



Connecting research, policy and practice through effective evidence brokering

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Metaphors for brokerage



Translator

(e.g. Armstrong, Waters, Crockett, and Keleher, 2007)



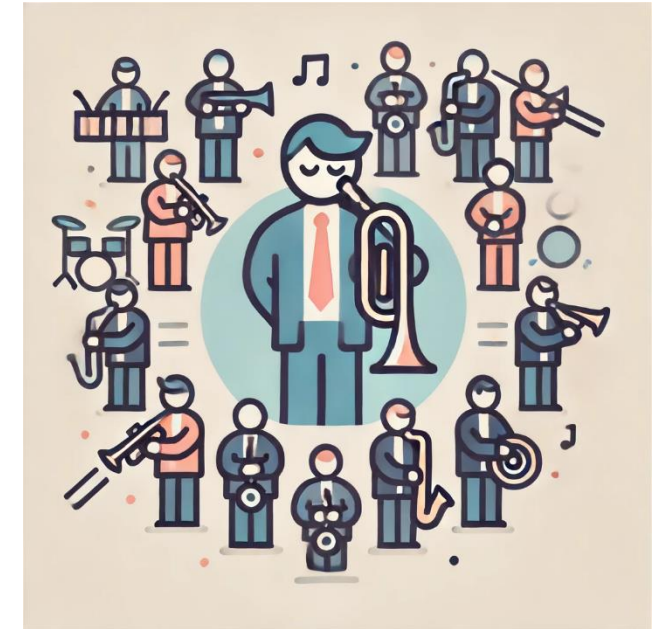
Mediator

(e.g. Gagnon et al, 2019)



Boundary-spanner

(e.g. Bednarek et al, 2018)



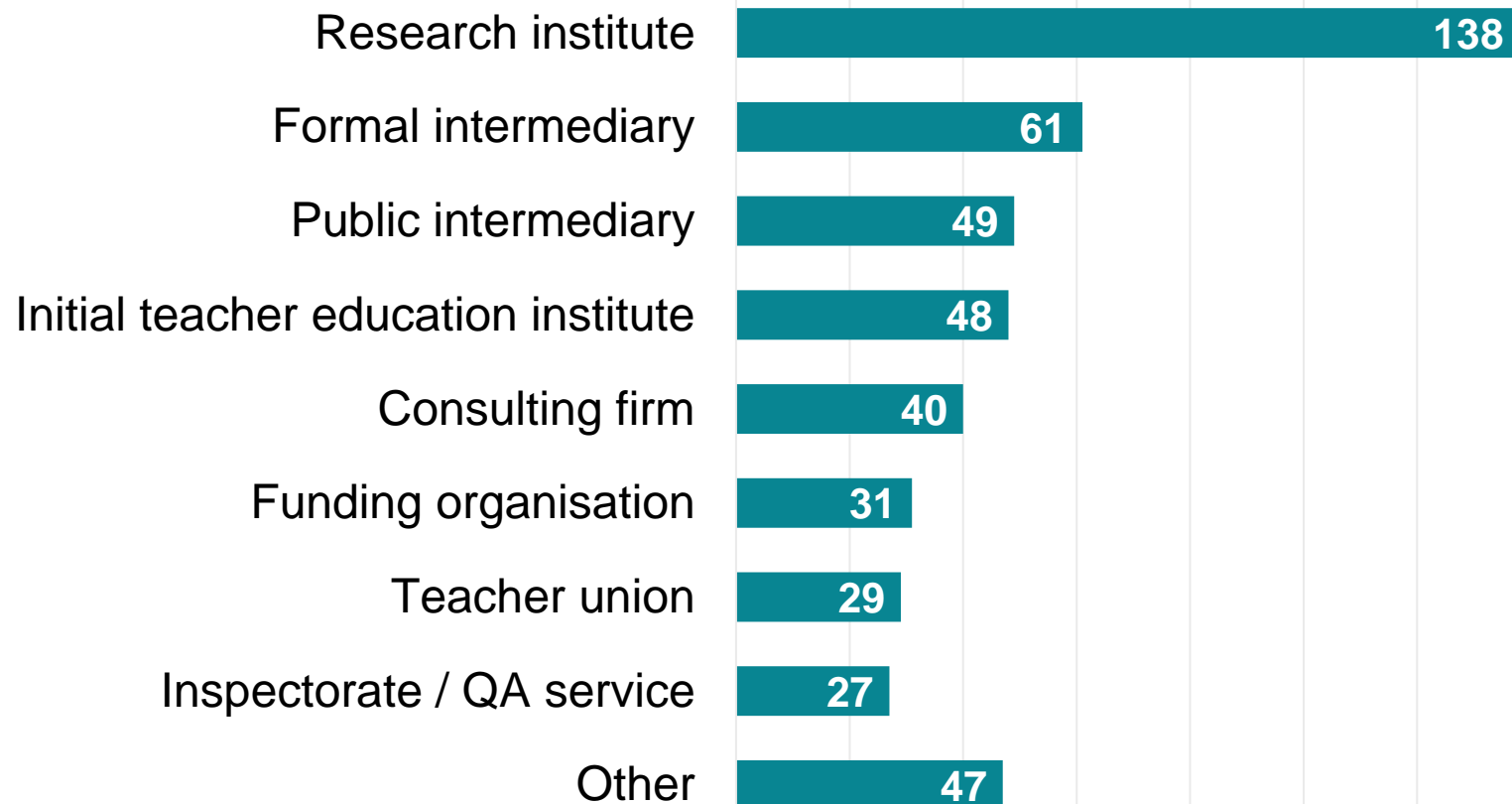
Jazz band lead

(Maxwell, **Sharples**, Coldwell, 2022)

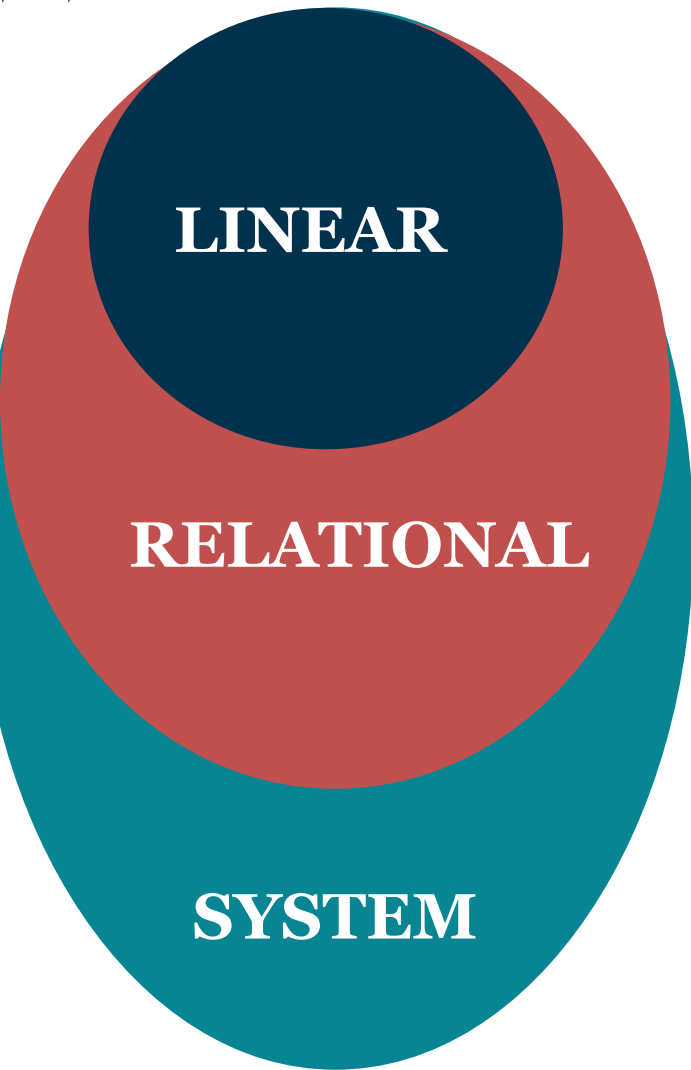
Who are intermediaries?

Survey of Knowledge Mobilisation (2023)

- 288 organisations from 34 countries
- Characterise knowledge mobilisation activities
- Learn about their effectiveness and impact across different organisations.



What does knowledge mobilisation encompass?

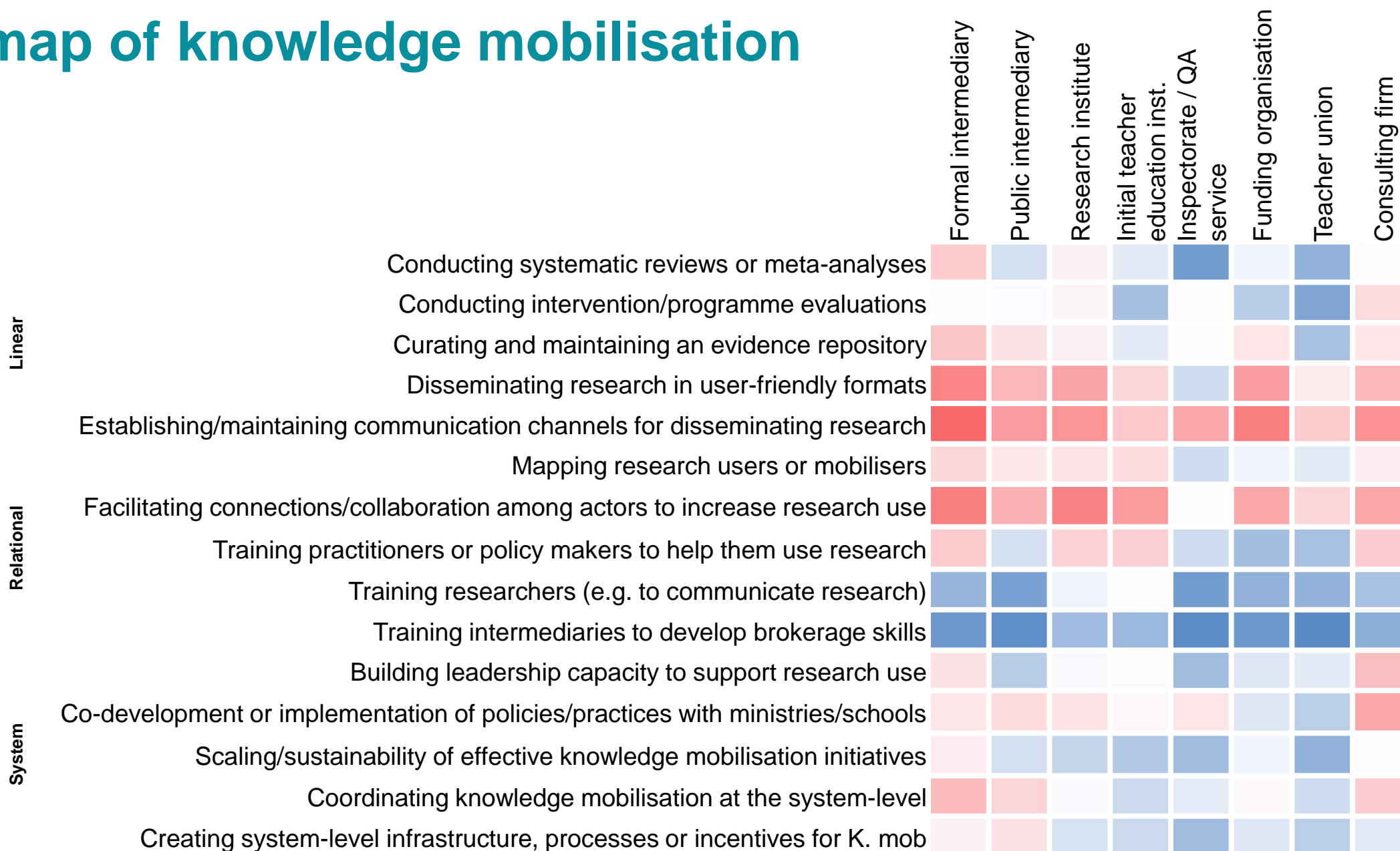
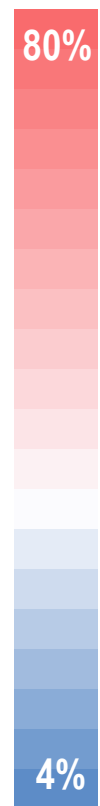


- Systematic reviews
- Intervention/programme evaluations
- Evidence repository
- Disseminating research in user-friendly forms
- Establishing communication channels
- Mapping research users and mobilisers
- Facilitating collaboration among actors
- Training
 - Practitioners / policy makers
 - Researchers
 - Brokers
- Building leadership capacity
- Development or implementation of policies / practices with ministries / schools
- Supporting scale-up and sustainability of K. mobilisation
- Coordinating knowledge mobilisation at the system level
- Creating infrastructure, processes, incentives for K. mobilisation

Based on:
Best, A. and Holmes, B. (2011) and Boaz (2021)



Heatmap of knowledge mobilisation

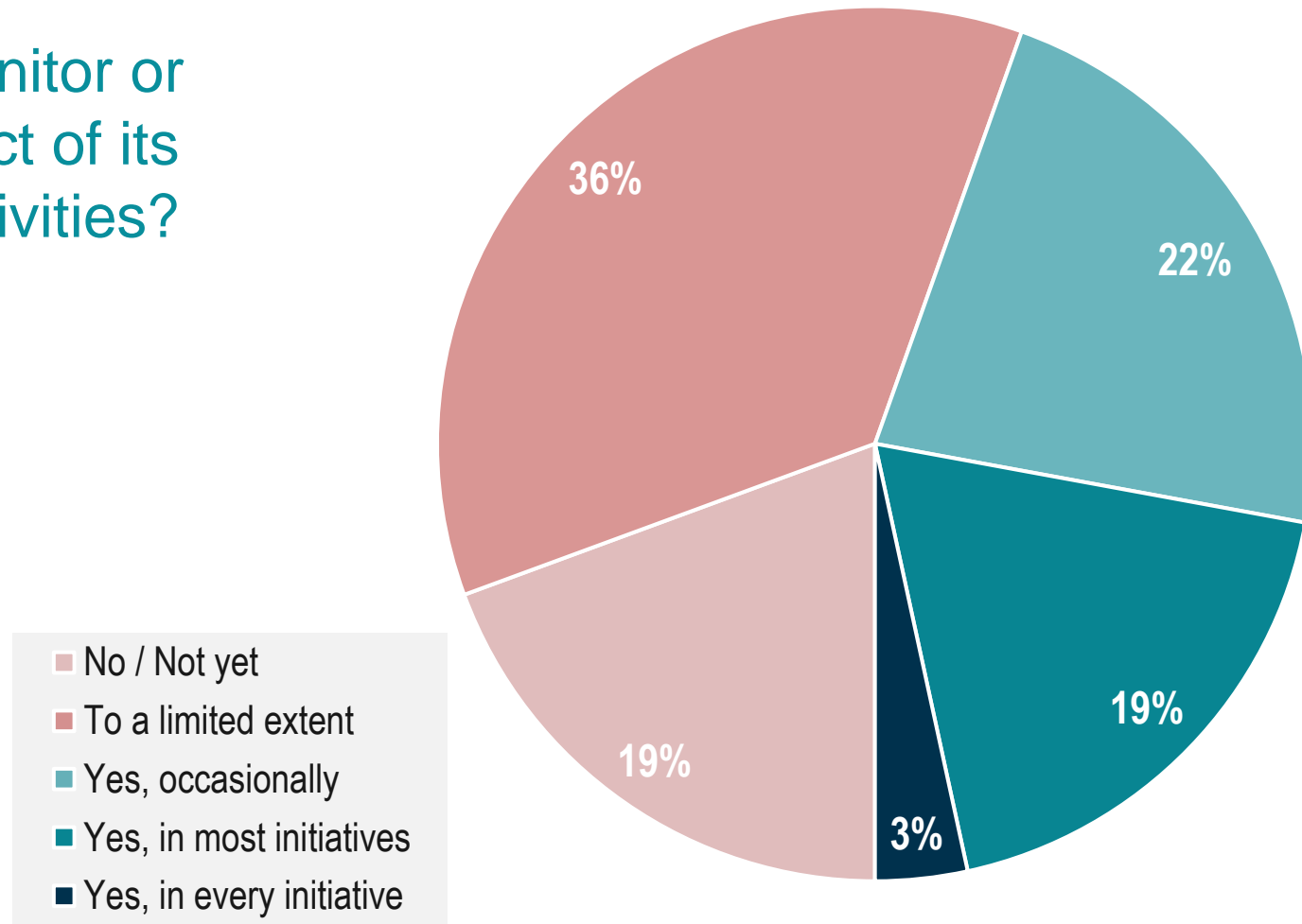


Percentage of organisations reporting to engage in the given activity “To a large extent” or “Systematically”.

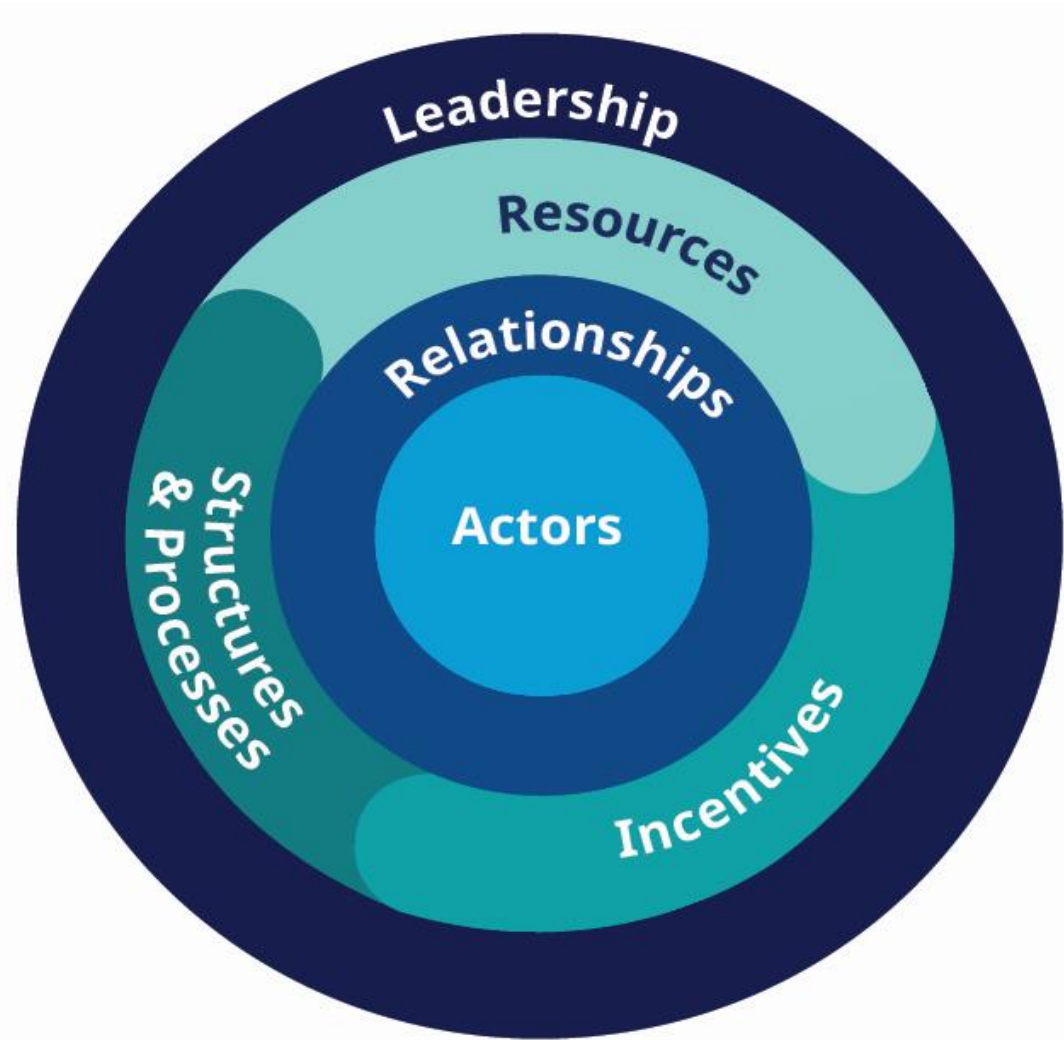


Better understand “what works in what works”

Does your organisation monitor or evaluate the reach or impact of its knowledge mobilisation activities?



The right conditions for brokerage





Discussion questions

- What is the role of intermediaries in supporting policy and practice to engage with research evidence?
- How can intermediaries and brokers do their work effectively?
- What can education systems do to support the intermediary ecosystem and improve the systematic use of evidence?



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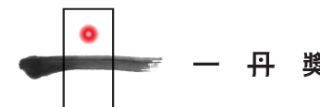
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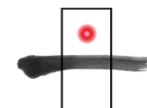
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What's next for evidence-informed, creative education systems?



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