

Collaboration between researchers and city offices on sustainability: what models?

State of the art study about collaboration

Objectives:

- ➔ Identify key of success and challenges
- ➔ Create a material of reflection in order to help the discussion of the peer review session

Methodology:

- 16 interviews (12 UNIL and 4 City)
- Semi-structured questionnaire
- 9 questions about the methodology of collaboration

Case studies

3 exemples of collaboration between UNIL and Lausanne

Speaker 1 : Nathalie Chèvre - nathalie.chevre@unil.ch

Lecturer at UNIL

Works with the drinkable water supplier of Lausanne, EauService

Speaker 2: Valérie Berset-Budde - valerie.BersetBudde@lausanne.ch

Delegate, Equality and Quality of Working Life at Lausanne

Collaborated with a PhD candidate in social sciences by setting up an evaluation of paternity leave in the HR policy of the City.

Speaker 3: Jacopo Klaus - jacopo.klaus@unil.ch

Graduated assistant at UNIL

Performed his master thesis on the Neighbourhood contract of Montelly: a participative experience to improve the quality of life of Montelly inhabitants.

How to raise collaboration

Exemple of UNIL project to answer this question

Speaker 4: Nelly Niwa – nelly.niwa@unil.ch

Project Manager of Volteface

Volteface is a plateforme of research-action projects focused on the social aspect of energy transition, that involved researchers but also members of the civil society.

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Results of the interviews

Types of identified collaboration

- Initiated by UNIL (search for field data)
- Initiated by City (mandate or training)
- Joint initiative situation Good practices exchange, network, internship or thesis)

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Results of the interviews

Barriers and motivation

	Barriers	Motivation
UNIL	<p>Lack of competence for applied research</p> <p>Lack of valorization of applied research</p> <p>Political Planning</p> <p>Timing</p>	<p>Demand of students</p> <p>Need of teaching material</p> <p>Improve visibility</p> <p>Political planning</p>
Lausanne	<p>Timidity in front of /Prise against researchers</p> <p>Lack of vision concerning the possible benefits of such collaboration</p> <p>Lack of experiences to work « on the field »</p>	<p>Trainee pool</p> <p>Professional network</p> <p>Political and ideological neutrality</p>

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Tools to improve collaboration: exemples

UNIL	Together	Lausanne
<p>Traineeships' offers fair</p> <p>Support center for researchers to get more competence</p> <p>Project offer fair</p>	<p>Events of exchanges</p> <p>Official agreement</p> <p>Pre-defined tools for collaboration</p>	<p>Provide places of presentation to researchers</p> <p>Give the city employees some time</p>