



GUIDELINES – Problematics and priority problematics

1. Identification of Problematics

Each *Collaborative Networks* must proceed to identify the *Problematics* generated by their *Priority Thematic*.

Problematics are complex topics or interrelated issues that require thought and analysis in order to understand and address effectively and sustainably a given situation. Thanks to the collective effort provided by the Collaborative Network, they shall be approached from different angles, helping assess concrete needs or practices to be explored further before designing large-scale projects. The ensemble of all Problematics from the different Collaborative Networks will enrich the global understanding about challenges and issues at stake faced by member cities.

It is important to enhance the pertinence of the identified Problematics by cross-checking them with the pragmatic framework established by the Operational Objectives, in order to certify that they are in conformity with the Quebec Roadmap's vision.

Expected deliverables :

The Problematics must be submitted through the "Problematics Worksheet". There is no maximum limit of identified Problematics that may be submitted, nevertheless it is recommended that a minimum of 5 be indicated in the worksheet.

The final "Problematics Worksheet" must be submitted through the Google Drive link provided by the General Secretariat. Please contact secretariat@ovpm.org to request your exclusive link.

2. Determine the Priority Problematic

The *Collaborative Networks* must agree on a *Priority Problematic* that defines the nature and objective of the first *Pilot Project* to be implemented¹. It must align with the political vision of the Quebec Roadmap, as well as conform to the political dimension conveyed by the *Strategic Axes*, and the pragmatic framework established by the *Operational Objectives*.

Expected deliverables :

The Priority Problematic must also be indicated in the "Problematics Worksheet".

¹ In the exceptional case where a *Collaborative Network* wishes to select two or more *Priority Problematics*, a "Problematics Worksheet" and a "Pilot Project Plan" must be submitted for each one.