

A critique of Sir Peter Gluckman's [video](#)

Starting premise

Governments are more likely to make better decisions when they use well-developed evidence wisely.

I challenge this starting premise

People are more likely to make better collective decisions when they can use well-developed evidence to identify problems and cocreate solutions. Governments should play the role of facilitators and coordinators, and provide a safe and regulated environment.

Sir Peter Gluckman implicitly uses the concept of the almighty state, or even the nanny state. I am basing my premise on the concept of the *partner state*, and I am implicitly making reference to open governance. My disagreement with Sir Peter Gluckman's presentation stems from here.