Victorian risk assessment



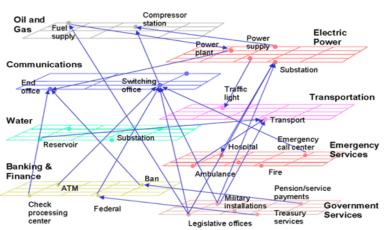












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- UCL Built Environment and Planning Faculty (Bartlett)
- Bristol University Systems Centre
- Science Policy Research Unit Sussex University
- Renewable Energy Department, Southampton University
- Intelligence, Agents and Multimedia Group, Southampton University
- Water Science Institute, Cranfield University

International Centre for Infrastructure Futures

Vision

- To achieve a major improvement in policy making and commercialisation of future infrastructure provision, from design to operation, using a multidisciplinary approach to value capture and the generation of new business models
- To use a systems thinking rationale applied to all relevant aspects of infrastructure provision, especially dealing with interdependencies
- To accelerate and embed relevant learning in academia, in government and in commerce through deep engagement with participant's networks
- To integrate research and learning across disciplines and between institutions building on existing methods but extended using novel structured methods of working

Major thrusts

- Holistic view of what makes up a business model
- Nothing is sacrosanct including regulation, legislation, governance, financing – legacy is everywhere, history is important and predicts nothing.
- Treating research as a wicked problem embedded learning and dealing with complexity head on (not oversimplification so something can be done regardless of whether it is useful or even meaningful)
- Interdependency is explicitly dealt with, as is data
- Purpose of infrastructure is being re examined, as are the characteristics for success (e.g. resilience, cost of ownership, decommissioning costs, aesthetics...)
- International comparisons being developed

