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UNDERSTANDING POLICY CHANGE: MULTIPLE-STREAMS FRAMEWORK AND CLIMATE CHANGE NEGOTIATION

Abstract:

John Kingdon's introduced "multiple streams framework" to explain the agenda-setting process in the context of public policy. This paper employ Kingdon's multiple streams model to explain the climate change negotiation led by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). The UNFCCC is clearly fitted with the criteria of an organised anarchy; unclear organisation processes, unclear preferences, and fluid participants. This paper presents an analysis of Kingdon's three streams; problems streams, policies streams, and politics streams. A special emphasis is given to policy entrepreneurs who play a vital role over the last decade linking the solutions and problems in the global climate change conferences (policy window) and inviting head of states to attend and deliver their speech in the conferences. This paper also criticise Kingdon's assumption on the relationship between these three streams.

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