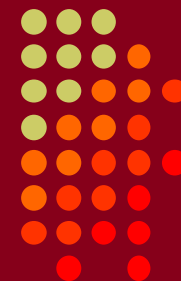
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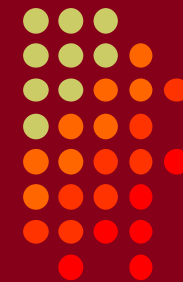
- The invitation...
- 800 habitants, 20% Roma
- 3 months and approx. 3500 EUR by the Ministry of Justice (Crime Prevention Comm.)
- a multidisciplinary team of 10 professionals: mediators, community developers, social workers, film makers, photographer, communication cons.
- a network of 11 consortium partners led by the Foresee Research Group



And then the questions....

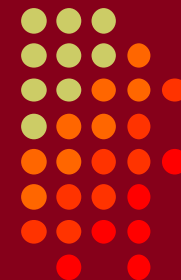


What is the actual conflict?



- **Diagnosis** → **more colours, less**
- Inter-group conflicts (minority and old settlers, political, personal)
- Intra-group conflicts: class, gender, comm.
- Structural problems: low level of education, migration, low
- Needs: employment, respect, schooling, transport, playground.... (4.56 – 6.30)

Are these
„special”
requests of
certain
communities?

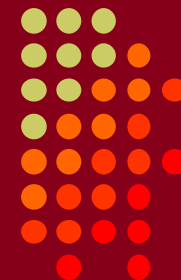


What supportive factors are already available?

(on local, regional, national, international, inter-agency levels?)



Whom to involve?
**What if only a minority believes
in the change?**



What to actually do?
For how long?
With how much money?







How to handle the existing
power differences?

How to make the different
parties believe they can indeed
become partners of each
other?

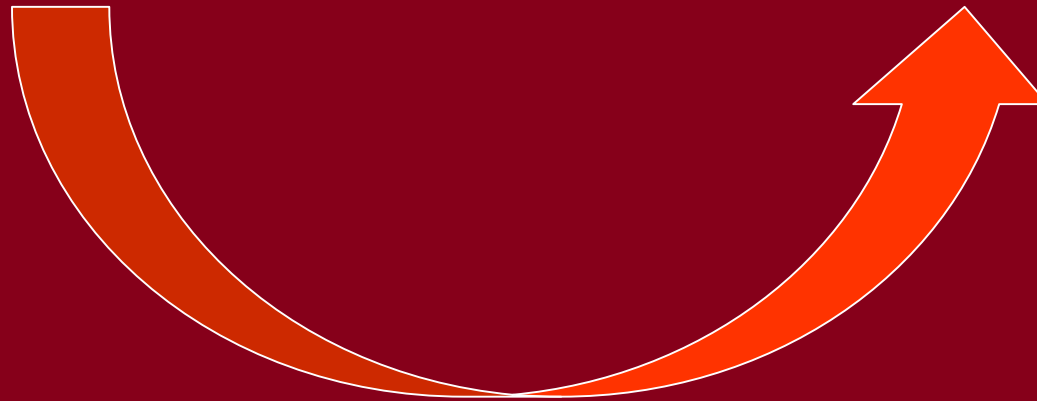
**WHAT WAS PROVEN IS THAT IN ORDER TO
GAIN SMILES, WE NEED.....**



**COMMUNITY
BUILDING**

**CONSTRUCTIVE
CONFLICT
RESOLUTION**

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TOGETHER....

OUR CONCLUSIONS IN FOUR POINTS:



1. **Trust** is a must. Towards themselves, towards us.
2. Trust cannot be achieved solely by **social work**, or **community building**, or **ADR**.
3. These approaches need to be **combined** so that people gain trust through strengthening their individual security, their integrated position in the community and their constructive conflict resolution methods.
4. It is worth looking beyond conflicts labeled as ‘ethnic’ or other ‘sub-culture-related conflicts’ and focus on the **real and basic needs** of each other. Maybe then more agreement is possible.



.....AND YOURS?

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!



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