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## Summary

### Community Supported Landscape Regeneration

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In this article a Social Feedback Model is introduced that enables analysis of complex social-ecological systems. The phenomenon of ‘social feedback’ between landscape appreciation and consequent attitudes and behaviour towards the landscape proved particularly helpful in understanding social mechanisms that either disable or support landscape change and large scale regeneration efforts.

Through the use of the Social Feedback Model in four either successful or unsuccessful case studies of regeneration projects we increased our understanding of social mechanisms. This results in a formulation of conditions that underlie critical support for landscape regeneration, based on the need for empowerment of local people in the landscape on input (governance), output (use and accessibility) and social feedback level (knowledge and awareness). These conditions imply the need for new social contracts for responsibility sharing between governments and local parties, the creation of local capacity through communal networking and agreements, and prospects of (new) direct relationships between local people and the natural environment.