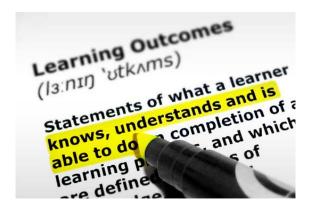
Advocacy Strategy: Identify Decisionmakers' Key Interests

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- Evaluate awareness and position of key decision-makers
- Identify key interests of decision-makers as a means to persuade them to take action



4. What are the key **interests** of your target **decision-makers**?

Level of Awareness about Your Advocacy Issue and Advocacy Goal

Accurately informed

Aware but mostly uninformed

Aware but inaccurately informed

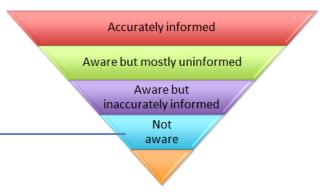
Not aware

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- Effective advocacy strategies are designed to meet your decision-makers where they are, and move them toward your viewpoint.
- The focus of your outreach will vary depending on the level of awareness.

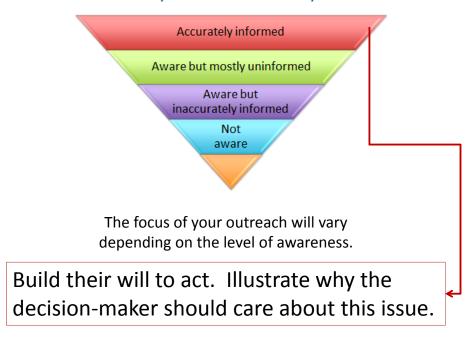
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Share information on the issue. This is where effective communication and dissemination of statistics plays is needed.

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Position on Your Advocacy Goal



Opposed: Clearly against your viewpoint.

Non-mobilized: No opinion yet or undecided.

<u>Low support</u>: Won't oppose your goal but also not likely to be an active, visible promoter either. Generally supportive.

<u>High support</u>: Actively working or speaking out on behalf of your goal as a visible and vocal champion to make a change.

Research to accurately understand a decision-maker's position.

Your Action

Opposed Non- Low High support support

Opposed: Mostly, inform.

Non-mobilized: Do outreach to persuade.

Low support: Do outreach to persuade.

High support: No need to persuade or advocate to, but

maintain relationships.

Persuasion: Understanding What Your Decision-Maker Cares About

What will likely shape their opinion or response to your advocacy goal??

Persuasion: What are their key interests?

Evidence and data

Agricultural and rural development issues

International standards

Professional advancement Relationships or networks **Upcoming elections**

Political positioning

Constituent viewpoints

Time

Media coverage

Financial considerations

Personal history & experience, including with official statistics institutions

Practice Persuading

GETTING SORTED

Group Exercise: Identifying Decision-Makers & their Key Interests

UNDERSTANDING DECISION-MAKERS & THEIR KEY INTERESTS