

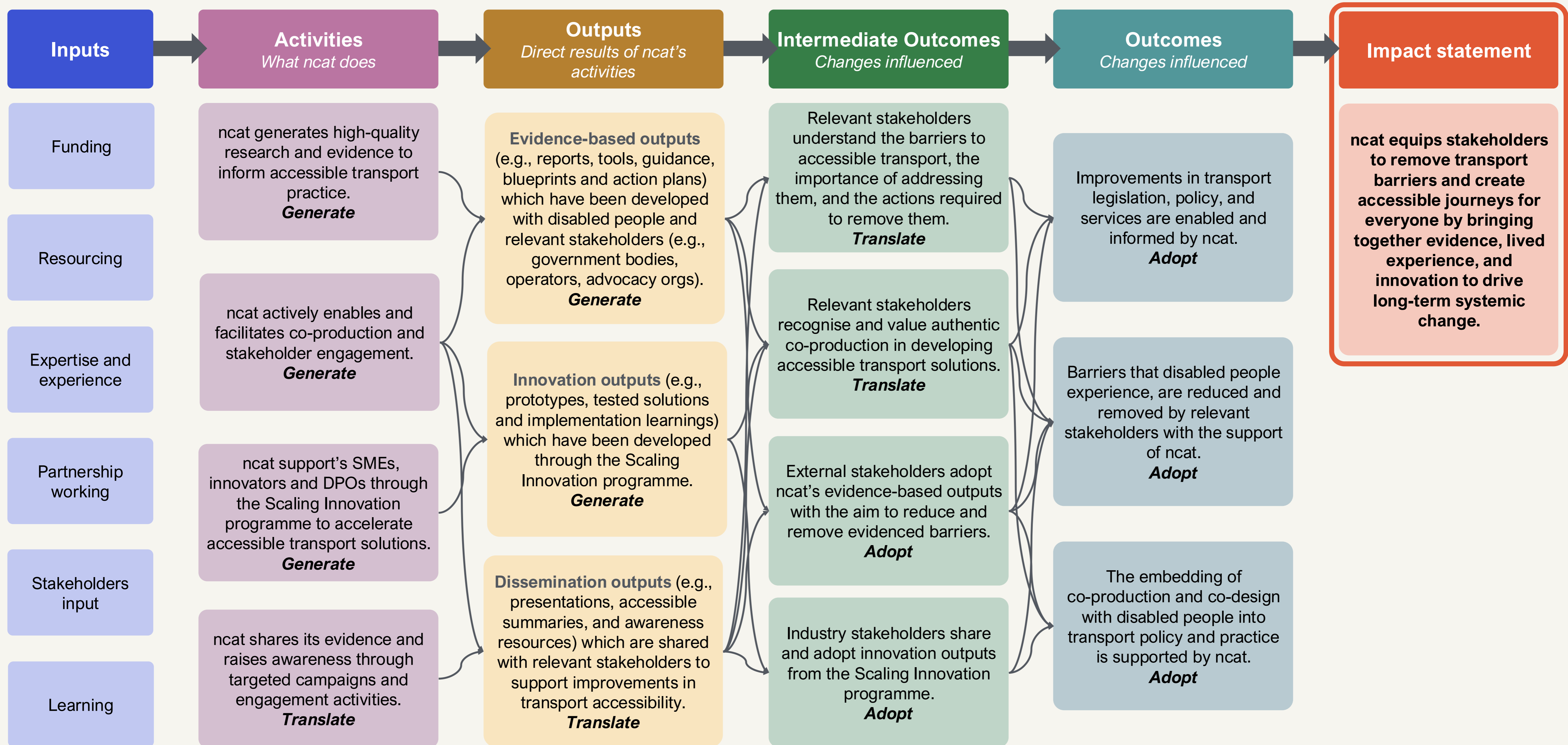
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Annual Theory of Change Update



Theory of Change Update 2026



Assumptions

- **Definition of disabled people:** ncat uses the Equality Act 2010 definition.
- **Co-production with disabled people:** Continuous, meaningful engagement. ncat's remit will be shaped by insights from disabled people.
- **Consortium partner input:** Ongoing collaboration through data, skills, and knowledge sharing. All partners share responsibility for achieving ncat's goals.
- **Stakeholder buy-in:** Critical for engagement, awareness, and influencing policies, products, and services. Lack of buy-in risks failure to achieve outcomes.
- **Political environment:** Reliance on government support introduces risk due to potential political changes during the funding period, which could delay outcomes.
- **Remit limitations:** ncat cannot remove all barriers to inclusive transport on its own but aims to generate robust evidence and foster engagement to influence sector-wide change.
- **Values of UNCRPD:** ncat aligns with the principles of the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, which promotes equality, inclusion, and the protection of rights for disabled people.
- **Social model of disability:** ncat adopts the social model of disability, which views disability as arising from social, attitudinal, and environmental barriers rather than an individual's impairment.