

Hot topics: the debates shaping UK higher education right now

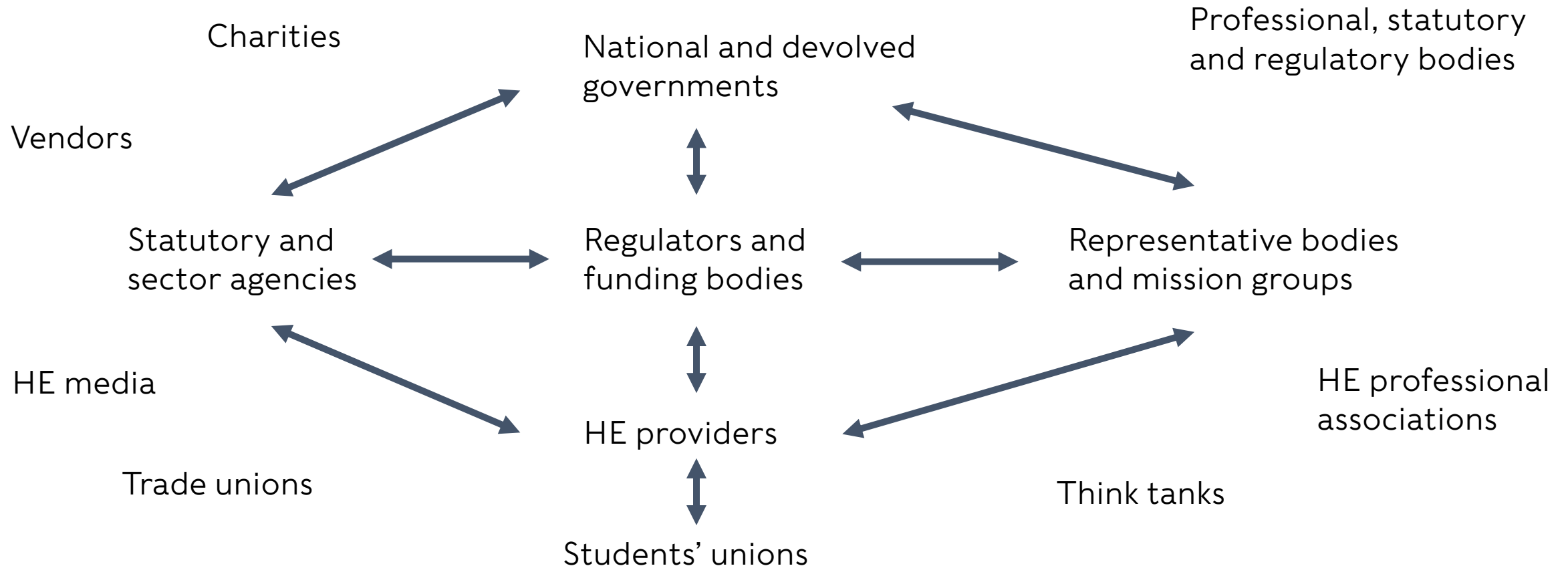
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Policy actors in UK higher education



What they are talking about

1. HE funding: tuition fees, public funding for teaching and research, student finance
2. Student numbers: how many, what sort of courses, in what kinds of providers?
3. Regulation: of access to HE, quality of teaching, student consumer rights, institutional governance and sustainability
4. Universities' contribution to national and civic wellbeing: economy, civil society, international education and research
5. The state of the university community: wellbeing, inclusion, morale, culture