



ITD Alliance

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Members are invited to engage with the community through the News Bulletin by contributing questions or announcements. See "About this News Bulletin" below.



General Assembly Voting Results (Part 2 Leadership Board election)

Thank you to those who voted in the General Assembly elections. The voting form was available online from 9-24 October 2025. 44 eligible forms were received, ie 10% of members voted.

Six positions were available, with the table showing the members re-elected and elected, plus the members whose positions continue until the 2026 General Assembly. Congratulations and welcome to the new and re-elected Leadership Board members!

Re-elected	Continuing positions
Alexandra Lux (Germany)	Diaa Ahmedien (Egypt)
Basirat Oyalowo (UK / Nigeria)	Helena Guimarães (Portugal)
Newly elected	Rashad Hegazy (Egypt)
Lakshmi Charli-Joseph (Mexico)	Umar Ibrahim (Nigeria)
Kareem Buynana (Uganda)	Ria Lambino (Japan)
Seongsook Choi (UK)	Jason Prior (Australia)
Ana Gretel Echazú Böschemeier (Brazil)	Seema Purushothaman (India)

The other Leadership Board members are Gabriele Bammer (Australia) who was re-elected as President and Theres Paulsen (Switzerland) who is confirmed as an ex-officio member from the Swiss Academies of Arts and Sciences.



ITD Alliance events

Organizational Change for ITD Working Group Workshop, Online, 1 December 2025

The brief thematic presentation for this workshop will be “Developing an Interdisciplinary Workforce for the Institutionalization of Interdisciplinarity”. To spark the discussion, Marie-France Gévry of Université Laval (Quebec, Canada) will present the *Sentinel North Training Program Conceptual Model* and its associated *Competency Framework*, developed to enhance the interdisciplinary capacity of graduate students and postdoctoral fellows within this large-scale research initiative at Université Laval. Bald de Vries of Utrecht University will be the respondent. Competencies will be explored in breakout groups.

Details: See the [Organizational Change for Inter- and Transdisciplinarity \(ITD\)](#) working group web page.

Date & Time: 1 December 2025, 4pm-5.30pm EET ([convert to your time zone](#))

Location: Online (Zoom), Open to all

Sign-up (before 27 November 2025):

<https://doit.medfarm.uu.se/bin/kurt3/kurt/8892912>

Learning, Teaching and Training on Integration project of the Integration Experts and Expertise Working Group, Inaugural Meeting, Online, 9 December 2025

The [Learning, Teaching and Training on Integration project](#) of the Integration Experts and Expertise Working Group will hold its first Zoom meeting on 9 December 2025, 13-14 CET/12-13 GMT. We are looking for participants - educators, researchers and all interested ITD Alliance members - who would like to learn from and co-create a toolkit on integration pedagogy. Topics discussed will include: developing a toolkit on integration pedagogy, showcasing best practice, and matchmaking for publication.

Details: See the [Learning, Teaching and Training on Integration project](#) of the Integration Experts and Expertise Working Group web page.

Date/Time: 9 December 2025, 13-14 CET/12-13 GMT ([convert to your time zone](#))

Location: Online, open to all

Join via Zoom: <https://bham-ac-uk.zoom.us/j/84906013967?pwd=ecxAFQhrES1x2MNagUjpY3XHXHnael.1>
(Meeting ID: 849 0601 3967; Passcode: 561339)

Report and Recording, ITD Value Project Inaugural Workshop, 28 October 2025

On 28 October 2025, 18 participants from across Europe, Africa, Asia, and Australia joined an online workshop to kick off the [ITD Value Project](#), a project of the Integration Experts and Expertise working group of the ITD Alliance. Facilitated by Claes-Fredrik Helgesson, Giedre Kligyte, and Helena Grönqvist, the session focused on a big question: how do we make integration expertise visible and valued? The group explored challenges like the lack of understanding of integration work, missing career paths, and resourcing gaps, and brainstormed opportunities, from creating clearer integrator role profiles to different modes of dialogue and advocacy. Next steps include drafting a roadmap, and progressing a range of 'quick wins', such as mapping the demand for integration, and developing integrator personas and case study examples. Sub-groups will take these ideas forward into 2026.

[View the recording and learn more](#) about the ITD Value Project of the Integration Experts and Expertise working group.



Working group news: New resource

Inter- and Transdisciplinary PhD Supervision Guide, Early Career Researchers Working Group

The [Inter- and Transdisciplinary \(ITD\) PhD Supervision Guide](#) is now available from the ITD Alliance [Early Career Researchers \(ECR\) Working Group](#). The *ITD PhD Supervision Guide* synthesizes scholarly discussions and experiences on ITD supervision challenges and insights, and provides questions for discussion and reflection, enabling doctoral researchers and their supervisors to exchange ideas, enhance communication, and navigate the complexities of the PhD journey together.

This is the first version of the guide. Feedback on how to improve future versions is welcome. Please send your comments to BinBin Pearce (b.j.pearce-1@tudelft.nl). The ECR

Working Group hopes this guide will help both PhD students and their supervisors to have hard (but necessary) conversations and to avoid some common pitfalls in a challenging journey.



Member publications

We are pleased to announce one new publication by one ITD Alliance member. The full list for late 2024 and 2025 publications is sortable and searchable on the [Member Publications](#) web page. Congratulations to our member.

Member author(s): Frédéric Darbellay

Citation: Darbellay, F. (2025). De la disciplinarité à la transdisciplinarité : entre clarification conceptuelle et refondation épistémologique [From disciplinarity to transdisciplinarity: Between conceptual clarification and epistemological refoundation]. In *Analysis*, 9(3). <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.inan.2025.100558>

Description: This article examines the shift from disciplinarity to transdisciplinarity through a conceptual and epistemological lens, emphasizing its topological dimension. By reconfiguring the spaces within, between, and beyond disciplines, it proposes a renewed framework for knowledge production—more dynamic, interconnected, and responsive to contemporary societal challenges.

View the [Member Publications](#) web page and submit your publication to share.



New resource

***Designing Inspiring Workshops and Courses in Transdisciplinarity: A Guide* now available in Spanish**

Designing Inspiring Workshops and Courses in Transdisciplinarity: A Guide, created by the TD Training Collaboratory, is now available in Spanish on the ITD Alliance website.

The guide is a resource for the transdisciplinary community of educators, trainers, change agents, curriculum planners, and more! It is intended to enable you to make decisions about all the components you will want to consider for your intended audience and purpose. You will find sections on training design, essential concepts and practices of transdisciplinarity, qualities of leadership, and proficiencies.

[Download the full guide as a PDF in Spanish](#), or [explore the English language website for the guide](#).

***Una guía para diseñar talleres y cursos inspiradores sobre transdisciplinariedad* ahora disponible en español**

Una guía para diseñar talleres y cursos inspiradores sobre transdisciplinariedad, creada por el TD Training Collaboratory, ya está disponible en español en el sitio web de ITD Alliance.

Esta guía es un recurso para la comunidad transdisciplinaria de educadores, capacitadores, agentes de cambio, planificadores curriculares iy más! Está diseñada para ayudarle a tomar decisiones sobre todos los componentes que requerirá considerar para orientar un curso o taller a su audiencia y propósito. Encontrará secciones sobre diseño de capacitación, conceptos y prácticas clave de transdisciplinariedad, cualidades de liderazgo y competencias.

[Descargue la guía completa en PDF en español](#) o [visite el sitio web en inglés](#).



Calls for submissions

Call for papers, Special Collection on Transdisciplinary Research, *Nature Humanities and Social Sciences Communications*

ITD Alliance members Bianca Vienni-Baptista, Giedre Kligyte, Flurina Schneider and Merrit Polk are editing a special collection in *Nature Humanities and Social Sciences Communication* titled: [Transdisciplinary Research for Transformative Change: From Conceptual Insights to Societal Impact](#).

This collection explores how transdisciplinary research—crossing disciplinary and societal boundaries—coproduces transformative knowledge to drive real-world change.

Contributions are welcome on:

- Explorations of principles and theories that underpin transdisciplinary research
- Empirical studies and documented experiences showcasing transdisciplinary research in practice
- Methodological approaches that enable integration, synthesis, and reflexivity in problem-oriented research
- Analyses of institutional, and policy environments that shape transdisciplinary research
- Discussions on how transdisciplinary initiatives are assessed, supported, and scaled
- Training and capacity-building for transdisciplinary competencies

Deadline: Articles are published on a rolling basis (as they are submitted and reviewed) [View details of the call](#) and submission guidelines.

Call for sessions, Towards a just and habitable world: exploring the role of technology, University of Lausanne, Switzerland, 2–5 June 2026

The call for sessions is now open for the European conference [Towards a just and habitable world: exploring the role of technology](#), taking place at the University of Lausanne, Switzerland on 2–5 June 2026 in cooperation with the Centre des Politiques de la Terre (Université Paris-Cité) and the Future Earth Pathways Initiative. The conference's aim is to open a critical conversation on how we might transform technological systems toward sufficiency, equity, and resilience. The conference will explore technological systems in all their diversity — from water and energy infrastructures, agroecology and nature-based solutions to synthetic biology, and digital technologies. Which technologies can foster well-being within planetary and local boundaries, and which of them carry the risk of exacerbating ecological overshoot and social injustice? How do we navigate

between illusions of high-tech salvation and the urgent need for democratic, grounded and large-scale responses to the hard limits of adaptation?

Session proposals are welcome for thematic sessions, workshops, cultural events, and poster presentations. With inter- and transdisciplinarity at the heart of this conference, we encourage collaborations between researchers from across the natural and social sciences, engineering, and the humanities, as well as scholars and practitioners engaged in inter- and transdisciplinary research.

Deadline: 9 January 2026

[View details of the call](#) and submission guidelines.



About this News Bulletin

This News Bulletin focuses on the activities of the ITD Alliance and its members.

Members are encouraged to engage with the community through the News Bulletin by contributing to sections of the bulletin (these do not appear in every issue):

- Consult the community – Ask questions of the community and respond to member questions to support our teaching and learning, as individuals and as a community.
- Member conferences and events – Announce inter- and transdisciplinarity related events hosted by you or your institution.
- Member news – Share news of inter- and transdisciplinarity related reports on activities, awards you have received or other good news.

We also welcome contributions that may interest members such as:

- Opportunities for consulting or employment, grants and prizes or visiting fellowships
- Policy news in education, funding and research
- Conference calls and reports
- Journal calls for submissions to special issues related to inter- and transdisciplinarity.

Please send contributions to Caryn Anderson (caryn.anderson@itd-alliance.org) at least a week before you would like to see them published. We aim to publish every two weeks, but the day may vary.

The News Bulletin is sent to all members of the ITD Alliance and to interested colleagues who have joined the mailing list at <https://itd-alliance.org/newsletter>. To be sure News Bulletins don't end up in a spam folder, add info@itd-alliance.org to your contacts list. Feel free to share the News Bulletin with anyone who may be interested.

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