COLLECTIVE LEADERSHIP AND COLLABORATIVE GOVERNANCE FOR PUBLIC VALUE CO-CREATION

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There is now a shared recognition that public value is inherently co-created not only by government, but also by other sectors, organizations and actors and by government-citizens relations (Crosby, 't Hart & Torfing, 2017; Bryson et al., 2017; Page et al., 2015; Vangen, Hayes & Cornforth, 2015). However, it is not always so clear which strategies, structures and processes can direct, align and mobilise the range of different systems and configurations of actors in such a way that public value is co-created. Collective leadership and collaborative governance are two important theoretical developments that can help to understand the roles agency and structure play in public value co-creation. Collective leadership represents an emerging theoretical umbrella that captures diverse scholarship on the relational (e.g. shared, distributed, integrative, etc.) aspects of leadership (e.g. Bryman et al., 2011; Huxham & Vangen, 2000; Ospina, 2017; Uhl-Bien and Ospina, 2012; Vangen & Huxham, 2003; Yammarino et al., 2012), while collaborative governance refers to a governing arrangement that engage citizens and non-governmental actors into public value co-creation assemblies across public policy making and implementation processes (Ansell & Gash, 2008; Emerson, Nabatchi & Balogh, 2012).

This Panel focuses on what public value co-creation is and aims in particular to shed more light on what are the practices of collective leadership and the arenas/spheres of collaborative governance that can enact public value co-creation. This Panel especially welcomes contributions on the following topics; the list is not exhaustive and other perspectives on public value co-creation could be considered:

- Place based approaches to leadership and strategic planning and in particular the role of urban and rural areas in public value co-creation to deal with wicked and/or societal challenges;
- The role of public and political interactive leadership in engaging members of the society in interactive policy and public management processes that result in co-creation of public value;
- The changing discourses around public value co-creation and on the role of government, civil society and business in public value co-creation;
- The relationship between strategic management, new public governance, and public value co-creation;
- The role of civil society and its actors (e.g. social movements, social change makers, civic activists, hackers, etc.) in public value co-creation;
- The new arenas such as living labs, collaborative platforms, participatory processes etc. that both online and in real places gather together actors and/or citizens into public value co-creation;
- Positive and negative followership and the role of social networks and media in framing processes of sense-making and sense-giving and their relationship with public value co-creation.

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