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Macnaghten has a broad interest in the governance of science and technology, responsible innovation, the sociology of the environment, deliberative methodology and discourse analysis. His research has focused on the cultural dimensions of policy and their intersection with everyday practice.

Macnaghten has developed a form of engaged scholarship, combining conceptual work with critical policy development in the domains of biotechnology, environmental behaviour change, forestry, nanotechnology, responsible innovation, sustainability, and technology policy. More recently, his work has looked at how to embed broader societal goals into the practice of science itself. Phil led the European DEEPEN project (Deepening Ethical Engagement and Participation in Emerging Technologies) (2006–2009) and is currently coordinating the John Templeton Foundation project ‘Understanding the social, cultural and religious factors that shape the acceptance, use and resistance to GM crops’. He recently co-authored (with Richard Owen) a comment piece for *Nature*, ‘Good governance for geoengineering’.