



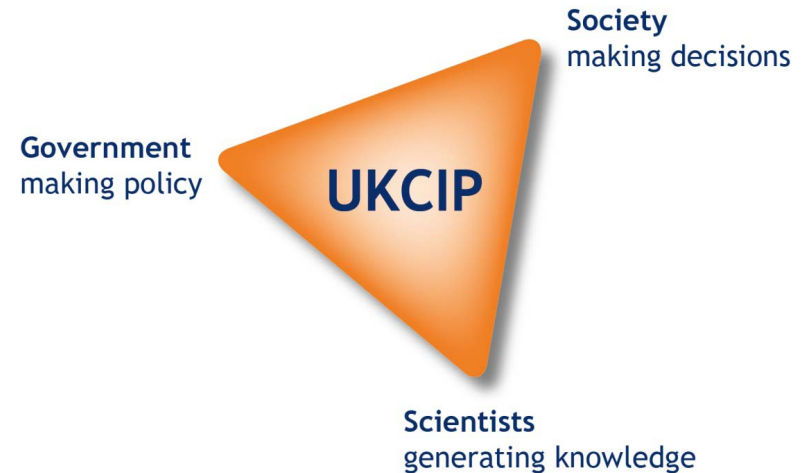
The role of boundary organisations in supporting decision-making: Experience and lessons from UKCIP

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Boundary organisations: making action possible

- Bridging, translating, synthesising, facilitating collaboration, exchanging knowledge...
- Understanding and communicating different motivations and needs
- Providing practical support e.g. tools and guidance, accessible science, help desk function etc.



Lessons for supporting decision-making



- Listen! Understand motivations, drivers and needs
- Make use of existing strengths, don't just increase the burden...
 - engage through trusted intermediaries (sector bodies, trade organisations)
 - Utilise and adapt existing processes
- Use current vulnerability as a starting point; use events as 'windows of opportunity'
- Design or adapt adaptation tools with, not for, users
 - UKCIP Adaptation Wizard developed iteratively with users

What next?

- We need to start valuing the cement as much as the bricks!
 - More focus on linking science, policy and practice
- Greater focus on establishing boundary functions that support adaptation action
 - To build capacity and increase impact of climate adaptation finance
- How to fund and sustain boundary organisations? Within or outside of Government?



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