

AI in Policymaking

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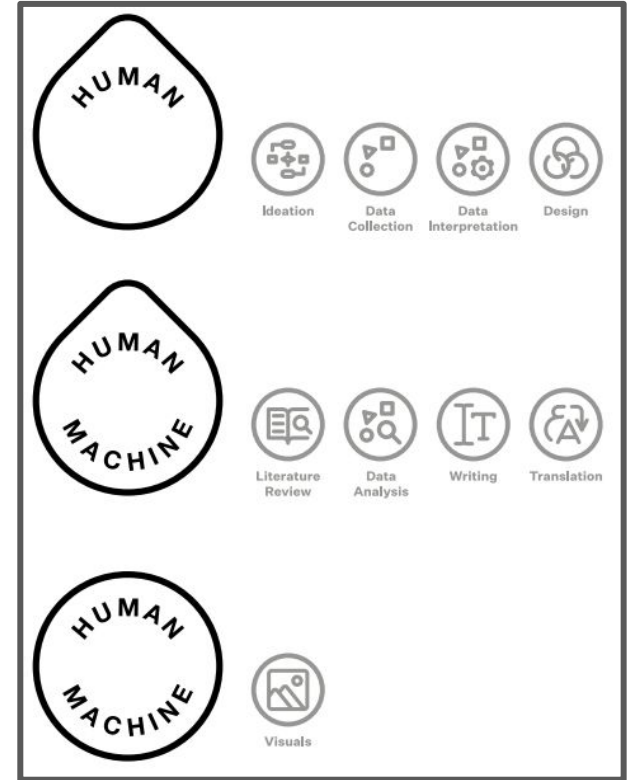
About me

- Head of Foresight at UK Cabinet Office
- UN instructor on AI
- Former Head of Digital and Data Policy
- No training in software development

Risks	Mitigation
Risk of hallucination	“Provide all citations with links so I can check”
Lack of diverse voices Misinformation vector	“Who should I contact to find challenge?”
Degrading policy skills	AI-free policy development? You are accountable... Build critical thinking
Reads like AI wrote it	“No em-dashes” etc...
Data security	Use dummy data DO NOT UPLOAD SENSITIVE DATA TO AI

Skipping consultation, rushed analysis etc etc...

Human Role	Icon Representation	Machine Role
 All human	All human.	None
 Leader	Human led. Machines conduct checks, highlight and correct errors, enhance output.	Oversight
 Collaborator	Machine assisted. Machines and humans work together.	Collaborator
 Oversight	Machine led. Humans conduct checks, highlight and correct errors, enhance output.	Leader
 None	All machine.	All machine



SOURCE: Dubai Future Foundation

Metaprompting Example

I want a prompt to generate a 2 page policy submission on a much longer report. Write me a prompt that delivers the format, tone, brevity. It's for the UK Prime Minister, so think about what he values. Look online for best practice (the Policy Profession "working with ministers" has some good info on this). Think about best practice in prompting too.

Note Support

I have a job interview coming up, and I want you to prepare an **html** file with **my notes** in, including:

- My examples that I can pick from to answer questions from the job specification
- Some prepared answers to questions they might ask like "do you have any questions for us?" "what will you do in your first 60 days?" "tell me about yourself"

Make everything collapsible and start collapsed, so I can open the specific questions I need when I want them. Include a reset button.

The job is for the Head of Health Policy to a fictional country called (Apolitica), and I have just finished my MSc in Public Health and I'm working in that field. **You can imagine my cv for now, so mock up some dummy data.**

Before you write any code, write me a prompt for this application to maximise usefulness. Really think about user design, how I will be using this under pressure, how to help find the best stories, what great interview answers sound like and the format they use.

Influence Mapping

I want a prompt that would make me an html/javascript interactive, zoomable systems map of people in the Jamaican government.

When I click on two people, I want to see the shortest route between them.

When I click on a connection, I want to see how they know each other.

Use colour coding to denote who they are, do as many people as you can comfortably do with your token count.

Digital Twinning

Create an interactive healthcare system digital twin simulator with:

1. **Visual flow diagram** showing patient movement between nodes: Home/Population → GP → A&E → Hospital Ward → Discharge (with alternative paths for Mental Health, Care Homes, Social Care, Ambulance, 111 service)
2. **Real-time animated flows** between nodes with numbers showing current flow rates
3. **Status table** showing each node's capacity utilization with color-coded status (Green <70%, Amber 70-85%, Red >85%) and "months to 99% capacity"
4. **Interactive controls:**
 - Start/Stop and Reset buttons
 - Population increase slider
 - Simulation speed slider
 - Collapsible parameter sections for each node (capacity, throughput rates, referral rates)
5. **Scenario buttons** (Baseline, Crisis, Optimized, Reform) that preset all parameters
6. **Node capacity boxes** showing current patients vs. total capacity with color coding
7. Use **NHS-style color scheme** (purple/teal palette)

The simulation should run month-by-month, updating all flows and capacities, with bottlenecks creating backlogs when nodes reach capacity. Make it fully self-contained in a single HTML file.

News Scanning

Please write a Google Apps Script with the following features:

The script should create a news aggregator in Google Sheets.

Create a custom menu called "News Tools" with two items: "1. Setup Sheets" and "2. Fetch All Headlines".

- Create two sheets: RSSFeeds and NewsHeadlines.
- RSSFeeds headers: "News source", "Country of origin", "RSS address".
- NewsHeadlines headers: "Date", "News agency", "Story address", "Headline", "UN Relevance Analysis".
- Populate RSSFeeds with 10 sample feeds. **Crucially, all 10 feeds must use the <https://news.google.com/rss/search?q=allinurl:...> format.**
- It must read the URLs from the RSSFeeds sheet.
- It must clear old headlines before fetching new ones.
- **Important:** It should fetch headlines from one feed at a time and write that batch to the NewsHeadlines sheet *immediately* (don't wait until all feeds are done). Use SpreadsheetApp.flush() to update the UI after each batch.
- Include error handling for bad URLs (try...catch and muteHttpExceptions).

AI

When we add a headline, it must also add an =AI() formula to the "UN Relevance Analysis" column.

- Create a global constant for the AI prompt. The prompt should ask the AI to act as a UN analyst and determine if the headline (from column D) is relevant to UN mandates (peace, human rights, SDGs, etc.), providing a "Yes/No" answer and a brief justification.
- **Critical Fix:** The AI prompt *must* use **single quotes** for any internal examples (e.g., 'Yes: ...'), because the final formula will be wrapped in double quotes. This is to avoid a #ERROR! in the sheet."

SIMPLE TOOL



DATABASE



DATABASE WITH AI

