

td-net web portal roadshow 2021

Interactive online sessions to explore the method repertoire for transdisciplinary research

Abstract

When a project team envisages to link scientific research to societal problem-solving and brings experts from different disciplines and practitioners together, a transdisciplinary (td) process is about to evolve. The td-net toolbox (www.transdisciplinarity.ch/toolbox) aims at supporting such td processes and collects methods for co-producing knowledge between experts and stakeholders in systematic and traceable ways. We are searching for methods which help to meet challenges in td processes, such as integrating different perspectives into a joint research framework. In many cases, methods from other areas (e.g. participatory research, change management, responsible research & innovation) can be of help, but they have to be adapted, tested, and further developed so that they serve best the peculiarities of td processes. Experiences made with such method adaptations by td-net community members are presented in our td-net web portal.

On the td-net web portal roadshow 2020 we come and visit your organization and invite you to explore the potential of various methods and tools to support td processes. After an introduction to our web portal, we apply some of the methods, elaborate together on the usefulness of those and other methods participants already apply.

Objectives

- Increase our understanding of methods for td processes
- Exchange of experience
- Identify methods with high potential to support specific challenges in td processes.

Target audience

People having experience or being interested in td processes and/or methods

Format

Interactive online session of approx. 1 hour, e.g. as a Lunch Break meeting

- Introduction into the state of the art of transdisciplinarity (if desired by the audience)
- Introduction to the td-net web portal (toolbox, shared experiences, community)
- Input on & direct application of some of the tools
- Discussion: Which tools are considered the most useful ones and why?

We look forward to propose a detailed program and selected methods based on your - organisation's / researchers' / project leaders' - needs. Please contact us: td-methods@scnat.ch.

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