

ISCF Workshop – 06/03/19

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| Focus on knowledge exchange Sharing or even better KSA - Action | Broad reach for wide variety of stakeholders Strong relationship development | Too little money on tech side Seed corn funding by IUK Money spread too thinly across delivery partners (not model specific) | Impact would be focusing on policy & KE (exclude tech & RAs) Draw on network of previously engaged companies |
| Separation of CCUS & H ₂ Policymakers understand this | Finding a use for CO ₂ Understanding the commercial potential and application of low GHG H ₂ - "Green" | Need significant, sustained industrial buy in | Spending money on H ₂ or CCUS " either or" |
| Opportunity to come up with new user ideas | De-risking decarb innovation for UK PLC Could work with entire upstream and downstream supply chain | Middle section too defined for money | Link with Wave 1 & 2 |
| Over-arching policy More efficient | Potential for industry engagement and matching funds AI in tech | Links with activity 1 and 2, be inclusive not exclusive Partners outside these activities | Get involvement with CSA at BEIS Circular economy approach to CCUS/H ₂ |

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| 4 years of funding from FY20/21 | | | |
| Clarity on two areas and openness on the third | Network could reach out to all 5 clusters, even ones not funded | Level of funding for network (£5m not £1M) £20M not enough | Leverage other funding sources |
| Looks like topics industry will engage on | Network can engage with lots of areas, a lot of things are happening | Network + needs to engage technology KE as well as policy | Links with demonstrations important |
| Like network + but needs enough funding (i.e. £5M not £1M) | UIET could respond to relevant industrial needs → good impact flex funding | "User inspired emerging technologies" becomes too diffuse | Respond to actual industry developments, staggered funding and quick response Don't demand co-funding but does require engagement |
| | Could help produce integrated system | Was presented as two discrete technologies, plus a vague concept rather than a unified solution | CCUS & H ₂ need to be viewed as an integrated approach for industrial decarbonisation Management Options: One big institute, decoupled from Universities, but could be lean, would have dedicated staff, could be neutral for 5 clusters (Whole UK) |

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| (4) Mission oriented to reduce CO ₂ Technology focused Academic input to resolve industrial challenges → TRL 1-3 | Significant impact on CO ₂ emissions Academic – Industrial interactions | Siloed/Separate (CCUS/H) Piecemeal, might not deliver anything measurable | Don't use this structure 1) Require each of the ≈ 5 consortia to address at least 2 of the following: CCUS, H ₂ , other 2) And social/policy WPs |
| (3) Good to have policy and knowledge exchange All important components are there Aligned with CGS (clean Growth strategy – BEIS) | Interaction with existing projects e.g. CREDS/UKERC4 (needs to be real interaction) | Risk of duplication of existing work (in activities 1 & 2) or through other centres e.g.cred/UKERC | Exercise Civic Mission of HEI Knowledge (res) Teaching?? (long) KE () Proactive UKRI management/monitoring |
| Impact on CO ₂ reduction target Potential for –ve CO ₂ emission | Delivery of GovT Policy | Ignores the system nature of the problem | Work closely with activities 1 +2 e.g. regular workshops Social science led Systems thinking training for all PI's/Co-Is and PDRAs (staff exchanges) |
| UK Energy intensive industry | Evidence based policy | Disconnected with cluster realities Ignores "place" | Focus on ADOPTION What are the tech/ R & D/ policy barriers to adoption of existing technology / future - proofing |
| | | | Interdisciplinary mediation Skills training from UKRI Interdisciplinary Ambassadorship? |

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| Big rather than bitty | Pathway to low Carbon industry/economy | Maintaining cohesion and collaboration Integration * | Leadership (with & external) excitement about challenge |
| Covers the relevant topics | Create a research community * | Ensuring real delivery * | Use diverse methods: core, skills, training, KE, flex-funding Theme –led PHD partnership, joint supervision, critical mass |
| Problem driven not capability driven * | Provide sound evidence to inform policy | Too much analysis and scope creep → keep focus | Piloting; understand existing natural CO ₂ stores Leadership governance, outcome – oriented monitoring* |

*==→ single hub?

Alternative Mechanisms

- Balance of funding & relationships between 3 activities - 3 activities must be integrated
 - more funding for activity 3
 - activity 3 should feed into activity 1 & 2, research should drive where we do things (demonstrators)
- Prefer a single institute to ensure strong leadership
- Complimentary mechanisms e.g. CDT + PhDs + Post Docs
- Ensure cross cutting linkage between all packages including policy (legal/regulatory/economics), needs to be whole systems
- Link with stakeholders in all release areas including insurers
- Ensure funding mechanisms are focussed on problems rather than disciplines
- Completely problem based approach (results driven) oriented around an actual project – like problem based teaching
- Recognition that industrial decarbonisation links into broader decarbonisation issues
- Focus to ensure success in decarbonising one cluster to encourage future/further government investment (avoid mission creep)
- Support of research base in short term interdisciplinary working will underpin future work - 2030
- An Institute – what are the risks?
 - There are very diverse industrial sectors – how do you deal with this heterogeneity?
 - Issue over inclusivity of academic community
 - Could an alternative be a ‘mega’ network



