



Analysis Introduction

Welcome to sub-module 1, Analysis of STREAMpreneur module 1. Train the Youth Worker.

What is the analysis about? In short, it is about setting goals. You distinguish between what young people already know and what they should know after youth work. And you match youth work activities to the competence level of young people. More precisely, one could say that the analysis phase's benefit is identifying the causes of the performance gap. This is done in six steps:

1. Validate the performance gap.
2. Identify the youth's work goals.
3. Analyse the target group.
4. Review available resources.
5. Recommend possible activities (including cost estimate)
6. Create a project management plan.

In this sub-module, we will go through these steps systematically.

After completing the analysis phase, you should be able to determine whether and to what extent youth work will close the gap. And you will be able to recommend strategies for youth work to close the performance gap based on empirical evidence of the potential for success.

Before we start with the analysis, we should talk about participation in youth work. Even though at STREAMpreneur, we have established upfront that youth work activities will be thematically related to topics such as science, technology, research, arts, mathematics, and entrepreneurship, it is even more important to allow youth to participate as much as possible in the following steps.

So let us recall the participation ladder presented by Hart in 1992. Hart depicts the participation of children and young people using a ladder with 8 rungs. On the lower rungs, there is no actual participation. It is only from rung 4 that Hart speaks of increasing participation. Our STREAMpreneur approach is initiated by adults but aims to make as many decisions as possible together with children and young people. In Hart's ladder model, this would be rung six. It should therefore be ensured that the children and young people understand the intention of the activities. And that they play a meaningful role in the activities. They should participate in the activities voluntarily, and their opinions should be taken seriously. And they should be fully involved in all decisions and developments. Shared decision-making and co-creation should guide the development and implementation of STREAMpreneur activities.

This was the introduction to the submodule Analysis. Next, we start with the first step of the analysis: Validate the performance gap.

