Putting the P in SDP.

Sport, Conflict Resolution, and Peace Building in Divided Societies: Playing with enemies



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The Loughborough Question

"As the chief architect of the Football 4 Peace programme, how does being a sociologist influence your approach?"

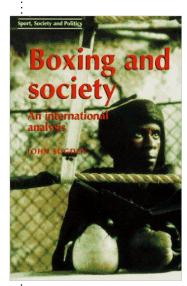
Question from Dr. Dominic Malcolm, University of Loughborough in 2006



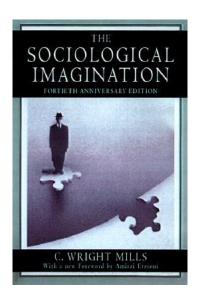


The Short Answer

"For me being a sociologist is a way of life. My sociological gaze has been influenced mostly by the critical sociology of C. Wright-Mills and my experience as an ethnographer."





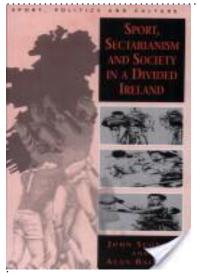


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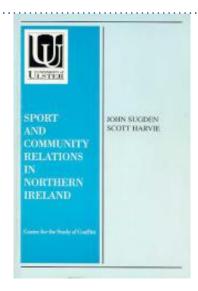
The Long Answer: Part One

SDP in Never-never land



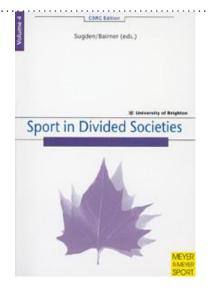














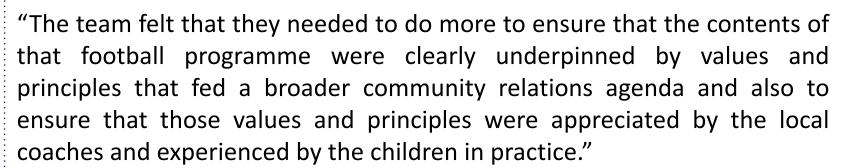




The Long Answer: Part Two

SDP in the Promised Land

The F4P Methodology















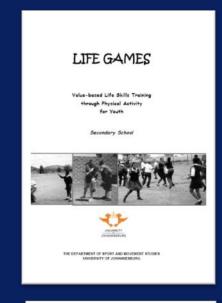
The Long Answer: Part Three

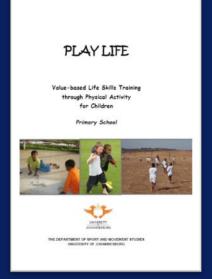
SDP in the Rainbow Nation

Incorporating life skills alongside values











The Long Answer: Part Four

SDP in Cloud Cuckoo Land





'Sport does have a meaningful and powerful role to play in the social transformation of society if care is taken to provide the necessary conditions for success.'

Bishop Desmond Tutu
Secretary of South African Council of Churches & Nobel Peace Prize
Winner 1984

'For tyranny to prevail all it takes is for good men (sic) to do nothing'

Edmund Burke.





The Long Answer: Part Five

SDP Back Down To Earth – Learning from the field

- Going Back to C. Wright Mills
- A sociology of peace processes should **not offer grand theory** or a universal scheme, but should be restricted in its applicability to specified cases that exist in real time and space context is everything;
- A praxis-based methodology involving a dialogue between practical experience in the field and the established body of knowledge;
- Understanding and harnessing how ordinary people experience conflict and its consequences, whose responses to which affects the conflict and the peace process (dialectic between 'personal troubles' and 'public issues');

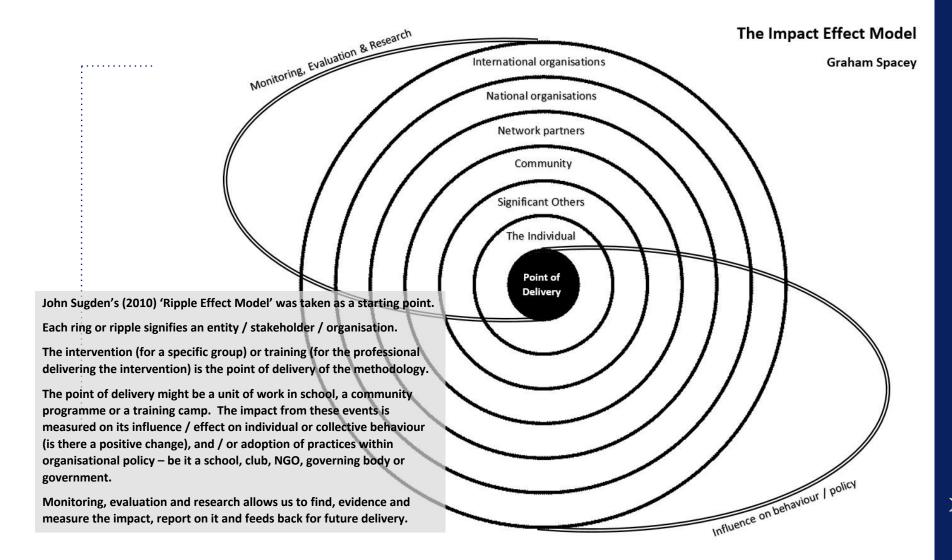


'C. Wright Mills and the End of Violence', J. D. Brewer, 2003, p152





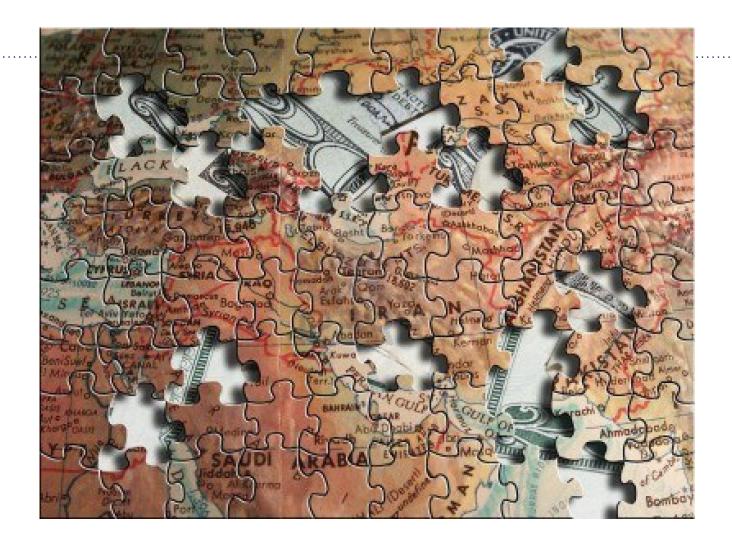
Critical Pro-activism, Pragmatism, Partnerships, Dissemination and the Ripple Effect







The place of sport in multi-dimensional piece (peace) puzzle







The Long Answer: Part Seven

The Snowball Effect...































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"sport alone may not change the world, but children playing with their enemies just might."



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