



On the opening
of a shopping mall:

‘Once there was only forest here’.

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Spreading more than just manure:

Farmer engagement with researchers

Chantal Phillips, University of Guelph

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6 Biases in Participatory Practice

Project

Short-term
Vs.
Permanent
residents

Spatial

Urban elite
Vs.
Rural &/or
Marginalized

Personal

Elite Leadership
Vs.
Community
Social Inclusion

Seasonal

Research
Timing
Vs.
Seasonal
worklife

Diplomatic

Polite
Discourse
Vs.
Conflict and
disaster

Professional

Subject
specifics
Vs.
Wholistic
impacts



The challenge:

Access to research outputs “... by all actors in agricultural research and innovation is essential both to enable effective decision-making and to empower those concerned with agricultural production and food security”.

Coherence for International Agricultural Research and Development (CIARD)



As one of the characters in George Bernard Shaw's play [*The Doctor's Dilemma*](#) observes:

*"All professions
are conspiracies
against the laity."*

Does this woodlot
have different
meaning for the
researcher
and the farmer?



Engage in Knowledge Creation

Project

Licence for public use

Spatial

Share ownership of maps

Personal

Use gender analysis

Seasonal

Try to report results in good time

Diplomatic

Use multiple sources

Professional

Include local knowledge



Leonardo Da Vinci – a bridge no bridge builder could design or build since 1501.

Design of bridge by Da Vinci in public domain

Oslo Leonardo Bridge 2007 Vebjorn Saand