Mapping knowledge production for managing aquatic food systems: the case of Community Fish Refuges (CFRs) in Cambodia

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1. Background & Objective

In Cambodia, fisheries had played a substantial role in the livelihoods, national economy, culture and food security via food sovereignty for centuries and continue to be so nowadays.

Mapping complex knowledge systems allows us to support initiatives that contribute to collective actions for socially sustainable food systems.



of CFR management.

CFRs are natural or human-made infrastructures that hold water throughout the year and provide a dry season sanctuary for fish. They contribute to the maintenance of fish stocks and aquatic biodiversity; and are an integrated agricultural system that provides water for animals and household consumption

> Case study: Community Fish Refuges (CFR) project conducted by WorldFish Cambodia

Methods

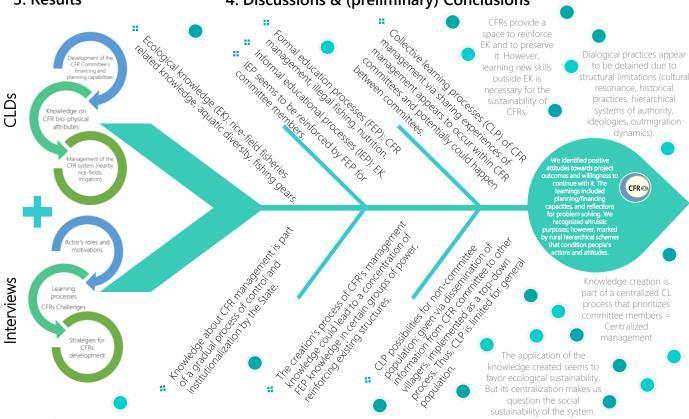
- 4 CFR sites, Kampong Thom province (project 2016 – 2021). One site per ecological category of the CFRs. Fieldwork: June-December 2022
 - Exploratory visits.
 - Semi-structured interviews with local representatives (LR) (n=24).
 - Development of Causal Loop Diagrams (CLD) (n=4), and its validation through focus group discussions (FGD) with LR.

Analysis. Interviews: deductive coding for content-analysis with NVIVO12 Sw. CLDs: graphics with Vensim PLEx64 Sw. content-analysis with Excel Sw.



3. Results

4. Discussions & (preliminary) Conclusions















sustainability of the system

