Guidelines for authors

for the td-net web portal for co-producing knowledge
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If you have experiences with td methods to share or a specific method or tool in mind which could complement the td-net toolbox, please contact us: td-methods@scnat.ch. Below you find additional information on how to contribute.

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Choose how you want to contribute

Are you experienced in applying, testing and/or adapting methods presented on our web portal?
→ We invite you to write an **experience report**.

Do you want to recommend a method already described in another resource compilation?
→ We invite you to contribute to a **factsheet**.

Are you responsible for a resource compilation which could be of interest to the community of transdisciplinary researchers?
→ We encourage you to get in touch with the Toolkits Inventory Project, as section on resource compilations of the td-net web portal is going to be integrated there.

Do you have any specific contribution to the web portal in mind which does not fit the above-mentioned formats?
→ Please contact us: td-methods@scnat.ch.

Please note that our td methods development project has ended in August 2022. That's why we currently do not have resources to develop additional method profiles in the td-net toolbox. Nevertheless, drop us an email and we may find other ways to promote new td methods in our td community.

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Experience report

In the shared experiences section, td researchers report about their experiences with the methods of the td-net toolbox. They illustrate in which context they applied the methods and to what extent they adopted the methods with the aim to co-produce knowledge and develop the methods further. The audience is interested to read what works, what the challenges and lessons learned are, etc.

There is not a specific template for experience reports, but we kindly ask the authors to follow some guiding principles. Experience reports can be provided in English, French, German or Spanish.

The writing process will be supported by td-net. Based on a draft version of the experience report, the authors may be invited to refine the text according to the feedback of the td-net. We encourage you to contact us (td-methods@scnat.ch) before you start drafting, so that we can organize a lean, but iterative, writing process.

Factsheet

A factsheet briefly characterizes a method or tool which is already described in another online, open-source resource compilation. The factsheet will be integrated in the search structure of our web portal and provides our users orientation before they get redirected to the method description in the respective (external) resource compilation.

If you want to recommend a method or tool described in another resource compilation to complement our web portal, please contact us: td-methods@scnat.ch. An editor will check the requirements (main criterion: support of collaboration between experts and stakeholders from science and practice for societal problem solving) and write a factsheet together with you. All factsheets follow the same structure which you can find in the template factsheet.

Factsheets can be provided in English, French, or German.