

# Diagrams of Mutual Influence

## Objectives

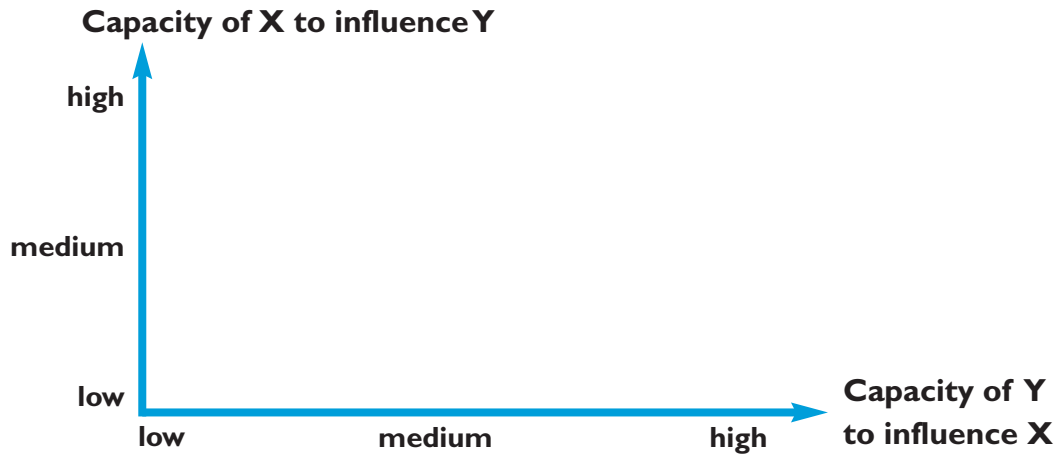
This tool facilitates discussions about the mutual influence exerted:

- between two persons (stakeholders, organisations, etc.) at a specific time (option 1), or
- of a person (stakeholder, organisation, etc.) on a specific project/activity and vice versa (option 2).

It is possible to show the influence of X on Y, and vice versa, by plotting the position on the two axes of the diagram; this also reveals potentially divergent opinions about the level of influence.

## Materials

A flipchart or blackboard that all participants can see, with the following diagram:



## Option 1: Influence between key persons / stakeholders

### Time

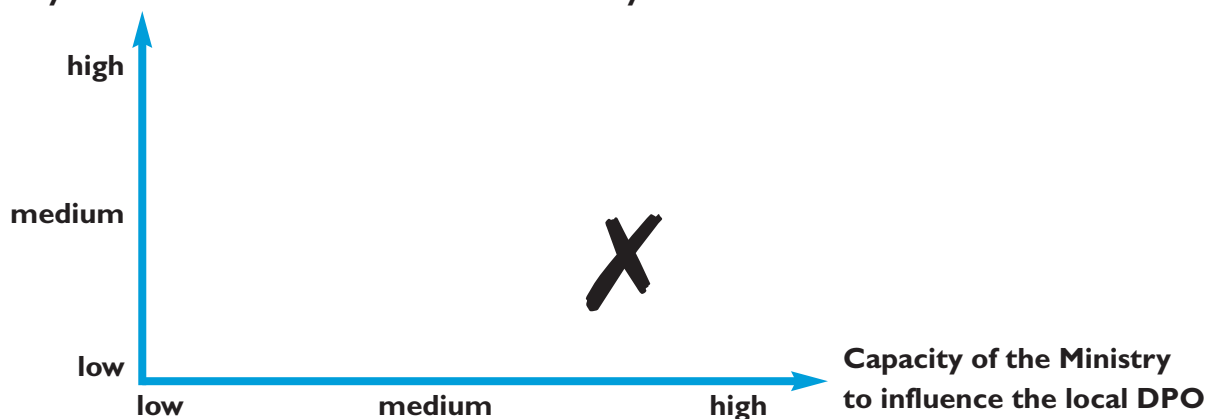
5–10 minutes per stakeholder, depending on the importance of the stakeholder and the degree to which participants' opinions converge or diverge.

### Procedure

Discuss the capacities of different stakeholders vis-à-vis each other in a small focus group with important resource persons using the proposed diagram.

### Example: A DPO and the Ministry of Social Affairs

#### Capacity of the local DPO to influence the Ministry



## Option 2: Influence between two persons

### Time

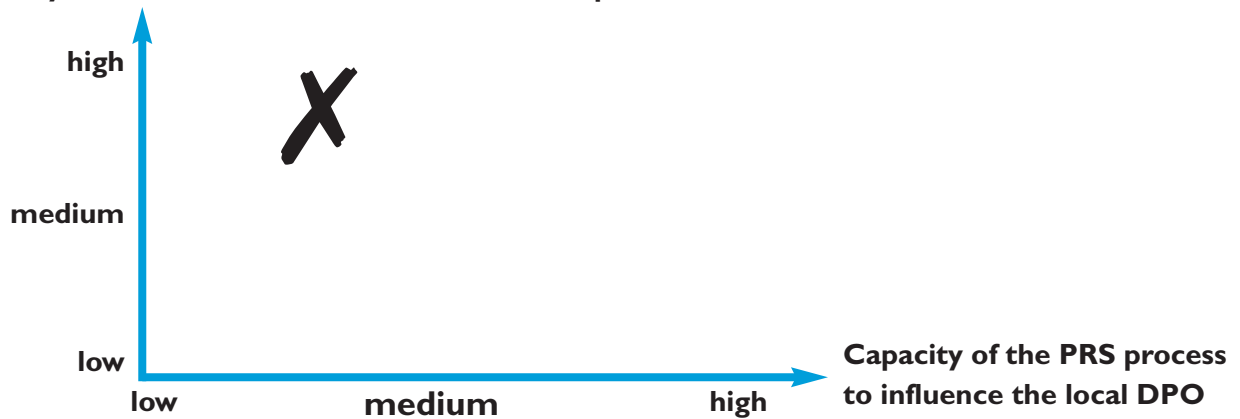
5–10 minutes per stakeholder/activity, depending on the importance of the person (stakeholder, organisation, etc.), the specific project/activity and the degree to which participants' opinions converge or diverge.

### Procedure

Discuss the capacities of a person (stakeholder, organisation, etc.) with regard to a specific project or activity in a small focus group with important resource persons using the proposed diagram. This tool facilitates the discussion and the analysis of the level of influence the project has on one person (stakeholder, organisation) at a time and vice versa. It is also possible to include all the main stakeholders in the diagram in order to discuss and compare their positions.

### Example 1: A local DPO and the PRS process

#### Capacity of the local DPO to influence the PRS process



### Example 2: Several stakeholders and the PRS process

#### Capacity of stakeholders to influence the PRS process

