

# Free webinar

## Knowledge into policy: Going beyond “Context matters”

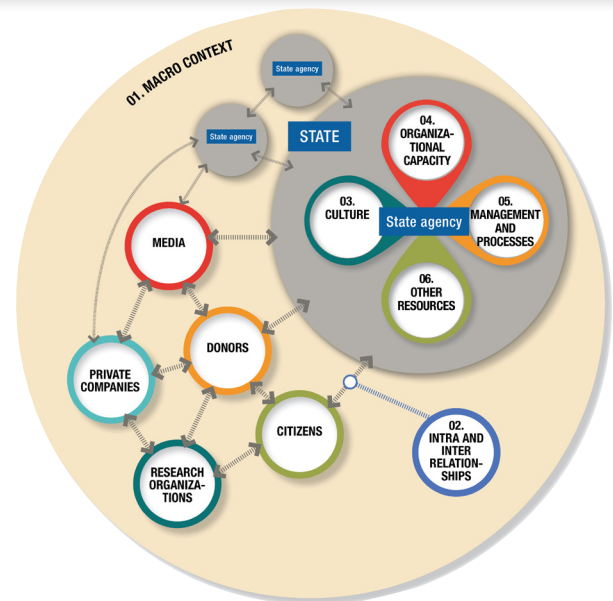
### A conceptual framework and how to use it

The role and importance of context in the interaction between research and policy is widely recognized. It features in general literature on the subject, in case studies of how research has successfully influenced policy, and in practitioner reflections on the results of their work. But despite this, there is significant room to improve our understanding of how context matters.

In partnership with **INASP, Politics & Ideas** embarked on the development of a knowledge systematization effort around context, focusing on public institutions and how they facilitate (or not) the production and use of relevant knowledge in policy.

In this webinar we will jointly navigate through an interactive product where we synthesize what we have learned to enable us and others to better inform different efforts to strengthen the link between policy and research, ranging from changes driven by policymakers to capacity development and future research. This product emerges from our [paper on the conceptual framework](#) and a [practical paper on implications and how to use this framework](#) for diverse users.

If you are a policymaker, a researcher, a capacity building expert or a donor interested in better deciphering how context can affect and be affected by your efforts, **join us on a free 1.15 hour webinar on September 7th, at 2 PM UK time** to jointly analyze and discuss future opportunities. If interested, **send an email to [contact@politicsandideas.org](mailto:contact@politicsandideas.org)** with your name and organization. We look forward to an enriching discussion!



#### The facilitators

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