

# Beginners tips for success in your cross-disciplinary collaborations

- Identify the problem/challenge
- Good preparation before starting
- Choose your level of cross-disciplinary work. Multi-disciplinary projects are the least complicated ones
- Start with people you know
- A small group gets a quicker start, especially if you don't have networks
- Give room for everyone involved to think about and explain their view of the problem

# Crossdisciplinary approaches – which one do you have in mind?

	Multidisciplinarity	Interdisciplinarity	Transdisciplinarity	
Motives	mainly instrumental	both instrumental and critical	Both instrumental and critical	
Collaboration between researchers	between researchers within each discipline	between researchers crossing disciplines	between researchers crossing disciplines	
Collaboration with practitioners	optional	optional	required	
			<i>consultative</i> respond and react	<i>participatory</i> on equal terms
Integration	synthesis across disciplines in the end	throughout the research process; shared problem definition	throughout the research process; shared problem definition	

(Based on Mobjörk, 2010)