

Propositions

This PhD thesis

1. There is no single pathway towards integration.
2. No singular condition can fully achieve integration.
3. Strategies that fit the context facilitate integration.
4. The conjunction of institutional and instrumental strategies promote integration in spatial planning projects.
5. A history of positive cooperation may create obstacles to spatial plan formulation.

About Research and Science

6. Integration in spatial planning projects is not only about imagination.
7. Cross boundary collaboration implies a keen eye for the details which is a tough nut for planners and local governments.
8. Respecting the data itself and accepting negative analysis results is a crucial principle of QCA calibration.
9. Rapid iteration is a necessary condition for the writing process, more than perfectionism.
10. A caring approach to integrated planning that takes into account the wellbeing of local people, nature, culture, and history, is to be preferred above a project management approach focusing on time and finance.

Own Proposition

11. Nature possesses admirable beauty without words. 天地有大美而不言。(Zhuang Zi)