## reuniting planning and health: tackling the implementation gaps in evidence, governance and knowledge



# impact assessment for health and planning

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"Before we begin our Time Management Seminar, did everyone get one of these 36-hour wrist watches?"

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10:30-10:50	Effectiveness of HIA integration in Welsh planning (Lee Parry-Williams, Public Health Wales and the Wales HIA Support Unit)
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11:30-11:40	Comments and discussion
11:40-11:55	Coffee
11:55-12:15	A Comparative Review of Health in EIA: England, India and Kenya (Urmila Jha Thakur, University of Liverpool)
12:15-12:35	When health is neglected in IA: A view upon decision-making, social complexity and deliberation (Lone Kørnøv, Aalborg University)
12:35-12:55	Health in Swedish Impact Assessment practice (Charlotta Faith-Ell, SR Civils)
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14:00-16:00	workshops – advantages / benefits and disadvantages / problems associated with attempting to enhance the consideration of health in planning:
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- through HIA (Hilary Dreaves, U of Liverpool)
- through an overarching integrated assessment process (Angie Jukes, Stockport)
- by using existing plan making processes (i.e. no IA; Sam Hayes, U of L'pool)

### Participants...



#### About us...



- Environmental Assessment and Management Research Centre (EAM Research)
  - Biggest Centre of its kind in a UK University
  - Currently three core (permanent) IA staff and several other staff interested in the subject
  - 12 IA related research projects since 2010
  - Currently eight PhD students working on IA plus several visiting students/ researchers
  - Currently 15 students on our MSc EAM

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**Health in Impact Assessments** 

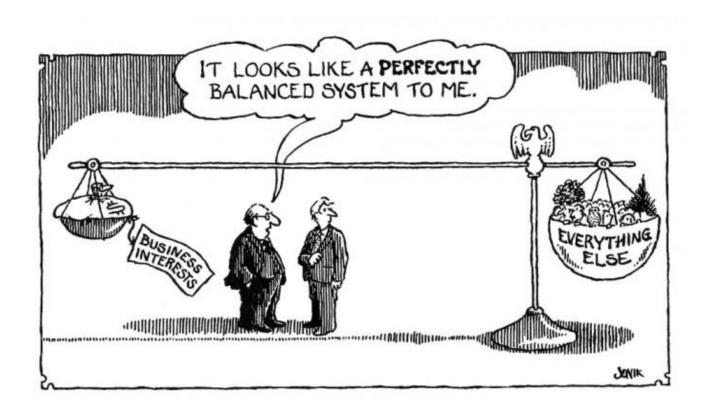
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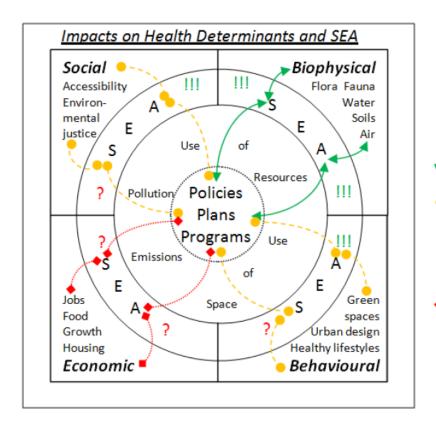
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...Evidence...

#### So what does IA (as we see it) aims at?



#### It's a wicked issue...



Original purpose of SEA [!!!]; not to be traded-off in SEA

> Integration in SEA possible, but problems likely; trade-offs need to be made transparent

Integration in SEA may be problematic [???], possible incompatibilities; trade-offs need to be made transparent

Source: Fischer (2013)

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