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## OUR MISSION

The Society for Decision Making Under Deep Uncertainty is a multi-disciplinary association of professionals working to improve processes, methods, and tools for decision making under deep uncertainty, facilitate their use in practice, and foster effective and responsible decision making in our rapidly changing world. While we share interests with other societies, ours is unique in its focus on developing, disseminating, and using these new approaches.

## Welcome to the newsletter of the Society for Decision Making Under Deep Uncertainty Issue 6, Feb 2017

- Through this newsletter we aim to provide members with a regular update on news of interest to the society, which includes forthcoming conferences, workshops and other events, recent publications of interest, and opportunities for working together and collaboration.
- We ask members to supply us with any news they want circulating among our community.
- We aim to circulate newsletters as-and-when there is sufficient news to disseminate, which means a likely frequency of one newsletter every few months or so, but more frequently if necessary.
- The newsletter is brought to you by the Communication & Outreach Team (Kim Smet, James Derbyshire, Edoardo Borgomeo, Marjolijn Haasnoot).

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## Conferences & Workshops

### ***Annual DMDU meeting 2017: save the date***

The 2017 annual DMDU meeting will be hosted by Oxford University from 13th to 16th of November, with training on DMDU methodologies scheduled for November 13th, 2016. The location is the stunning [Oxford Martin School](#).

### ***Reports DMDU meeting 2016***

Recently, three blogs were published that reported on the training day and sessions of the 2016 annual DMDU meeting. You can find them here:

- [First Annual Training Day on DMDU methods](#) - by Steven Popper
- [Bridging the False Divide](#): Are We Ignoring the Role of Adaptive Operations for Improving the Efficiency, Resilience and Robustness of Planned Infrastructure? - By Patrick Reed
- [Deep Uncertainty and the Long-Term](#): Time, the policy challenge and enablers for policy persistence. - By Judy Lawrence and Robert Lempert

### **ECCA 2017 conference**

The 3rd [European Climate Change Adaptation Conference](#) will take place in Glasgow, 5th-9th June 2017. The theme is 'Our Climate Ready Future'. Decision making under deep uncertainty is one of the topics at the conference. If you are going and interested in meeting other DMDU members, let us know. We are considering organizing an informal network-meeting.

## Leadership team

Following the recent society-wide election, the society's leadership team has now been confirmed for the next year, including new members! For more information on this team see: <http://www.deepuncertainty.org/about-us/>

## Requests for assistance

### **Call for Membership in Funding Committee**

Activities are currently underway to explore what the right business model for the Society might look like including how to proactively generate/identify opportunities for members and connect them to such. If you are interested in helping to shape this please do reach out to Oliver as the Chair for Funding and Career Development at [owschwabe@googlemail.com](mailto:owschwabe@googlemail.com) and join the Committee.

## New paper? Blog? Share something with DMDU members?

### **Recent DMDU publications**

We collect recent publications related to decision making under deep uncertainties. You can find them here: <http://www.deepuncertainty.org/category/recent-publication/>

They include e.g. a paper on :

- *designing monitoring arrangements* for collaborative learning about adaptation pathways,
- *barriers and opportunities for robust decision making* approaches,
- review on *decision support systems* for water treatment, and
- what it took to *catalyse uptake of adaptive pathways planning in practice*.

You can submit your own publication [here](#)

### **Submit a blog**

Do you want to share information? Do you want to publicize a report on a meeting, or reflection on some news?

The DMDU society has over 200 members worldwide. It is an excellent way to disseminate your research and thoughts.

Submit a blog via: [www.deepuncertainty.org/submit-a-blog](http://www.deepuncertainty.org/submit-a-blog)

You can reach us through a variety of means:

- website: <http://www.deepuncertainty.org/>
- social media: [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#)
- email to members: [deepuncertainty-members@googlegroups.com](mailto:deepuncertainty-members@googlegroups.com)
- email to leadership team: [deepuncertainty-leadership@googlegroups.com](mailto:deepuncertainty-leadership@googlegroups.com)
- Submit a blog: [www.deepuncertainty.org/submit-a-blog](http://www.deepuncertainty.org/submit-a-blog)
- Submit a paper: [www.deepuncertainty.org/submit-a-recent-publication](http://www.deepuncertainty.org/submit-a-recent-publication)

## Career opportunities

### ***Looking for a new career opportunity related to DMDU?***

The following websites might be useful:

- For those seeking career opportunities in climate change: <http://climate-l.iisd.org/jobs/>
- For those seeking career opportunities in water: <http://www.joshswaterjobs.com/>

If you know of other useful career resources in additional sectors, please email us and we will include them in the next newsletter.

**Thank you for reading the newsletter of the Society for  
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