



Evidence informed policy making:

Evidence from DFID

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Evidence into Action

DFID



Three core responsibilities

Generation

Transmission

Use



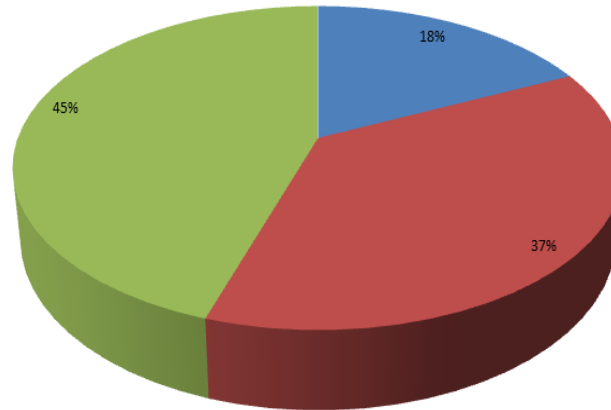
Generation

“I want to make sure that we invest in what works. Where we don’t know, I want to find out...I want to champion research and evidence to make sure that we are learning all we can, and we know that our approach is actually going to work.”

Justine Greening Oct 2012



DFID Research Spend: ~£300m





Transmission

Synthesis!

Policy briefs!

Knowledge-
sharing portals!

Influencing!

Publications!

Engagement with end
users!

Press releases!

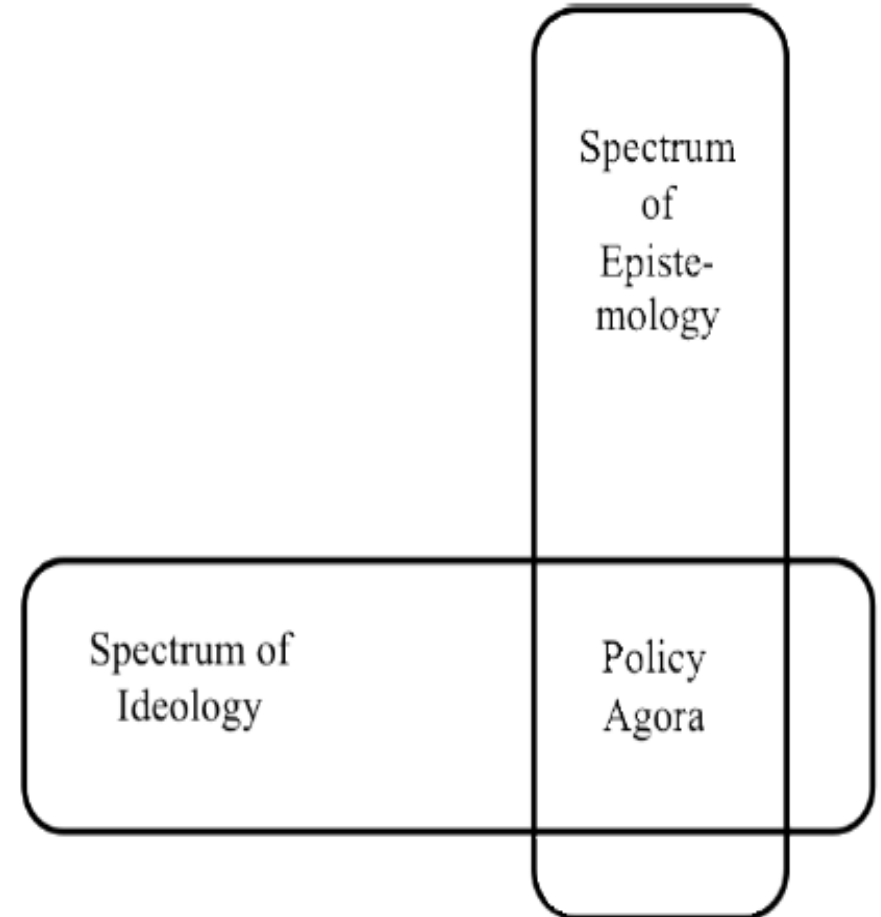


Use and Value

- Skills and knowledge
- Systems
- Incentives

Wider environment

- All of this takes place within the ‘policy agora’
- ‘Evidence informed’ versus ‘evidence based’





What Works Review

- What does DFID senior management think about evidence use.....



Discussion

- Barriers
- Incentives





Further information available online

- Research Uptake Guidance & checklist
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/research-uptake-guidance>
- Programmes funded by the EiA Team
https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/199850/EiA_programme_document.pdf
- How to Note on Assessing the Strength of Evidence
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