



Participatory Programming

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Participatory Development



Engage local populations in the implementation of a project designed to change their lives.

Recognise and use of local capacities.

Avoid the imposition of priorities from the outside.



From the 70s

Why:

Appropriate

Ownership -> Sustainable

Empowering users

Mutual Learning



Why Participation?

Objectives of Participation



- Prolongs impact
- Make project more relevant
- Enhances effectiveness
- Establishes relationships
- More responsive
- Increase resources available
- Improves efficiency
- Everyone learn new skills

www.urd.org - *Humanitarian Participation Handbook*



Community Development vs. Software Development

Both use TECHNICAL SKILLS to solve
COMPLEX REAL WORLD PROBLEMS

Participatory Programming



- Bottom Up vs. Top down
- Agile vs. Waterfall
- Open Source?



Who Should Participate?



- Software Developer
- User
- ???

Roles



- User
- Administrator
- Requirement Gatherer
- Translator
- Managers
- Tester
- Document Writer
- Deployer
- Software Developer

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How Do You Engage with the Community?