

OERC 16th Annual Symposium 2022: An Equitable and Low-Cost Energy Transition

**Panel discussion:
Future of the Energy Wellbeing Evaluation Consortium (EWEC)**

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What is the Energy Wellbeing Evaluation Consortium?

- Informal consortium of researchers; policy people and programme delivery orgs
- Shared goals to reduce energy hardship and support energy wellbeing
- Aim is to enable :
 - sharing experience, expertise, evaluation tools and methodologies
 - more comparable approaches to evaluating projects – understand what works
 - continuous improvement of programmes – do more of what works
- 4 collaboration streams: diverse voices; indicators; data platforms; and frameworks

What is the role for this consortium?

- What purposes does it need to serve?
- What could be next steps? In terms of:
 - Frameworks
 - Indicators
 - Data sharing platforms
 - Diverse voices

Who is best placed to lead the Consortium into the future?

- The NGO sector?
- Academic institutions?
- Government?

What are the success factors?

- Independence from programme delivery?
- Closeness to programme delivery?
- Analytical expertise?
- Collaborative interest and convening power?
- Human resourcing
- Funding?