



Evidence-Informed Environmental Policy Formulation or Decision Making in Lagos State

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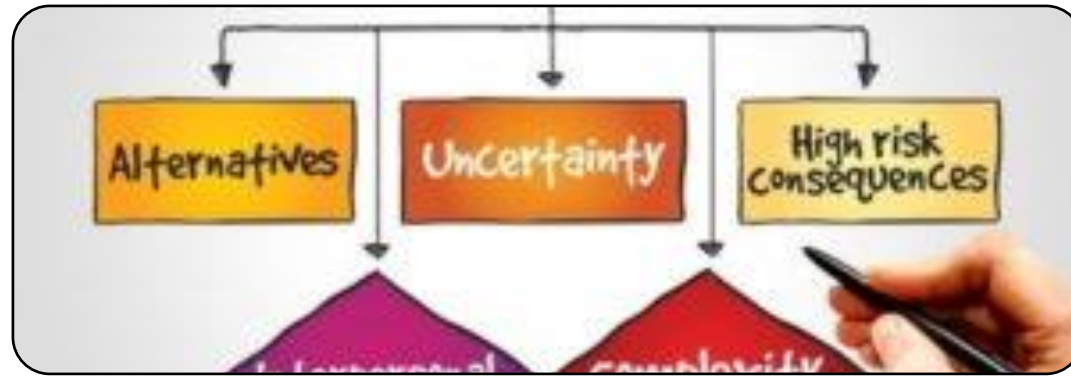
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Presentation Outline

- What is Evidence-Informed Decision Making (EIDM)?
- Evidence-Based vs Evidence-Informed Decision Making
- Environmental Policy in Lagos State
- Environmental Policy Formulation
- EUEPiN Initiatives to support EIDM in Lagos
- Call to Action

What is Evidence-Informed Decision Making?



“Evidence-Informed Decision Making (EIDM) means the use of the best available scientific evidence (research) in concert with contextual factors to guide decisions by policymakers.”
(Sogbanmu, 2022)

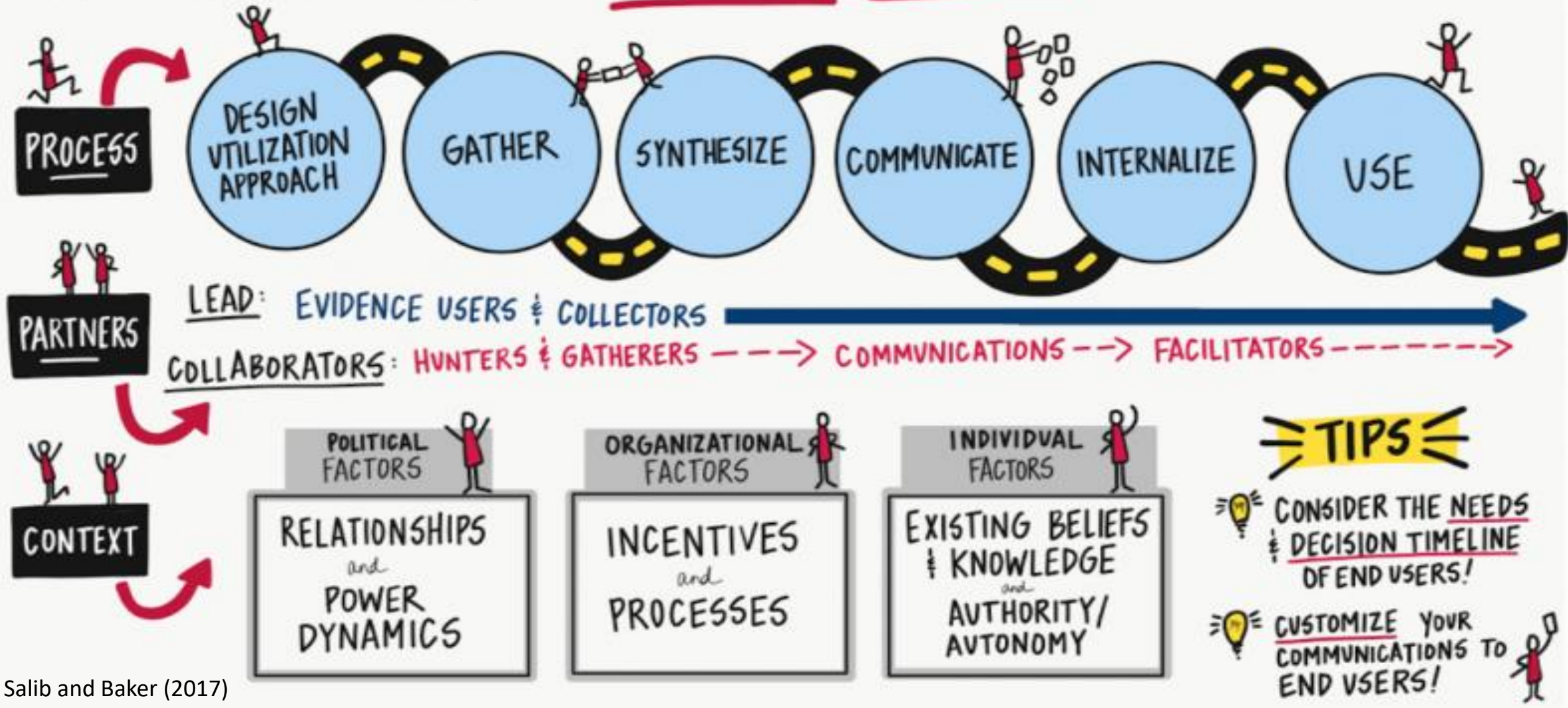
“EIDM matters because the ‘Africa We Want’ requires the mainstreaming of contextual evidence and collaboration of evidence producers and users for informed decision making and ultimately sustainable development.” (Sogbanmu, 2022)

What is Evidence-Informed Decision Making?, Cont'd



Evidence-informed environmental management integrates the best-available scientific information with the expertise, local knowledge, and values of environmental practitioners (Dicks et al., 2014).

THE JOURNEY TO EVIDENCE-INFORMED DECISION-MAKING



Salib and Baker (2017)

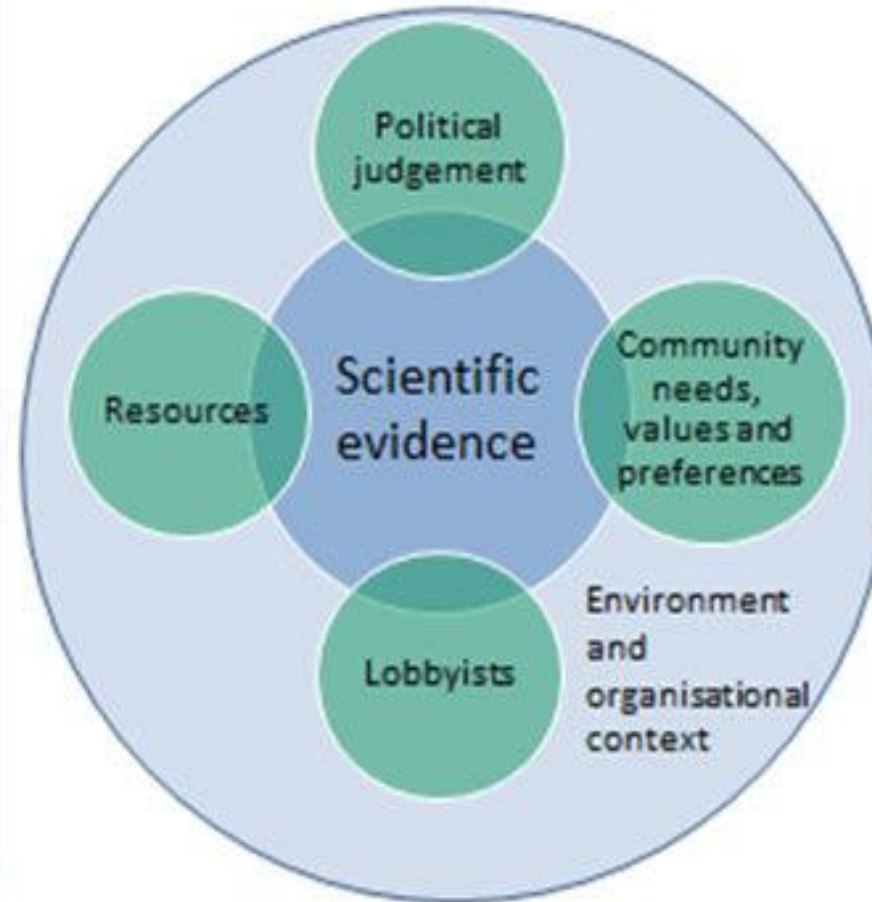
Evidence-Based vs Evidence-Informed Decision Making

EBDM vs EIDM

Evidence-Based Decision making



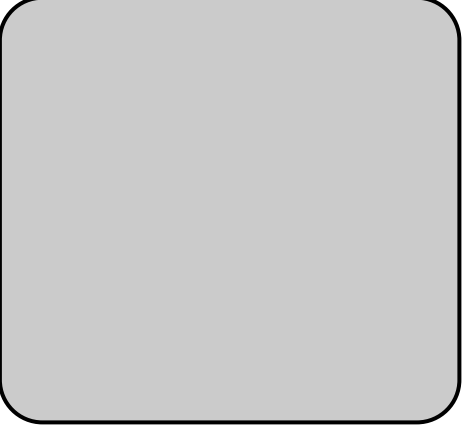
Evidence-Informed Decision Making




Conceptualisation of evidence informed vs. evidence-based.

Adapted from Ayteey et al., 2009; Satterfield et al 2009.

Environmental Policy



Environmental Policy may be thought of as courses of action and inaction: as much an ongoing process of interaction as a discrete product or output of the political system, written down in legal texts (Benson and Jordan, 2015).



It is the complex, reciprocal links between modern society, the economy, and the environment, making it unique among policy areas (Ingram and Mann, 1983).

Environmental Policy in Lagos

Lagos State Environmental Management Protection Law 2017

www.SabiLaw.org

A LAW TO CONSOLIDATE ALL LAWS RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE MANAGEMENT, PROTECTION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT IN LAGOS STATE AND FOR CONNECTED PURPOSES

COMMENCEMENT

The Lagos State House of Assembly enacts as follows:

PART I

ADMINISTRATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS IN LAGOS STATE

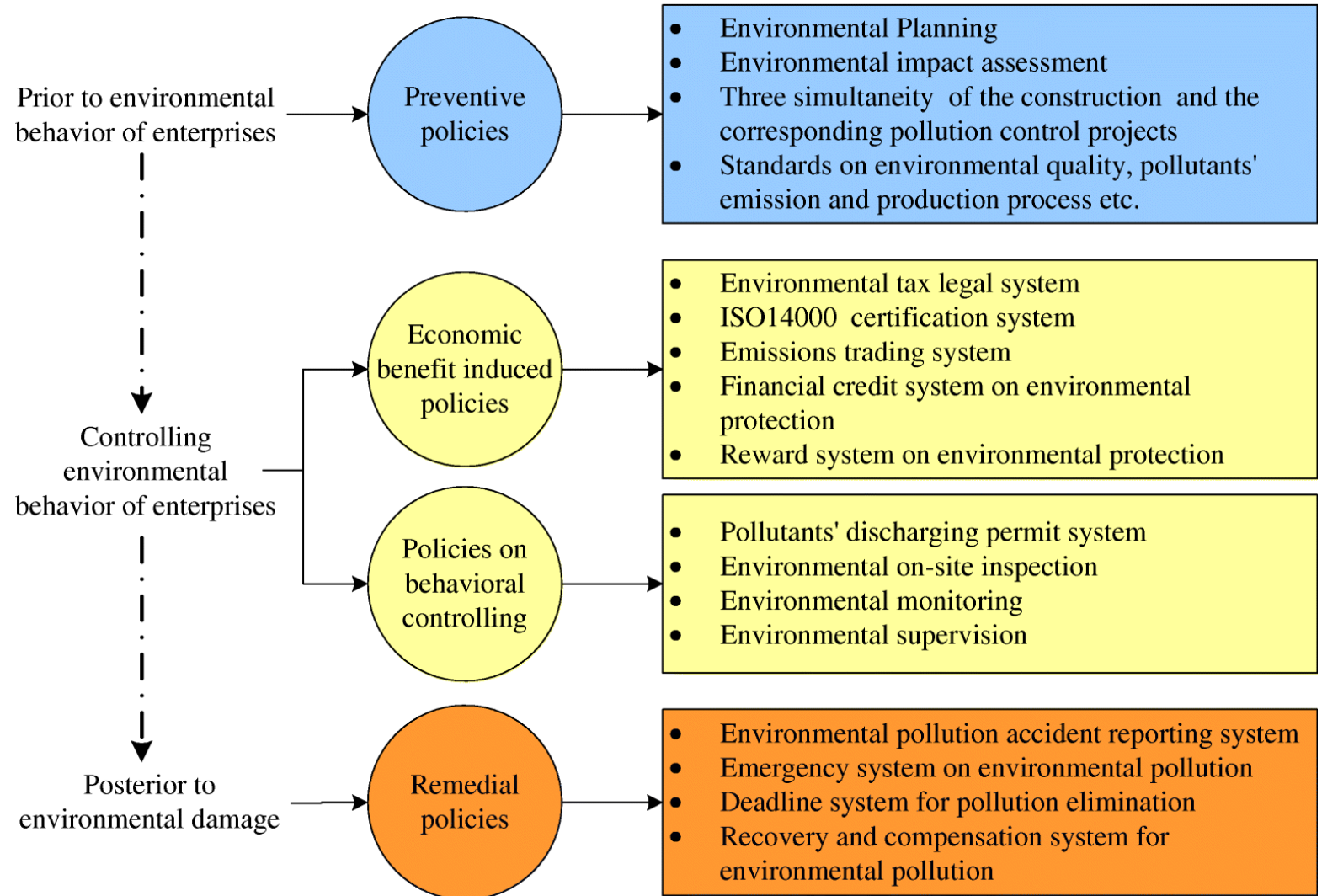
- Interpretation. 1. In this Part unless the context otherwise requires-
“Commissioner” means the Commissioner for the Environment or the member of the State Executive Council for the time being charged with the responsibility for the management of the environment in the State;
“Governor” means Governor of Lagos State of Nigeria;
“Ministry” means Ministry of the Environment; and
“State” means Lagos State of Nigeria.
- The Ministry of the Environment 2. The Ministry of the Environment (referred to in this Law as “The Ministry”) shall be responsible for the overall management of the environment and environmental related matters in the State.
- Objectives of the Law. 3. The objectives of this Law are to provide-
(1) a clean, safe and healthy environment for all residents in the State; and
(2) to enable citizens access the various public amenities or segments of the environment for recreational, educational, health, cultural and economic purposes.
- Supervisory Role of the Ministry over Authorities, Boards and Agencies. 4. (1) The Ministry shall supervise all the Agencies, Authorities, Boards, Departments, Offices and Units established under this Law for effective and efficient administration of the environment and in furtherance of its ministerial responsibilities.
(2) The Agencies, Authorities, Boards, Departments, Offices and Units under the Ministry shall include but not limited to the following-
(a) Lagos Waste Management Authority (LAWMA);
(b) Lagos State Environmental Protection Agency (LASEPA);
(c) Lagos Water Corporation (LWC);
(d) Lagos State Water Regulatory Commission (LSWRC);
(e) Lagos State Wastewater Management Office (LSWMO);
(f) Lagos State Signage and Advertisement Agency (LASAA);

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Environmental Policy in Lagos, Con'td

Classification

Typical policies



Frame of Environmental Policies in China

Source: Zhang and Yao, 2018

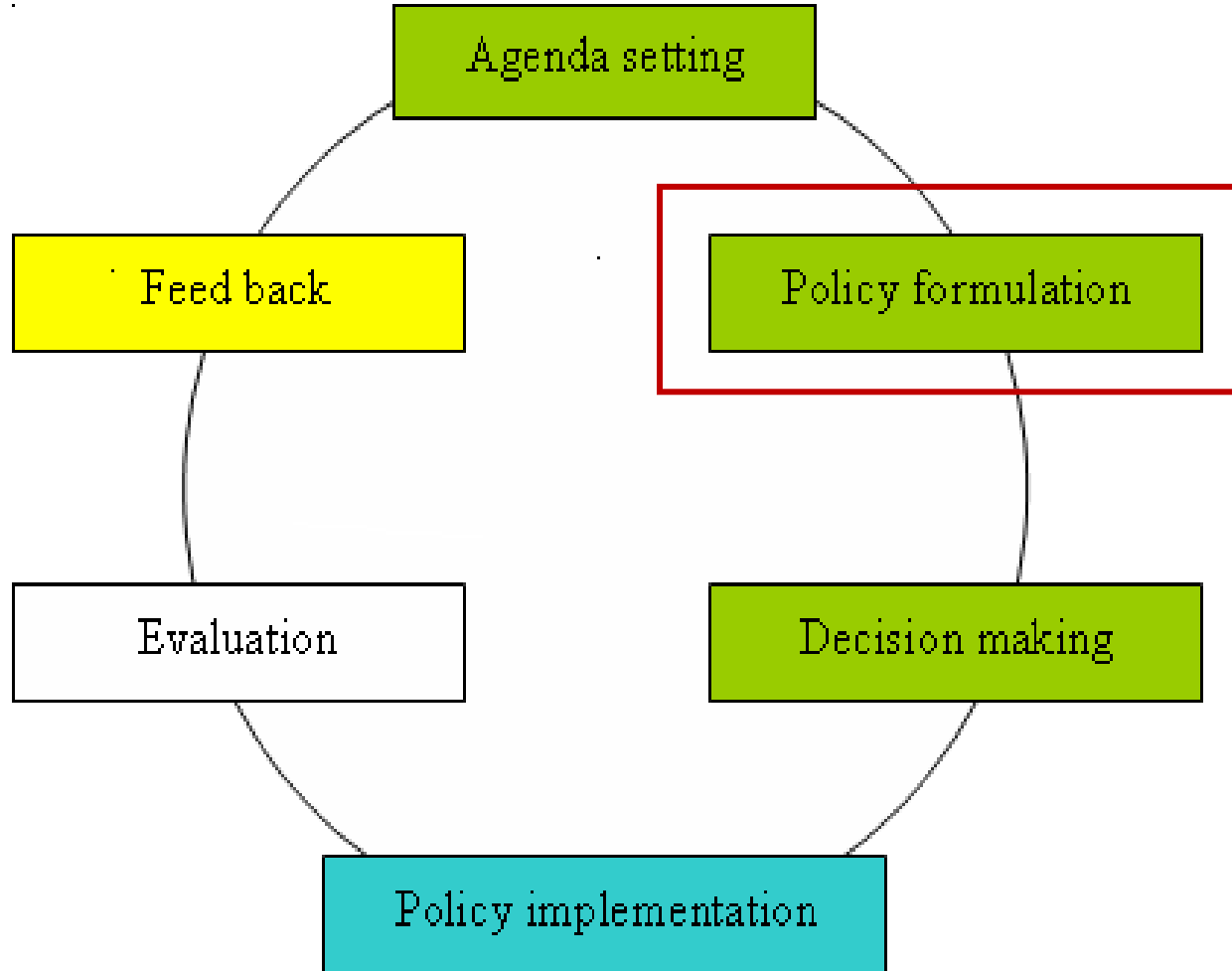
Environmental Policy Formulation



Environmental Policy Formulation is the development of relevant and acceptable proposed course of action for dealing with environmental problems (Wonah 2017).

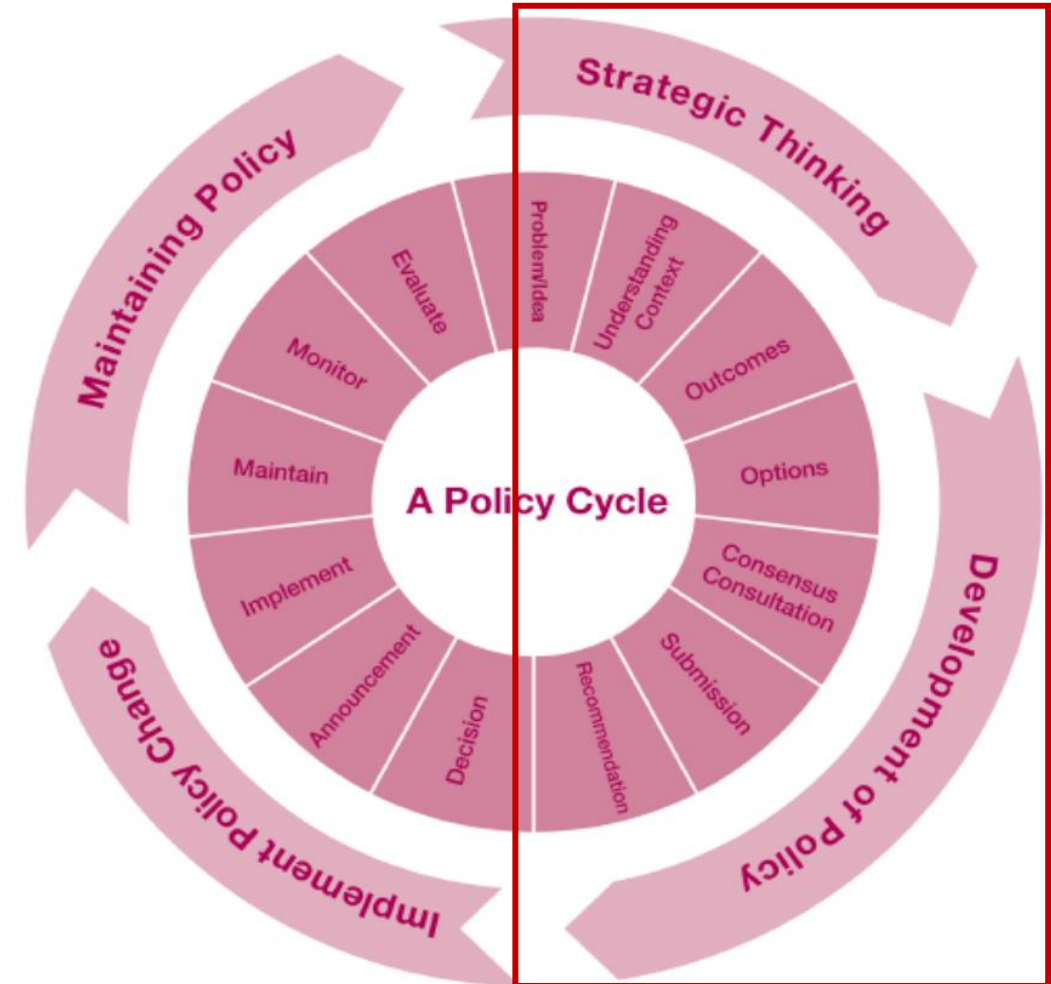
These environmental problems are often due to the impacts of human activities (anthropogenic) on the environment (air, land, water,...)

Environmental Policy Formulation in the Policy Process



The Policy Process

Source: Michelsen 2018



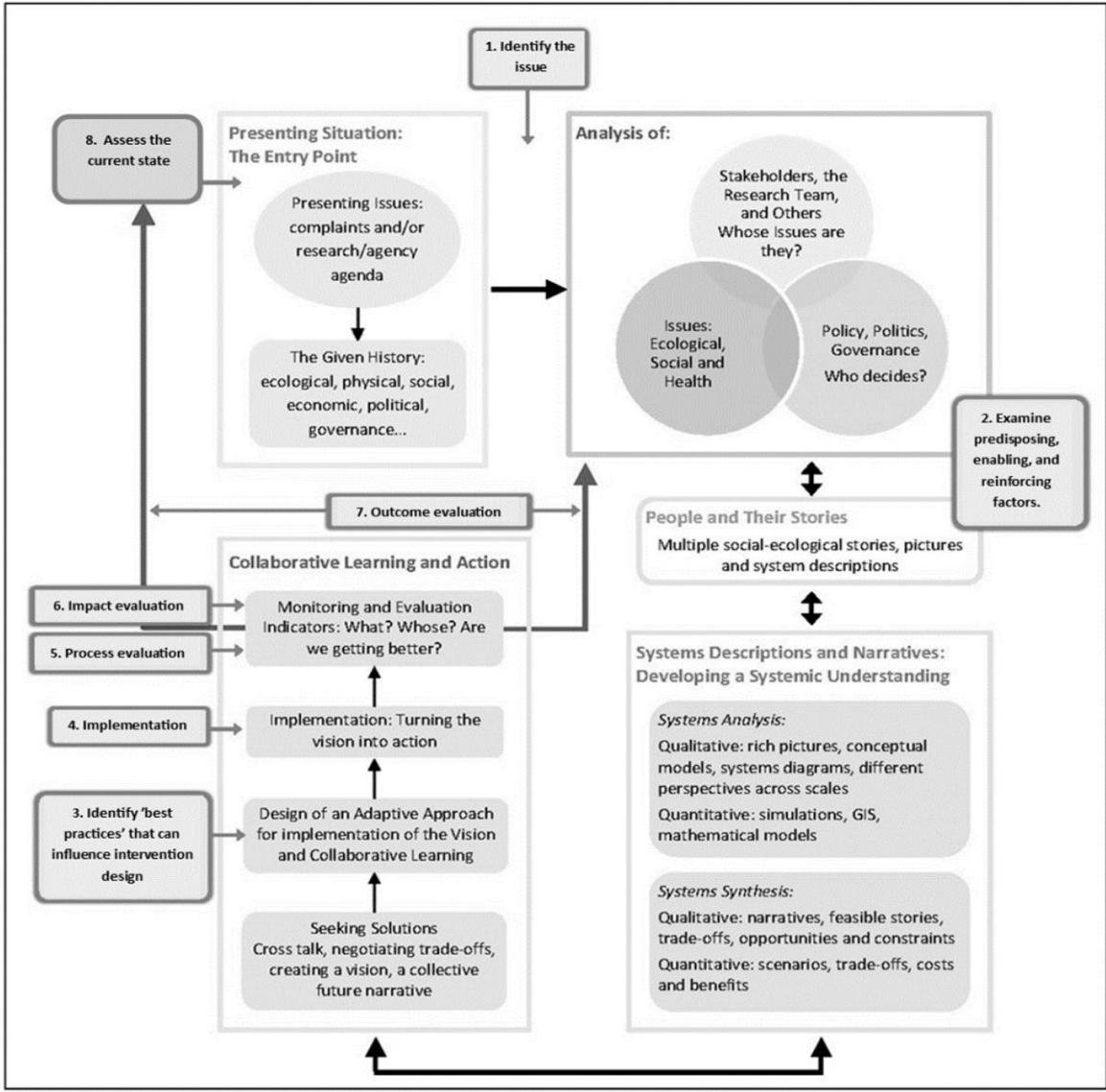
Stages of a Policy Cycle

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Framework for Evidence-Informed Environmental Policy

Adaptive Framework for Evidence-Informed Policy

Adapted from Hallstrom and Hvenegaard, 2021



EUEPiN's Initiatives to Support EIDM - KTUs



The Knowledge
Translation Units (KTUs)
@ EUEPiN Partner
Policymaking Institutions

Project Partners



Main Objective

to promote the mainstreaming of the **best available scientific evidence/research** in concert with contextual factors to **inform environmental policy and practice** by the institutions

EUEPiN's Initiatives to Support EIDM – EESKT-TCEBCEM



Focus is on:

capacity building, generation, co-production, synthesis and dissemination of high quality environmental evidence to guide decision/policymaking processes in Nigeria, among others.

EUEPiN's Initiatives to Support EIDM - EEPoN



<https://eepon.unilag.edu.ng/>

The EEPoN – aims to improve visibility, access to, and utilization of environmental evidence in decision /policymaking relevant to Nigeria.

- It is a one-stop' shop for environmental-related information (policies, guidelines, standards, white papers, technical reports, peer-reviewed publications and data) relevant to Nigeria.

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