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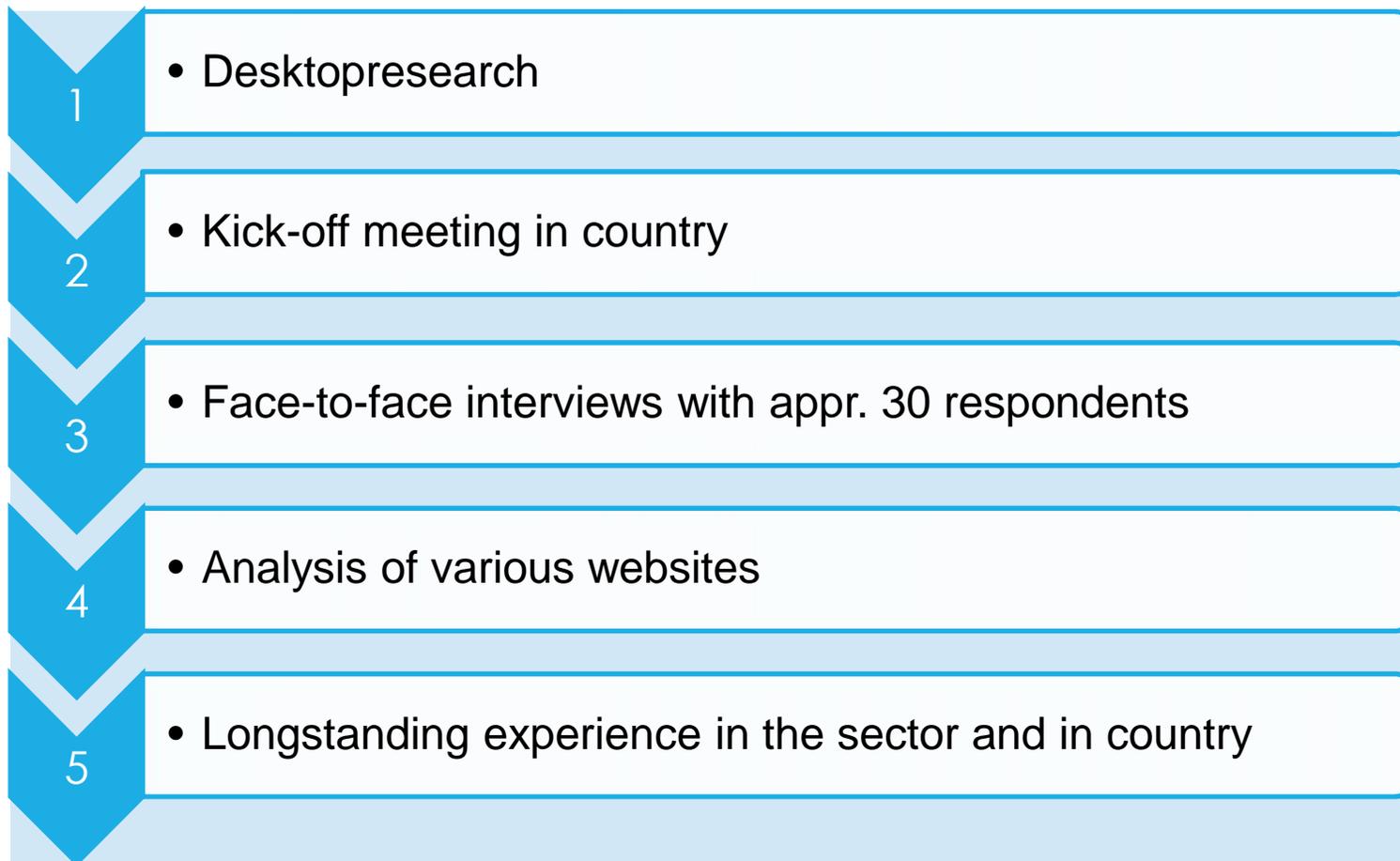
Findings of the GAP-Analysis regarding stakeholder consultation in the Armenian energy sector

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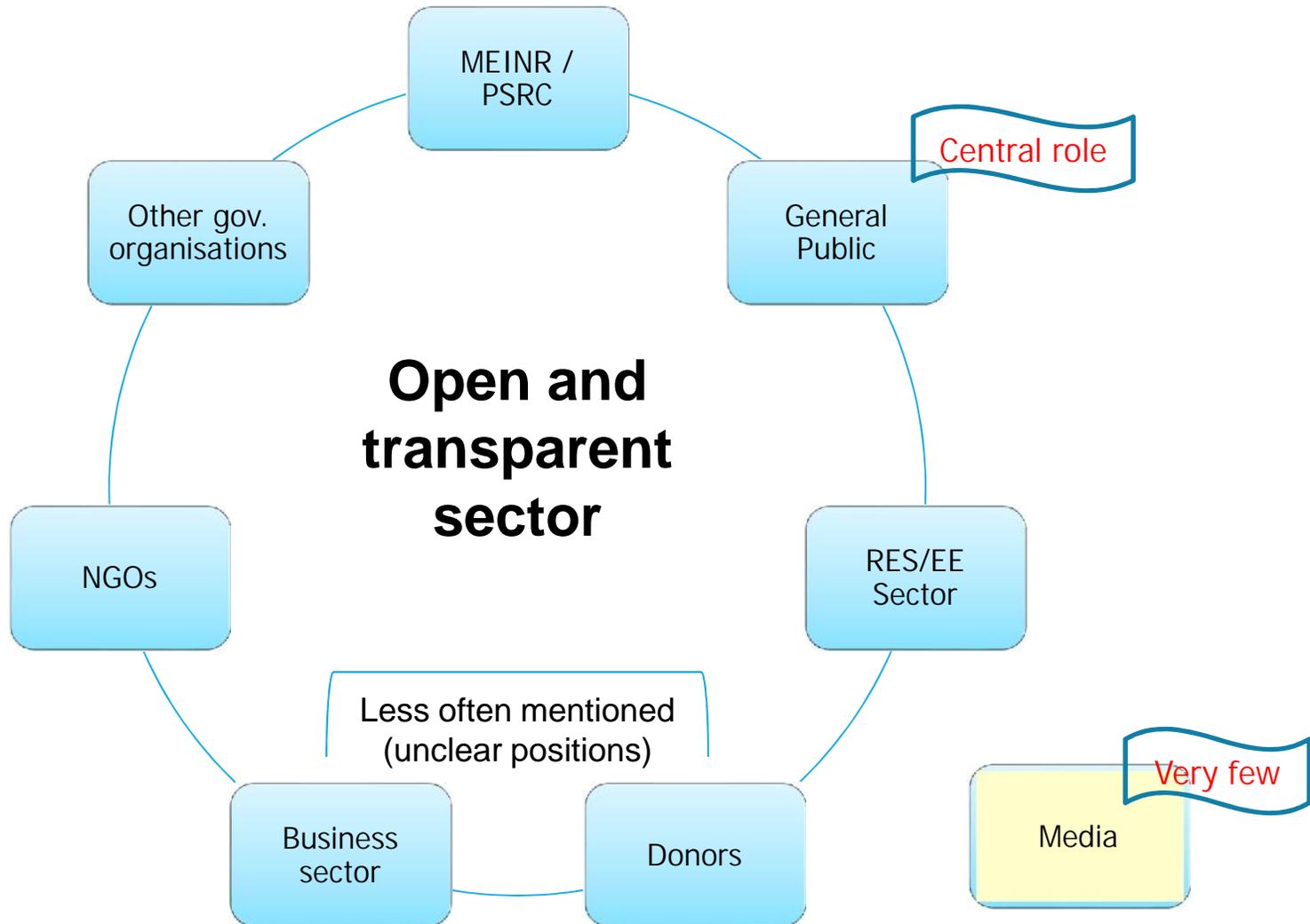
Research base of the analysis





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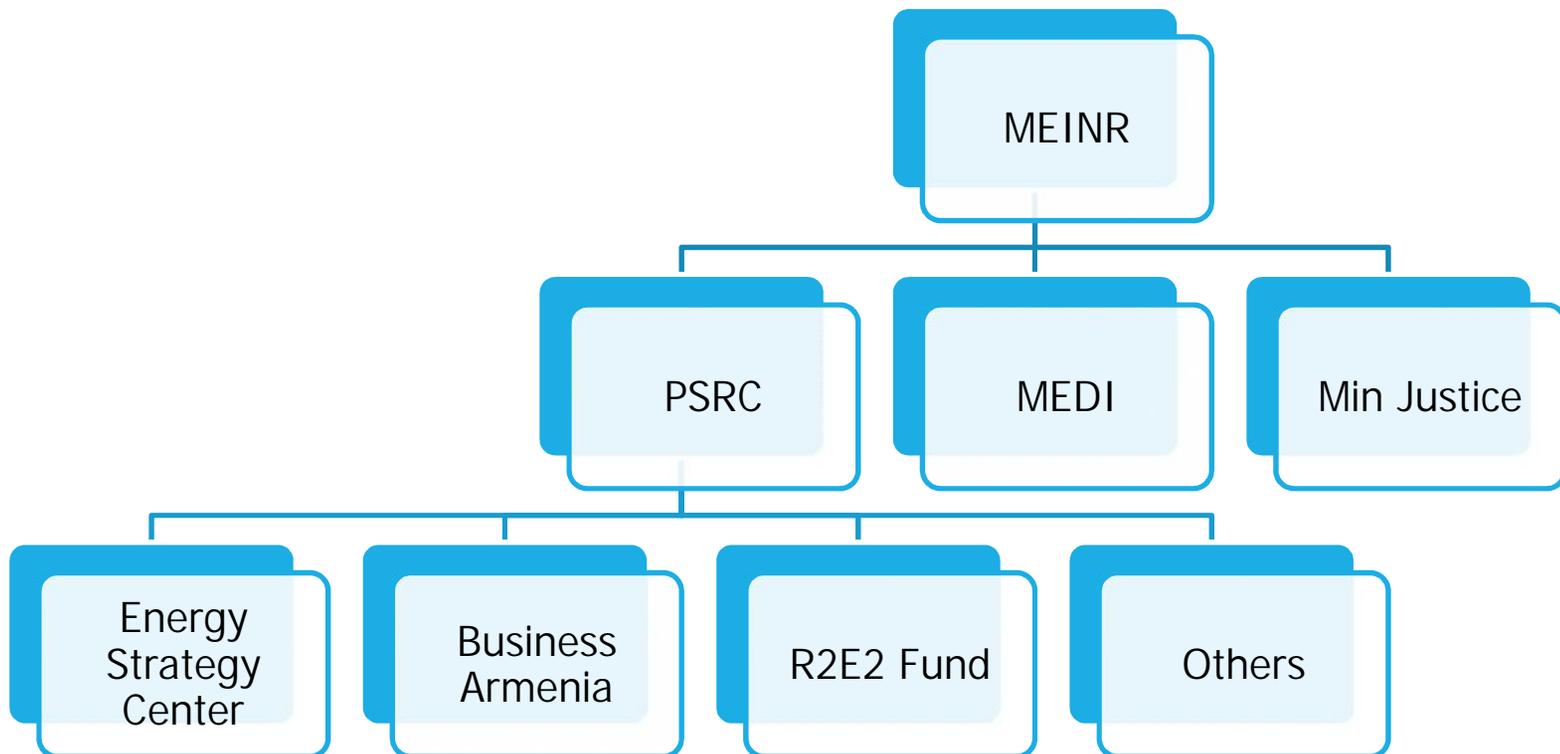
Perception of the Armenian energy sector & stakeholder mapping





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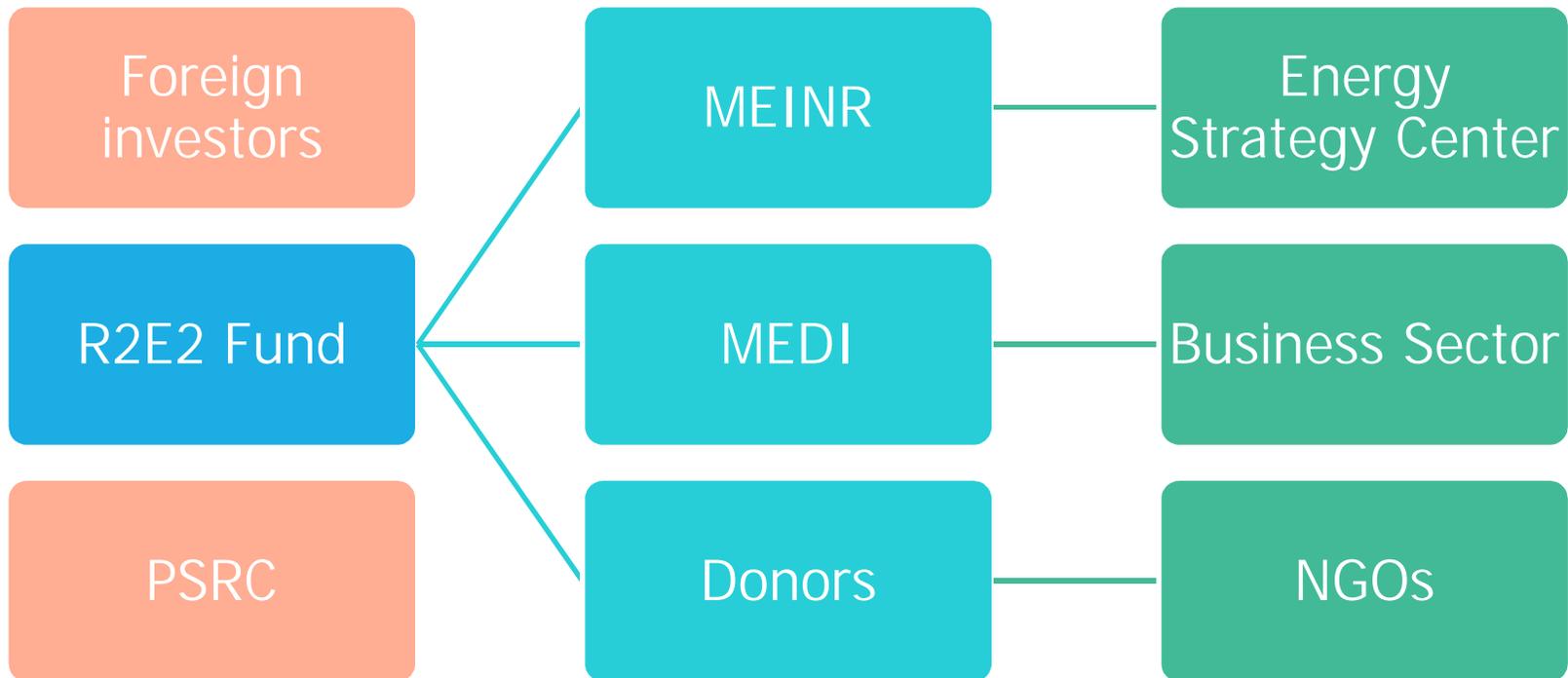
Stakeholder group: Official organisations





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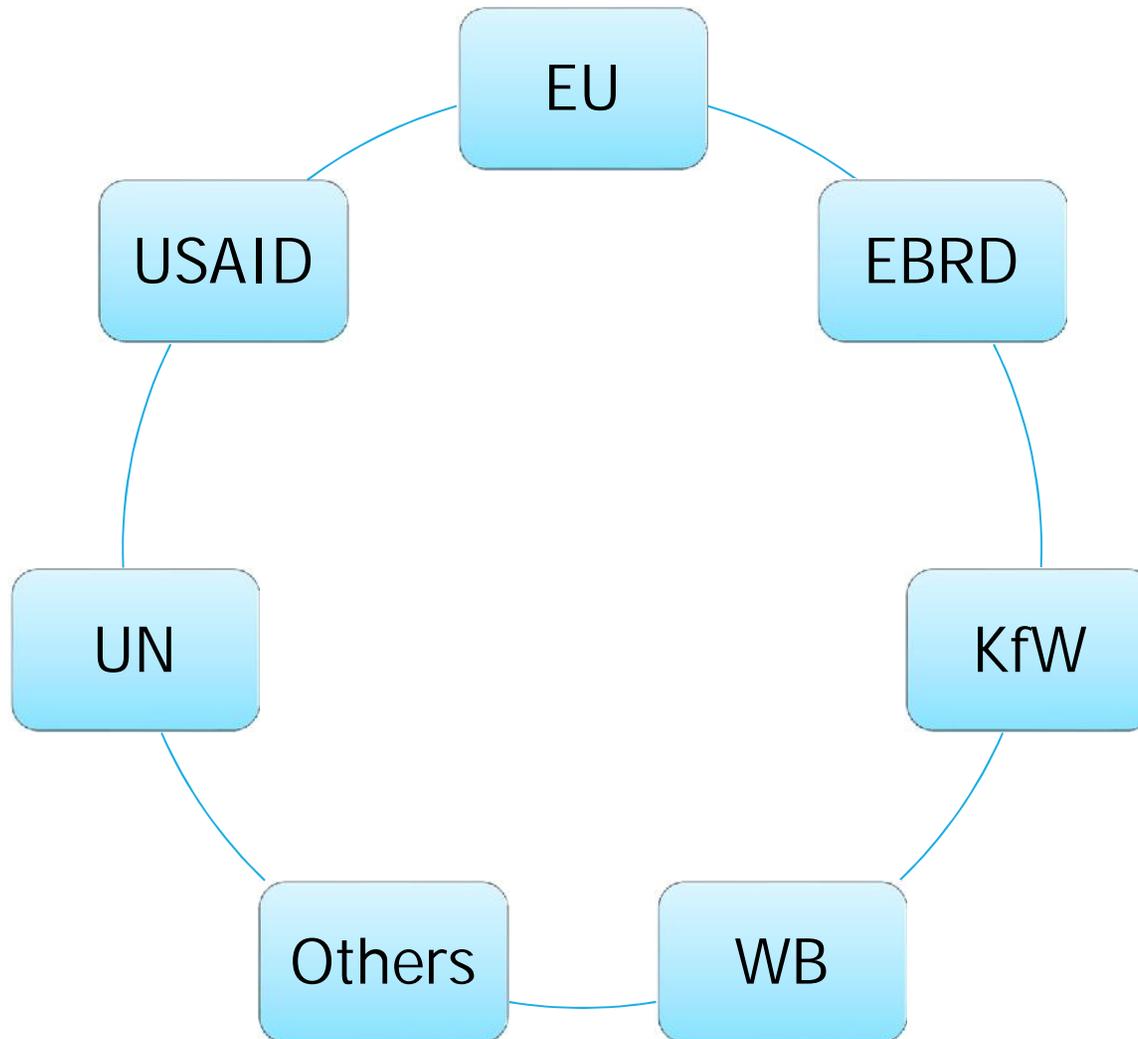
Stakeholder group: EE and RE sector





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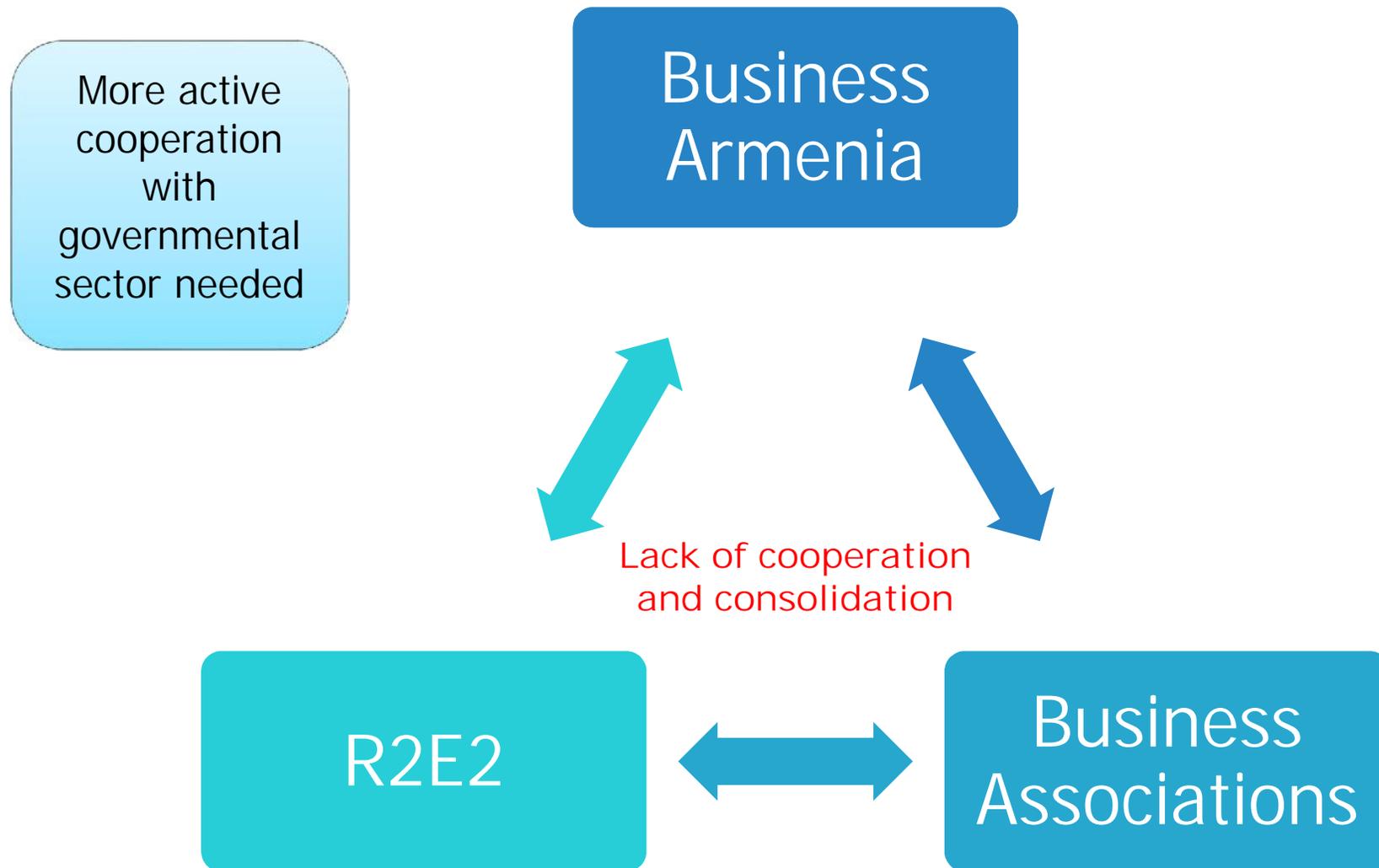
Stakeholder group: Donors





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Stakeholder group: Business sector





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Stakeholder group: NGOs



Very few

Energy related topics

Renewables and energy efficiency

ESF and very few others

NGOs

Environmental issues

Social topics and related issues

Currently, only professional NGOs guarantee sustainability

More NGOs active in the field



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Stakeholder group: General public



General public was named in most of the interviews as one of the main stakeholders.



Public should have a say in the legislative process, but not when it is too technical.

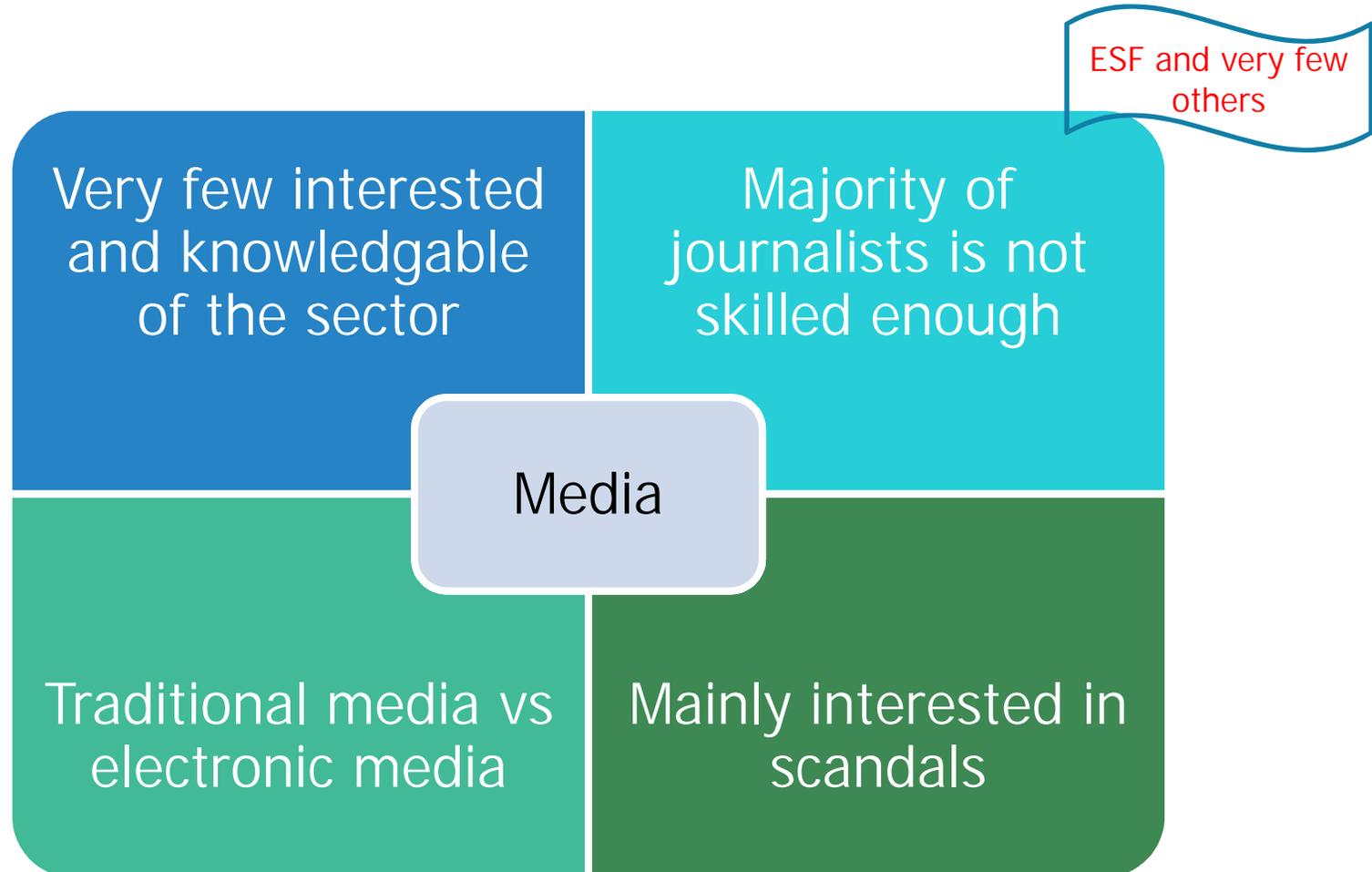
For the energy sectors the public can be represented in the consultation process by NGOs or experts.

In other sectors yes, but not in the energy sector. One needs to be an expert



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Stakeholder group: Media





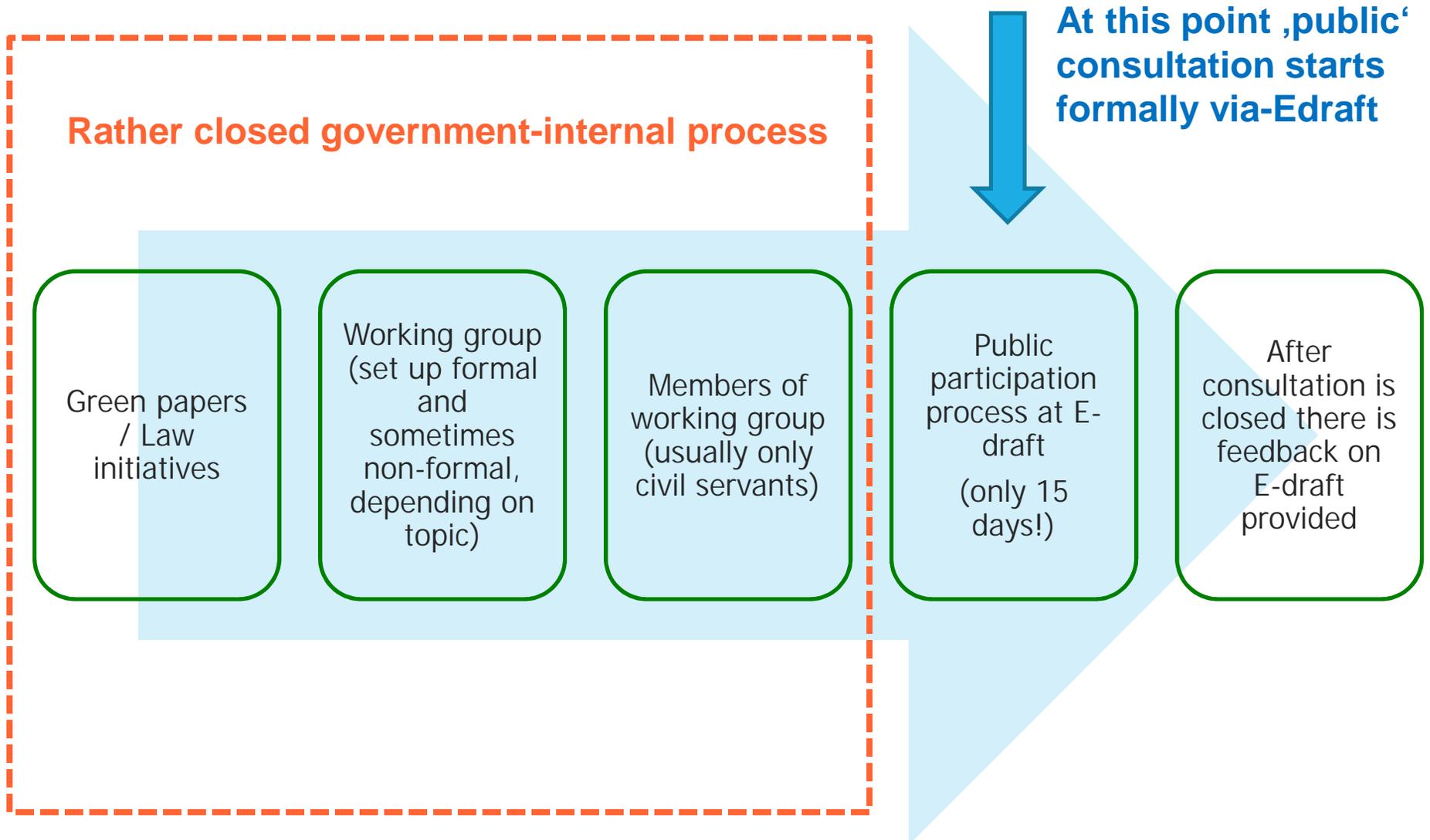
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Formal law draft processes in the Armenian energy sector



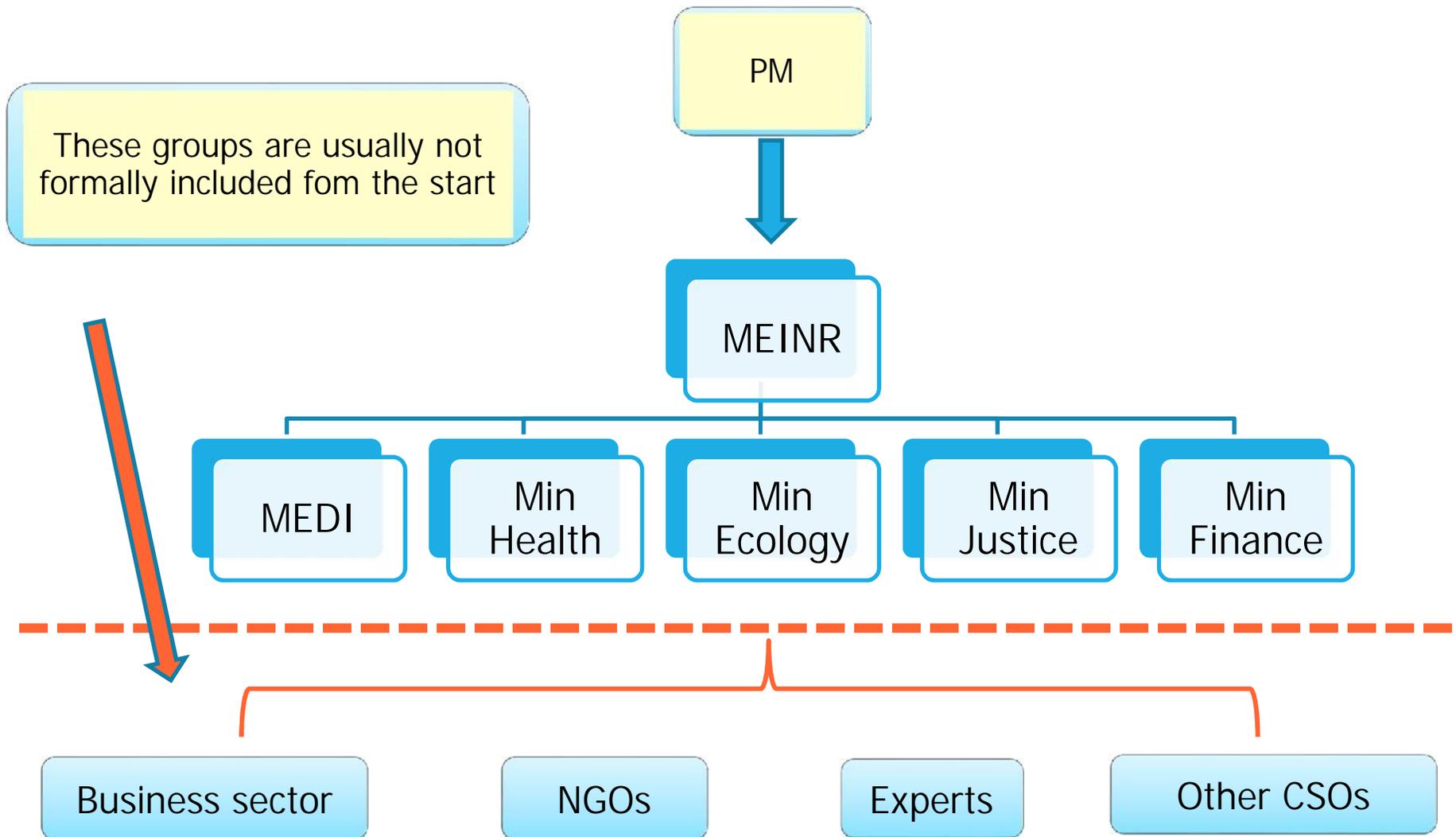
Law draft consultation process





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Draft law processes in an early stage (Working Groups)





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EU best practice examples



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Your Voice in Europe

https://ec.europa.eu/info/consultations_en



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Public consultation on the Evaluation of the 7th Environment Action Programme

Topics Environment, Climate action

Consultation period 3 May 2018 - 26 July 2018

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Denmark: Business Forum for better regulation



Situation: Danish Ministry of Industry, Business and Financial Affairs seeks to maintain close dialogue with business community (review and revise business regulations)

Forum participants (inter alia):

- Industry associations
- Labour organisations
- Businesses
- Technical experts

Meeting frequency:
3 times per year

Topics elaborated (inter alia):

- Barriers to growth
- Digitalisation
- Tourism
- Transport
- Implementation of EU regulations

721 proposals submitted, 266 were implemented

„Complain or explain“-principle: www.enklereregler.dk



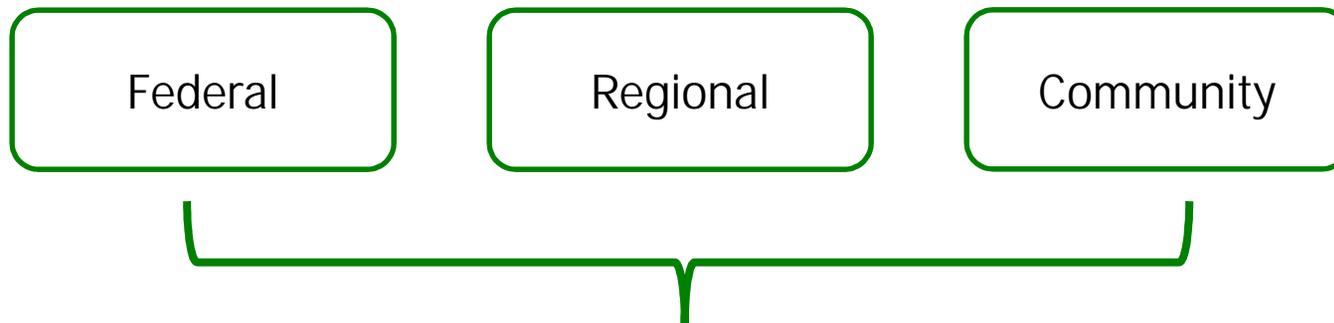
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Belgium: Advisory Boards



Situation: Belgian Stakeholder engagement is institutionalised through permanent advisory bodies (Attention: Should ideally be complementary to public consultations).

**Government defines composition and scope of advisory bodies.
They act on three levels:**



They provide input on:

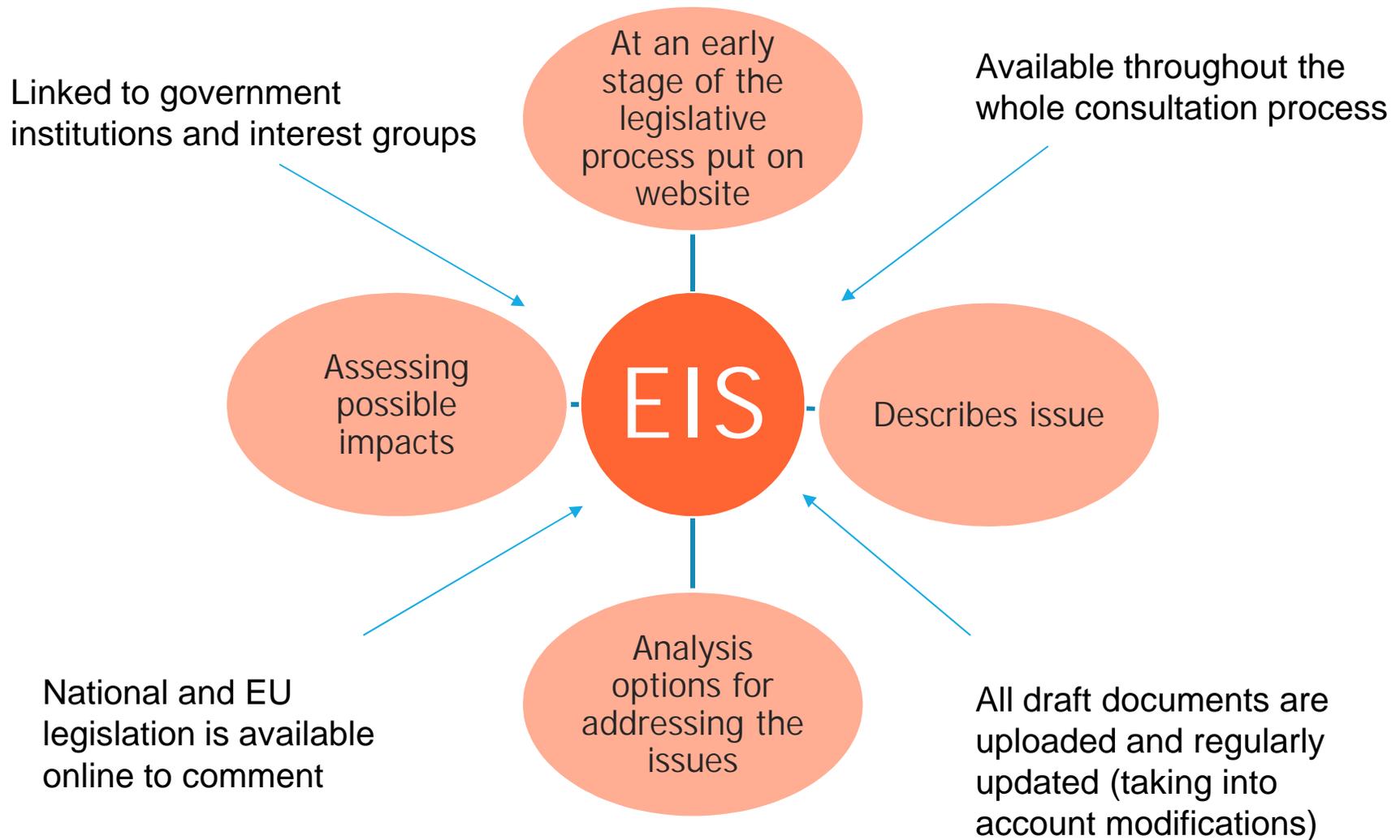
- Strategic advice
- Conduct studies on development in different sectors
- Assess potential impacts of government decisions
- Formulate opinion on draft document



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Estonia: Digital tools

EIS – Estonian Information System for Legal Drafts





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**E-draft -
comparable to**

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E-draft – awareness & promotion



- The E-draft web portal is almost identical with the www.yourvoiceineurope.eu website and appears to be a highly advanced website to prove public participation.
- E-draft is still not sufficiently popular and should be promoted whenever possible by the governmental institutions and other stakeholders.
- There is a need to train all civil servants in using the website and explain to the public, why it is important to make use of such an opportunity to comment on policy developments.
- There is a reference to E-draft on the governmental websites. Unfortunately, links to www.e-draft.am, www.arlis.am, www.e-gov.am are put on different places on the websites and on each Ministries' website it is placed differently.
- Reference to personal data and what is done to protect personal data is obviously missing such as reference to analytic tools and cookies.



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Working session 1: E-draft – awareness & promotion



- Go to the website at www.e-draft.am
- According to your experience (having already used e-draft or not having had any experience yet) collect your first impressions:
 - What is well done? Which functions are your favourite ones? Why?
 - What should be improved? Why should it be improved or done different?
 - If some of you didn't sign in so far – have a look into the procedure of signing in.
- Look up the latest activities in the energy sector. What is your impression? Are there any remarks? If yes – how are they expressed?
- Have a look at the feedback, when public consultation has been finalised – Is it helpful? What needs to be improved?
- Conclusions: What was your experience with e-draft so far? Is it helpful for you? Why? Why not?
- What can be done to raise awareness of e-draft?

=> You have 20 minutes amongst the groups to elaborate E-Draft. Each groups will present their findings to the audience afterwards.



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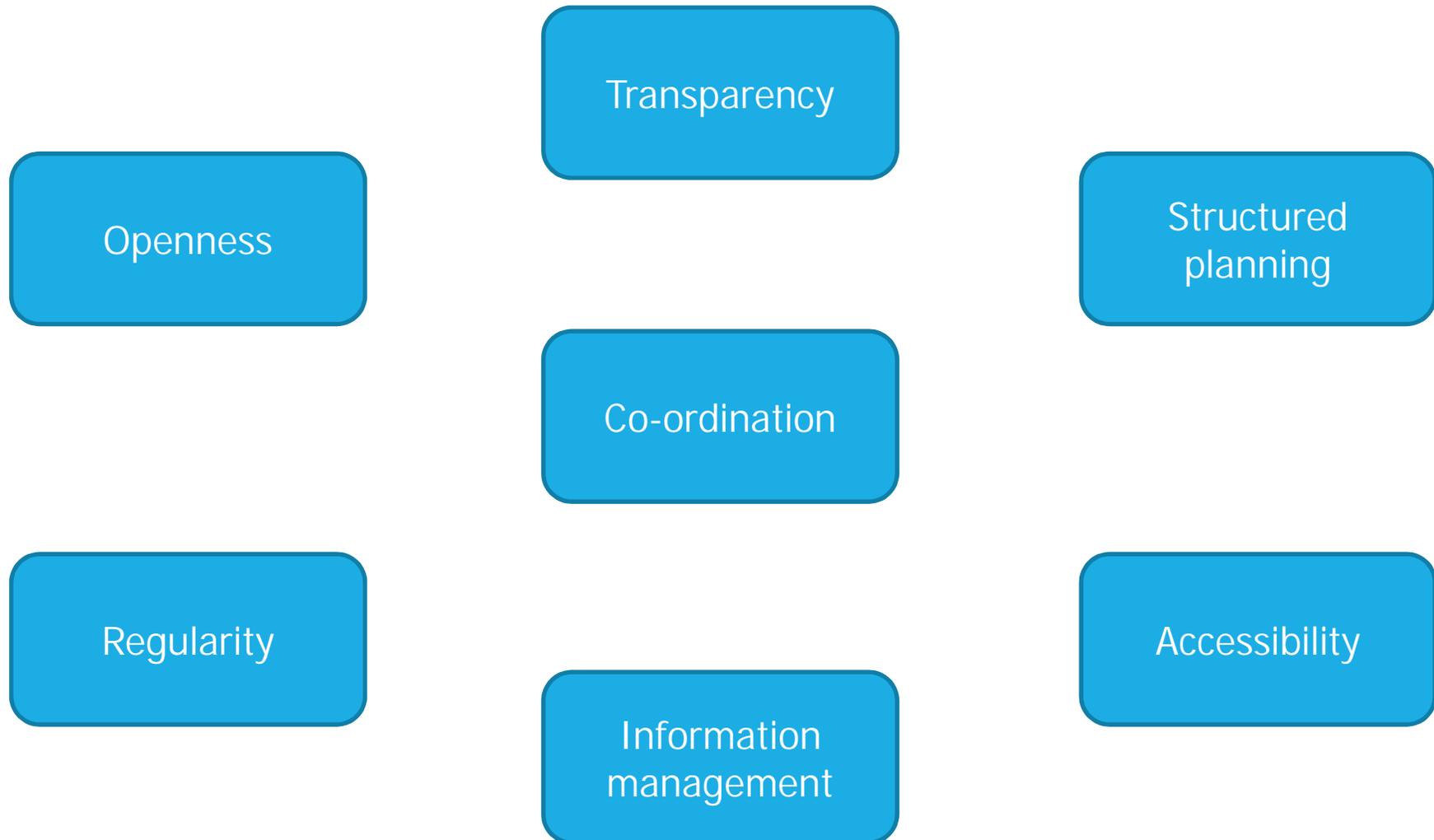


Inter-ministerial coordination



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Important factors for a successful inter-ministerial coordination





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Inter-ministerial co-ordination in Armenia Current situation



- Communication amongst public stakeholders in Armenia is obviously not restricted but limited.
- Liberalised approach dominates, supported and encouraged by the new government. Aim is to become more transparent and open in the decision-making process.
- To reach the aim it is needed to push on a more regulated meeting-culture and willingness to share information at least internally.
- Mindset of many civil servants seems to be generally networking and result-oriented.

A regulated and well-organised information and data management, within the governmental institutions vertically and horizontally at various levels is needed.



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Working session 2: How can a successful inter-ministerial coordination look like?



⇒ Have a look at the following questions. Your task is to set up a regular inter-ministerial communication in the energy sector. How can an inter-ministerial coordination look like in your country?

1. One coordinator (employee of the Ministry) should be appointed to manage the coordination.
2. Determine objectives of the meetings: What aim should be reached?
3. How often meetings should take place?
4. Which ministries should participate and why?
5. Where should the meetings take place?
6. How many people should be invited?
7. Should management levels be mixed or not?
8. How can contact details be collected and properly managed?
9. How can information from the meeting be collected and further processed? (e.g. via intranet, newsletter, e-mail etc.)



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Presentation of different approaches



=> Analyse the different approaches and elaborate which would be feasible and realistic in Armenia?

- ⇒ First meeting: Person should present his/her professional background, department and organisation. Max. 3-5 minutes per person.
- ⇒ Presentation of a topic followed by a moderated discussion of the whole group.
- ⇒ Brainstorming in working groups. Groups should be mixed. Results should be presented after elaboration and protocolled.
- ⇒ Representatives of each Ministry present one major topic, which is currently important. In groups there should be overlaps identified
- ⇒ Three main outcomes of the meeting should be written on a flipchart. Those will be used as the basis for the next meeting. Meanwhile participants will collect more information on the elaborated outcome.



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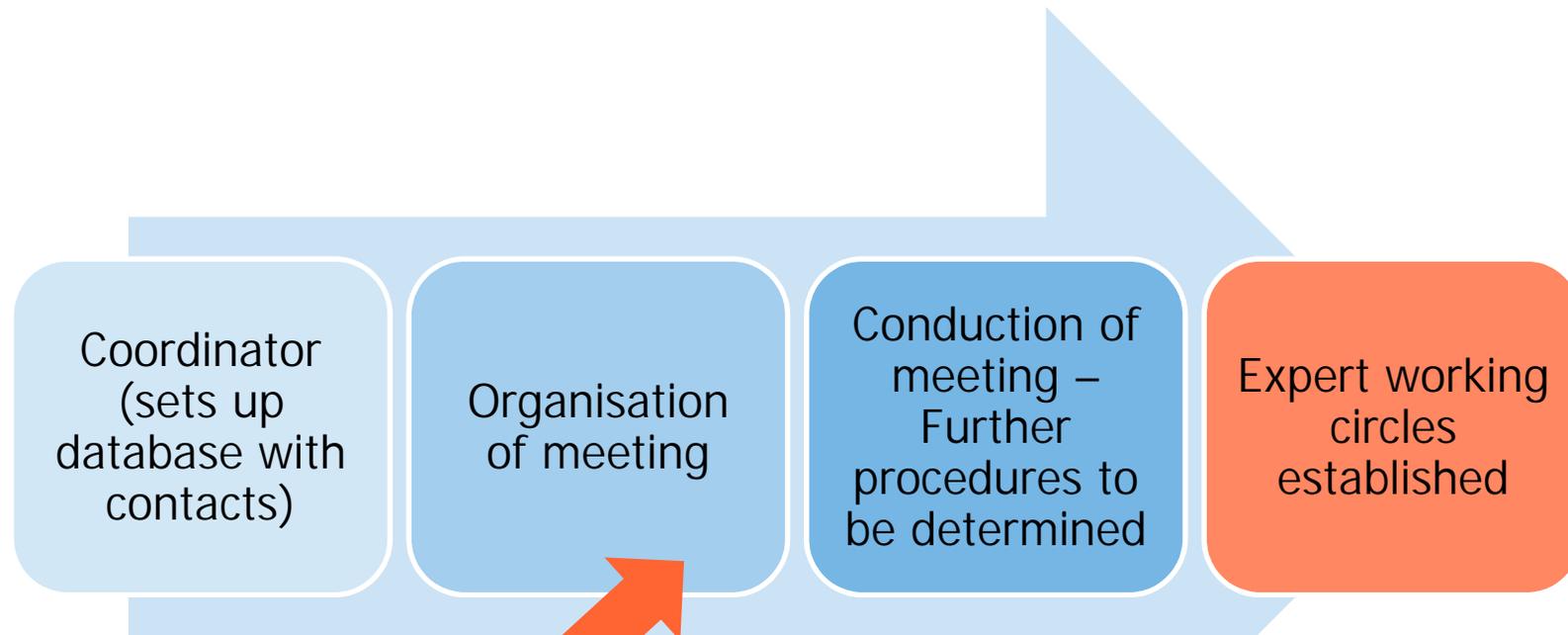


Stakeholder communication



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Stakeholder Communication (First part of Code of Good Practice – Partner Dialogue)

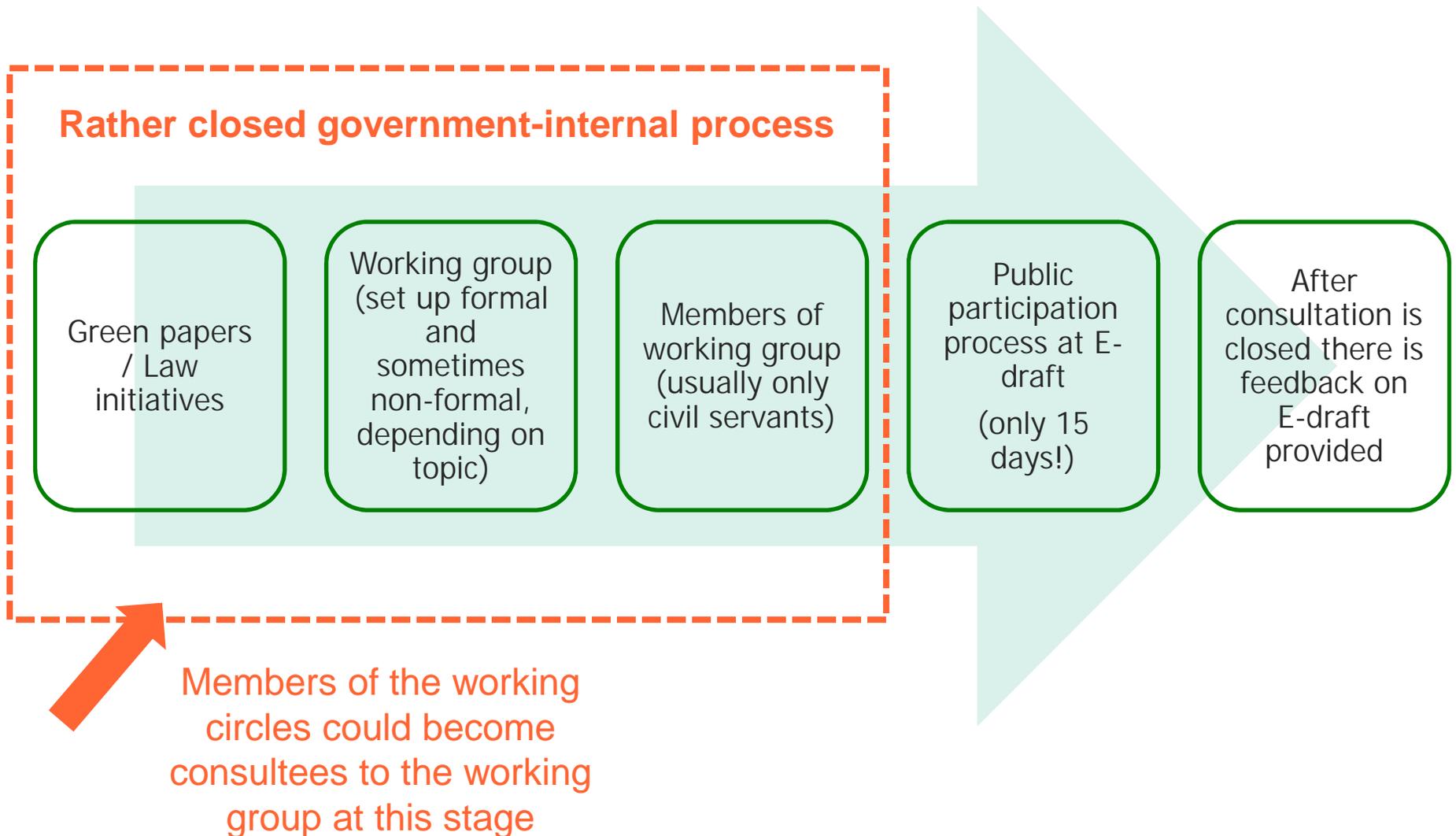


In principle similar to
inter-ministerial
coordination (same
questions to be asked
and similar procedures)



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Code of Good Practice - Part 2





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operation and your attention!**