

The PPH Theory of Change

WHAT WE DO

Collaborative research & data creation and utilization

- Conduct evidence-based research on critical policy issues in collaboration with the Public sector and relevant stakeholders
- Promote data creation, collection, access, & analysis for informed decision-making

Consultative processes

- Develop and convene networks of public sector and research experts.
- Assist researchers in understanding policymaking processes.
- Organize policy dialogues among policymakers, researchers, and field experts, to ensure that research is relevant, practically applicable, and impactful for society
- Promote the ownership and uptake of evidence-based recommendations among stakeholders, driving effective implementation and positive societal outcomes

Capacity Development and Executive Trainings

- Utilize existing expertise across the university and knowledge from collaborative research to offer learning opportunities for policymakers and relevant stakeholders to enhance their ability to contribute effectively to the policy-making process.
- Develop and disseminate curricula to build capacity for future leaders and policymakers.
- Complement training with virtual/digital learning platforms for broader reach and information dissemination.

Research Dissemination & Publication

- Disseminate research findings widely through publications, reports, presentations, and digital platforms.
- Simplify complex findings into clear, actionable recommendations and policy briefs for non-academic audiences, highlighting practical implications.
- Collaborate with stakeholders to apply research in real-world settings.
- Researchers should also publish in high peer-reviewed journals to meet academic standards and contribute to scholarly work.

CORE OBJECTIVES

1. Foster strategic collaboration between academia & public sector, optimize **data creation, gathering & utilization** for research & policy development, and enhance stakeholder engagement to advance the implementation of transformative, sustainable, evidence-based public policies in Africa.
2. Connect & bridge the gap between academic research and government policymaking by offering a platform to **co-produce transdisciplinary, policy-relevant research to support evidence-based decision-making addressing public sector needs.**

OUTPUTS

Enhanced skills & knowledge of government officials and policymakers

Increased availability & use of high-quality data in policy-making

Stronger collaboration & partnerships between academia & the public sector

Comprehensive policy briefs & reports

Greater awareness & understanding of effective policy practices

Robust academic network across UP and partner institutions, fostering increased interconnections and synergies for transdisciplinary, policy-relevant research

Establishment of mentorship programs connecting young researchers with seasoned academics and policymakers to foster specialized knowledge and professional development.

OUTCOMES

Improved capacity of government officials and policymakers to develop and implement effective public policies

Increased use of evidence-based and data-driven approaches in governance and policymaking

Stronger institutions and governance frameworks

Decision-making in the public sector improves due to better access to and utilization of high-quality data and information.

Academic collaboration and synergies among academics increase, leading to more integrated and impactful transdisciplinary policy research.

Researchers gain a greater ability to apply their findings in real-world policy contexts, leading to more relevant and actionable policy recommendations.

Young researchers acquire specialized knowledge and professional growth through mentorship, contributing to a stronger future workforce in academia and policy.

IMPACT

Institutions and governance frameworks strengthened through the integration of evidence-based research into policy decisions.

Sustainable and inclusive growth and development in African communities promoted through informed policymaking.

The quality of life for individuals and communities enhances long-term as a result of effective and well-informed public policies.



Direct response to public sector



Partnerships



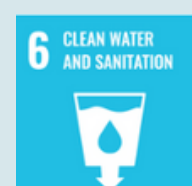
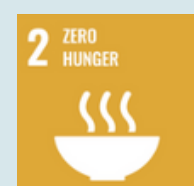
Knowledge intermediary



Socio-economic development

THEMATIC FOCUS AREAS

dynamic non-exhaustive



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