

What services do we offer?

- We systematically research and document generic methods that you have successfully tried and tested.
- We provide a website where methods can be browsed and freely downloaded as PDF files from www.MethodFinder.net.
- Additionally we provide all knowledge of our database on CD-ROM and email information on updates in our newsletter.
- We maintain the ownership of those who have invented and elaborated the approach by naming the author and embedding the logo of the organisation or project.
- We provide individual consultancy services on the method-mix best suited to your needs and requirements.
- We provide tailor-made training courses on the application of the methods.
- We also provide translation services in order to make your methods available in most major languages.

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MethodFinder Team



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is a consultant planner/ economist who has worked as an international consultant since 1980. As a free-lance consultant he has accumulated extensive experience in planning, management, implementation of international development assistance projects as well as in the moderation of international workshops and seminars. He has also developed and implemented numerous short and longterm training courses. Geographically he has gained extensive experience in more than 30 countries in Africa, Middle East, Central and South-East Asia.



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is a consultant geographer and an information technology (IT)/ knowledge management specialist who has undertaken numerous consultancies on Geographic Information Systems, Land Management and Natural Resource Management. He has developed several IT applications including the development of documentation databases, multimedia applications, web-based database and mapping applications. He has worked as a freelance consultant in various countries in South-East Asia and Africa.

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What do we want?

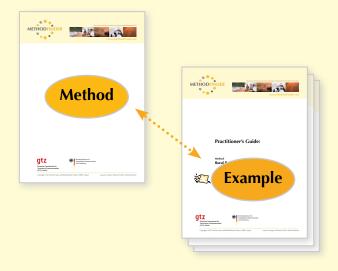
- We seek to systematically document different methods and application examples.
- We ensure that a standardised documentation approach is used for each method to facilitate easy comparison between methods.
- We aim to make available a wide array of methods that have proven themselves useful in practical field application.
- We ensure easy access to a pool of methods and application examples through an on-line and CD based "tool-box".
- We want to promote the development of new methods or the further development of existing methods that have proven to be effective and practical during field application.



What is our concept?

MethodFinder's conceptual approach is to separate the method from the application examples. The generic method is designed to be used in any country and in any social context. It links theory with practice.

The examples are always based upon country and situation specific applications of the method. Each application example is therefore adjusted to local conditions. Together, the method and examples provide sufficient information and guidance for potential users to adapt and apply the methods to their own context.



The documentation of both the methods and application examples are generally kept to 12-15 pages each. MethodFinder makes these available as reference material on three different media: web pages, Adobe Acrobat PDF files for download or printing and on CD-ROMs.

We provide a choice of methods in

- Decision making
- Organisational development
- Information management
- Conflict transformation
- Planning
- Geographic Information Systems
- Management
- Risk and security management

Our platform

All methods and examples are documented in English language and available free of charge. Some selected methods and application examples have also been translated into other languages.



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