

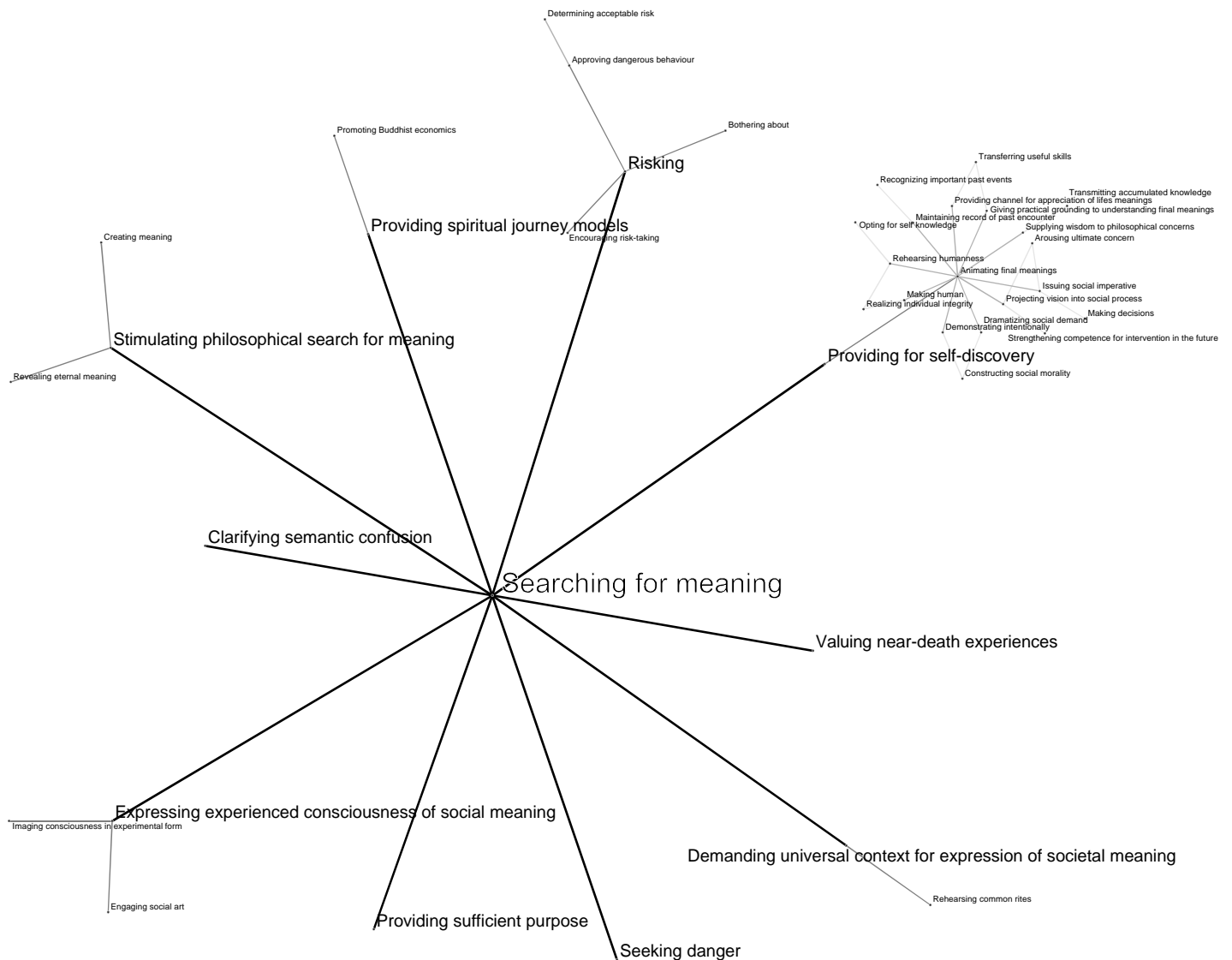
Figure 10.3.13.
Searching for meaning

Database: Global Strategies and Solutions

Link type: facilitated by strategies

Network nodes: 41

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There is no image for human life more ancient and more widespread than the image of life as a journey or quest. The journey always begins with dissatisfaction; a radical inadequacy of personal existence. Something is missing; it lies not here but there, beyond the horizon or deep in the ocean depths. It prompts a voyage of self-discovery. The search for meaning involves risk-taking. Some seek it in the dangers of mountain-climbing, in acts of outstanding courage, in complete dedication to some ideal, in self-effacing service to other human beings. Some seek meaning in addiction to material possessions or in the drugs of extensive wealth or chemical substances, where a seemingly richer world is glimpsed and then lost.