

## Partnering for Change: Link Research to Societal Challenges

Intensities of interaction

## Overview

Intensity of interaction		Intensities	Intensities details	Roles	Concepts
HIGH	6	CO-PRODUCTION	6) Co-produced (main elements)	- Co-design and co-production of knowledge - Social learning processes	- Participatory transdisciplinarity - Integrating different thought styles
	5		5) Co-produced (some elements)		
	4	CONSULTATION	Broad spectrum of perspectives considered	<ul> <li>Producing knowledge in science, taking into account other knowledge</li> <li>Exchanging knowledge bits/packets</li> <li>Producing knowledge in science</li> <li>Hardly any influence of non academic actors on knowledge production</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Consulting transdisciplinarity</li> <li>Knowledge brokerage</li> <li>Knowledge exchange</li> <li>Respecting different thought styles</li> </ul> Dissemination <ul> <li>Knowledge transfer</li> </ul>
	3		3) Few perspectives considered		
	2	INFORMING	Information with feedback possibility		
	1		1) Information		



## Interaction degrees through the three phases of transdisciplinary research

Interaction degree		Jointly framing problems and project goals	Jointly producing new knowledge	Jointly exploring ways to impact
	6	Problem and goal co-framed by scientists and stakeholders; main elements of the proposal are co-designed	Co-production of knowledge including delibera- tion and integration of all relevant stakeholder perspectives regarding main project elements	Co-producing main project outcomes and jointly constructing follow-up structures/ actions, and engaging in societal learning processes
CO-PRODUCTION	5	Problem and (overall) goal co-framed by scientists and stakeholders; some elements of the proposal are co-designed	Co-production of knowledge including delibera- tion and integration of all relevant stakeholder perspectives regarding some project elements	Co-producing some project outcomes and/ or jointly constructing follow-up structures/ actions, and/or engaging in societal-learning processes
CONSULTATION	4	Problem and goal framed by scientists; broad consultation of stakeholders leading to minor thematic adjustments of the proposal dealing with different stakeholders' perspectives and priorities	Knowledge production by scientists, taking into account various stakeholders' knowledge and perspectives. A wide range of stakeholders are consulted, but the knowledge is structured according to the scientists' concepts	A wide range of stakeholders is consulted to discuss research results. The stakeholders' perspectives influence final interpretations and recommendations
	3	Problem and goal framed by scientists; consultation of some stakeholders leading to minor thematic adjustments of the proposal	Knowledge production by scientists; some key stakeholders are informed and consulted for fine-tuning	Stakeholders are informed and final results and recommendations are jointly discussed
INFORMING	2	Problem and goal framed by scientists; a few stakeholders are informed about the project and feedback is encouraged. Stakeholder interactions influence logistical issues, but not project goals	Knowledge production by scientists; some stakeholders are informed and given an opportunity to provide feedback, e.g. in individual meetings, but they have hardly any influence on knowledge production	Stakeholders are informed about final results by means of articles and at meetings that offer a chance to clarify questions
	1	Problem and goal framed by scientists; a few sta- keholders are informed about the project. Stake- holder interactions do not influence the proposal	Knowledge production by scientists; some stakeholders are informed about the status of the project	Stakeholders are informed about final results by means of articles in professional journals or newspapers

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