

SCIENCE DIPLOMACY FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



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Science Diplomacy Online Course

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The 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development were adopted by world leaders in September 2015 at an historic UN Summit and officially came into force on January 1, 2016

17 SDGs, 169 TARGETS, 232 INDICATORS*

UNIVERSAL AGENDA: Apply to both developed and developing countries

INTEGRATED: 3 pillars of sustainable development (economic, social, environmental); 3 pillars of the UN (development, human rights, peace and security)

MEASURABLE TARGETS: 17 For all nations to achieve by 2030.

INTERLINKED: “All or nothing agenda”

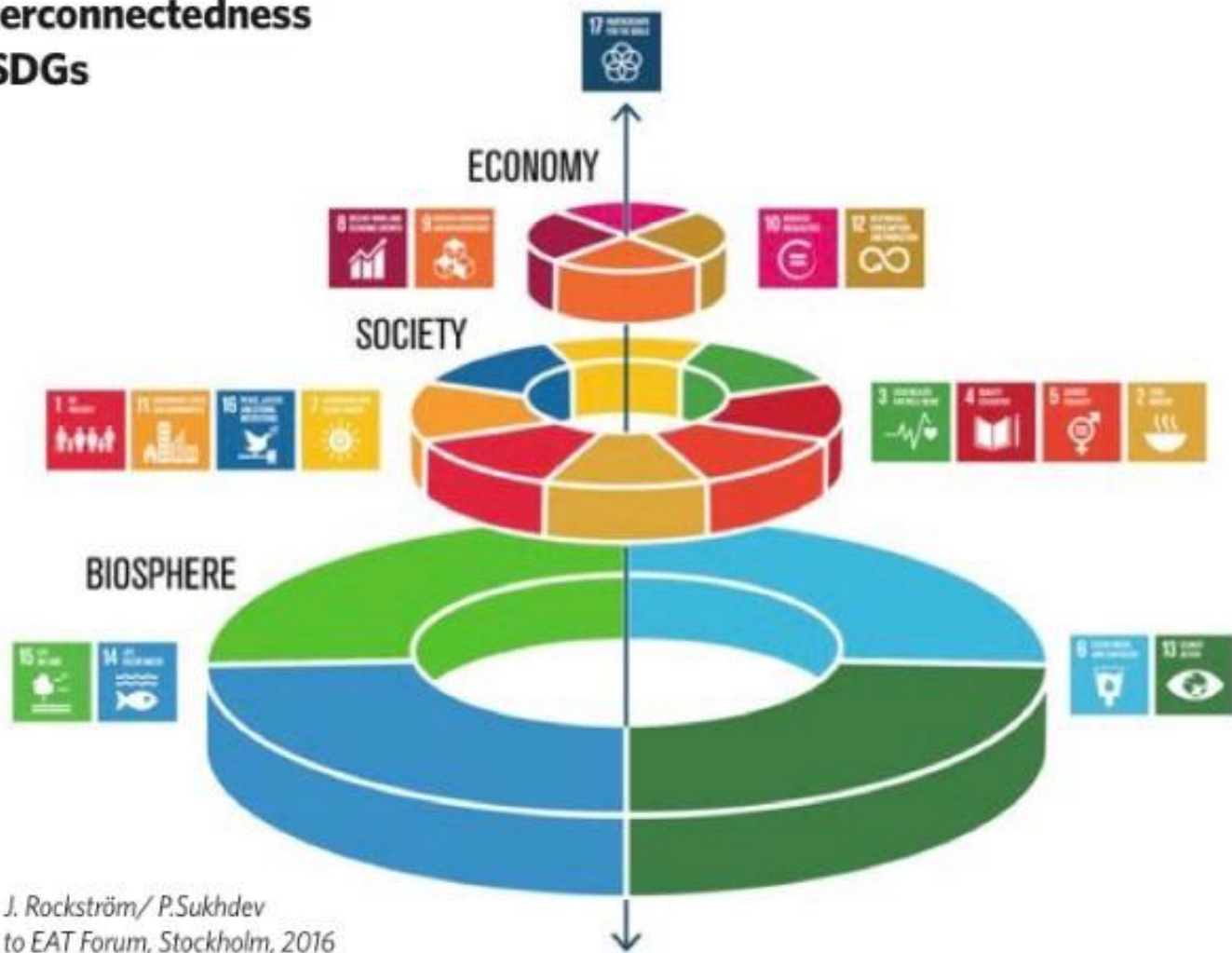
SCIENCE IS CROSS-CUTTING: No specific science goals, but all evidence-based

NON-BINDING: Provides framework for all countries to align their national policies: Voluntary National Reports (VNR) and National Action Plans

MULTILATERAL ORGANIZATIONS: EU, AU, GEF, GCF, OECD, WB, OAS, CITES...

<http://sdg.iisd.org/>

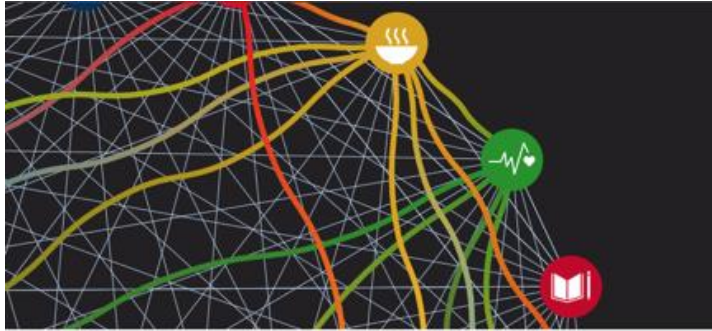
The interconnectedness of the SDGs



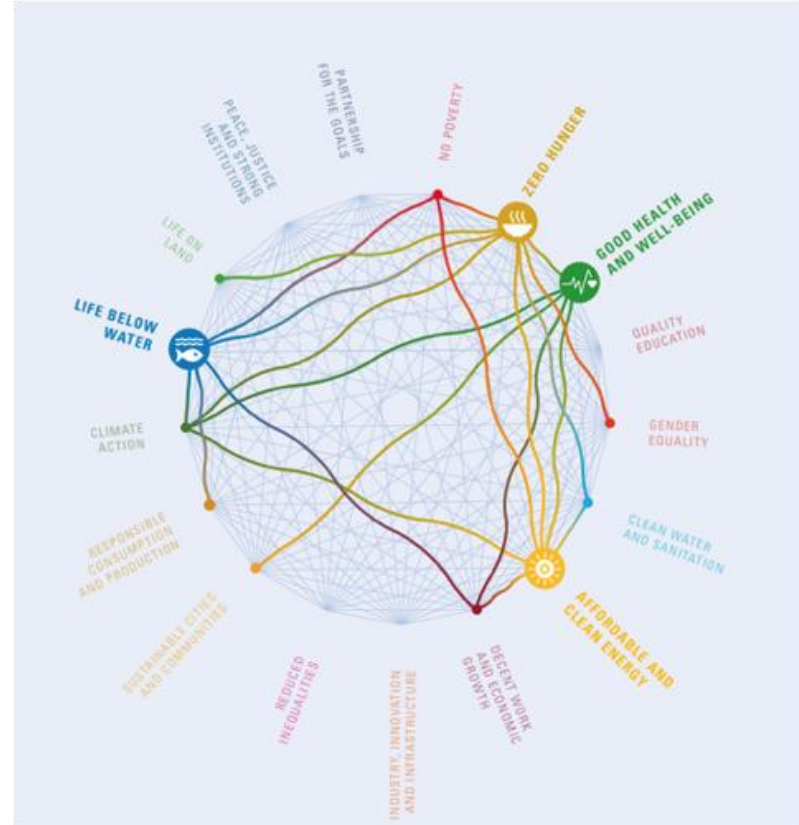
Source: from J. Rockström/ P.Sukhdev presentation to EAT Forum, Stockholm, 2016

HARNESSING THE CONTRIBUTION OF SCIENCE FOR THE SDGS

- Advising on challenges
- Providing indicators for monitoring progress
- Advising on policies & actions with periodic feedback on what is working and not working
- Searching for innovative solutions
- Building a robust science-policy interface in every country and internationally



**A GUIDE TO
SDG INTERACTIONS:
FROM SCIENCE
TO IMPLEMENTATION**



"Research, Innovation, and Science Policy Experts" (RISE)

Open to the World: science diplomacy to enhance the external dimension of science and research policies, share EU values, visions and priorities, and achieve the SDGs.



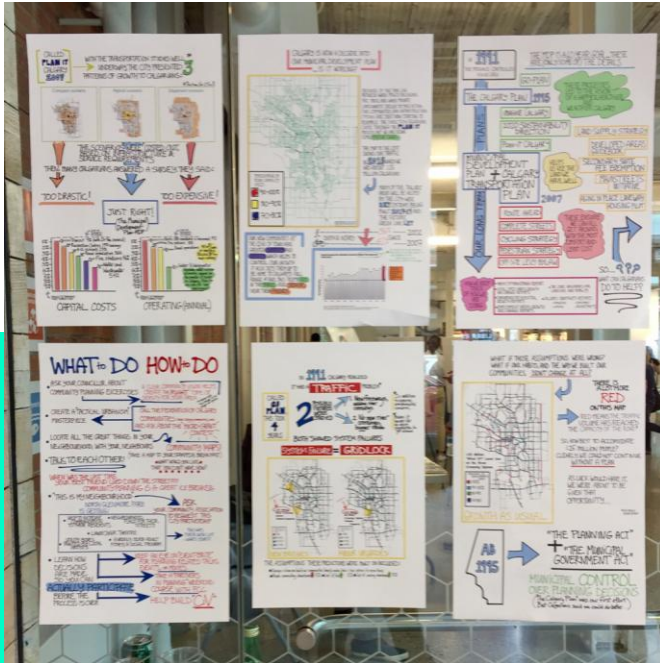
Connecting Scientists to Policy Around the World:

Landscape Analysis of Mechanisms Around the World Engaging Scientists and Engineers in Policy

www.aaas.org/globalsciencepolicy



SDGs FOR K-12 EDUCATION





40%

Global population of children + youth

WHY SDGs? WHY KIDS?



#globalgoals

Ambitious

Better tomorrow

Participation

Involvement

Commitment

World a better place

TRANSLATING SDGs INTO KID-FRIENDLY WORDS...



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**EQUALITY FOR ALL
SMURFS**



NO POVERTY



FRIENDSHIP



ZERO HUNGER

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WORLD'S LARGEST LESSON 2017
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END EXTREME POVERTY.
FIGHT INEQUALITY AND INJUSTICE.
TACKLE CLIMATE CHANGE.

World's Largest Lesson introduces the Sustainable Development Goals to children and young people everywhere and unites them in action.

17 Global Goals to achieve these 3 extraordinary things by 2030.

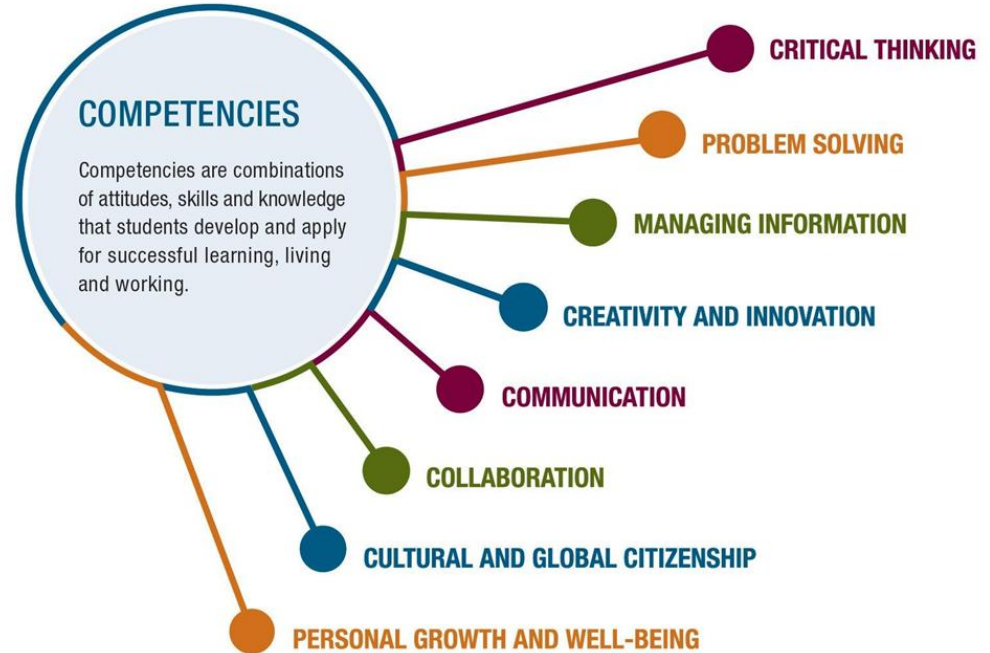


CURRENT INITIATIVES: #CANYOUTH4SDGs



EDUCATION & SCIENCE DIPLOMACY...TOGETHER?!

- Where do SDGs reside in global curricula?
- Science for policy vs. policy for science
- Stakeholder engagement



OPPORTUNITIES... WHY SHOULD YOU CARE?



SDG'S: Implications for research

Emerging approaches

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UNESCO framework*

Science IN the SDGs and Agenda 2030

Science FOR the SDGs and Agenda 2030

Agenda 2030 and SDGs FOR Science

Science: Sciences, Social Sciences and Humanities, STI

Knowledge: Scientific knowledge, Local and

Indigenous Knowledge Systems, other sources of

Knowledge

* via Ernesto Fernandez-Polcuch, UNESCO

Advancing SDGs progress with science

Universities have have a critical role to play in achieving the SDGs by:

- Equipping the next generation of leaders, innovators and decision makers with the knowledge and skills to address the SDGs.
- Providing research and technical expertise for developing practical solutions to meet the SDGs.
- Demonstrating leadership by promoting the SDGs through their own operations, governance and community engagement.

Advancing Science with SDGs as a framework

Universities potentially benefit from engaging with the SDGs:

- A new way to communicate the university contribution to local and global issues.
- Transformation experience:
 - a. From monodisciplinary to transdisciplinary research approaches.
[SKOS: UNESCO nomenclature for fields of science and technology](#)
 - a. It will foster synergistic partnerships: between academia, development organisations, governments, private companies, civil society.



From vision to action....



Emerging approaches:

Mapping university contributions to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Integrating SDG's into the research agenda

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How universities already contribute to SDGs?

Learning from the experience of Sustainable Development Solution Network
 Australia/Pacific and the Australasian Campuses Towards Sustainability (ACTS)
 Institute for Sustainable Futures, University of Technology, Sydney
 Collaborative approach



Targets and Indicators

| Objetivo | Objetivo 1: Poner fin a la pobreza en todas sus formas en todo el mundo | | | | | | |
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| Metas | 1.1 Para 2030, erradicar la pobreza extrema para todas las personas en el mundo, actualmente medida por un ingreso por persona inferior a 1,25 dólares de los Estados Unidos al día | 1.2 Para 2030, reducir al menos a la mitad la proporción de hombres, mujeres y niños de todas las edades que viven en la pobreza en todas sus dimensiones con arreglo a las definiciones nacionales | 1.3 Poner en práctica a nivel nacional sistemas y medidas apropiadas de protección social para todos, incluidos niveles mínimos, y, para 2030, lograr una amplia cobertura de los pobres y los vulnerables | 1.4 Para 2030, garantizar que todos los hombres y mujeres, en particular los pobres y los vulnerables, tengan los mismos derechos a los recursos económicos, así como acceso a los servicios básicos, la propiedad y el control de las tierras y otros bienes, la herencia, los recursos naturales, las nuevas tecnologías apropiadas y los servicios financieros, incluida la microfinanciación | 1.5 Para 2030, fomentar la resiliencia de los pobres y las personas que se encuentran en situaciones vulnerables y reducir su exposición y vulnerabilidad a los fenómenos extremos relacionados con el clima y otras crisis y desastres económicos, sociales y ambientales | 1.a Garantizar una movilización importante de recursos procedentes de diversas fuentes, incluso mediante la mejora de la cooperación para el desarrollo, a fin de proporcionar medios suficientes y previsibles a los países en desarrollo, en particular los países menos adelantados, para poner en práctica programas y políticas encaminados a poner fin a la pobreza en todas sus dimensiones | 1.b Crear marcos normativos sólidos en los planos nacional, regional e internacional, sobre la base de estrategias de desarrollo en favor de los pobres que tengan en cuenta las cuestiones de género, a fin de apoyar la inversión acelerada en medidas para erradicar la pobreza |
| Proyecto | | | | | | | |
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Mapping the institutional contributions



We're in it for the long run.

That's why the Sustainable Development Goals matter.

- No Poverty
- Zero Hunger
- Good Health and Well-being
- Quality Education
- Gender Equality
- Clean Water and Sanitation
- Affordable and Clean Energy
- Decent Work and Economic Growth
- Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
- Reduced Inequalities
- Sustainable Cities and Communities
- Responsible Consumption and Production
- Climate Action
- Life Below Water
- Life on Land
- Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
- Partnerships for the Goals



Benefits:

Alignment with global standards.

Identifying strengths, gaps and opportunities.

Communication and promotion of the university = local and global impact

Rise the dialogue between researchers from different disciplines, and with stakeholders.

Information base for policy and actions plans:

- Promote collaboration between researchers and stakeholders.

- Understanding of Integration of different academic activities: teaching, research, etc.

- Engagement of capacity building with staff, students and stakeholders.

- Potential benchmark to monitoring progress

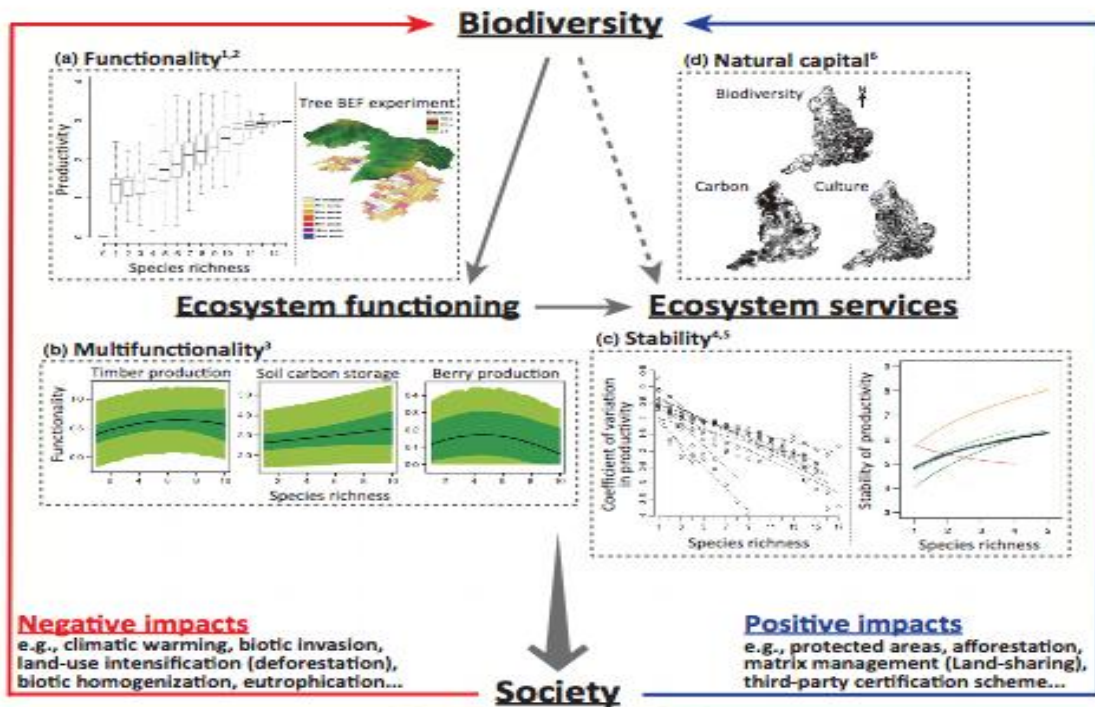
Integrating SDG's into the research agenda



A research agenda Identifies gaps of knowledge, research priorities and leads action plans.

Biodiversity and ecosystem services in forest ecosystems: a research agenda for applied forest ecology

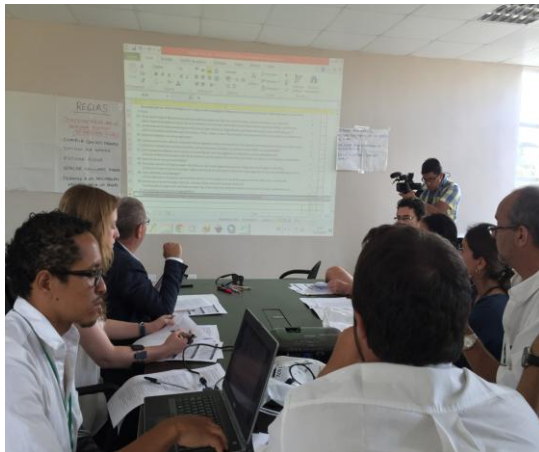
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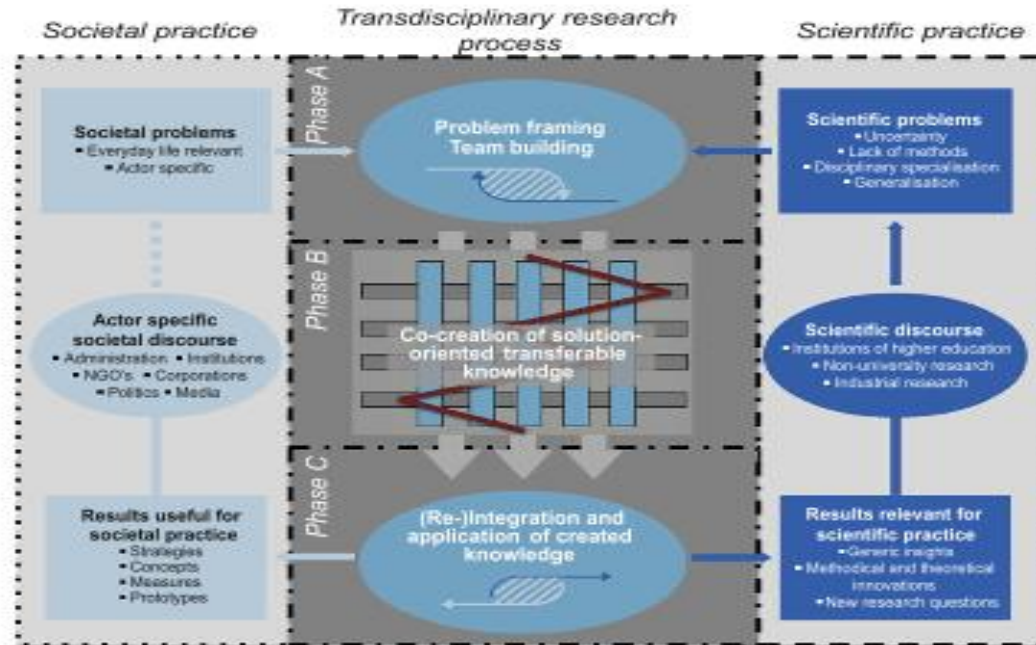
Research Priorities Agenda for the Galapagos Archipelago

Methods for collaboratively identifying research priorities and emerging issues in science and policy

Shuterland et al. 2011



Challenge: Building the research agenda by applying the transdisciplinary principles and SDGs



Conceptual framework of transdisciplinary science (Lang et al 2011)

How: using SGDs as a framework

Map the institution contributions.

Using SDGs goals to establish working groups.

Developing an action plan.



Challenges and opportunities

- Transdisciplinary research approach
- Institutional changes to support transdisciplinary research
- Create regional platforms and networks. Eg.: IAI
- Diplomacy for science