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The Agroecology Support Team in the CCRP promotes an approach that focuses on the process of collective action for agroecological transitions. This means that while we think tools (such as research, policy interventions, etc.) are vital to agroecological transitions, we consider the process itself the dialogue and collective action among key actors, decision-making, mo

(which might focus on a particular issue such as soil health), while always tying specific action to the longer-term vision, goals and processes of transition.

Phase III: Action and Learning: Trying out ideas, tools and/or practices implementing, observing, and collectively reflecting. As with participatory action research (PAR), the agroecological transition is full

		Role of Agroecology's 3 Aspects		
Level	Scale	Ecological Research	Farmer Practice & Collaboration	Social Change
1. Increase efficiency of industrial practices	Farm	Primary	Important- lowers costs & lessens environmental impact	Minor
2. Substitute alternative practices & inputs	Farm	Primary	Important- supports shift to alternative practices	Minor
3. Redesign whole agroecosystems	Farm, region	Primary- develops sustainability indicators	Important- builds true sustainability at the farm scale	Important- builds enterprise viability & societal support
4. Reestablish connection between growers & eaters; develop alternative food networks	Local, regional, national	Supportive- interdisciplinary research provides evidence of need for change & viability of alternatives	Important- forms direct and supportive relationships	Primary- Economies restructured; values & behaviors changes
5. Rebuild the global food systems so that it is sustainable & equitable	World	Supportive- Transdisciplinary research promotes the change process & monitors sustainability	Important- offers the practical basis for the paradigm shift	Primary- World systems fundamentally transformed

Table 1

These different transition frameworks can help to identify the scale and scope of change that is desired, where things currently stand, and identify the opportunities and entry points to pursue change. Proponents of transition should strive to take a politically informed approach to create a process of local or territorial appropriation, through participatory engagement and/or modification of the chosen framework. This process should connect with the priorities of territorial actors involved in transition



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