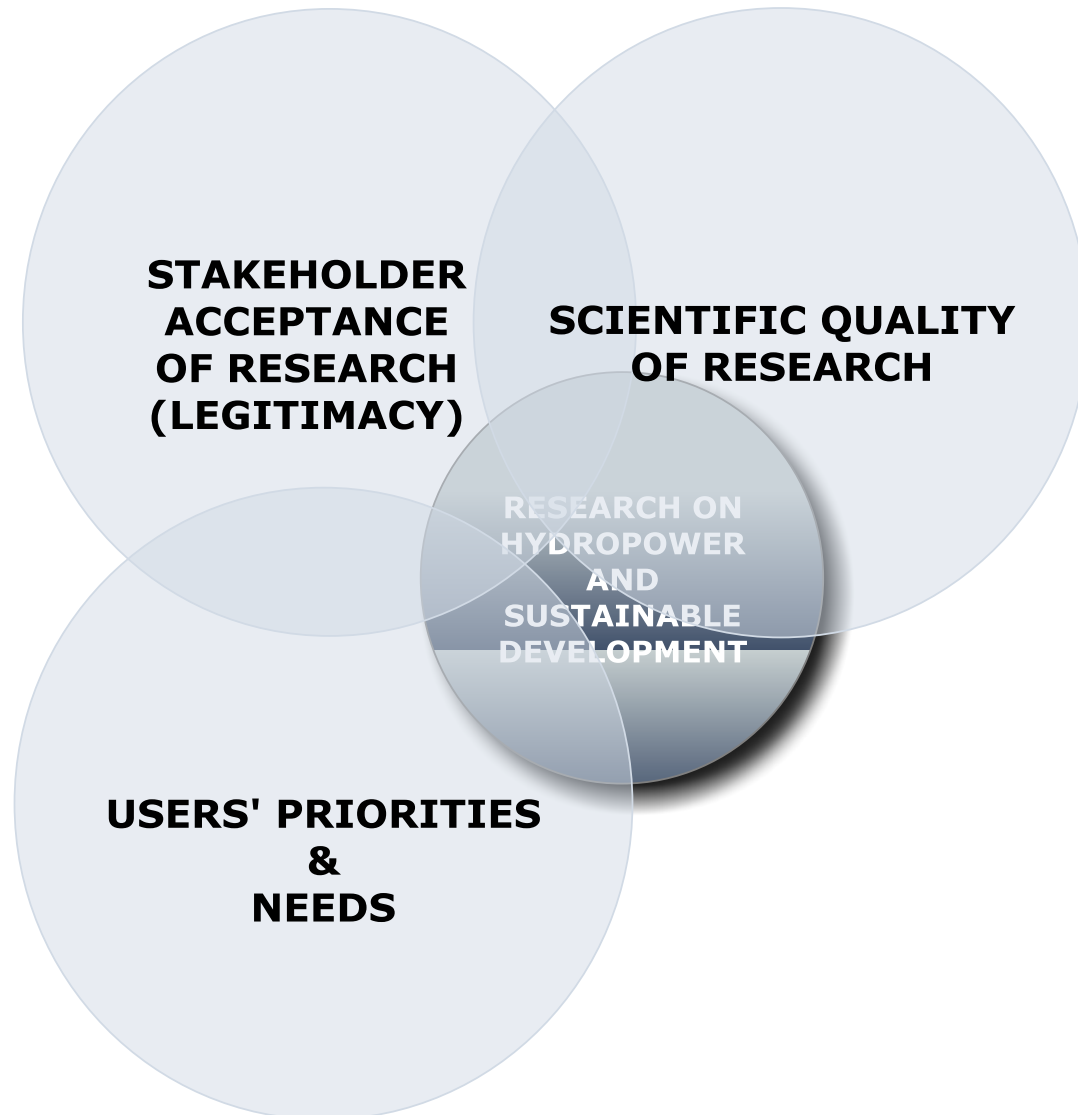


What is usable knowledge?

3 dimensions of knowledge production



Trade-offs

- Knowledge that is highly technical may have high **scientific quality** but may not meet all users' needs
 - Local languages
 - Policy messages
- Knowledge that has been produced without stakeholder consultation may not be perceived as **legitimate** to those stakeholders
 - Contexts and Stakeholders are diverse
 - Need participatory research
- Knowledge that does not fit with **users' goals & priorities** may be rejected
 - But existing goals & priorities may be part of the problem!

Sustainable development (also) means . . .

- Re-thinking established processes, priorities, values
 - Producing usable knowledge becomes even more challenging
- Need spaces for dialogue about imagining & designing more sustainable processes
 - Dialogue
 - Case studies
- **CHALLENGE** = Rapid pace of hydropower development

Can we improve this model of development?

