

A COORDINATED AGENDA FOR MARINE, ENVIRONMENT AND RURAL AFFAIRS SCIENCE (CAMERAS) (2011-2016)

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Consultation Questions

<p>Question 1: Do you agree that the two broad categories of 'Local Responses to Global Change' and 'Optimising the Potential of Scotland's Natural Assets' are helpful in providing an overlying structure to the Co-ordinated Agenda?</p>	<p>No, Although laudable it takes the effort away from more important areas</p>
<p>Question 2: Are the descriptions of these set out in Section 3 (and Annex 3) comprehensive?</p>	<p>Yes,</p>
<p>Question 3: Do these cover the major policy challenges where science can contribute as you see them?</p>	<p>No,</p>
<p>Question 4: Are they likely to remain broadly relevant over the longer time horizon (well beyond the 2016 focus of this Coordinated Agenda)?</p>	<p>No,</p>
<p>Question 5: Do you agree with the description of support for the National Capability Theme set out in Section 3 (and Annex 3)?</p>	<p>No,</p>
<p>Question 6: What facilities, resources and data do you think are important for Scotland to maintain?</p>	
<p>Question 7: Are there other resources that Scotland needs to acquire to support future policy development?</p>	<p>Yes, Disease control in animals is vital</p>
<p>Question 8: Have we correctly</p>	<p>No,</p>

<i>identified the key policy issues and the associated scientific opportunities in Section 3?</i>	
<i>Question 9: Are there additional issues that should be included?</i>	Yes,
<i>Question 10: What do you think will be the most important influences on Scotland's future in the Marine, Environment, Rural Affairs and related areas?</i>	
<i>Question 11: Why do you think these are important?</i>	
<i>Question 12: Are there other scientific opportunities which should be highlighted?</i>	
<i>Question 13: What existing areas of Scottish based scientific expertise should be maintained to contribute evidence to key policy issues?</i>	
<i>Question 14: How clear is the relationship between the scientific areas and the key policy issues?</i>	
<i>Question 15: In which areas of science can we continue to make use of expertise supported elsewhere e.g. at the UK, EU and international levels?</i>	
<i>Question 16: In the time frame for CAMERAS (2011-2016) what new emerging areas of science are likely to mature and become available for more general use or application?</i>	
<i>Question 17: Do we have the expertise available to be able to use these new opportunities?</i>	
<i>Question 18: In which areas does Scotland need to be self reliant?</i>	
<i>Question 19: Knowledge Exchange is essential for scientific activity to</i>	

<p>achieve impact. Do you agree that KE should be an explicit and integral aspect of the delivery of this Coordinated Agenda?</p>	
<p>Question 20: How can we continue to improve the integration of evidence from a diverse range of sources into forms that are accessible to end users?</p>	
<p>Question 21: How can we reconcile the requirement for science to be responsive and flexible to short term demands while at the same time ensuring that longer term strategic research continues to progress our knowledge and understanding?</p>	
<p>Question 22: How can we ensure that the 2 way flow of knowledge from science to policy and from policy to the academic community is optimised?</p>	
<p>Question 23: Are there alternative structures/systems or new approaches/organisations that could enhance these flows?</p>	
<p>Question 24: Are there science delivery models which could provide examples of good practice for Scotland to follow?</p>	
<p>Question 25: We would also welcome any other general comments you may have on any of the issues raised in this document.</p>	<p>My real issue is that important research is being sidelined in putsuit of the global warming issue and I think although important other things are equally as important. In the current political it is becoming almost impossible to do anything that runs contrary to the global warming bandwagon and I think a little consideration of other issues should be just as important.</p>