



# BORA plural sustaina- bilities

Bonn is home to many experts working in the field of sustainability and sustainable development in Germany and abroad – in associations, international organizations, think tanks and universities. We pool expertise on different concepts and practices of sustainability and sustainable development in regular interdisciplinary formats.



The **working group “Plural Sustainabilities”** brings together researchers from different disciplines, institutions and countries working in the field of sustainability and sustainable development (in the broadest sense). The aim of the working group is to provide a space for thought and reflection on the diversity of practices, approaches, concepts and understandings, strategies and initiatives in the field of what we call “sustainability”.

The researchers currently participating in the group are from the **University of Bonn**, its **Center for Development Research (ZEF)**, the **German Institute of Development and Sustainability (IDOS)** and the **Institute for Environment and Human Security of the United Nations University (UNU-EHS)**. The working method is dynamic and invites colleagues depending on interest and capacity. This gives rise to topic-specific sub-working groups or topic-specific work phases.

## Activities

Regular **workshops on interdisciplinary sustainability research**, including international exchange formats and collaborative writing. Our focus is on global dialog and sustainable development.

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## Milestones

**Working group “Alternative Sustainabilities. Between local contexts and global dimensions”**, German Committee (DKN) in Future Earth (2022-2024). DKN is an advisory committee to the German Research Foundation for the further development of German sustainability research.

International collaboration in mutual **staff visits**, with the St Andrews Centre for Critical Sustainabilities (StACCS), and with Bolivia, Ghana, Indonesia and Colombia in a one-week workshop on ‘Interlinking Sustainability Science in a Global North-South Dialogue’.

Two **interdisciplinary publications** in preparation with 44 authors from different disciplines and nations.