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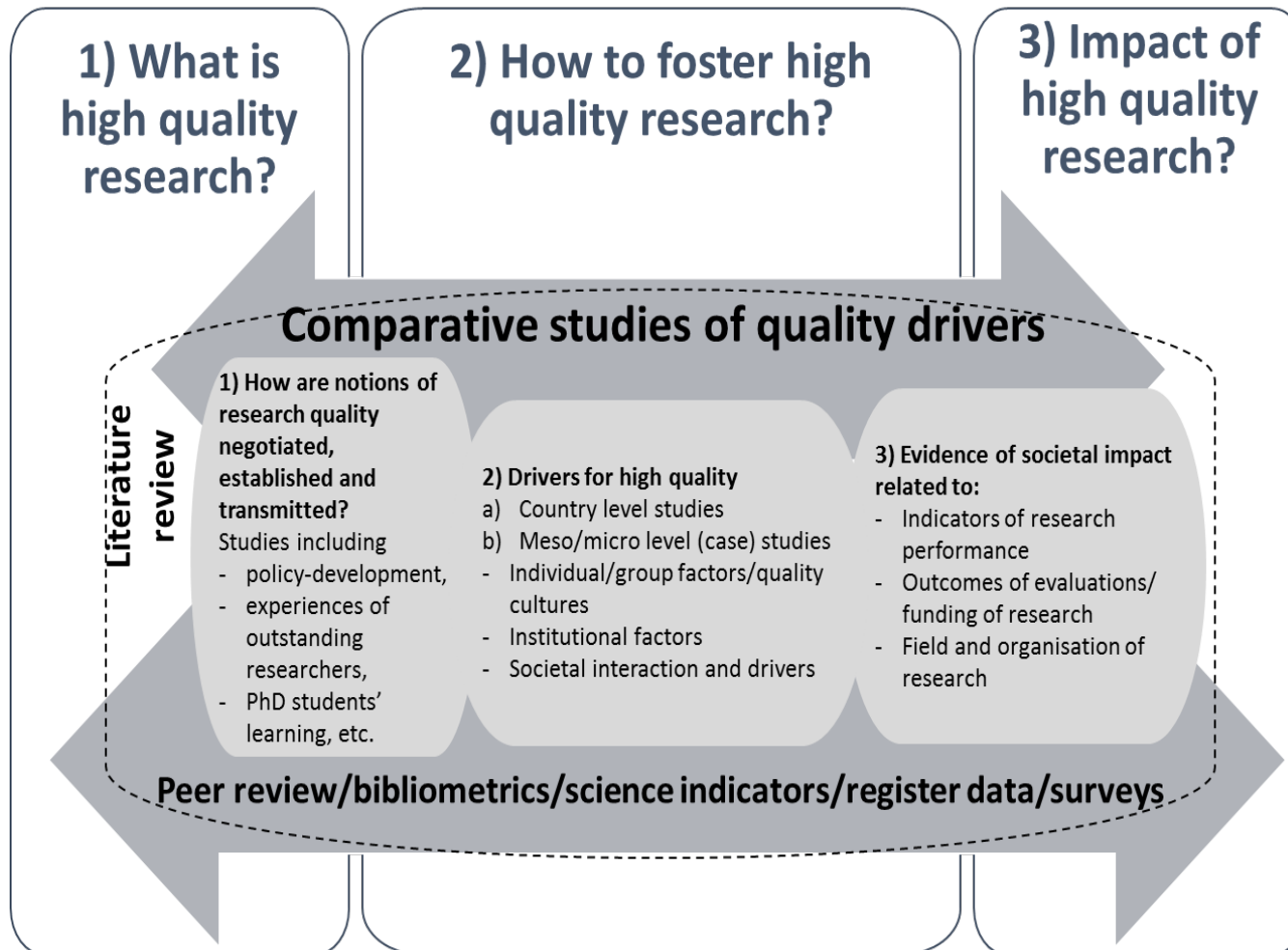


Centre for Research Quality and Policy Impact Studies

Why study research quality?

- The aim of the proposed centre is to enable policy actors to understand and tackle issues around the effectiveness and efficiency of excellence policy, including key issues in current policy debates such as:
 - how to create or identify frontier/ground-breaking science and world-leading research groups
 - link between scientific excellence and societal impact
 - policies for providing resilient research environments/critical mass, including the structure and size of research organisations, as well as how to balance funding for excellence initiatives and for generally good research environments
 - demands for responsible and confidence-building research related to grand societal challenges
 - concerns about the workings of the quality assurance systems in research in the contexts of scholarly publishing, research evaluation and performance-based funding
 - the potential and limitations, and the use and abuse, of metrics for the measurement and stimulation of research quality.

R-QUEST: Three interlinked research strands



Sub-objectives

- 1) Attract and recruit top-level scholars (including international research collaboration)
- 2) Attract and recruit highly competent PhD students and postdocs to the centre
- 3) Long-term, concerted efforts/studies addressing the key research challenges
- 4) Develop databases and methods for combining data at micro and macro level, to open new research areas
- 5) Close collaboration with policy-makers/user partners on the research agenda to ensure relevance and policy learning.

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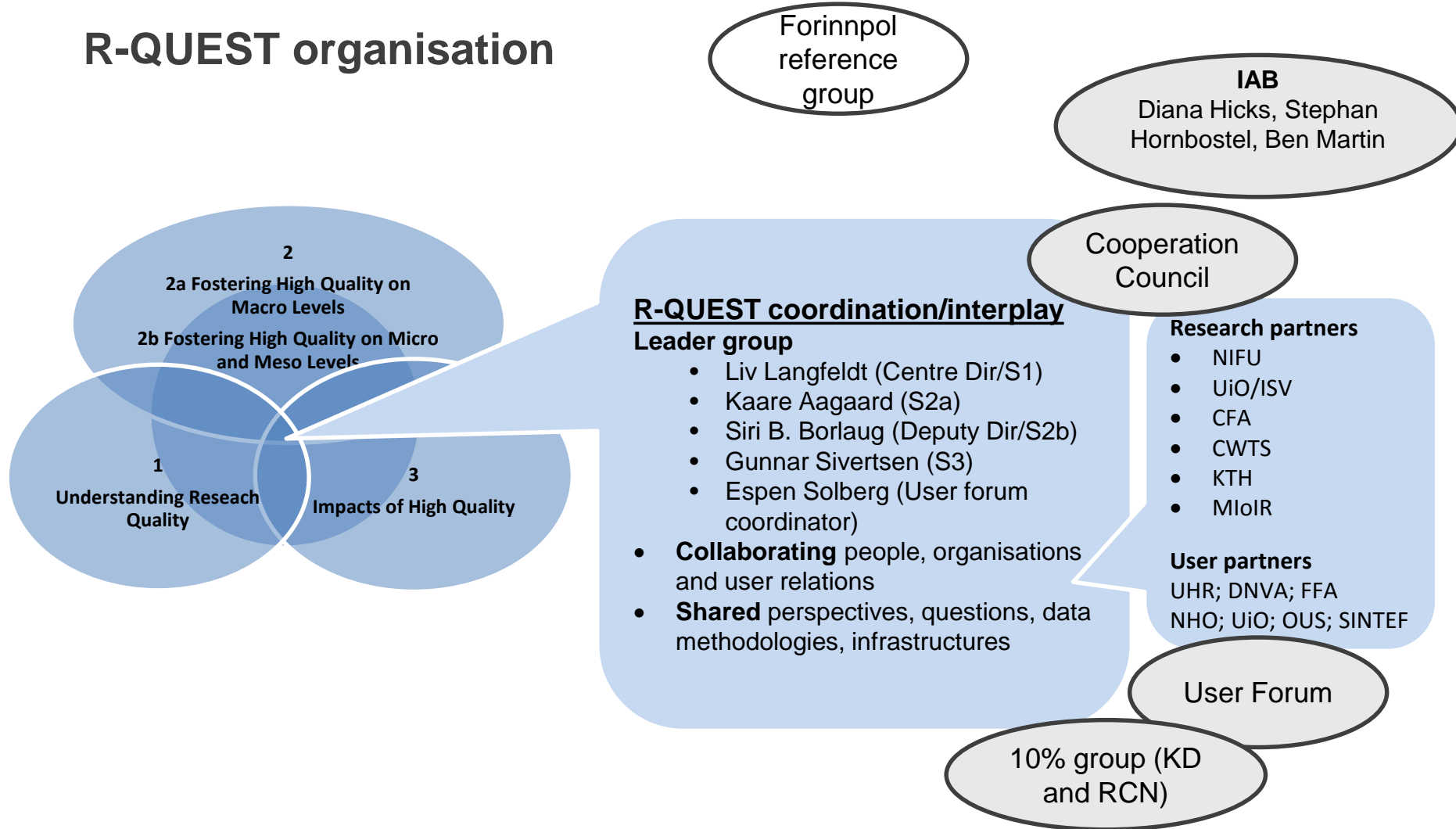


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