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of different sets of directions were formulated; however, they all had in common the six core themes that Jacobs (1999) defined as: environment–economy integration; futurity (concern about the future); environmental protection; equity; quality of life; and participation. A network or systemic thinking should be developed that is based on the knowledge of the whole, its internal connections, interrelations and epistemological knowledge and critical thinking, metacognitive skills and insight into the relationships between the aspects of the individual scientific and professional fields (Ivanitskaya *et al.* 2002 and Internet 4), whereby methods are used such as (Figure 1; cf.: Marentič Požarnik, 2010). Metacognitivity is defined as knowledge about when and how to use a particular strategy in learning and problem solving (Flavell, 1979; Brown, 1978 in: Veenman, Van Hout-Wolters and Afflerbach, 2006). This is not accurately defined in legislation (Spatial Planning Act, 2002); however, some viewpoints can be found at the Faculty of Architecture website (http://www.fa.uni-lj.si/).

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