Modern Slavery and Human Rights Policy and Evidence Centre – Theory of Change

2030+

2024-2030

2020-2024

Vision/impact

A world where everyone is protected from exploitation by more effective laws and policies, informed by evidence

Long-term outcomes

1. Enhance understanding of modern slavery across the globe
2. Transform the effectiveness of laws and policies and practices designed and implemented to overcome it

Short term outcomes

3. Policymakers, businesses and organisations increasingly know about, access, understand and use evidence in decision-making
4. Portfolio of high quality, more diverse PEC funded research informs on evidence gaps
5. Improved understanding of needs and perspectives of survivors is built into research, policies and laws
6. Improved and greater collaboration and information sharing to address modern slavery
7. PEC is an exemplar of good practice within the modern slavery research sector

Outputs

8. Research that is relevant, timely, trustworthy and accessible to those we seek to influence
9. More diversely produced research that is co-designed and co-produced with those who use it
10. People with lived experience influence, inform and co-produce research
11. Inclusive and diverse 'network of networks' built
12. Impact of the PEC's work is clearly demonstrated
13. The PEC has built knowledge and capacity of researchers and wider stakeholders.
14. The PEC has established financial sustainability beyond 2024

Activities

15. Understand and influence policy priorities through regular engagement with those we seek to influence
16. Identify evidence gaps and address with innovative research, through engagement with stakeholders, our research consultation and horizon-scanning
17. Promote research findings, policy recommendations & collaborative work to key audiences through a range of channels
18. Ensure the PEC has effective operations + governance processes
19. Fund and support research to align with our vision and be policy impactful, via mechanisms appropriate to the type of research
20. Set up and effectively engage a survivor standing committee
21. Pursue and advocate for opportunities for people with lived experience to participate in research/policy development
22. Facilitate collaboration between stakeholders, through events, roundtables and workshops
23. Ensure EDI across all PEC work
24. Implement an M&E strategy that effectively demonstrates the PEC's impact
25. Seek a sustainable funding model
26. Seek opportunities to upskill and influence wider modern slavery research sector

Inputs

- Strategic Priorities Fund investment: £10m (to April 2024)
- PEC internal team
- Robust governance and expert advice: Steering Committee, Senior Management Board, Advisory Group
- Staff and expertise within PEC six partner institutions
- Networks and contact with researchers and non-academic stakeholders
- Access to and support from people with lived experience

Contextual factors

- Political environment
- Legal and regulatory framework
- Public narrative
- Availability of data and information on modern slavery
- Adequate research resources: time, funding etc
- Wider sector activities and networks
- Capacity and will of stakeholders to participate
- Equitable relationships between groups involved

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