



KE4CAP: Lessons Learned (a whistle-stop tour)

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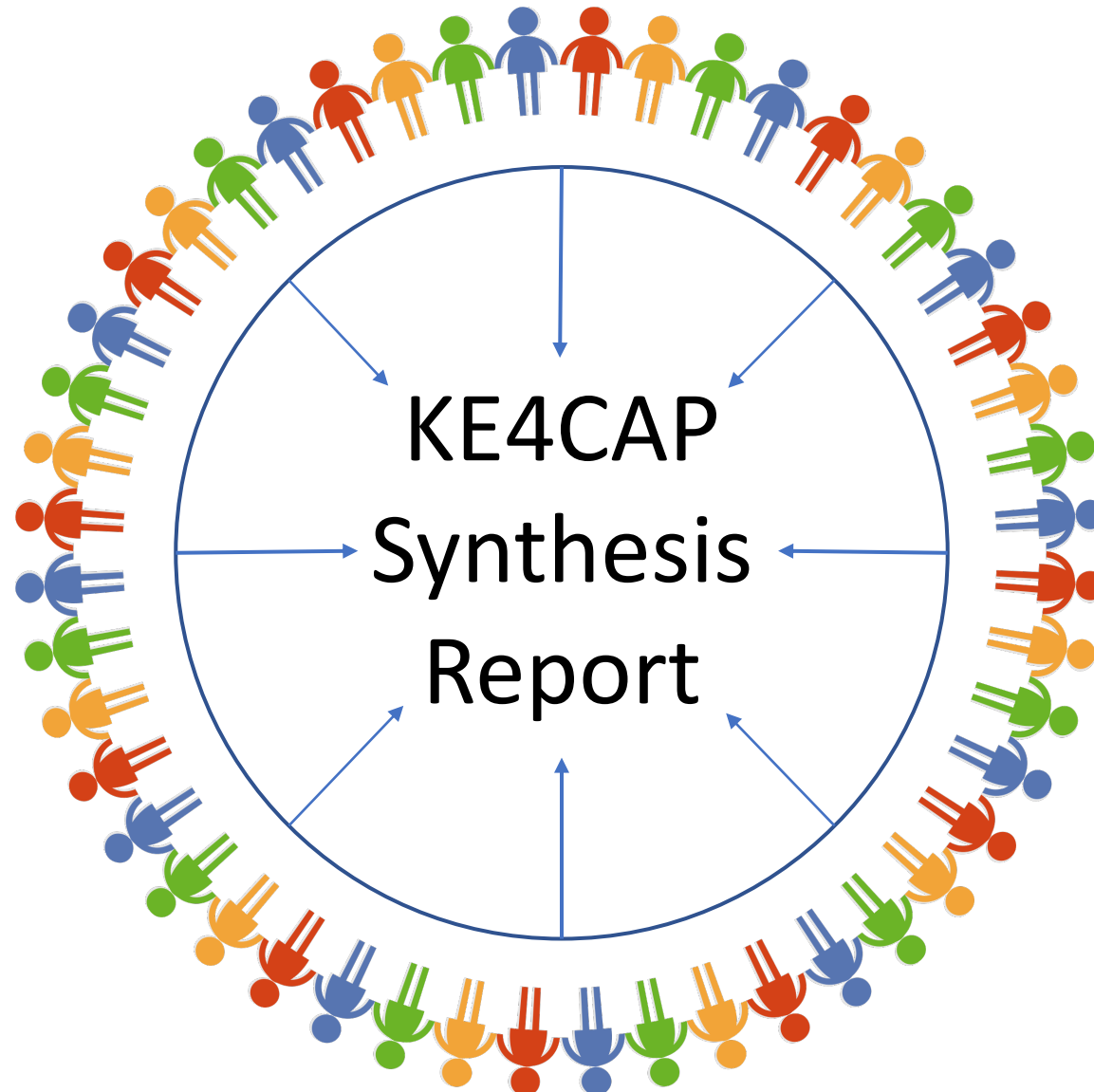


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KE4CAP Synthesis Report

<https://www.weadapt.org/platforms>

Builds upon the KE4CAP Survey:
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The pages below comprise the chapters of the [KE4CAP Synthesis Report](#). This early summary of the Synthesis Report (September 2021), available as one-page topic summaries via the pages below, aims to provide food for thought for the [KE4CAP Synthesis Workshop](#) on 8-9th September 2021. It will be followed by a more detailed and further illustrated Synthesis Report in December 2021.

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Topic 1: Co-evaluation, learning and capacity development to drive platform improvement



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Key findings:

- We are co-producers: CAPs are finding numerous ways to ensure and benefit from high levels of user involvement in design and development.
- While often informal, MRE / MEL activities are employing various techniques to capture impact.

Key shared challenges:

- Meeting the expectations and needs of increasingly numerous and diverse users.
- Funding co-production and MEL (resource intensive).

Relevant resources

- ❖ Topic page:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/topic1>
- ❖ EU-Australia BKE:
https://www.weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Australia
- ❖ VKE2 - supporting local authorities / local users:
https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/VKE2_localusers
- ❖ VKE3 – Retaining relevance:
http://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/VKE3_evolvingneeds
- ❖ EU-Canada Session 4. Integrating Identified User Needs:
https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Canada/4
- ❖ EU-Canada Session 3. Enhancing Platform Impact:
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Topic 2: Supporting and Working with Local Users



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Key findings:

CAPs are supporting and enabling local level through

- Engaging and working directly with local users.
- Building their capacity to understand and use available information and tools.
- Making knowledge accessible.
- Enabling peer to peer learning.

Key shared challenges:

- Balancing available resources with diverse requirements.
- Establishing and sustaining long-term collaborative relationships.
- Measuring and demonstrating the success of platforms.

Relevant resources

- ❖ Topic page:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/topic2>
- ❖ EU-Australia BKE:
https://www.weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Australia
- ❖ VKE2 - supporting local authorities / local users:
https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/VKE2_localusers
- ❖ VKE3 – Retaining relevance:
http://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/VKE3_evolvingneeds
- ❖ EU-Canada Session 4. Integrating Identified User Needs:
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Topic 3: The role of CAPs in supporting monitoring, reporting, and evaluation of progress in adaptation



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Key findings:

- There is significant potential for CAPs to support adaptation MRE, and by extension, the Global Stocktake.
- CAPs are already providing some services that can be used for this. Some CAPs already have tools supporting adaptation MRE.

Key shared challenges:

- Adaptation MRE is beyond most CAPs' mandate and resource allocation.
- Developing adaptation MRE capability is complex, in terms of both measuring progress and developing appropriate technical features.

Relevant resources

- ❖ Topic page:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/topic3>
- ❖ VKE – Role of CAPs in MRE
https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/VKE5_MRE
- ❖ EU-Australia BKE:
https://www.weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Australia

Topic 4: Communications, knowledge brokering and stewardship to stimulate and enable action



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Key findings:

- There are numerous examples of innovative knowledge resources and tools that have been tailored and packaged for specific users.
- CAPs are supporting users to share their knowledge and experiences – inspiring change and informing policy.

Key shared challenges:

- Engaging, supporting and inspiring a growing and increasingly diverse user base.
- Understanding the needs of existing and new users.
- Integrating creative and cultural practice without being tokenistic.

Relevant resources

- ❖ Topic page:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/topic4>
- ❖ VKE4 - Communications, knowledge brokering and stewardship:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/VKE4knowledge>
- ❖ EU-Australia BKE:
https://www.weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Australia
- ❖ VKE2 - supporting local authorities / local users:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/VKE2localusers>
- ❖ EU-Canada Session 3. Enhancing Platform Impact:
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Topic 5: Integration of cultural knowledge, capacities and needs into CAPs



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Key findings:

CAPs are:

- putting emphasis inclusivity, political sensitivity, and trust building in their co-development and outreach activities.
- integrating knowledge from those working on the ground.
- Providing tailored resources to Indigenous communities that align with and draw on cultural knowledge and expertise.

Key shared challenges:

- Understanding and integrating culturally appropriate knowledge.
- Finding/developing appropriate ways to engage communities.
- Building and sustaining trust and two-way knowledge sharing.

Relevant resources

- ❖ Topic page:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/topic5>
- ❖ EU-Australia BKE:
https://www.weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Australia
- ❖ VKE4 - Communications, knowledge brokering and stewardship:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/VKE4knowledge>
- ❖ EU-Canada Session 1. National Adaptation Strategies:
https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Canada/1
- ❖ EU-Canada Session 3. Enhancing Platform Impact:
https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Canada/3

Topic 6: Retaining relevance of CAPs in a fast-moving world



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Key findings:

- CAPs are investing in regular engagement with users to maintain their trust, understanding their needs/expectations and build their capacity.
- CAPs have various approaches to reviewing content and functionality to ensure services provided are valid and easy to use.

Key shared challenges:

- Balancing generating new content with updating old content.
- Maintaining connectivity (between relevant content), consistency and quality across services as platforms evolve and new elements are added.

Relevant resources

- ❖ Topic page:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/topic6>
- ❖ VKE3 – Retaining relevance:
<http://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/VKE3/evolvingneeds>
- ❖ EU-Australia BKE:
https://www.weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Australia
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Topic 7: Integration and coherence across CAPs



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Key findings:

- CAPs are increasingly working towards vertical and horizontal integration –
 - connecting national with local, regional and international.
 - connecting climate with sectors, including health, finance.
- Increasing number of examples of linking platform content and integration through sharing data, and tools.

Key shared challenges:

Enhancing integration and coherence in a coordinated way requires:

- overarching coordination processes, agreements/governance structures and resource allocation.
- Access to networks of people critical to establishing connections.

Relevant resources

- ❖ Topic page:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/topic7>
- ❖ EU-Australia BKE:
https://www.weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Australia
- ❖ EU-Canada Session 3. Linking Platforms:
https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Canada/2
- ❖ BKE EU-Japan event: Enhancing Connections Across International, National and Local Adaptation Actions:
http://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Japan

Topic 8: Business models and value propositions for financing CAPs



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Key findings:

Focus on:

- Focus on demonstrating CAPs as trusted knowledge providers and brokers, and positioning CAPs as key knowledge providers supporting adaptation decision-making.
- Embedding CAPs within the wider national adaptation process.
- Communicating the effectiveness of adaptation platforms.

Key shared challenges:

- Identifying appropriate long-term business models that value both public good and private benefit and allow for flexibility.
- Co-developing and communicating value propositions that have legitimacy and weight within science and policy/practice.

Relevant resources

- ❖ Topic page:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/topic8>
- ❖ EU-Australia BKE:
https://www.weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Australia
- ❖ VKE3 – Retaining relevance:
<http://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/VKE3/evolvingneeds>



Key findings:

- Many CAPs use boards, advisory panels and user groups to provide quality assurance and help ensure their credibility and usability.
- Day-to-day QA is often provided through internally established routines and the expertise of CAP teams. A few platforms have a dedicated QA process with associated criteria and indicators.

Key shared challenges:

- Building capacity and resources to establish and sustain QA processes and use these to deliver ongoing improvements.
- User engagement in defining and developing robust standards and QA/QC approaches.
- Undertaking QA on third party data and information on the platform.

Relevant resources

- ❖ Topic page:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/topic9>
- ❖ EU-Australia BKE:
https://www.weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Australia
- ❖ VKE4 - Communications, knowledge brokering and stewardship:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/VKE4knowledge>
- ❖ VKE3 – Retaining relevance:
<http://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/VKE3evolvingneeds>

Topic 10: Platform architecture and technical development



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Key findings:

- Iterative co-design and user testing widely used to ensure the technical architecture and features are fit for purpose.
- Focus on *data visualisation* in CAPs to support knowledge brokering, translation and use of data.
- CAP architecture and technology has implications for CAP integration and interoperability.

Key shared challenges:

- Keeping pace with interfaces and technology expected by users.
- Improving functionality while keeping CAPs accessible to areas with poor IT infrastructure and connectivity.

Relevant resources

- ❖ Topic page:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/topic10>
- ❖ EU-Australia BKE:
https://www.weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Australia
- ❖ EU-Canada Session 3. Linking Platforms:
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- ❖ EU-Canada Session 4. Integrating Identified User Needs:
https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Canada/4



Key findings:

- Advisory groups, steering committees and boards provide oversight, strategic direction and links to policy and user requirements.
- Working groups provide focused support and enhance synergies.
 - Members can act as *champions* for the platform.
- Coordination units/teams are key for effective day-to-day operation.

Key shared challenges:

- Providing a governance framework that ensures continuity and sustainability in a rapidly evolving environment.
- Balancing available resources as audiences, expectations and the services provided by the CAP grow and evolve.

Relevant resources

- ❖ Topic page:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/topic11>
- ❖ EU-Australia BKE:
https://www.weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Australia
- ❖ EU-Canada Session 3. Linking Platforms:
https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Canada/2

Topic 12: Social justice and equity



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Key findings:

CAPs are:

- Developing strategies to engage with, better understand the needs of, and build relationships and trust with under-represented and vulnerable groups.
- Providing tailored content: case studies conducted by local experts, translating content into appropriate languages, using infographics and videos to more effectively communicate knowledge.

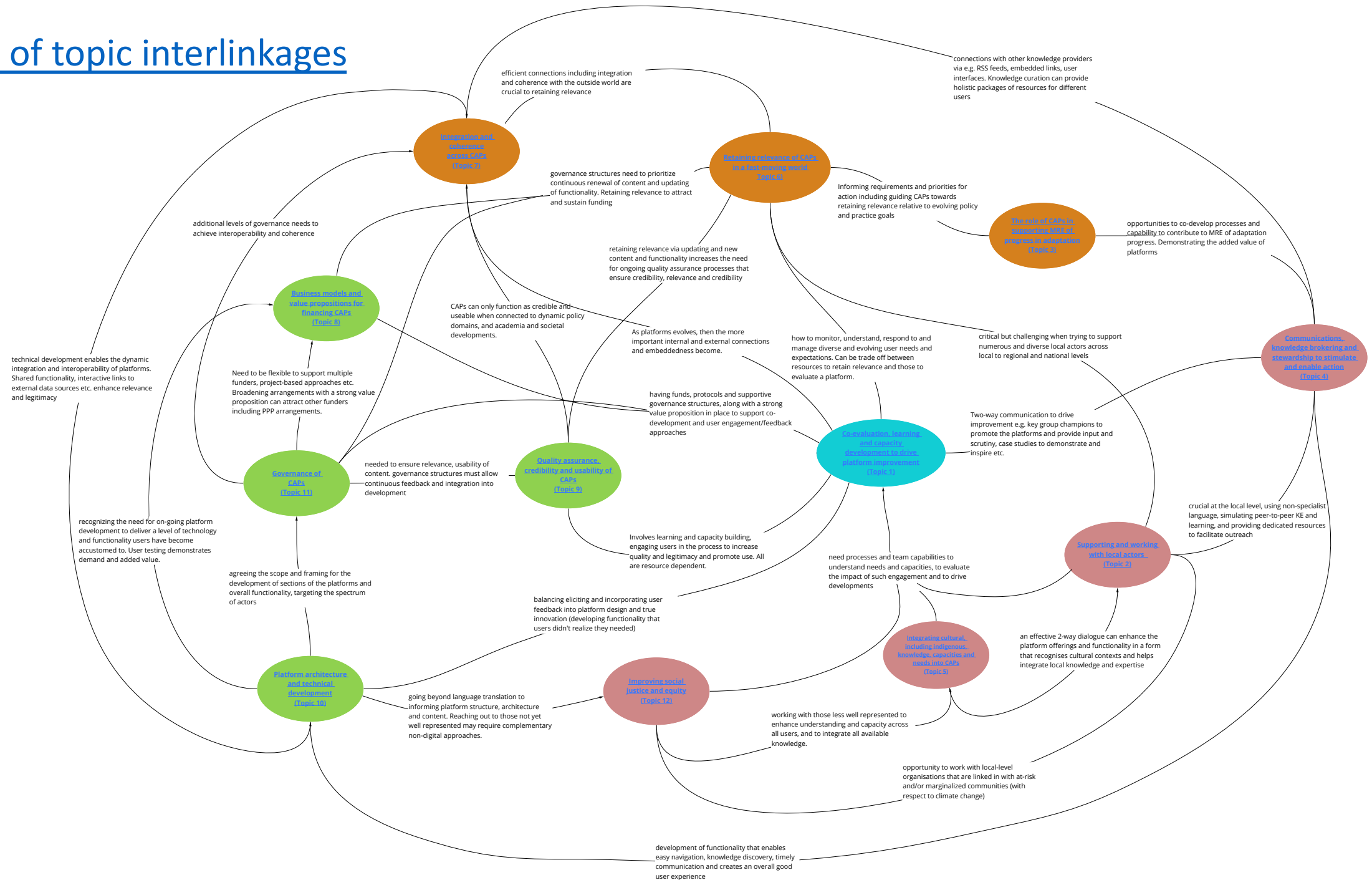
Key shared challenges:

- Building capacity to address social justice and equity concerns within platforms is challenging, especially given limited resources.
- Building networks with organisations that have the knowledge and expertise to act as champions to accelerate inclusivity.

Relevant resources

- ❖ Topic page:
<https://weadapt.org/KE4CAP/topic12>
- ❖ EU-Aus BKE:
https://www.weadapt.org/KE4CAP/EU_Australia
- ❖ VKE4 - Communications, knowledge brokering and stewardship:
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Map of topic interlinkages



What we are learning about KE4CAP



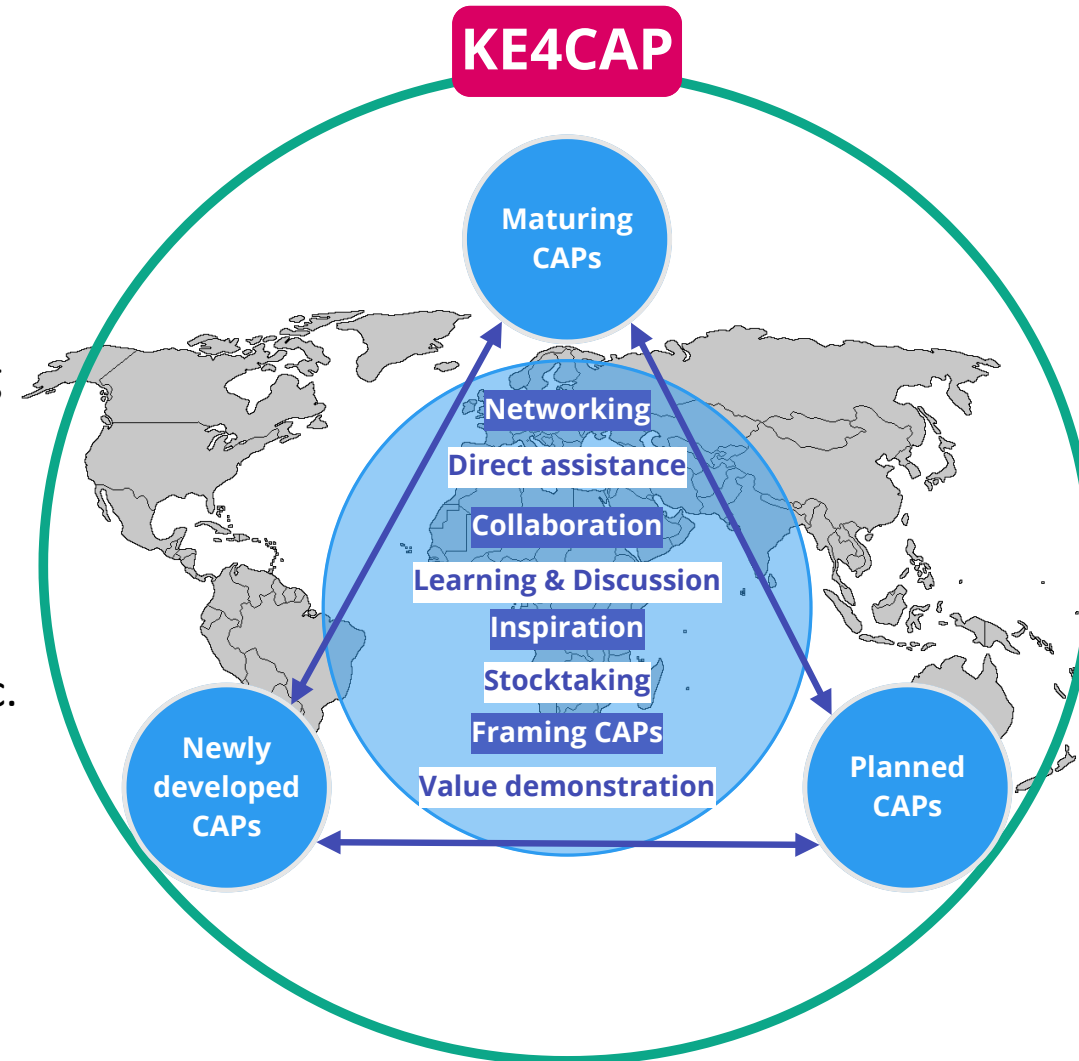
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→ A valued community of practice

- Global network – global perspectives and diverse contexts
 - Connecting other CAPs, practitioners, researchers etc.
- Knowledge capital
 - Structured and systematic approach to facilitated learning and discussions
 - Individual approaches, nuanced experiences
 - Sharing challenges
- Aspects of transformative learning
 - Independent uptake of new/different ideas, responses etc.
 - Leveraging connections
 - Reflection

→ Areas of improvement and suggestions



Over to you – your views on KE4CAP



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Presentations from BKE partners Lo Cheng (Canada), Yasuaki Hijioka (Japan), Geoff Gooley (Australia)

Share your views –

- What have been the benefits of KE4CAP network and activities, for you?

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Breakout session - Exploring linkages between topics



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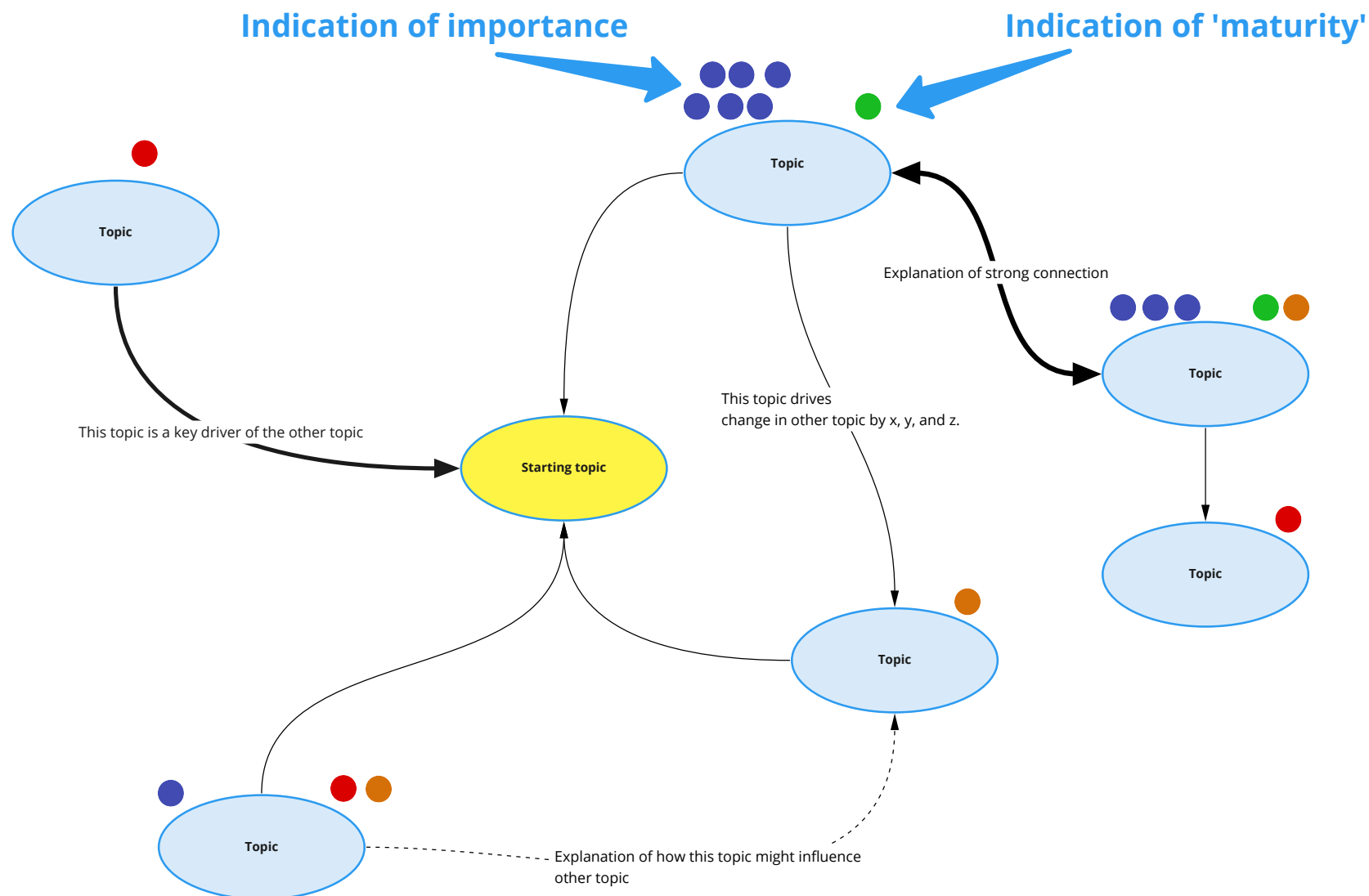
- Topics outline key work areas for CAPs
- Linkages show how topics interact and influence each other
- Explore linkages to learn more about associated achievements, gaps, and remaining challenges.

Maturity – where are we, where do we need to focus on?

Importance – which are ‘keystone’ topics? Which are the major priorities?

Missing topics?

– Link to sessions 2 and 3.





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More information and to join the community

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