

### **Privilege as Practice**

Systems-oriented conceptual framework for exploring and understanding how issues of diversity, power and privilege operate in social-ecological systems

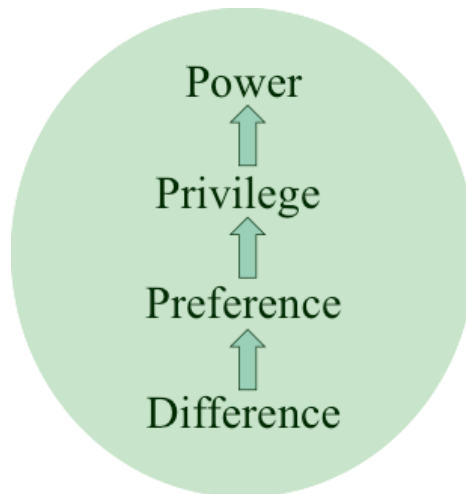


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*"Differentiation is the process through which the universe sustains life."* Nellie McLaughlin

Tags: Social. Building community and embracing diversity.

#### Challenge:

When addressing global goals like sustainability and social transformation, many times generalizations can be made in order to communicate or impulse what is required. These generalizations within the everyday system or worldview have the risk to be androcentric, and made to white, middle class, western men lifestyles.

#### Solution:

Consider environmental justice as the key for a sustainable future with social transformation, that considers diversity or differences to be explored, as a source for power and agency, due to identifying preferences and privileges, in order to redistribute, reconsider, etc. There are different models in the references to be applied for this consideration.

#### Links:

- Kollan & Sullivan (2014) [http://www.susted.com/wordpress/content/privilege-as-practice-a-framework-for-engaging-with-sustainability-diversity-privilege-and-power\\_2014\\_12/](http://www.susted.com/wordpress/content/privilege-as-practice-a-framework-for-engaging-with-sustainability-diversity-privilege-and-power_2014_12/)
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