



Activity Sheet 16

Institutional Relationships associated with Participatory Rural Planning (PRP)

Purpose

The purpose of this activity is to provide participants with the opportunity to explore the interaction between various organisations and institutions involved in access planning for rural areas. This activity aims to draw on the specific country experience of participants. It may also highlight perceptions of the importance and role of various institutions and organisations with regard to access planning.

Group Work

1. Develop a Venn diagram for a selected country, illustrating the relationship between the various institutions and organisations concerned with access planning. The procedure for developing a Venn diagram is explained below.

To develop a Venn diagram:

- ✓ List all the institutions concerned with access planning for rural areas
- ✓ Rank the institutions in order of importance for access planning
- ✓ Write the name of each institution on a circular piece of card according to importance: the more important the institution – the bigger the piece of card
- ✓ Arrange the cards on a sheet of flip chart paper, with the cards overlapping where there is **contact** between institutions (the more contact there is the more the cards should overlap).
- ✓ **Note:** the overlap of cards should show the *degree of contact* and NOT geographical distance.
- ✓ Glue the cards to the flip chart sheet when the group has agreed on a final set of relationships



2. Discuss the interactions between institutions/organisations and reasons for these relationships:
 - A. *What are the roles of the various institutions/organisations?*
 - B. *Who are the members of these institutions/organisations?*
 - C. *Which institutions have the most/least decision making power regarding accessibility planning?*

3. Elect a spokesperson and prepare to present your findings to the plenary.