Design Thinking for SDGs

Pre-workshop Session 3
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Today’s agenda

1) Logistics:
   ○ Introduction to Slack

2) What is Design Thinking?
   ○ Design Thinking for SDGs
   ○ What we expect at the end of the Camp

3) DT Step 1: Empathize
   ○ Empathize with your P, issues in Sustainable Development
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Amazing DFK Coach Team

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Personal Health Informatics
New Husky
Cheesy 90’s movies & Kool-Aid

Ju Yeon Choi
Golden retriever, Blue

Ha Youn Noh
Honest, Patient, Helping

Jinyoung Kim
Sociable, Considerate
0. Intro to Slack

On *slack*: usosd.slack.com

- Collaboration tool built on messages and Channels
  - Channels will be created for each **TEAM**
  - Available on app and desktop
- After today’s session, please introduce yourself in **#general channel**
  - name,
  - major/year,
  - What would you do if you won a million dollars?
Part I. Intro to Design Thinking

What is Design Thinking?
Design thinking
What? How?
What is Design Thinking?

No magic fix...

... but a tool- and a mindset to solve problems.
Analytical Thinking
Systematic reasoning to produce consistent, predictable outcomes

Design Thinking

Creative Thinking
Intuitive dreaming to imagine the world in new, crazy ways

Rapidly alternate to produce something that is creative and replicable
A human-centered approach to innovation that draws from the designer’s toolkit to integrate the needs of people, the possibilities of technology, and the requirements for business success.
To find a solution that is:

- Technically feasible
- Economically viable
- Desirable for the user
Design Thinking Process

- Define the problem and then implement the solutions, always with the needs of the user demographic.
- Focus on needfinding, understanding, creating, thinking, and doing.
Step 1. Empathize

Learn about the audience by observation and interview.

- What is my user?
- What matters to this person?
Step 2. Define

Create a point of view based on user needs and insights.

- What are their needs?
Step 3. Ideate

Brainstorm and come up with as many creative solutions as possible.

- Wild ideas encouraged!
Step 4: Prototype

Build a representation of one or more of your ideas to show to others.

- How can I show my idea?
- Remember: a prototype is just a rough draft!
Step 5: Test

Share your prototyped idea with your original user for feedback

- What worked?
- What didn't?
Your Mindset

It’s Human-Centered. Design Thinking begins from deep empathy and understanding of needs and motivations of people—who make up your everyday world.

It’s Collaborative. Several great minds are always stronger when solving a challenge than just one. Design Thinking benefits greatly from the views of multiple perspectives, and others’ creativity bolstering your own.

It’s Optimistic. Design Thinking is the fundamental belief that we all can create change—no matter how big a problem, how little time or how small a budget. No matter what constraints exist around you, designing can be an enjoyable process.

It’s Experimental. Design Thinking gives you permission to fail and to learn from your mistakes, because you come up with new ideas, get feedback on them, then iterate. Your work will never be finished or “solved.” It is always in progress.
Your Mindset

It is all about **learning by doing**.

**Be confident** that new, better things are possible and that you can make them happen!
Assignment 1: Think Globally, Act Locally

- You may want to consider the health of the entire planet and global issues

BUT!

- Take action in your own communities and cities, in your everyday lives
- Think about recent new articles, hot topics last year.
Part II. Design Thinking & SDGs

How can we create a solution to accelerate SDG implementation?
Sustainability = leading keyword for global framework for cooperation
Design Thinking for Solving Wicked Problems

Solving Wicked Problems: Using Systems Thinking in Design | GOOD
Sustainable Development Defined:

"Sustainable development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs."

From Our Common Future, aka the Bruntland Report by the World Commission on Environment and Development (1987)
Empathize with the issue at hand and asked them what they thought about education.
What do we need to live sustainably?

Activists push an inflatable globe on a march during Rio+20, in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June 2012. Photograph: Felipe Dana/AP
What do we need to live sustainably?

SDGs and Social Innovation-- localizing the SDGs

“Social innovation is the process of developing and deploying effective solutions to challenging and often systemic social and environmental issues in support of social progress.”

Stanford Business School

“They are innovations that are not only good for society but also enhance society’s capacity to act.”

European Commission Bureau of European Policy Advisors
Which SDG is the most important?

Introduction
Pia Katila, Carol J. Pierce Cofrer, Wil de Jong, Glenn Galloway, Pablo Pacheco and Georg Winkel

1 SDG 1: No Poverty – Impacts of Social Protection, Tenure Security and Building Resilience on Forests
Kathleen Lawlor, Erin Sills, Sthistani Atmadja, Liwei Lin and Komjana Songwathana

2 SDG 2: Zero Hunger – Challenging the Hegemony of Monoculture Agriculture for Forests and People
Terry C. H. Sunderland, Abda O’Connor, Giulia Muir, Lauren Nerla, Giulia Rota Nodari, Camilla Widmark, Nur Bahar and Amy Ickowitz

3 SDG 3: Good Health and Well-Being – Framing Targets to Maximise Co-Benefits for Forests and People
Rosemary A. McFarlane, John Barry, Guillermo Ossé, Maya Galason, Maria Cursa, Kerlyn Higgs, Pierre Horwitz, Giang Hau Nguyen, Jane O’Sullivan, Subhashis Sahu and Colin D. Butler

Peter Kanowski, Dafie Yao and Stephen Wyatt

5 SDG 5: Gender Equality – A Precondition for Sustainable Forestry
Seema Arora-Jonsson, Shruki Aganwal, Carol J. Pierce Cofrer, Stephanie Keene, Priya Kurlan and Anne M. Larson

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The Future We Want: Rio+20 Summit (aka UNCSD, Earth Summit 2012)

- We also reaffirm the need to achieve sustainable development by promoting sustained, inclusive and equitable economic growth, creating greater opportunities for all, reducing inequalities, raising basic standards of living, fostering equitable social development and inclusion, and promoting the integrated and sustainable management of natural resources and ecosystems that supports, inter alia, economic, social and human development while facilitating ecosystem conservation, regeneration and restoration and resilience in the face of new and emerging challenges.
Using design thinking for

- To find a solution that is:
  - Technically feasible
  - Economically viable
  - Desirable for the user
- Empathise: understand the human NEEDS involved

https://uxdesign.cc/user-experience-is-design-thinking-2428a0a360c2
Step 1: Empathize

- **What**: engage with the issue and observe who may become your target audience

- **Why**: paint a clear picture of who your end users are, what challenges they face, what needs and expectations must be met

- **How**: background research, conduct surveys, interviews, etc

Empathy map

- **Says**: whatever the user says out loud, direct quotes from research

- **Thinks**: what occupies the user’s thoughts? what matters to the user?

- **Does**: what does user physically do? how does user go about doing it?

- **Feels**: what worries the user? what does the user get excited about? how does the user feel about the experience?
How to build an empathy map

1. Define scope and goals
   1. Which issue will you map?
   2. Define primary purpose — align the team or to analyze research
2. Gather materials
3. Collect research: field studies, qualitative surveys, user interviews, etc
4. Individually generate sticky notes for each quadrant
5. Converge to cluster and synthesize
6. Policy plan

https://www.slideshare.net/shamchow/assignment5-shamik
Assignment 2:
Choose 1+ SDG relevant to your accelerator

Explore current good practices of SDG implementation. Conduct SWOT analysis of relevant practices.

https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/partnerships/goodpractices

Explore existing SDG Acceleration Actions. Analyze how well these actions “empathized” with the issue.

https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdgactions

Appendix

UN SDG Tracker: https://sdg-tracker.org/no-poverty