Guideline – Pathways to impact canvas

This canvas is **a tool** for the research team to identify activities, resources and partners of essence for making impact. When filled it should **provide a summarized view of the journey from research to impact**.

Some practical advice:

Gather your team! Provide the guideline and printed copies (A3) of the canvas to the participants. Alternatively, check with your team if digital tools to share and fill in are preferred. Follow the suggested order to fill in the components of the canvas – starting with the stakeholders. Avoid using too many words and explanations. A first draft version shouldn't take long to complete. At the end – summarize and agree the next steps.

2.) Background

Describe the reason for the research project and the challenges and the needs of the stakeholders.

4&5. Input & recourses

Describe present expertise and knowledge and what resources will be needed throughout the research project.

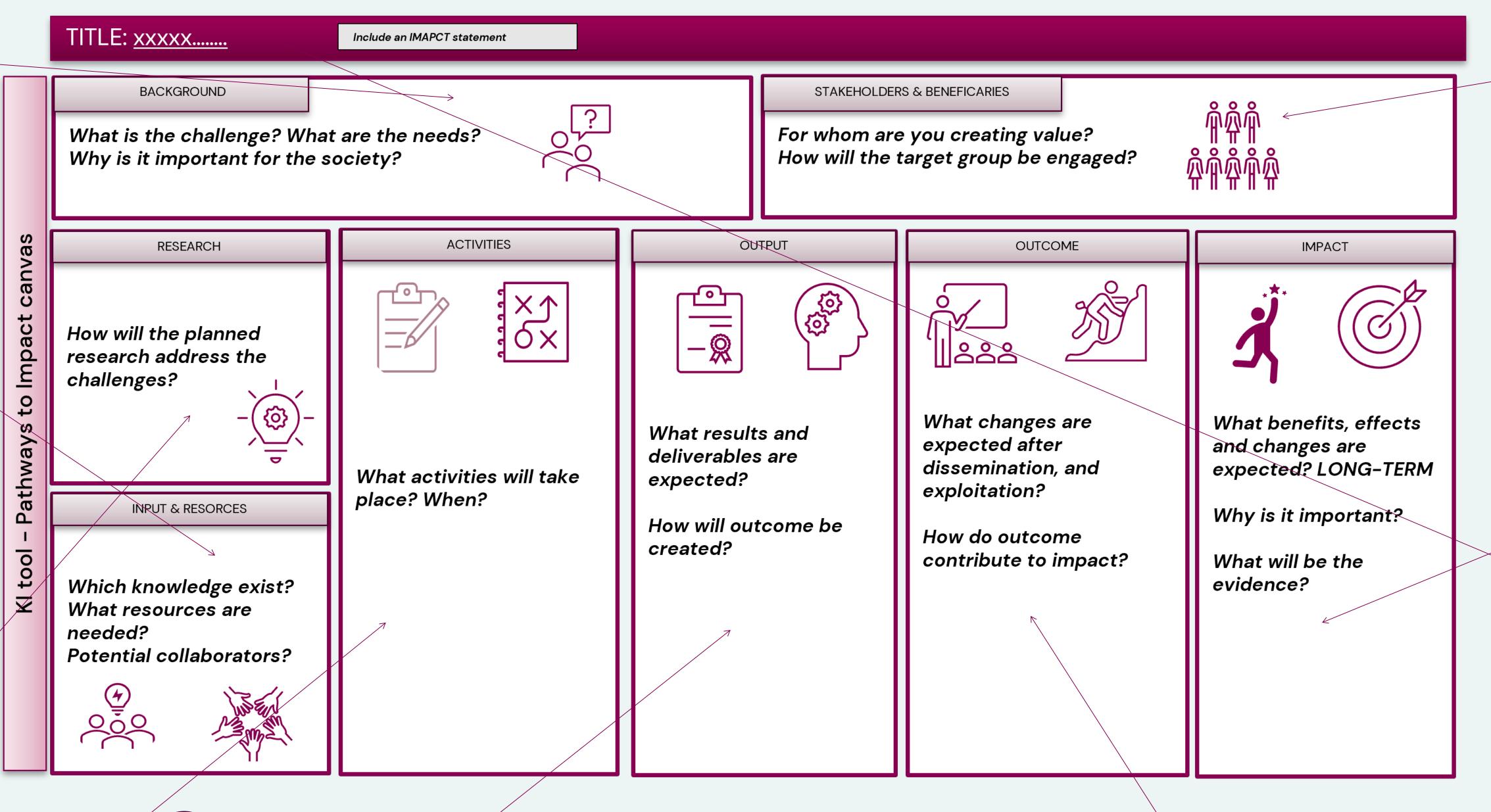
4&5) Research

Describe briefly the research activities, data sources, methods etc. Needed to solve the identified problems.

Cross-check against *Input & resources*.

(6.) Activities

List key activities (research + others) planned to take place. It is also important to include rough timelines indicating what will be delivered and when.



7.)Output

List the expected results and suggestions on how, and by who, outputs will be disseminated, communicated and exploited. Suggest key stakeholders (scientists, beneficiaries, governance etc.) for the various results.

8.) Outcome

Describe the most essential short- and medium-term effects that will contribute to impact. Suggested metrics and targets would be of value. Mention potential partners and collaborators of importance to realize the impact.

1 Stakeholders

Specify what group(s) you are targeting, direct or indirect, and what is the expected value for the group(s). Start with the end in mind!

3.) Impact & title

Try to be very specific and include potential metrics.

Describe how your research output will contribute and can be linked to the long-term impact. Attempt to describe how the impact addresses the SDGs and Agenda 2030.

Completion:

Circle back for important revisions and correct any major inconsistencies. Is the potential impact and clearly outlined? Are the outlined planned research activities & results realistic?



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Note: The canvas can also be used to reflect on completed projects, and thus helping to identify impacts that may have already occurred.

BACKGROUND

What is the reason for the project? Which challenges will the research address? Sustainable Development Goals contributions? Describe the societal importance

STAKEHOLDERS & BENEFICARIES

Who will use the results? Who will benefit? What is the unique value for the target group? When and how will target groups be engaged? Who are the key participants across the pathway?

RESEARCH

Describe the planned research

How does the research plan address the challenges?

ACTIVITIES

What activities will take place

- Research
- Educational
- Interactions/engagement
- Utilization
- and more

Were the activities designed specifically to achieve the outcome? How?

OUTPUT

Expected results and deliverables

- Reports
- Publications
- New knowledge
- Intellectual assets
- and more

How will outcome be created?

What dissemination, exploitation and communication measures will be applied?

OUTCOME

What changes are expected after dissemination, and exploitation?

SHORT TERM

MEDIUM TERM

Why are the effects important

What evidence is there of the outcome?

How do the outcome (immediate effects) contribute to Impact (long term effects)

What else is needed to reach Impact?

Who? How? What?

IMPACT

What benefits, effects and changes are expected? LONG TERM

- Scientific
- Social
- Economic
- Environmental

Why is it important?

What kind of evidence is there (or could there be) of Impact?

- Data
- Statements
- XXXX

INPUT & RESORCES

What we invest

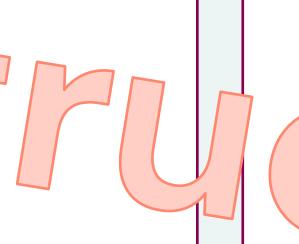
Which existing knowledge assets were used as a starting point?

- Competence assets
- Relation assets
- Intellectual assets

What kind of funding and/or support is needed?

What resources e.g., expertise and funding are needed? What are the specific needs?

Collaborators roles and responsibilities?



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