



**How is exchange between science & society fostered in different parts of the world?  
Who are the people driving collaborative research forward?  
What role do science systems, institutionalization, or research culture play?**

Together with you we explore the diversity of ways in which collaborative research is supported, practiced, and embedded in science systems around the world.

Our program **SPOTLIGHTS – Let's talk** is a series of public online talks in **June and July 2026** featuring selected good practices that vary in thematic scope, organizational structure, and research focus – all centered around collaborative research. The series goes beyond showcasing institutions and projects. It opens up space for genuine dialogue: about what makes collaborative research possible, what holds it back, and what we can learn from each other across regions and contexts.

We are delighted to welcome a distinguished, international and highly experienced group of guest speakers whose insights we are certain will spark stimulating conversations – and we would love for you to be part of them.

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Whether you bring the perspective of a researcher, an integration expert bridging science and practice, a representative of a research support structure or network, a science manager or policy advisor – your experience and questions are what will make these conversations come alive.

We look forward to meeting you soon!

Warm regards,

Nadin Gaasch and Sorka Tzschabran

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LET'S TALK

## 1 HOUR ONLINE DISCUSSIONS

- 11/06/2026 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA - MICHIGAN**  
The Toolbox Dialogue Initiative - Michael O'Rourke  
4 pm CEST
- 17/06/2026 NEW ZEALAND - AUCKLAND**  
The Auckland Co-Design Lab - Penny Hagen & Eruini Hawke  
8 am CEST
- 18/06/2026 INTERNATIONAL / SWITZERLAND**  
Responsive Research Collective  
Ulli Vilsmaier - 10 am CEST
- 24/06/2026 JAPAN - KYOTO**  
Research Institute for Humanity and Nature  
Yasuhisa Kondo - 10 am CEST
- 25/06/2026 URUGUAY - MONTEVIDEO**  
Espacio Interdisciplinario - Mariana Pereyra  
& Ana Corbacho - 3 pm CEST
- 01/07/2026 UNITED KINGDOM - OXFORD**  
Public and community Engagement with Research  
Matthew Hickman - 10 am CEST
- 08/07/2026 NIGERIA - LAGOS**  
Centre for Housing and Sustainable Development  
Taibat Lawanson - 10 am CEST
- 09/07/2026 INDIA - THIVIM, NORTH GOA**  
WUP Goa Centre of Transdisciplinary Research and  
Education - Seema Purushothaman - 10 am CEST