Learning for Sustainability (LfS) site

An online portal to skills and practices used by those managing collaboration and engagement processes

http://learningforsustainability.net
The site began in 1998 as part of my PhD work looking at the implementation of social learning approaches within natural resource management.

The site has now been running for 15 years, and is updated on a regular basis.

During 2012 the site averaged over 600 visits each day.
The site highlights the wide range of social skills and processes that are needed to support constructive collaboration, and indicates how these skills and processes can be interwoven to achieve more integrated and effective outcomes.

- The site supports learning across sectors
- Links are drawn from a wide range of sectors, including natural resource management, climate change, health, rural and urban development, and organizational learning
Links the wide range of skills and methodologies that address the social process and capacity building side of managing collective interests.

Operates as a portal, or clearinghouse, offering a service for the wider community of practice in this area.

Provides annotated links offering direct access to hundreds of key resources internationally.
• **Systems thinking** - understanding complexity and seeing the bigger picture

• **Building networks** - forming new partnerships across stakeholder groups

• Different approaches to **dialogue and negotiation**

• **Knowledge management** - sharing knowledge and expertise within, and across, groups
• Linking **planning, monitoring and evaluation** – closing the project management feedback loop

• **Theory of change** – how to use the social sciences to guide more effective interventions

• **Managing for outcomes** – using logic modeling
Learning for Sustainability (LfS) key integrative practice LfS pages include:

- **Complex or complicated** – why knowing the difference is important
- **Trans- and inter-disciplinary** approaches
- **Adaptive management** – ‘learning by doing’
- Managing **participation and engagement**
The site grows and benefits in response to comments and ideas from users.

Thanks to those of you who have pointed to papers and other material for inclusion, and sharing among the wider global community of practice in this area.

Feedback is welcomed, and site visitors are encouraged to suggest sites to add.
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