# Diaconal Institutions: Sustainable values in a market-based economy

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## **Diaconal Institutions: Sustainable values in a market-based economy**

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### Diaconia

### "Helping People in Needs" The Good Samaritan





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### **Diaconal Institutions**

### **"Faith-based welfare provision"** Care for the Sick, the Disabled and the Elderly

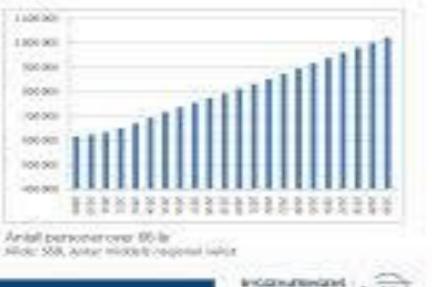


#### Europe has growing number of elderly



#### Norge får stadig flere eldre

Fra 2009 til 2030 vil antall personer over 66 år øke med ca 400.000 (66%).



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### **Diaconal Institutions**

#### **"Faith-based welfare provision"** Care are for the Poor, the Homeless and the Refugees...





The Basis for Diaconal Institutions is Christian Humanitarian Values

 The moral imperative: The Golden Rule
The secular imperative: The Human Rights



## Diaconal Institutions: Early movers in a privatized world

- 1. Family was initially the only human care unit
- 2. The church started to share care responsibilities with families ('Charity')
- 3. Local diaconal institutions were formed
- 4. Community diaconal institutions were formed
- 5. National diaconal institutions were formed
- 6. International diaconal institutions were formed



## The Rise of the Welfare State: The state takes over health and care

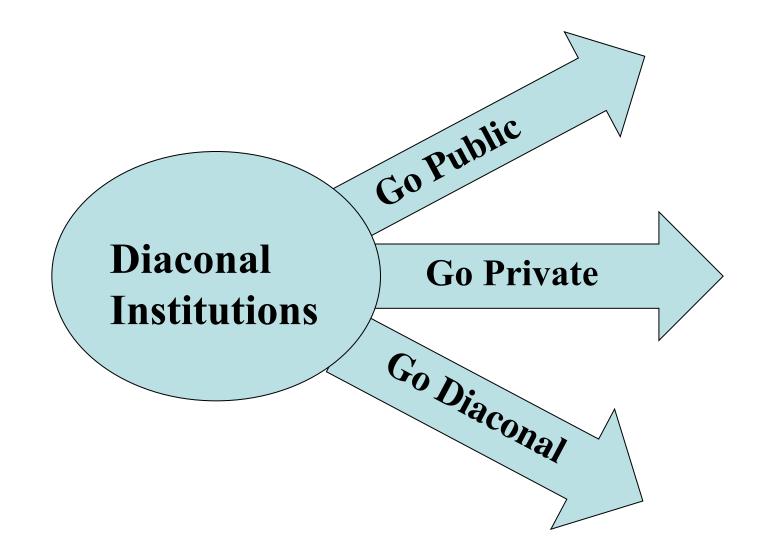
- 1. Communes and state took responsibility for health and care
- 2. Public health and care institutions became dominant
- 3. The European Total Welfare State emerged
- 4. Diaconal institutions became supplements and specialists



## The Market-Economy Wins: Rise of privatized health and care

- 1. Accelerating costs of health and public welfare
- 2. Private commercial players in niche markets
- 3. Outcontracting of health and care services to Non-profit NGOs
- 4. Outcontracting of health and care services to Private Commercial Institutions
- 5. Diaconal Institutions in a squeeze between market and state







## Health and Care: Demand driven growth

- 1. Growing elderly population
- 2. Growing immigration
- 3. Growing purchasing power
- 4. Growing life expectancy
- 5. Growing health and care expectations



## Health and Care: Supply driven growth

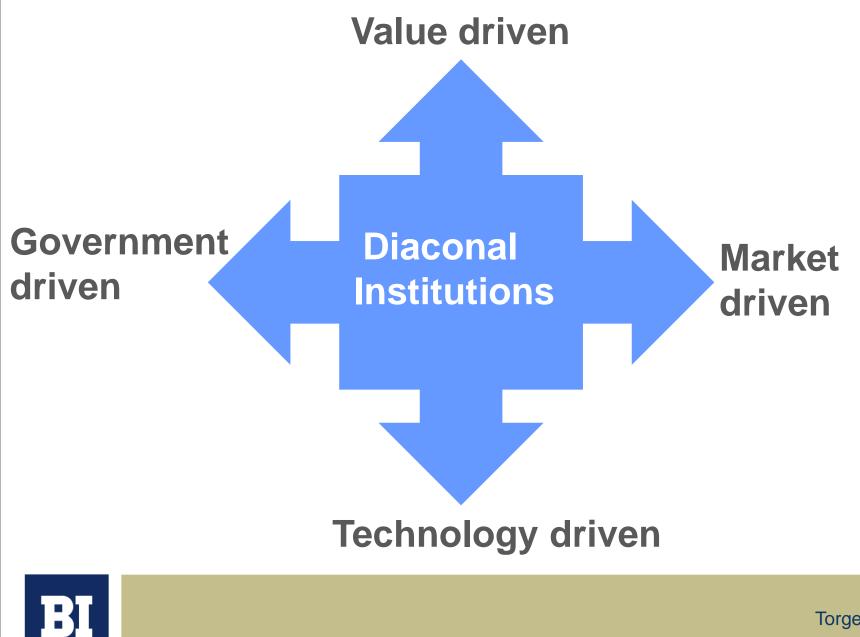
- 1. Growing supply of health services
- 2. Growing supply of health products
- 3. New medical technology
- 4. New pharma technology
- 5. New life science technology



#### Medical Hospitals: Main drivers

- 1. Professionalization
- 2. Specialization
- 3. Consolidation
- 4. Bureaucratization
- 5. Quality controls
- 6. Legal actions
- 7. Costs escalations

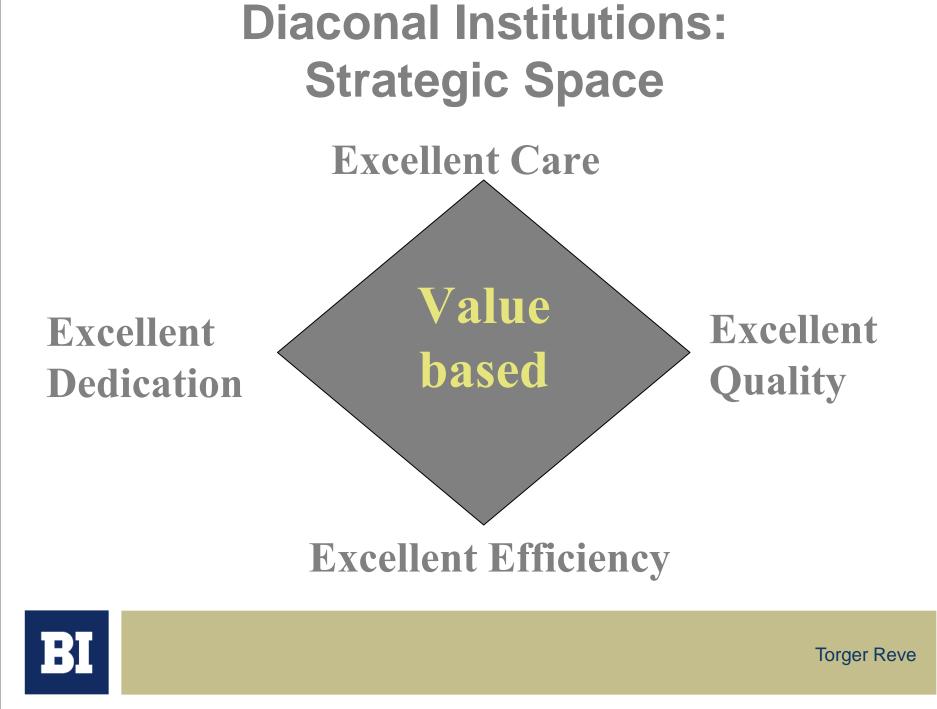




### **Diaconal Institutions**

# **"Does value-based institutions make a difference?"**





### How can diaconal institutions be differentiated?

	Strategic positioning				
<b>Competitive parameters</b>		Below	Parity	Above	Excellent
	Efficiency	0	1	1	1
	Quality	0	1	1	1
	Speciality	0	0	1	1
	Care	0	0	1	1



#### **Tests of Diaconal Excellence**

- **1. Does the patient experience a difference?**
- 2. Does the personell make a difference?
- 3. Does the institution produce better health outcomes?
- 4. Does the institution provide services for disadvantaged groups?
- 5. Does the institution provide services in disadvantaged regions of the world?



#### Health Care Institutions: Need for diversity

- 1. Government health care institutions provide general public health care and welfare services
- 2. NGO health care institutions provide health care supplement and special group welfare services
- 3. Private health care institutions provide volume and specialty health care at a profit
- 4. Diaconal institutions provide value based health care (of outstanding total quality)



## Value based health care: Does it really make a difference?

- 1. Providing more 'warmth in care'?
- 2. Providing more 'time in care'?
- 3. Providing more 'dignity in care'?
- 4. Providing more 'life quality in care'?
- 5. Providing more 'meaning in care'?



## Some strategic issues for consideration

- 1. Focus on low status patients (e.g. drug addicts)
- 2. Focus on low status medicine (e.g. geriatrics)
- 3. Focus on low pay markets (e.g. the poorest of the poor)
- 4. Focus on low integration groups (e.g. Muslim refugees)



#### **Diaconal Institutions at a Cross-Road**

- 1. Strong forces of equalization (government funding, professionalization, quality stds)
- 2. Strong forces of differentiation (private health, R&D hospitals, medical technology)
- Diaconal institutions should differentiate themselves by providing value-based care (going 'the extra mile')



#### **Strategic Issues in Diaconal Institutions**

- 1. Should they totally rely on government funding?
- 2. Should they totally rely on the medical professions?
- 3. Should they totally rely on traditional governance structures?



### Is There a Future for Diaconal Institutions?

- 1. Health care and welfare services are high growth industries in Europe
- 2. Health care and welfare services need diversity in ownership and delivery
- 3. Diaconal institutions should be the valuebased alternative driving quality, innovation and human-centered care

