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# Collaborations in the philanthropic grantmaking sector

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# Case studies on collaborations

Early Child Development Funders Working Group



Ecofiscal Commission



## ■ Three Fields of Questioning – 2014-2017 (PFC – CFC – ICP – OTF)



Northern Manitoba Food, Culture and Community Collaborative

- Describe collaborations between foundations and between foundations and other organisations
- Identify the impacts of the actions of foundations
- Understand the ability of GMF to influence others actors – specifically public policies

Collectif des fondations québécoises



Litt Review & Canadian Portrait on collaborations

# Observations

## Logic of Collaborations

- Bottom-up (from projects)
- Sector Specific (top-down)
- Spatial proximity  
(Foundation house)
- Around Political issues

## Ecosystem of Action

- Community Organisations
- Institutional Organisations
- Private Enterprises
- Public Servants  
(Administrators and elected officials)
- Universities
- Media

## Repertory of Actions

- **Networking :**
  - Few National collaborations,
  - More regional and local collaborations
- **Few formal Collaborative structures with few resources : Human and Financial**
- **Mainly Information Exchange :**
  - best practices
  - data
  - expertise...
- **Mobilization and promotion of knowledge between foundations (webinars, conferences) or directed towards other parties (reports, press releases)**
- **Pool of resources, including monetary (rare), more complementary funding**



# Issues for Research

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**Deepen our understanding of the :**

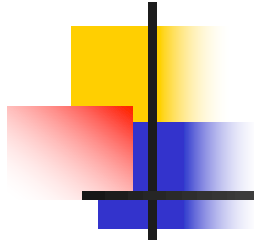
- **dynamics and the processes surrounding collaborations (Formal & Informal):**
  - **Between foundations**
  - **Between foundations and other organisations, including beneficiaries and governments**
- **impacts, effects, influence capability and transformative capacity**



# From a “1.0” kind of culture of collaborations to a “2.0” one

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- **Despite the rationale surrounding it, why is the level of collaboration between foundations so underdeveloped, or so hard to organize?**
  - How can we create a common ground around GMF interventions?
- **What type of influence is needed to change some rules of the game?**
  - What can be done with key stakeholders of the state or government, the market, and civil society to create radical transformation?
- **In relation to the actual transition phase (societal and environmental interlink issues), what are the implications of redefining the role of foundations?**
  - Use of investments? Public speaking? Visibility and accountability? Relationship to stakeholders?



**Thanks**

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