

Diversity and global optimization strategy should be executed in government administration

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Kevin Boyle et al. emphasized retreat on economics at the EPA (1). The eliminated Environmental Economics Advisory Committee (EEAC) consisted of nationally recognized economists appointed to provide independent advice to the EPA (1). Based on the diversity prediction theory, the prediction accuracy of a team with high diversity is better than that of a team with low diversity (2,3). In other words, diversity plays a key role in organizing better committee. The higher diversity of the team, the better committee can be organized. If the former EEAC is with low diversity, the decision by the Trump administration is correct. Otherwise, it is wrong and the explanation is needed. Considering local optimization (economics at the EPA) may not produce the global optimum solution. The government administration must adopt the global optimization strategy instead of the local optimization strategy. In order to achieve the final goal of the current government, the global optimization strategy and prioritized expenditure should be explained and executed.

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