

NORD

Turning an Idea into an Initiative



Review: Basic Tasks

RD as a Field of Study:

- Empirical Research
 - Disciplinary Model
 - Formalize, Functionalize, Mathematize
 - Area Studies Model (define an area, invite researchers)
- Conceptual Frameworks
 - Positioning
- Developing Theory





Research Approaches: Yes and

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Empirical Research for documentation, comparison, quality improvement, impact assessment.

Thematizing Research Development (F, F, M)

- Formal Body and Process (developing taxonomies for activities, outputs, outcomes, partners, practices, strategies, etc).
- Process for setting standards for the discipline.
- Identifying Data Sources (NORDP, other)
- Developing New Data Sources, pushing data collection down to the institutional level

Worldwide Standards

2017: First World Congress on Research Development Studies: Setting Standards for **Empirical Research**

- **US (NORDP**
- Europe (EARMA)
- Japan
- **Great Britain?**
- Mexico?
- Russia?
- **Others**



Area Studies Approach

Engaging researchers from outside NORDP in what we do.

- SciSIP, Elsevier, team science researchers, anthropologists of science, Higher Ed leadership researchers, political economists, etc.
- Host sponsored roundtables with disciplinary experts who could work in the area of RD Studies.
- Develop a presence on Trellis
- Developing NORDP/NORD Liaisons with specific disciplinary groups.

Topics

How RD supports, promotes, fosters interdisciplinary, multi-disciplinary, and crossinstitutional collaboration:

- Jane of All Trades
- Large-scale projects (center grants, etc.)
- Talent matching

RD role in preventing knowledge failure in mobilization efforts



Next Steps

Steering Committee

Task Forces

Other ways to let a 1000 flowers bloom?