

**Energy, Environment and
Climate Change programme
“E2C2”**

**Energy Research Centre
University of Cape Town**

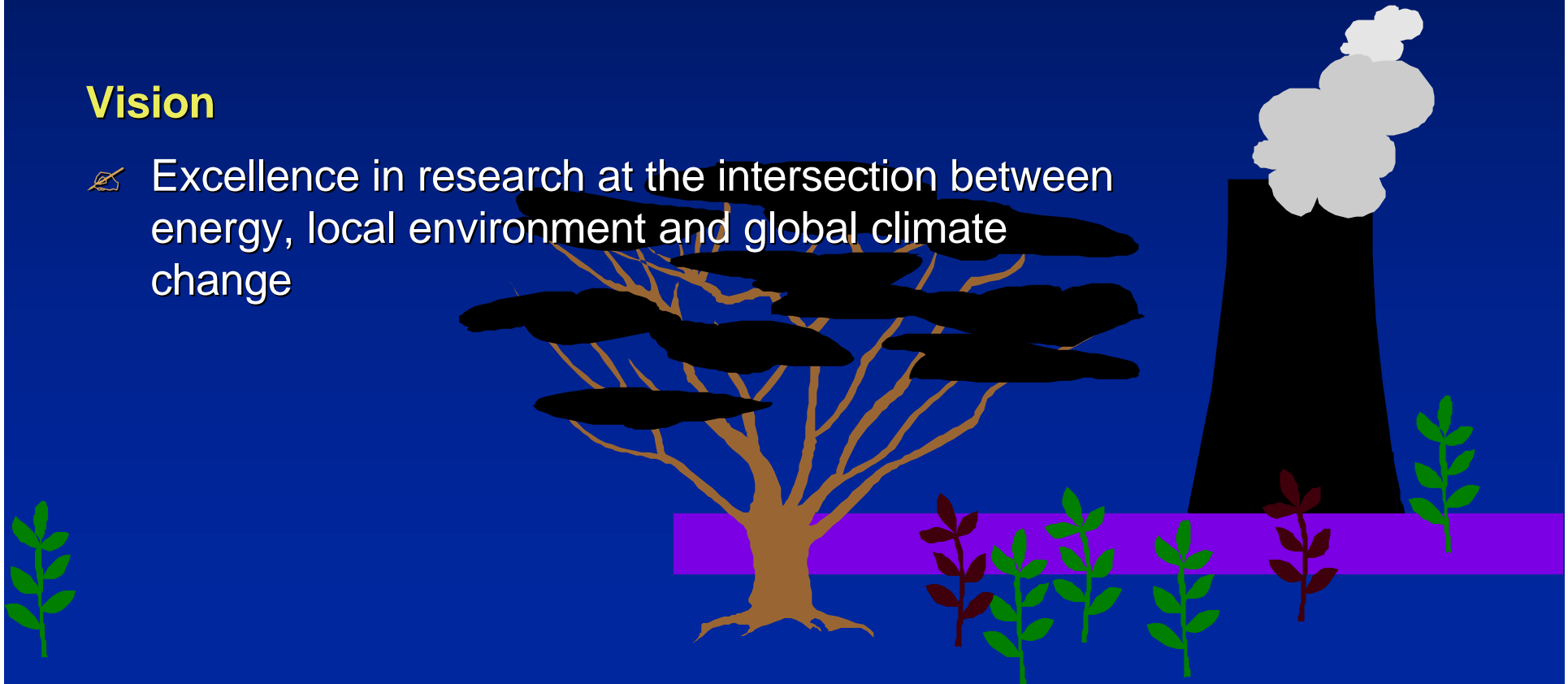
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Problem

- ✍ Internationally and in South Africa, energy is the sector contributing most to global climate change and to local air pollution

Vision

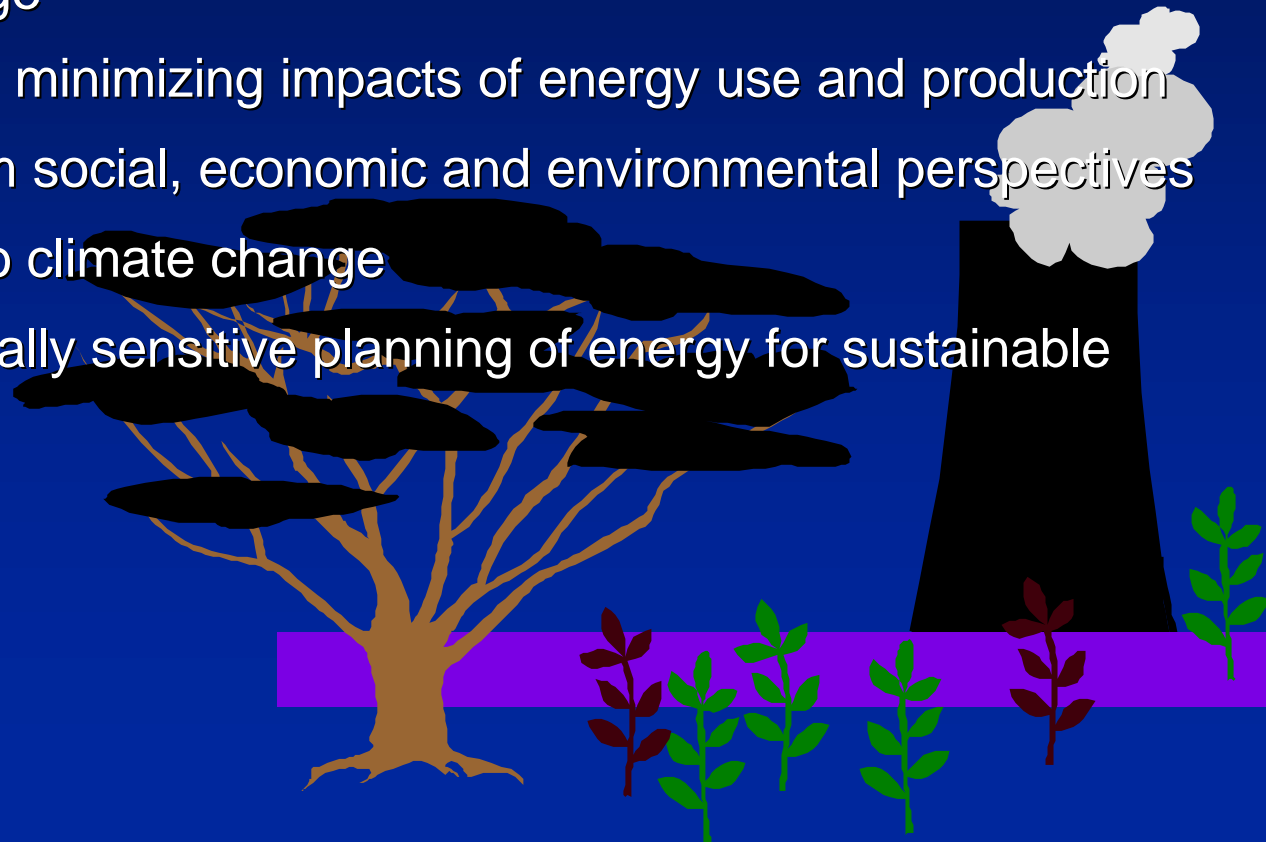
- ✍ Excellence in research at the intersection between energy, local environment and global climate change



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Research focus

- ✍ Core focus: energy and climate change mitigation
- ✍ Policy and economic analysis to develop energy solutions for climate change
- ✍ Research on minimizing impacts of energy use and production
- ✍ Analysis from social, economic and environmental perspectives
- ✍ Adaptation to climate change
- ✍ Environmentally sensitive planning of energy for sustainable development



Teaching, training and presentations

Formal education

- ✍ Masters course on Energy & Climate Change
- ✍ Supervision of theses

Training and public education

- ✍ Short courses on energy and climate change for policy-makers and analysts
- ✍ Guest lectures in other departments
- ✍ UCT Summer School



Teaching, training and presentations

Presentations, conferences, meetings

- ✍ Equity in the Greenhouse – side event organised by us (with project partners) at SB-20 in Bonn, June 2004
- ✍ Future of the CDM – OECD side event at SB-20 in Bonn, June 2004
- ✍ Bonn RE conference – Stanford organised side-event, presentation also by Nthabi
- ✍ Carbon capture and storage workshop organised by Climate Network Europe, Stanford in Brussels, June 2004
- ✍ Methodology Panel of the CDM Executive Board, meetings in February and April, Harald
- ✍ Global Forum for Sustainable Energy, February 2004, Stanford

Current research projects

Future commitments beyond 2012, with a focus on South Africa and developing countries

- ✍ Equity in the Greenhouse – South-North dialogue of researchers
- ✍ Dialogue on future international actions to address global climate change – inputs to an informal dialogue of delegates to the UNFCCC process
- ✍ 2 background papers: for the Swedish Energy Agency and UNEP Riso

Clean Development Mechanism (CDM)

- ✍ “CD4CDM”: Capacity building for CDM in Uganda and Mozambique
- ✍ Monitoring of SouthSouthNorth CDM projects in South Africa
- ✍ Paper with OECD taking stock of the CDM and its future

Current research projects

Adaptation to the impacts of climate change

- ✍ Costs & Benefits of Alternative Adaptation Projects in Africa
- ✍ Policy considerations for water resource management and adaptation strategies in response to climate change in South Africa

Capacity building for climate change

- ✍ Strengthening Human and Institutional Capacity in Developing Countries for Policy Analysis and Effective Negotiation on Climate Change
- ✍ GHG inventories - Training for DEAT

Future directions

Mitigation and poverty

- ✍ Exploring the links between climate change, poverty and development in the energy sector

Country-specific work on future actions to mitigate climate change

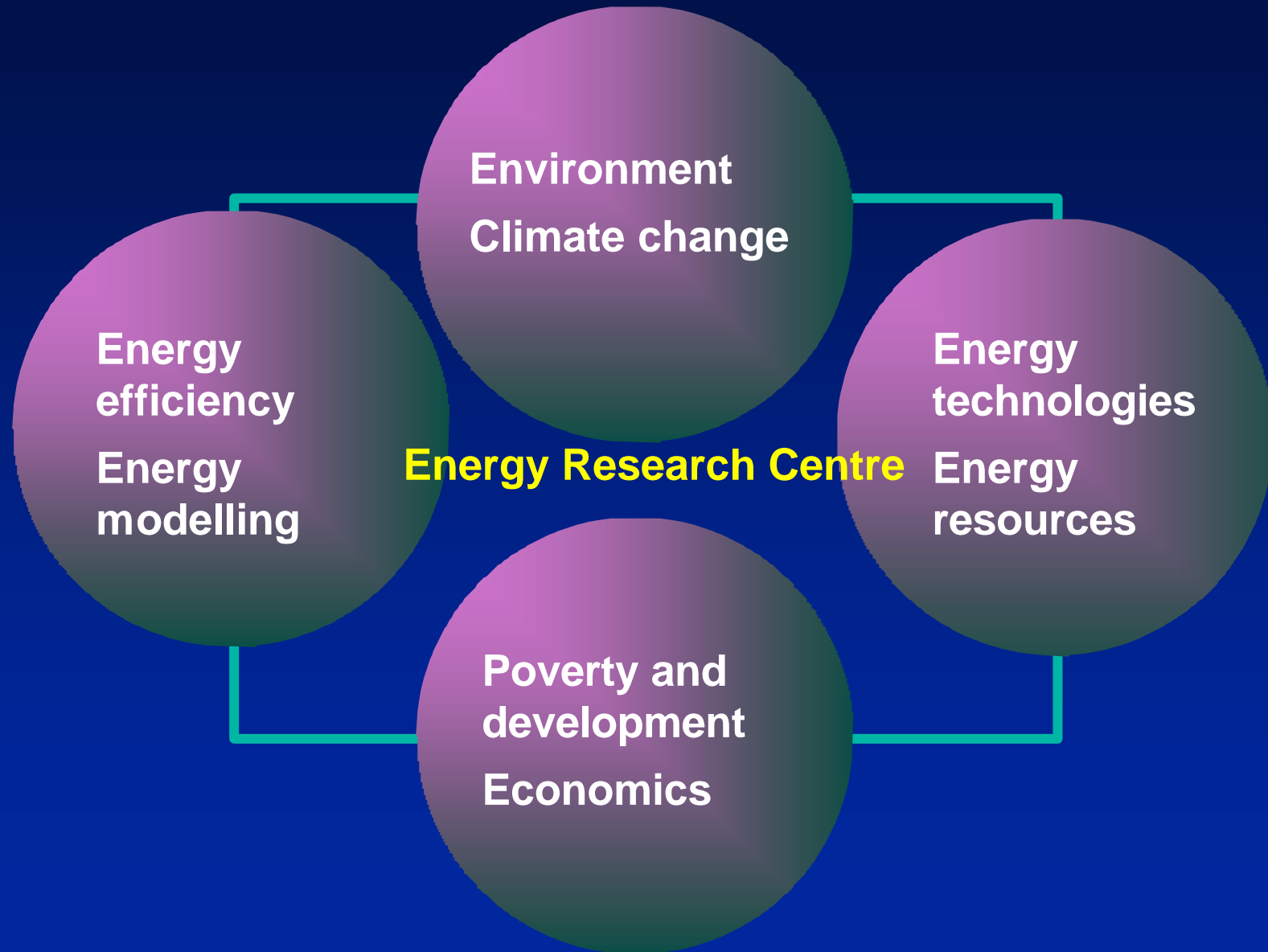
- ✍ Emphasis on equity
- ✍ Development, climate and energy
- ✍ Workshops with National Climate Change Committee

Linkages between climate science, adaptation and mitigation

- ✍ Climate change, water and energy in Africa (with CSAG)
- ✍ Possible collaboration on 2nd National Communication



E2C2 links with other ERC groups



Linkages: within South Africa

GOVERNMENT

Parliamentary
Committees
- Energy
- Environment

Department of
Environment Affairs
& Tourism

Department of
Minerals & Energy

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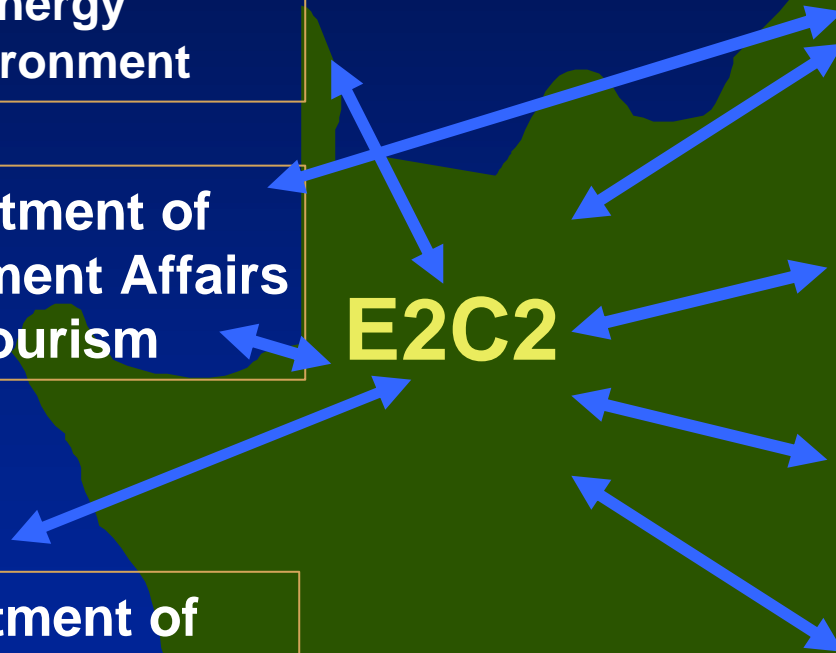
National Committee on
Climate Change

ESKOM, CSIR

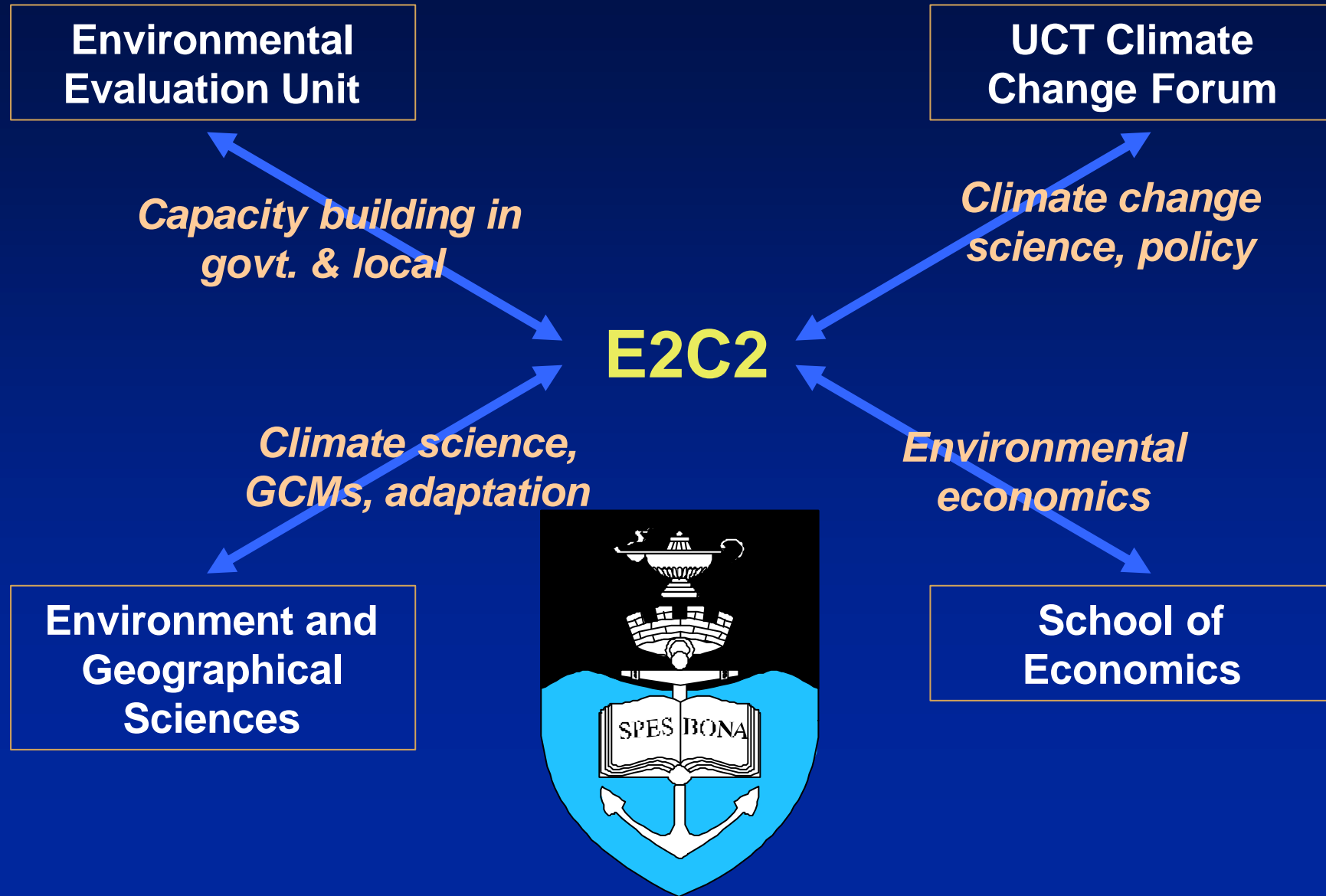
Energy & Environment
NGOs (climate change)

SSN, Econ, PDG, MEPC

RESEARCH



Linkages: Within the University of Cape Town



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