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Roadshow

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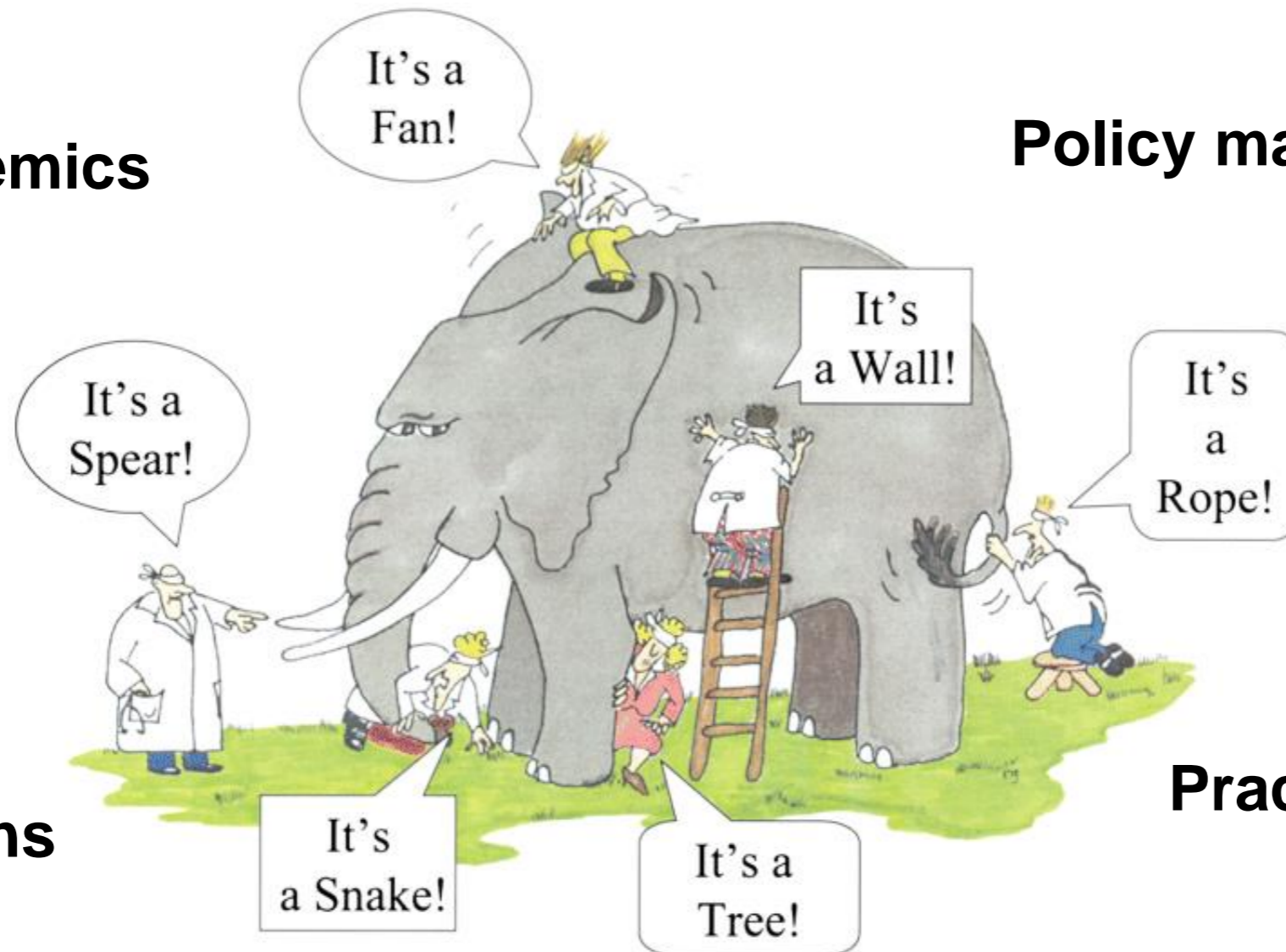
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"...in the intersection between perspectives, real insight can be gleaned."

Margaret Heffernan, 'Wilful Blindness'

Academics

Policy makers



Citizens

Practitioners

"When you step into an intersection of fields, disciplines, or cultures, you can combine existing concepts into a large number of extraordinary new ideas."

Frans Johansson, 'The Medici Effect'



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Objectives

- Impact on policy and practice
- Benefit members:
 - reputation
 - academic collaboration
 - business/staff development
 - networks

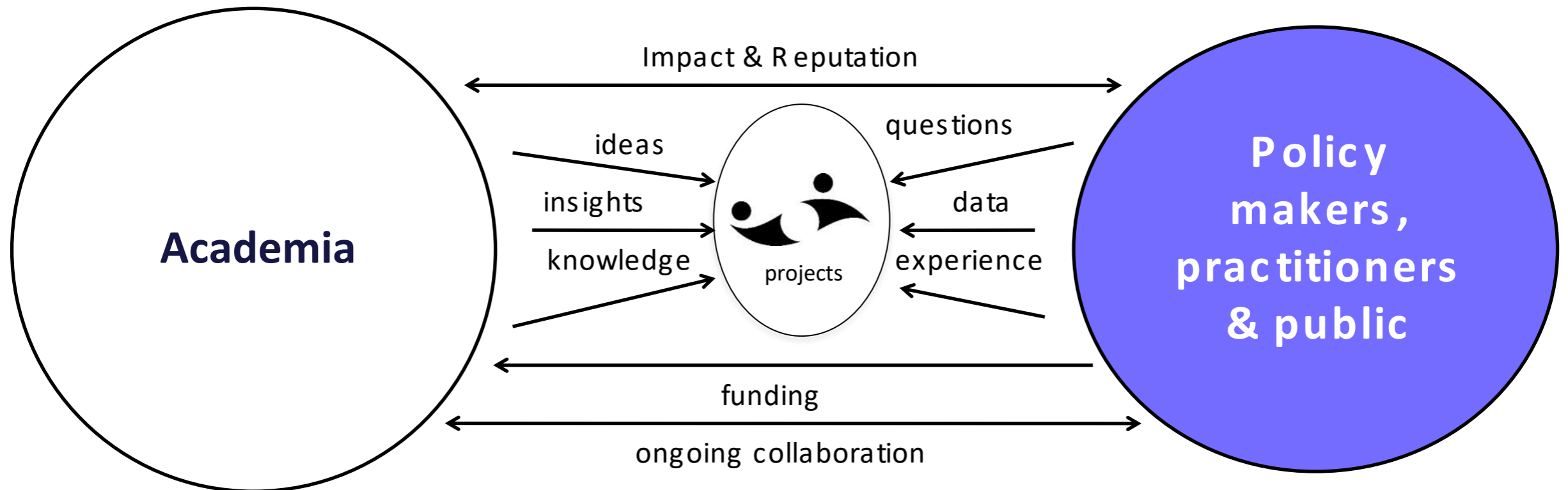
Approach and aims

- Multi-disciplinary, multi-institution knowledge exchange
 - academics, policy makers, practitioners, wider public
- increase understanding
- share learning
- generate insights and ideas

“The Scottish Government really value the work of the Scottish Universities Insight Institute...

- very effective way of bringing together researchers, practitioners and policy-makers...**
- creates real impact by focusing on the key challenges for Scotland...**
- very cost effective...**
- allows for creative approaches to problems to be tested...**
- leads to both academic research and policy and operational impact.”**

Dr Roddy Macdonald - Head of Higher Education and Science Division, Scottish Government



- Governing Board/Programme Committee – Members, Scottish Government, SFF, SPICe, Audit Scotland,
 - Two calls per year – themed and open
 - Director, Programme Manager, Events Co-ordinator (part time)
 - Insight Centre + event space in other member universities + external venues

catalyst, focal point, safe space, facilitator, interpreter, adviser, organiser

SUII Programmes

2012 - 2022

Delivery

Dissemination

Collaboration

Practice

DESIGN

Policy

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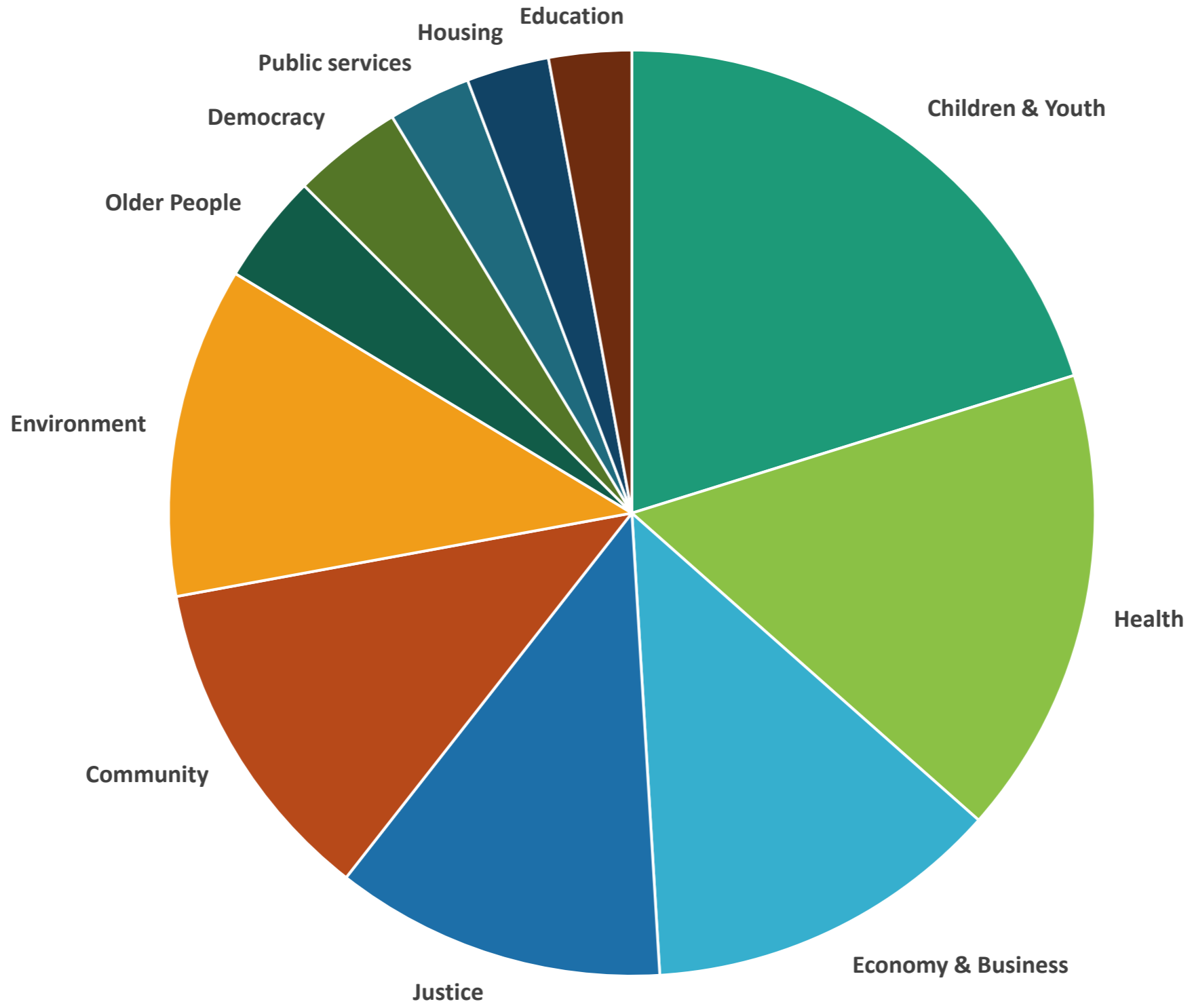
10 years...

97 Programmes supported

30+ Countries involved

300 Events – workshops, field trips, exhibitions...

Topics



The big themes

Wellbeing

Increasing Equality

Cultures of Innovation

Learning from other places

Scotland 2030

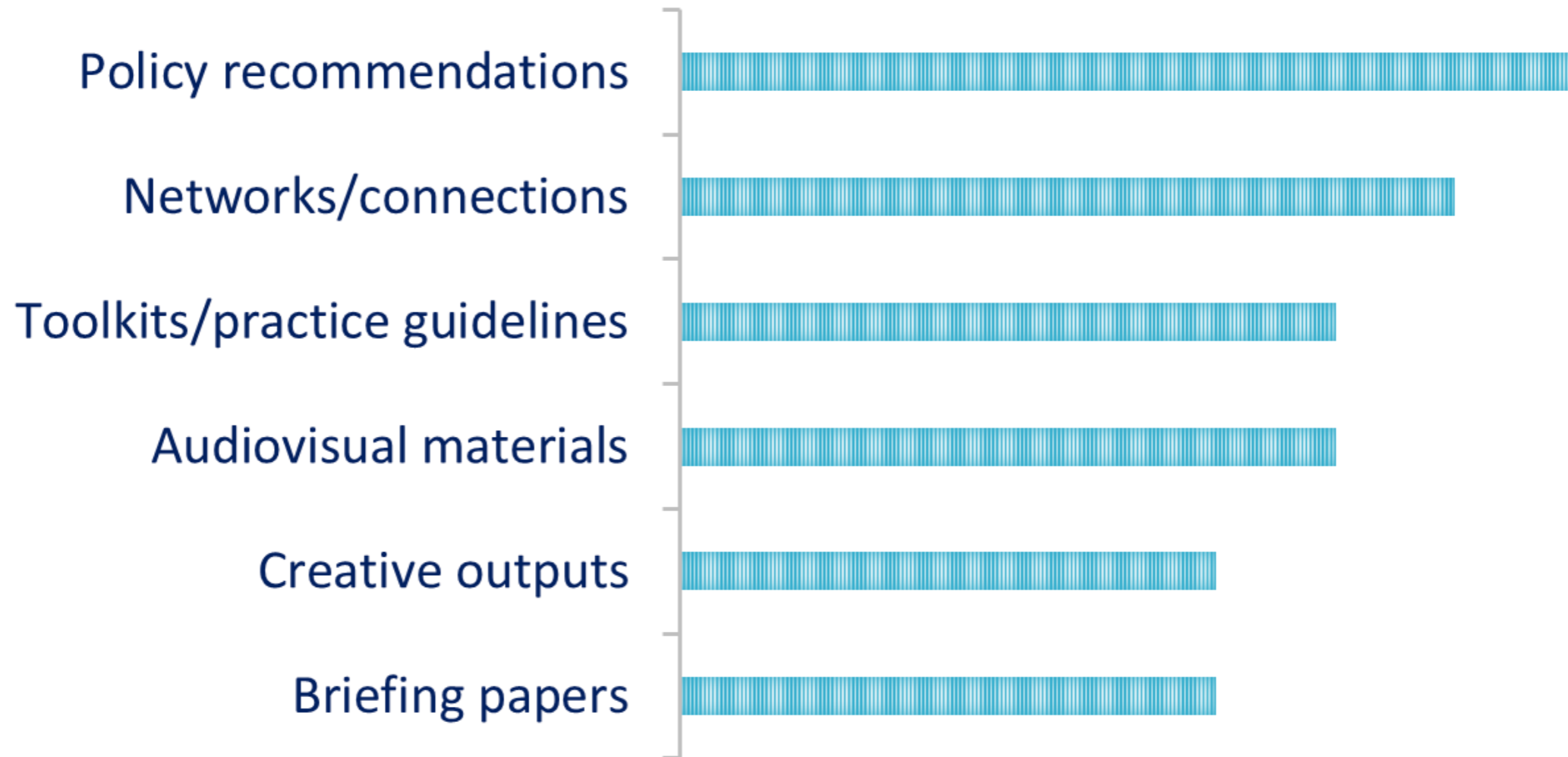
Cooperation and Interdependence

UN Global Goals x3

Just Transition



Programme outputs



Impact and outcomes



Why SUII?

“Having space to improve the way we practice”

“Accessing emerging research findings and academic rigour”

“Trying novel ideas and working through issues together”

“Working with people with the power to make decisions”

“Learning in an interdisciplinary setting”

“Learning from those individuals directly concerned”

10 from 10

1. Importance of effective engagement with end users
2. Blurring of policy and practice – sharing lessons of experience
3. Engage non academics as early as possible
4. Value of relationship building
5. Take opportunity to try something different
6. Learning from lockdown – many ways to engage
7. Link themes to related activity - impact and relevance
8. Balance short term urgency with long term importance
9. Value of logistical support alongside finance
10. Accounting for finance – institutional engagement



Next Call

Programme Committee particularly interested in applications that help address issues related to:

- coping with cost of living pressures
- the economic and social recovery from Covid

Particularly for those who may have been most affected, such as children and young people





Criteria and Eligible Costs



- Two member universities
- Importance to Scotland and wider world
- Potential impact on policy and practice
- Relevance - aims & objectives
- Quality of research base
- Inter-disciplinarity
- Non-academic input / KE focus
- International perspective
- Programme content/ approach
- Travel
- Accommodation
- Catering
- Venue (if not using Institute)
- International visitor expenses
- Recording / facilitating events
- Project materials
- Communication / dissemination

Timetable for next call

- Expression of interest - 21 October
- Full application - 25 November
- Programme Committee - December
- Programmes – Feb-July

October 2022

Calendarpedia
Your source for calendars

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