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Anne Glover was a member of several peer review panels for UK Research Councils and has served as a council member of a Research Council for over 10 years. She has also been involved in international peer review of university research and government research funding strategies.

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Life is full of decisions and some of the most important of these are taken by governments on our behalf. This lecture will examine how evidence is generated which can inform policymaking and who has responsibility for ensuring that the evidence is credible, trusted and ultimately used.