

Talanoa Water Dialogue

Engaging network managers and other stakeholders through the Talanoa Dialogue



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TALANOA-WATER

- PRIMA Project (H2020)
- 7 partners
- 2.7 million EUR
- 6 *living labs*
- Key process: the **Talanoa Dialogue**



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Talanoa

- Tongan word with Pan-Pacific context (recognized in Samoa, Fiji, Tonga, Cook Islands, Niue, Hawai'i and the Solomon Islands)
- Tala means to inform, tell, relate and command, as well as to ask or apply. Noa means of any kind, ordinary, nothing in particular, purely imaginary or void.
- “Talanoa means talking about nothing in particular, and interacting **without a rigid framework**.”
- Traditional form of knowledge sharing firmly **rooted in the community**, which takes place **orally and in person**

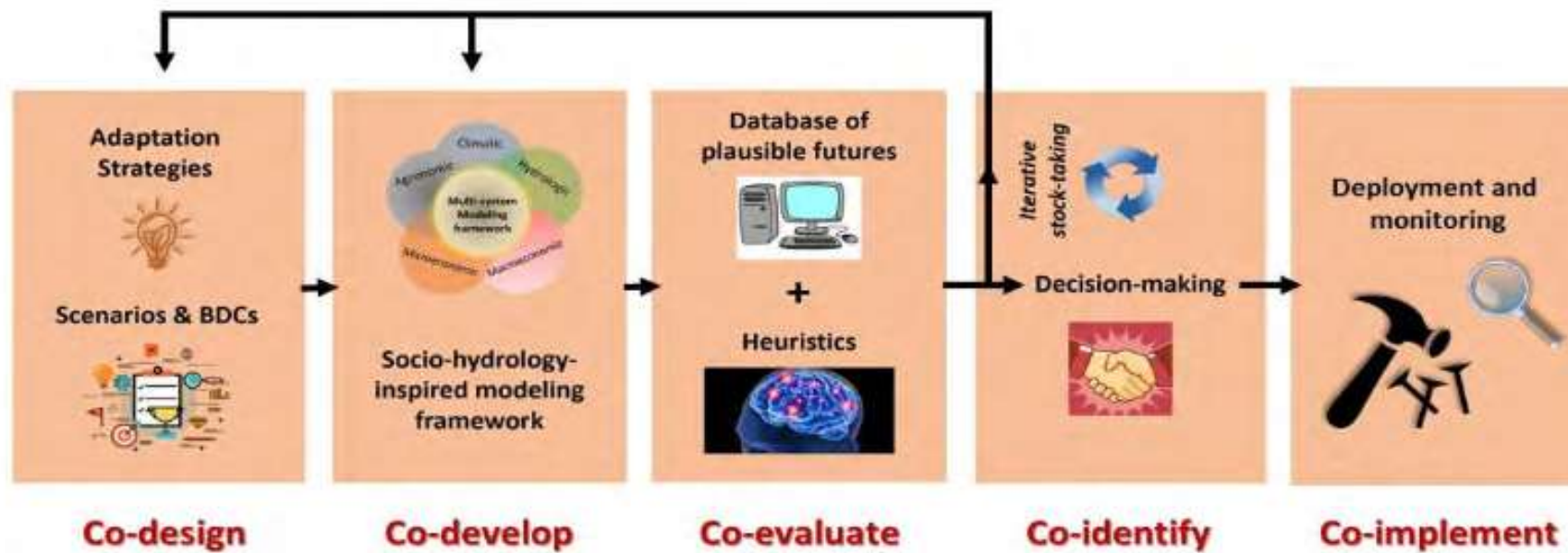
The Talanoa Dialogue

- Adopted by UNFCCC to reduce the emissions of greenhouse gases
- Participatory and transparent conversation among stakeholders to share stories, build **empathy** and **trust**, and make wise decisions for the collective good
- Inclusive** environment, **devoid of blame**
- Consensus-building*

The Talanoa Dialogue process

- 1) **co-design** scenarios, and sustainable Basin Determined Contributions (BDCs);
- 2) **co-design** transformational adaptation strategies;
- 3) **co-develop models**;
- 4) **co-evaluation** of adaptation strategies (*combines mechanistic modelling outputs with heuristics and inductive reasoning*);
- 5) **co-identification** of strategy with the highest potential (efficiency, equity and sustainability criteria);
- 6) foster science-policy partnership in the deployment of selected strategies through **co-implementation**.

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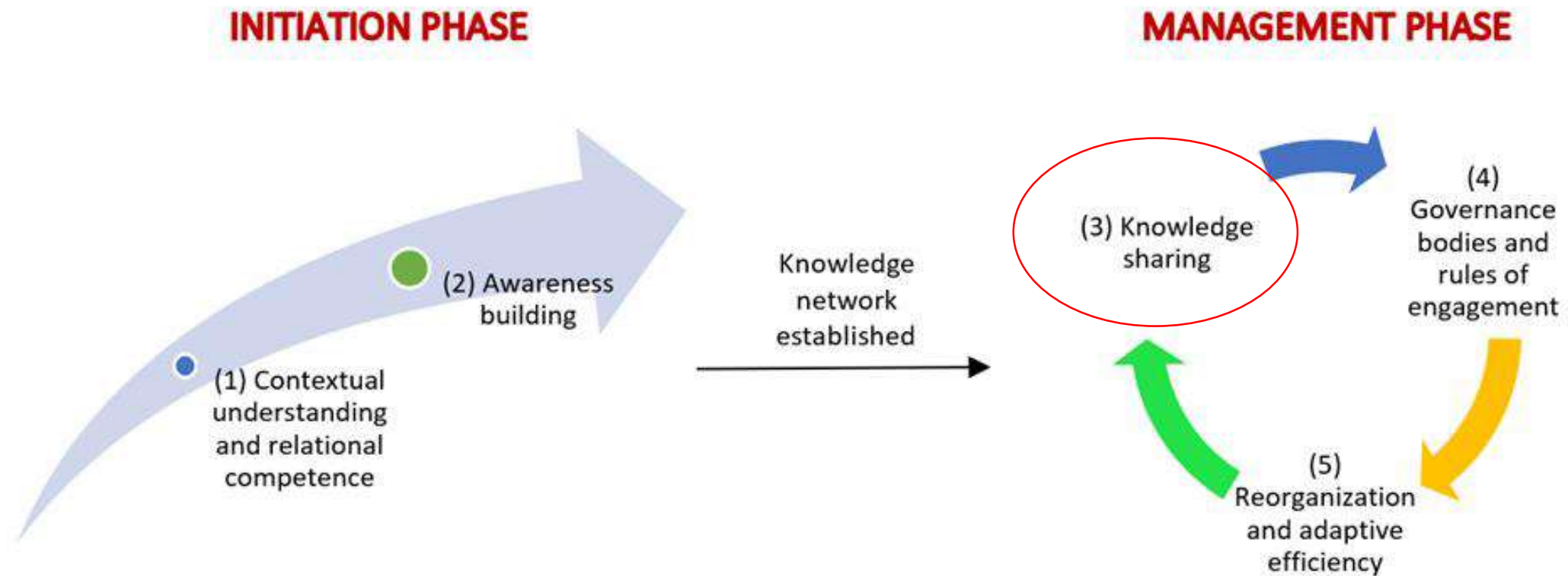


The Talanoa Dialogue – a decalogue

1. Process orientated
2. Objective and outcome led, with clearly identified roles
3. Ensuring **Representative Stakeholders** are involved
4. User and Decision oriented
5. Joint product oriented
6. **Gaming:** storytelling, serious game, scenathon
7. **Iterative**
8. Inclusive
9. Trust
10. **Monitoring**, Evaluation and Learning (MEL)

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Pillar 3: Stakeholder networks





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