

# A complexity-approach to systems change



Kick-starter workshop for teams and collaborations

## A new approach to addressing the worlds most wicked problems

Complex (wicked) problems such as climate change, obesity, place-based disadvantage, food insecurity, ageing populations and vulnerable children do not respond to simple solutions. These problems have many underpinning interconnected and interdependent casual factors and therefore require a holistic and coordinated approach in order to create lasting systemic change.

To take such an approach changemakers need both tools and skills that:

- Enable them to take coherent action
- Build the adaptive capacity of communities; and
- Assist governments to create the enabling conditions

## Kick-start your complexity-based systems change journey with this introductory workshop.

This one-day (4-5hrs) workshop introduces participants to the complexity-approach for systems change and other theories underpinning Wicked Lab's approach.

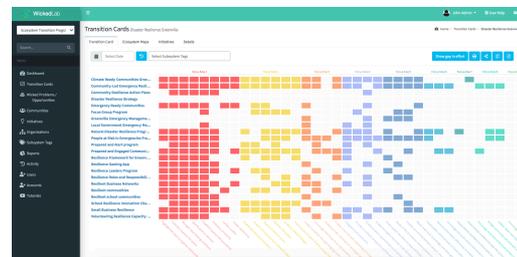
The workshop is designed to build participants understanding of why wicked problems can't be addressed with just projects and programs. It illustrates why a complexity, solution ecosystem and systemic innovation approach is best suited to addressing wicked problems, and demonstrates how communities and governments can work this way.

Participants will be taken through a combination of presentation materials and exercises which cover:

- Different types of problems: simple, complicated, complex and wicked
- Approaches for addressing these different problem types
- Academic interest in taking a complexity approach
- Practitioner interest in taking a complexity approach
- How to take a complexity approach to create systems change
- Wicked Lab's approach to addressing wicked problems and how it can be used
- Establishing a boundary and mapping the solution ecosystem
- Introduce systems change measurement and how Wicked Lab's Tool for Systemic Change reports support this

Participants will learn how Wicked Lab's Tool provides:

- Visibility of solution ecosystems
- Measurement of ecosystem dynamics
- Insights into how to strengthen solution ecosystem



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## This workshop is ideal for:

- Organisations new to or interested in taking a complexity-approach for creating systems change
- Diverse stakeholders or distributed teams who's organisation is building the capacity of a team to lead systems change with Wicked Lab's [Complex Systems Leadership Program](#) or [Ecosystem Transition Program](#).
- Diverse stakeholder or distributed teams who are steering systems change strategies and want to learn how to measure system transitions

## Cost and inclusions

\$6500 Inc. GST up to [25 participants](#)

The program can be run face-to-face or online. Price for the program is the same for either delivery option.

Price includes two workshop facilitators, access to PDF presentation materials, exercises materials.

*Price does not include venue hire, catering or travel. If required this will be quoted separately.*

