

The ISC theory of change: a living document describing ISC's current priorities, strategy, activities and goals; received by Board in Feb 2023

Vision/goal: Science is used effectively to advance the global public and common good.

<p>Our mission and core strategic objective is to be the leading and most effective global voice for and of science</p>	<p>Assumptions</p> <p>That science needs a global voice, that it can find an audience, that it should be a privileged social partner....</p>	<p>Objectives</p> <p>1.Raising ISC profile and building relationships with key audiences and institutions</p> <p>2.Coordinating and channelling science and expertise to provide high quality input and thought leadership</p> <p>3.Building relationships with ISC Members, partners and global scientific community; expanding membership base.</p> <p>4.Building the requisite internal (operational) capacity</p>	<p>Priority activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Cultivating relationships & partnerships with key intl stakeholders – Developing brokerage for UN and other multilateral agencies/bodies – Acting as an agent of science diplomacy – Producing high quality input on critical science systems issues through a Centre for Science Future – Producing high quality input on global existential issues, including through projects and coordination of intl scientific endeavours – Supporting freedom and responsibility in science – Coordinating intl. scientific endeavours – Membership engagement & outreach (incl. host country) – Addressing membership gaps – Strengthening regional presence – Building members' capacities – Developing ISC Fellowship and patronage – Constitutional reform – Organizational redesign, resourcing and policy development – Resource mobilization 	<p>Short-term outputs/results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – MoUs and partnerships with intl bodies – Brokerage capacities – High quality reports and recommendations, customized for audience – Pilot projects launched – Plan for establishment of a Pacific Island Academy – Improved relationships with and use of ISC Affiliated Bodies – ISC–France liaison committee established – ISC regional focal point structure in place – Membership gaps being filled and membership engagement increased – Members and Fellows involved in ISC activities and supporting the ISC – Targeted services to members – Revised constitution and governance – New, appropriate organizational structure, staffing and policies in place – Charitable trusts established in the UK and donations being received 	<p>Midterm outcomes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – More effective scientific input into multilateral policy development – Intl. scientific endeavours are better coordinated – Enhanced ISC profile and legitimacy – ISC is an established actor in the science diplomacy arena – Closer and more effective relationship with host country & members – More (and more diverse) members and membership engagement – More effective regional presence – ISC is operating smoothly & financially healthy – Management & governance is appropriate for a professional body 	<p>Longer-term outcomes</p> <p>ISC provides the authoritative and legitimate global voice for and of science</p> <p>Science is used more effectively in policy making at scales from local to global, including in LMICs</p>
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Principles: Excellence and professionalism, inclusivity and diversity, transparency and integrity, innovation and sustainability

Partners: ISC members, Affiliated Bodies, UN and agencies, development banks, funders, etc.

Impact: Reduced existential risks – resilience & sustainability – greater appreciation of science all over the world – science systems have evolved to meet societal needs