



Budget Support

Day 1: Core Concepts

Definition of EU budget support and eligibility criteria

Online Sessions

What is Budget Support for the EU?

EU Approach to budget support

4 eligibility criteria

Credible and relevant development/sector policy

Stability oriented macro-economic policies



Relevant and credible PFM reform programme

Transparency and oversight of the budget

+ consideration of the commitment towards - and respect of - EU's fundamental values

4 interrelated components

Performance & assessment criteria

Capacity building

Policy dialogue

Financial transfers (grants)



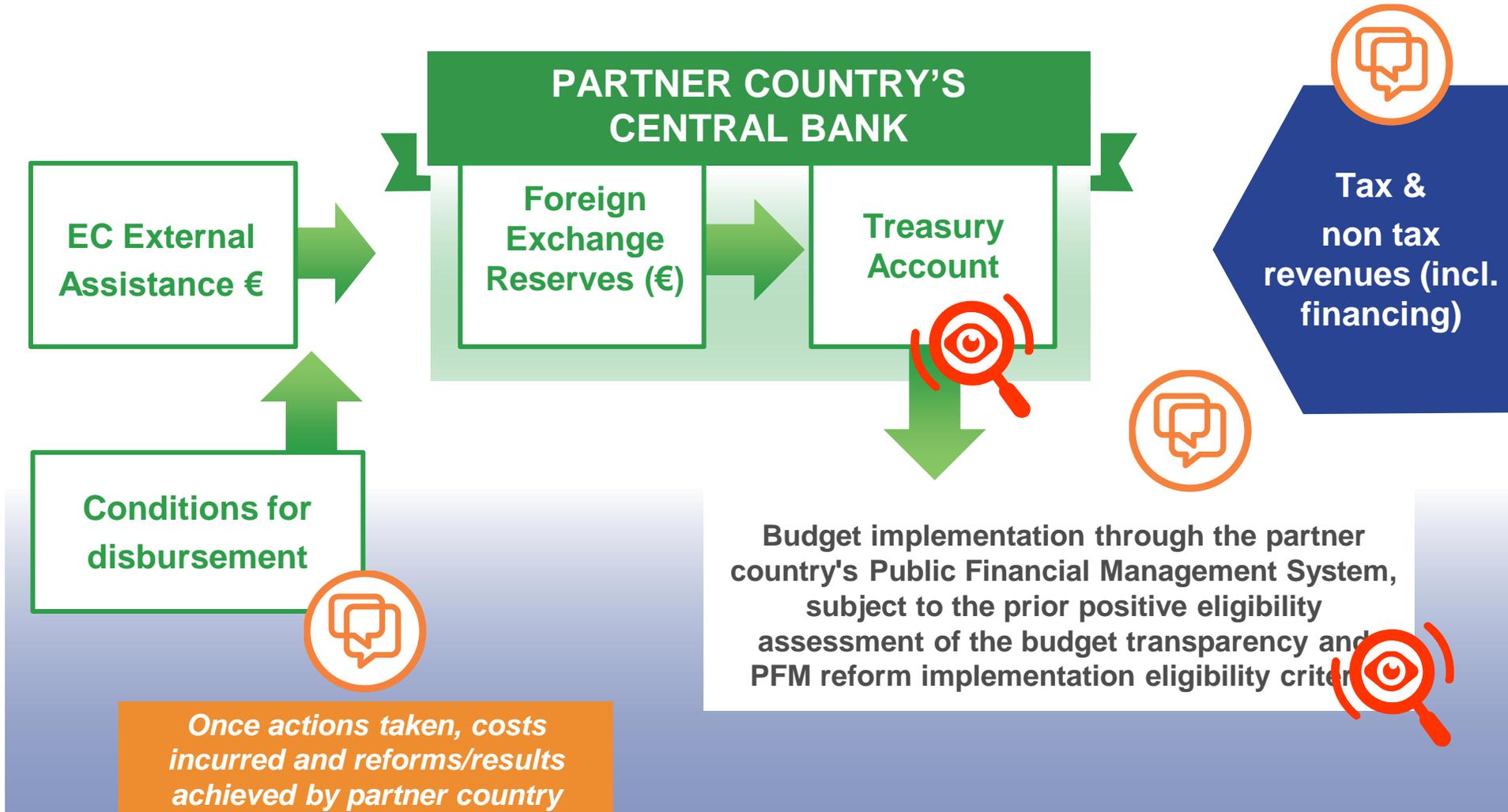
3 types of multiannual contracts

Sustainable Development Goals Contract (SDG-C)

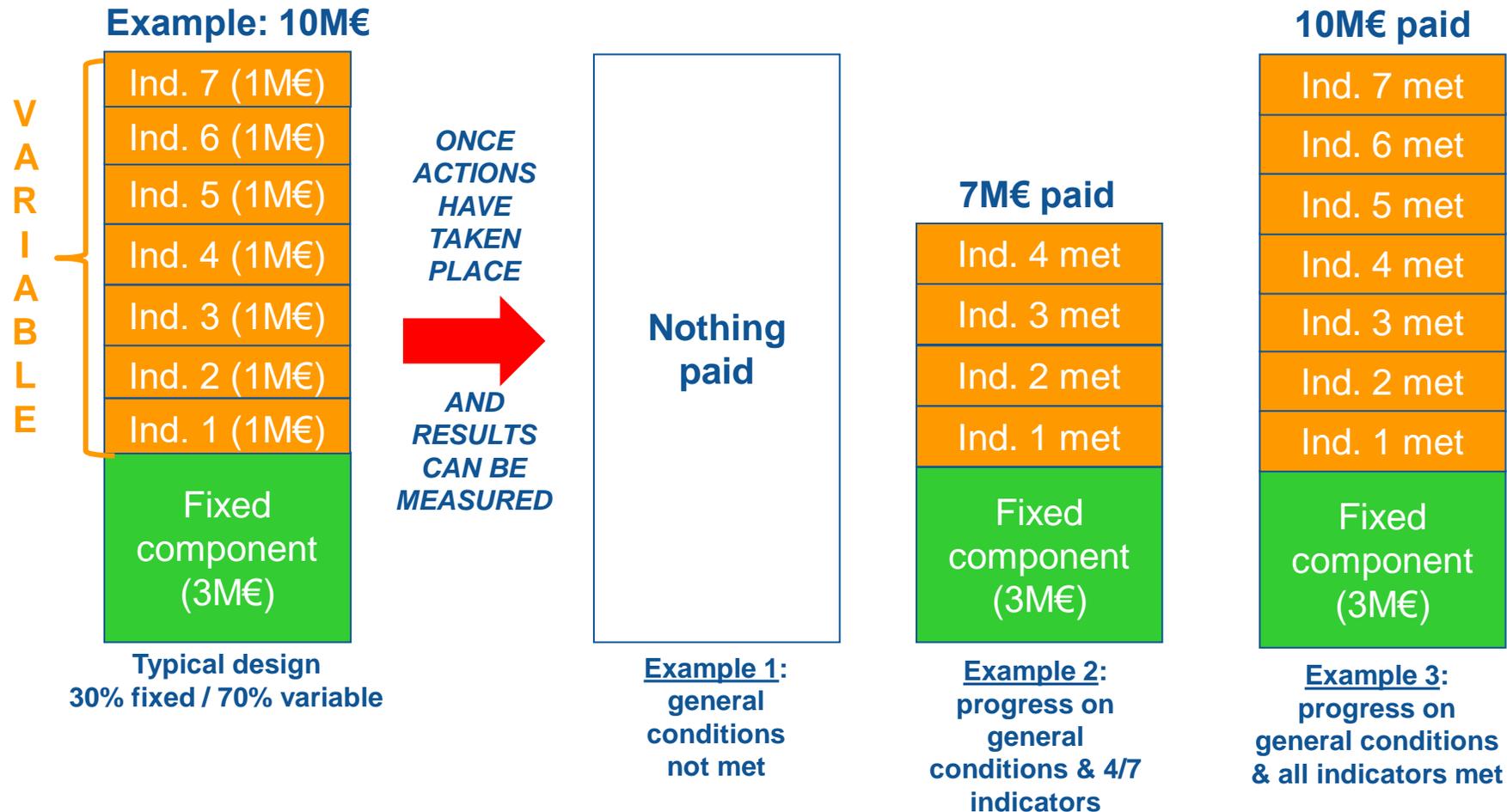
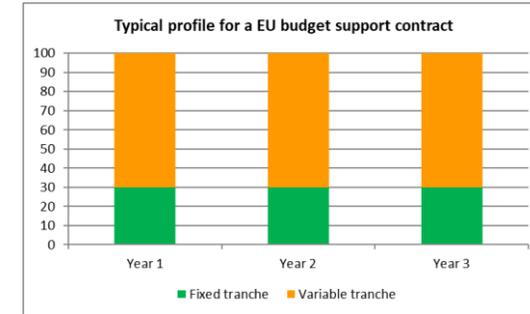
State and Resilience Building Contract (SRBC)

Sector Reform Performance Contract (SRPC)

Payments once conditions met (ex post)



Payments on performance



Fixed tranche ≠ unconditional, guaranteed or pre-financing

– 3 scenarios (no, partial or full payment) –

Thinking about the flow of funds of budget support, can you draw any parallels with this photo?



Budget support, External Action, Team Europe



Budget support, an asset for Team Europe (Initiatives)

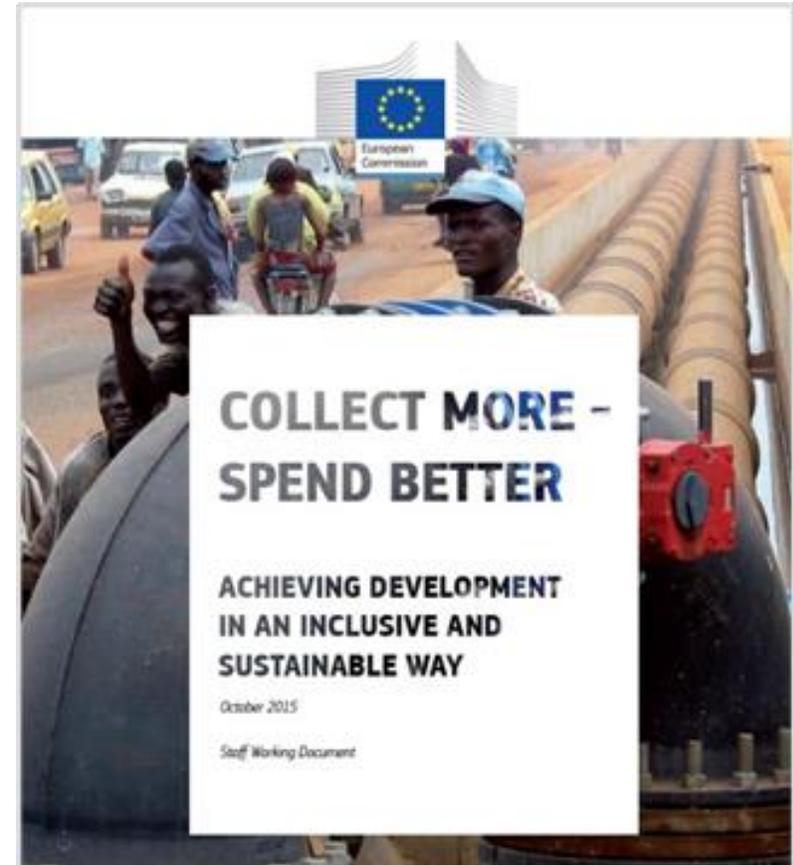
- Coordination with EU member States (embassies, field offices agencies, EIB, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development)
- Integrated in the EU Multiannual Indicative Programmes
- Plan: approx. 2 TEIs per partner country

Economic governance & Global Gateway

Foster an investment-friendly environment for mobilizing increased investments in infrastructure meeting high technical, competitive, environmental, social and governance standards.

The EU supports:

- Strengthening **domestic resource mobilization, public finance management and debt management**
- Reforms of **regulatory frameworks** for greater sustainability, transparency and non-discrimination
- **Sustainable finance** flows
- The **capacity of partner countries to develop infrastructure plans and prepare credible projects**
- **Adherence to international standards for infrastructure spending** by other donors
- Active participation in **international standard setting bodies**

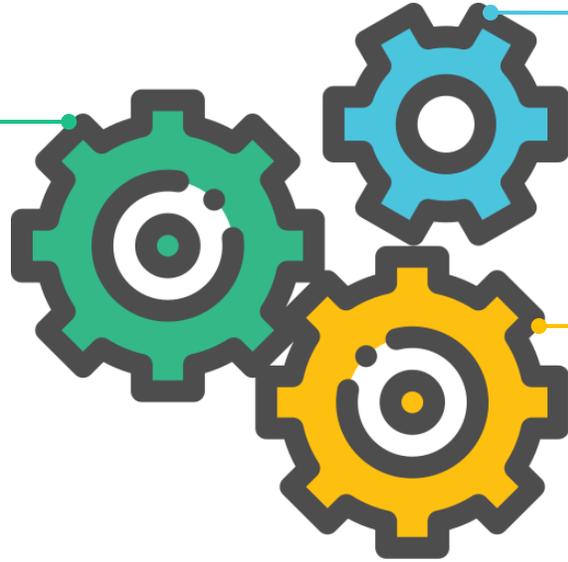


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Budget support for Global Gateway

Macroeconomic stability: fiscal policies (revenue and spending – recurrent and investment), debt sustainability



Relevant and credible **development and sector policies:** financing; legislative and **regulatory framework**; public investment component and maintenance; reporting and monitoring systems

Public finance management & fiscal transparency:

- tax and customs administration
- budgeting (gender and green)
- public procurement
- public investment management
- state-owned enterprises
- public debt management
- external control & anti-corruption

	Conditions for successful investments, maximising their returns
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Budget Support in the context of broad policies



General post



Please take a 15 min break





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Quiz time

What is policy dialogue?

Let's go to Menti!



*Policy dialogue is an ‘open and inclusive’
dialogue on development policies.*

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Budget Support Guidelines

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International
Cooperation and



What is Policy Dialogue?

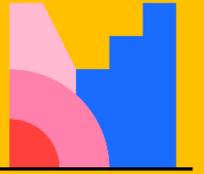
ESSENTIAL activity (under Budget Support) and
CRUCIAL (for other interventions)

It is expected to **CONTRIBUTE** to the objectives
of budget support & other interventions

Used to **MITIGATE** some of the **RISKS**

COHERENT and in line with the **AGREED
OBJECTIVES**

Adaptation of Annex 13, Budget Support Guidelines 2017



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Quiz time

What is policy dialogue about?

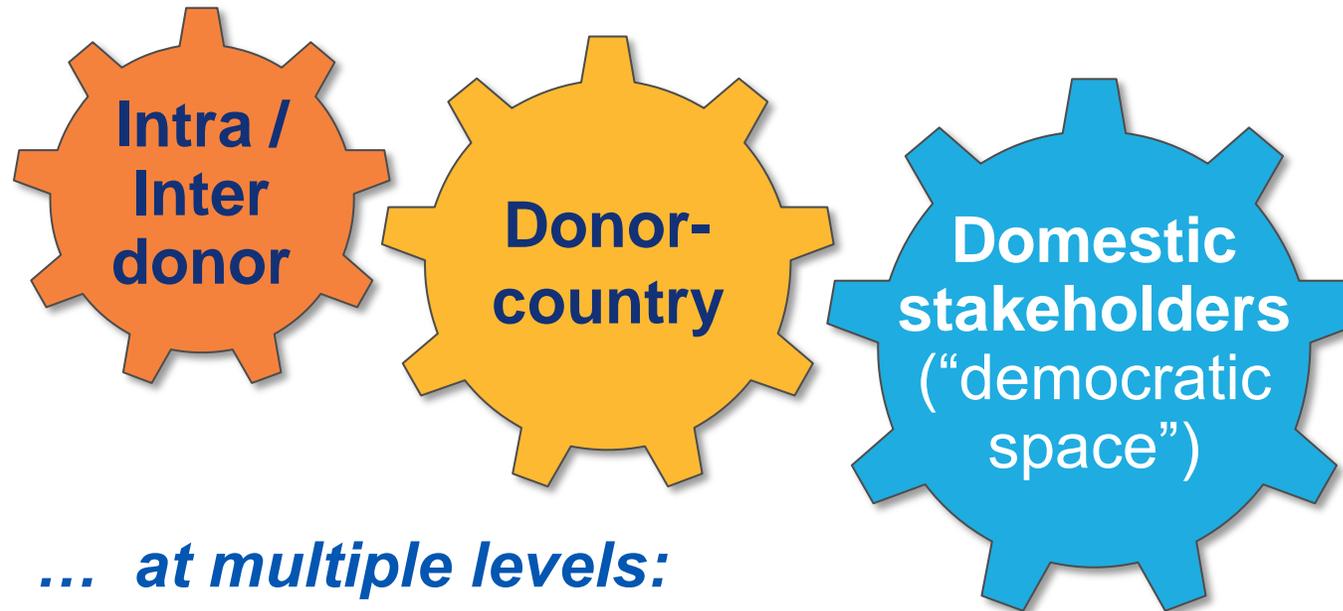
Let's go to Menti!

Policy dialogue is a continuous, dynamic, multidimensional, non-linear, purposeful exchange

PD DPs DP – Gov Gov Democratic space CS « Out of the box »

Global
Regional
National
Sector
Sub-national
District
Municipal
Grassroots

... between:



... at multiple levels:

... and evolving over time !

“As long-term progress can only be driven by internal forces, an approach centred on political, and policy dialogue with all stakeholders will be pursued..”

Agenda for Change
(2011)

Policy dialogue: main features

- A **continued policy dialogue** during the Budget Support formulation and implementation
- A **focused dialogue to engage with partner country** around critical areas:
 - ✓ Domestic sector reform agendas (governance, accountability, regulatory and institutional framework...)
 - ✓ Assessment of eligibility criteria and performance indicators
 - ✓ Efficiency and effectiveness of sector policy formulation and implementation processes
 - ✓ Specific sector reforms to improve the quality of/access to public service delivery
 - ✓ Specific sector PFM issues that are not particularly covered by generic PFM reforms



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Quiz time: What is capacity development in the context of budget support?

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Capacity development objectives

- Promote effective, accountable and inclusive institutions
- Enhance Government capacity to design, implement, monitor, and evaluate policies and to deliver public services
- Promote the active engagement of all stakeholders in policy design, implementation and monitoring
- Strengthen the national monitoring and evaluation framework, including statistical system
- Integrate gender equality measures in planning, budgeting and monitoring
- Mitigate risks where there is commitment to reform but lack of capacity

Any questions?

Four eligibility criteria needed to be satisfied

For programme approval

1. Existence of a credible and relevant programme to restore/maintain macro-economic stability

2. Existence of a credible and relevant programme to improve public financial management (PFM)

3. The proposed or enacted budget is published

4. Credible and relevant national/sector policy supports poverty eradication/inequality reduction/sustainable and inclusive growth and job creation, consolidation of democracy and peaceful society, and the promotion of gender equality

For programme implementation

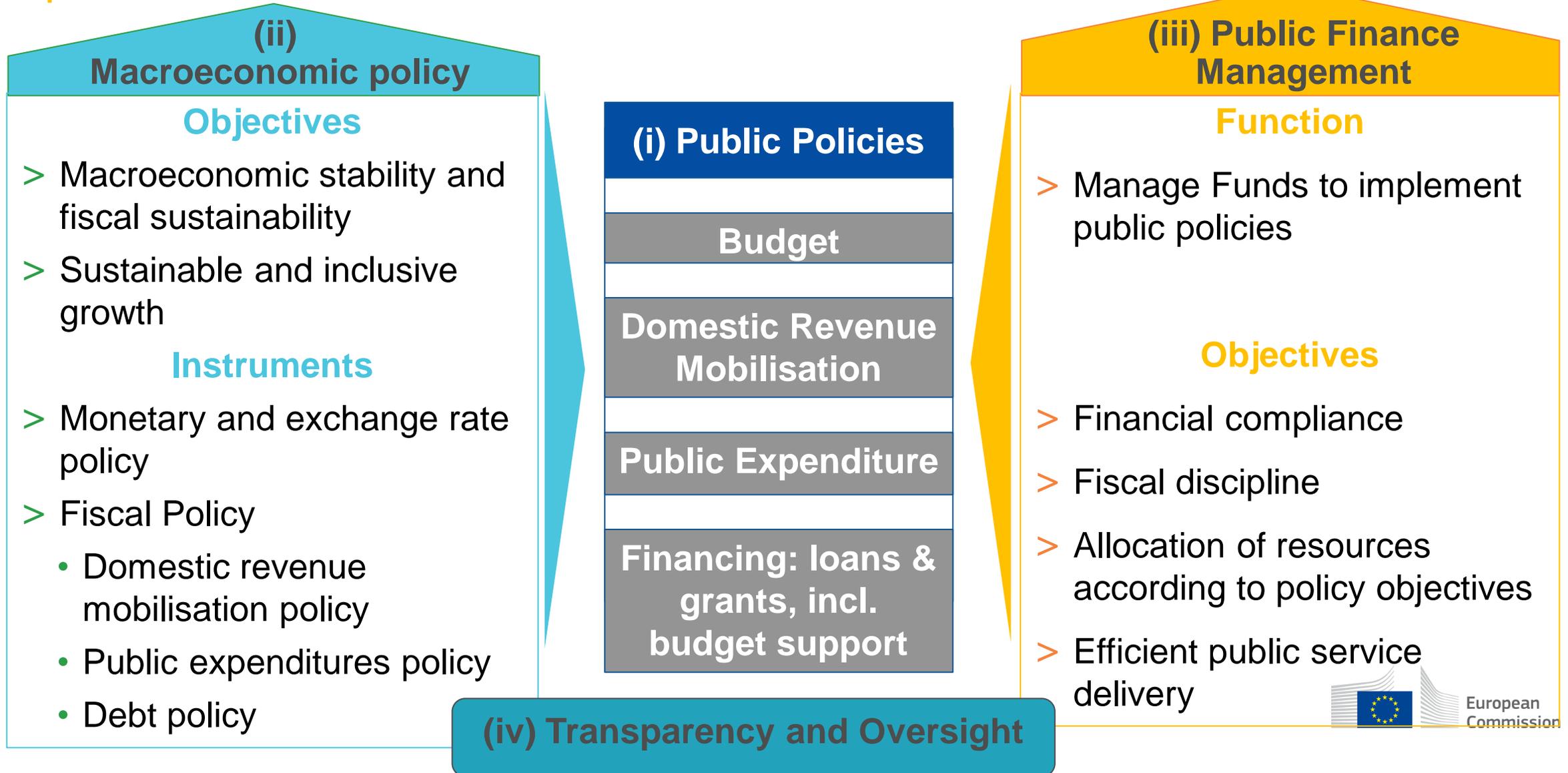
1. Maintenance of a credible and relevant stability-oriented macroeconomic policy or progress made towards restoring key balances

2. Satisfactory progress in the implementation of reforms to improve PFM, including Domestic Revenue Mobilisation (DRM), and continued relevance and credibility of the reform programme

3. Satisfactory progress with regard to the public availability of accessible, timely, comprehensive and sound budgetary information.

4. Satisfactory progress in the implementation of the national/sector strategy and continued credibility and relevance of that or any successor strategy.

The centrality of the budget



Improving PFM / DRM systems



COLLECT MORE

&

SPEND BETTER



UN Tax Committee (UN)	EITI (WB)
Addis Tax Initiative (GIZ)	Extractive Global Programmatic Support (WB)
Base Erosion & Profit Shifting (OECD)	Natural Resource Wealth (IMF)
Revenue Statistics Initiative (OECD)	Revenue Mobilisation (IMF)
Global Forum info exchange on tax (OECD)	Tax administration TADAT (IMF)

PEFA	Pan-African Fin. Gov. (GIZ)
Africa Fiscal Forum (IMF)	PFM Partnership Programme (IMF)
Regional TACs (IMF)	Civil society

Debt Management Facility (WB)
Debt Management Systems (UNCTAD)
Public Invest. PIMA (IMF)
Procurement MAPS (WB/OECD)
Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI)

Twining & Technical Assistance and Information Exchange instrument



Mentimeter

Quiz time: Why is macro-economic stability important for budget support?

Let's go to Menti!

Macro-economic stability

- Ensures a favourable context for development – think about volatility!
 - Is essential for investments, job creation – think about planning!
 - Contributes to equity – think about inflation!
- A relevant macro-economic policy will address imbalances through monetary, exchange rate, and fiscal policies
- A credible macro-economic policy is where institutions are capable to plan, finance and implement effectively policies backed by political commitment with predictability for departments in charge of service delivery

Macro - Analytical grid

Four building blocks:

- **(1) *Real economy*: Evolution of main macro-economic aggregates and potential sources of instability:** composition of GDP, sources of GDP growth, external balances, etc.
 - **(2) *Fiscal operations, policies and aggregates*:** overall revenue and expenditure levels, financing of the deficit, debt sustainability, etc.
 - **(3) *Monetary indicators and policies*:** control of inflation, money growth, regulation of the banking sector, credit requirements, regulation of the financial market, etc.
 - **(4) *Balance of Payments*.** Imports / Exports / Financial flows. **Vulnerability to external shocks and resilience efforts**
- ➔ Is the **policy mix** conducive to stability? Are fiscal, monetary exchange rate policy concurring into balancing the economy?

Exercises

Fictiland and sector context

- Fictiland a mountainous country, mostly rural population, numerous ethnic groups, three tier government structure
- Rapid economic growth over past 30 years: now a LMIC with poverty rate < 6% and substantial progress towards achievement of SDGs
- Strong infrastructural development but coming up against rising demand for electricity, to which access remains uneven (quality and grid)
- ECF has monopoly over grid but not over electricity generation (hydropower 38%, coal 32%, gas 17%)
- Power = 85% of Fictiland's GHG by 2030 (growth GHG/capita +5% year) with population and economy highly vulnerable to climate impact

EU cooperation with Fictiland

- Agreed focus for the next Multi-Financial Framework: renewable energies and climate action
- Intended modalities:
 - €100 million as a SRPC over 2024-2026 to the renewable energy sector (eligibility criteria have been verified as satisfied)
 - €30 million as a co-financing of investment costs in transmission lines with Member States, the ADB and the WB (probably blending)
 - Possible additional assistance in capacity strengthening (considering twinning)

Exercise 1: Macro-economic policy



Tables 1 (provided) shows the issues of concern that have been analysed by the EU's macro-economist. With a view to ensure effectiveness of budget support and continued satisfaction of eligibility during programme implementation, please identify areas which:

- Require close monitoring and attention in policy dialogue and/or specific conditions
- Require complementary assistance (support to capacity building, studies, TA)

Take the Fictiland document provided and read the context section 1, the macro analysis section 2 and annex 1 (IMF table). The most relevant paragraphs for the exercise in sections 1 and 2 are marked in yellow. Indicate in the pre-filled Tables 1 the missing elements.

Exercise 1. Table 1.1: Macro-economic assessment – Macro-economic aggregates

Issues	Issues identified	Support to capacity building	Point of Policy dialogue	Possible conditions (Performance Indicators)
Economic growth and stability; composition of GDP and sources of growth (real sector)	Lack of information about vulnerability to world eco context (exports, Foreign Direct Investment, remittances). Lack of information about climate risks.			
Fiscal balance (overall revenue and expenditure levels, financing of the deficit, debt sustainability, etc.) (public sector)	Appears healthy but fiscal deficit to monitor in case of economic slowdown. State guarantee of State owned enterprises (like ECF) commercial loans could become a risk . No recent Debt Sustainability Analysis			
Inflation (monetary sector)	High economic growth has the risk of overheating. In Fictiland. Inflation is partly 'imported'.			
External balances (Balance of Payments)	Not an issue at the moment but risky in times of world recession. Foreign reserves are below international standards			

Tip: Read Sections 1 and 2 and Annex 1 of Fictiland document provided

To find out more, use the Guidelines pages 33-36 and Annex 4, pages 92-97 for macro-economic assessment and pages 53 and 167 for Domestic Resource Mobilisation DRM policy

Exercise 1 – Table 1.2. Macro-economic assessment – Macro-economic policies

Issues	Issues identified	Support to capacity building	Point of Policy dialogue	Possible conditions (Performance Indicators)
Fiscal policies, including Domestic Resource Mobilisation (DRM)	DRM need support on tax impact studies? Macro/revenue projections support needed? Sufficient contingency built into the budget for climate risk?			
Monetary policies (money growth, regulation of the banking sector and financial market, credit requirements, etc.)	IMF provides monitoring and Technical Assistance			
Debt management	OK at the moment but no information about strategy in relation to State Owned Enterprises.			
Trade policies (External sector) and vulnerability to external shocks	Monitor FDI, remittances, volume of foreign reserves			

Tip: Read Section 2 of Fictiland document provided

To find out more, use the Guidelines pages 33-36 and Annex 4, pages 92-97 for macro-economic assessment and pages 53 and 167 for Domestic Resource Mobilisation DRM policy

Any questions?

Quiz time: How about this first day?

Did you find the pace today:

- too slow, just right, too fast?

How about the level of difficulty:

- too easy, just challenging enough, too difficult?



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Day 2: Core Concepts

Definition of EU budget support and eligibility criteria
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How do you feel today?



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Quiz time: Budget support and eligibility criteria

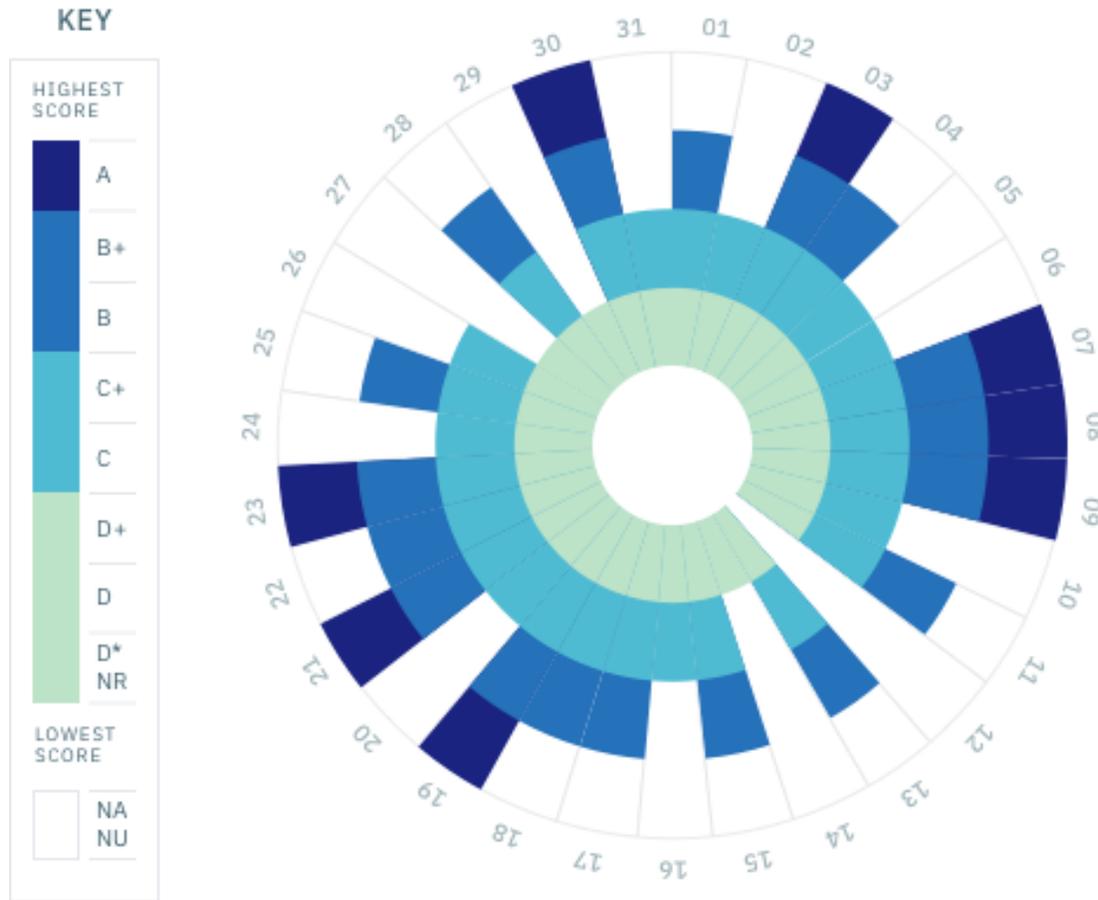
RECAP Day 1

Analytical Grid PFM

- **Diagnostic of the PFM system:** aggregate fiscal discipline, strategic allocation of resources according to policy objectives, efficient use of resources for service delivery, compliance with laws and regulations.
- **Respect of PFM principles:** legitimacy and norms; rules, procedures, and due processes; transparency and accountability.
- **Key weaknesses:** reforms and milestones for monitoring progress?
- **PFM reform:** action plan, monitoring arrangements, sequencing and prioritization of reforms, political buy-in; corruption and fraud; institutional arrangements, institutional and financial resources, coordination, capacity strengthening needs, gender-responsive budgeting; green budgeting.

Assess all phases of the budget cycle (and esp. domestic revenue mobilisation, transparency and oversight), **at national and subnational / sector levels.**

PEFA PFM Measurement tool



PEFA is a methodology for assessing public financial management performance. It identifies 94 characteristics (dimensions) across 31 key components of public financial management (indicators) in 7 broad areas of activity (pillars).
Method updated in 2016;
Various 'drill-down' instruments
Current focus at PFM Reform

Exercise 2: Public Finance Management

40' in groups
15' plenary feedback



To ensure (continued) satisfaction of eligibility at either the start or during programme implementation, the PFM expert has identified a number of areas of concern. These are shown in Table 2.

Amongst these issues of concern in each of the analytical areas, please identify:

- Those requiring close monitoring and attention in policy dialogue and/or specific conditions
- Those that could usefully benefit from complementary assistance

Take the Fictiland document provided, read section 3 (PFM) and annex 2 (PEFA) and fill Table 2. The most relevant paragraphs for this exercise are marked in green

Exercise 2 – Table 2.1: PFM assessment

Issues	Issues identified	Possible CB	Point of Policy dialogue	Possible conditions (Performance Indicators)
<p>① Diagnostic of PFM: aggregate fiscal discipline, strategic allocation of resources according to policy objectives, efficient use of resources for service delivery, compliance with laws and regulations.</p>	<p>Investment and recurrent budget planning separate threatening sustainability, budget credibility, strategic allocation of resources are weak. Efficient use of resources? Public investment management in particular at subnational level (energy)? Regulatory framework is in process of improvement</p>			
<p>② Respect of PFM principles: norms, rules, procedures, due processes, honesty/probity, legitimacy, transparency and accountability</p>	<p>PEFA PIs 15 to 23 score OK although expenditure commitment controls and internal audit need improvement. Procurement merits attention in a country with high public investment</p>			



Tip: Use the Guidelines pages 36-41 and Annex 5, pages 98-116 for PFM assessment and pages 53 and 167-168 for tax administration

Exercise 2 – Table 2.2: PFM assessment

Issues	Issues identified	Possible CB	Point of Policy dialogue	Possible conditions (Performance Indicators)
③ PFM Reform: action plan, monitoring arrangements, sequencing and prioritization of reforms, political buy-in, corruption, fraud, institutional arrangements, institutional and financial resources, coordination, capacity strengthening needs, gender issues	Poor relation between policies and budget. (multi-annual-) The institutional linkage between MOF and MOP is not conducive to improvement in budget formulation (dual budgeting). The Reform programme leaves out the investment component. Nothing is said on gender budgeting, so possible opening there			
④ Tax administration: tax collection and administration capacities, legal framework, illicit financial flows	Tax administration works efficiently. However, there is an (political?) issue of tax revenue collection at provincial level.			



Look at all phases of the budget cycle (and esp. domestic revenue mobilisation, transparency and oversight), **at national and subnational levels.**

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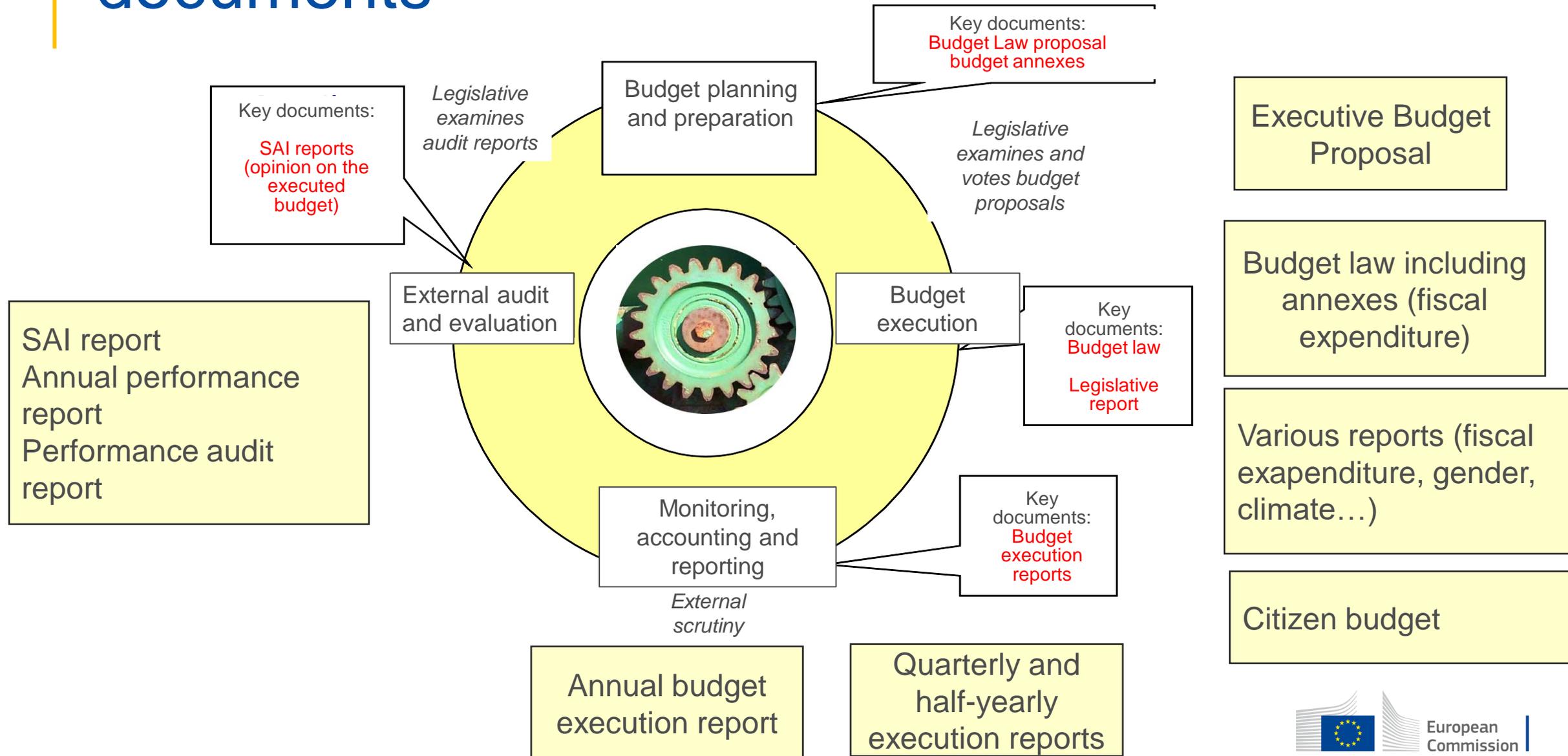
Requirement and focus for Transparency and oversight of the budget

- **For programme approval:** an *'Entry point'* has to be met. Focus is on the publication of the Budget: either Executive's budget proposal or enacted budget within the previous or current budget cycle. Due attention to fiscal and audit reports (also follow-up).
- **During implementation:** For each tranche disbursement: 'entry point still met?' means satisfactory progress (or no deterioration) in the production, public availability / accessibility, timeliness of release of budget/audit documents

Assessment of transparency and oversight

Six major budget documents: budget proposal; enacted budget; in-year reports [mid-year report]; year-end report; audit report and other documents (citizens' budgets).

Budget cycle and essential budget documents



Exercise 3: Budget transparency and external oversight



Table 3 shows the areas that should be analysed when assessing the country's eligibility to budget support with regards to budget transparency and oversight. With a view to ensure effectiveness of budget support and continued satisfaction of eligibility during programme implementation, please identify:

- Issues of concern that require close monitoring and attention in policy dialogue and/or specific conditions
- Issues that could usefully benefit from complementary assistance

Exercise 3 – Table 3: Budget transparency and external oversight assessment

Issues	Issues identified	Support to capacity building	Point of Policy dialogue	Possible conditions (Performance Indicators)
① At programme approval: Entry point met: Publication of the Budget within the previous or current budget cycle (either Executive's budget proposal or enacted budget)	Needs coherent budget classification Needs compatible reporting formats Scarce information at sector level			
② During implementation: Entry point still met? For each tranche disbursement, verified satisfactory progress (or no deterioration) in the production, public availability, timeliness of release of budget documents	Trend is positive but publication doesn't mean that the documents can effectively serve as support to analysis			
③ Check on documents available: Budget proposal	Yes with flaws			
Enacted budget	Yes but late			
In-year reports (mid-year reports)	Yes			
End-year report	Yes			
Audit report	Yes, but late & covers 60% only			
Other (such as citizens' budgets)	Yes			

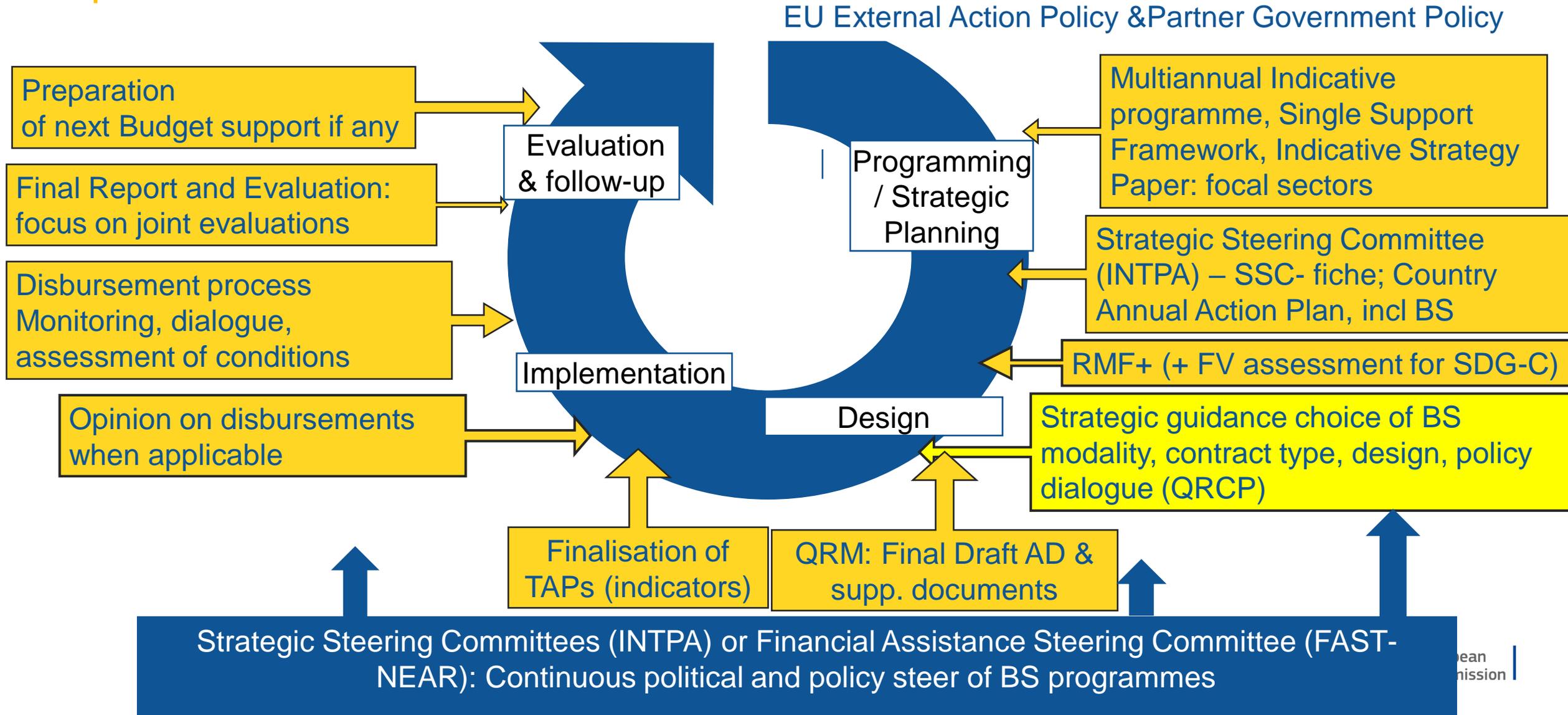


Budget Support

Core concepts: Choice of contracts and intervention logic

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EU Cycle of operations



Choice of contract



Sustainable Development Goals Contract

SDG-C

A mutual and shared commitment to universal Fundamental Values assumed.

Positive assessment of country's adherence and **commitment to Fundamental Values.**



Sector Reform Performance Contract

SRPC

Country's adherence to Fundamental Values **taken into consideration** as part of the Risk Management Framework (RMF+).

At sector level the supported interventions should not harm and do maximum good (Rights-based approach)



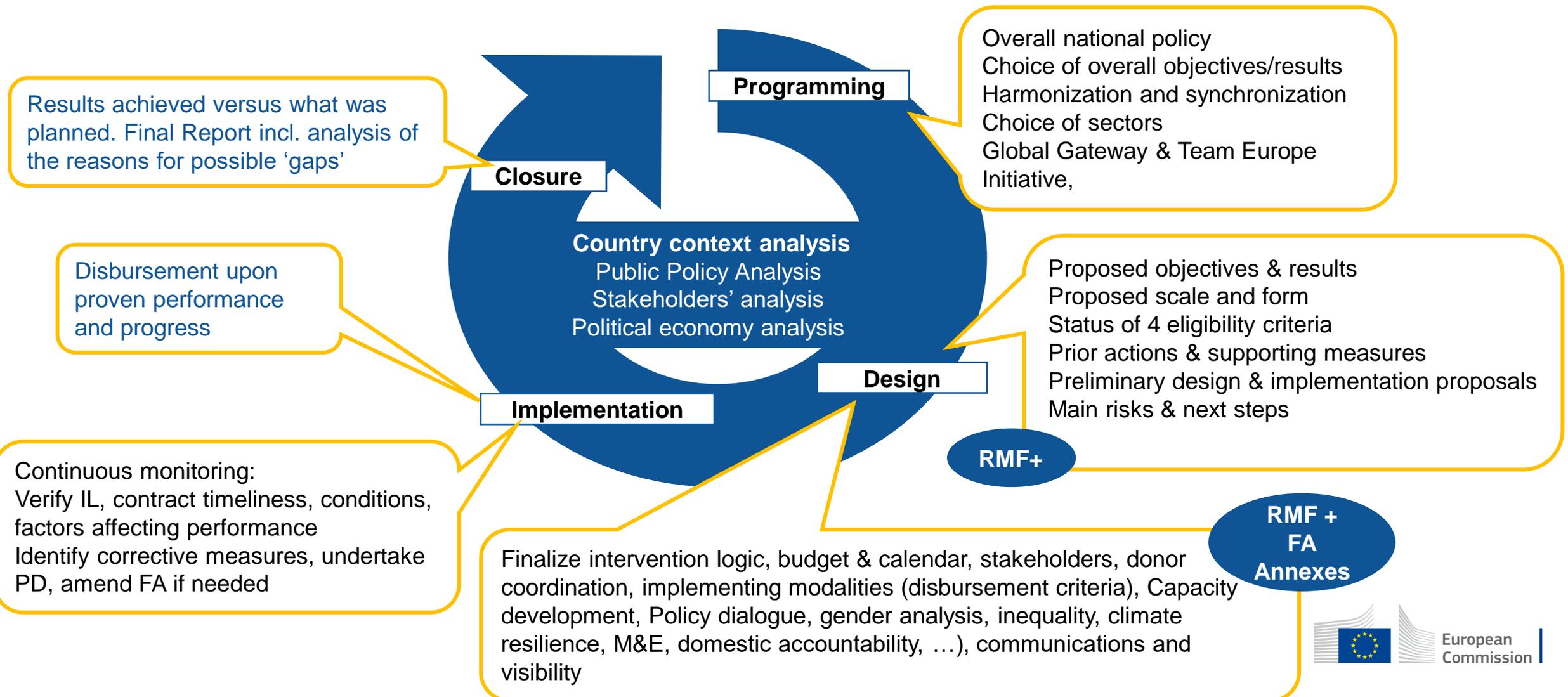
State and Resilience Building Contract

SRBC

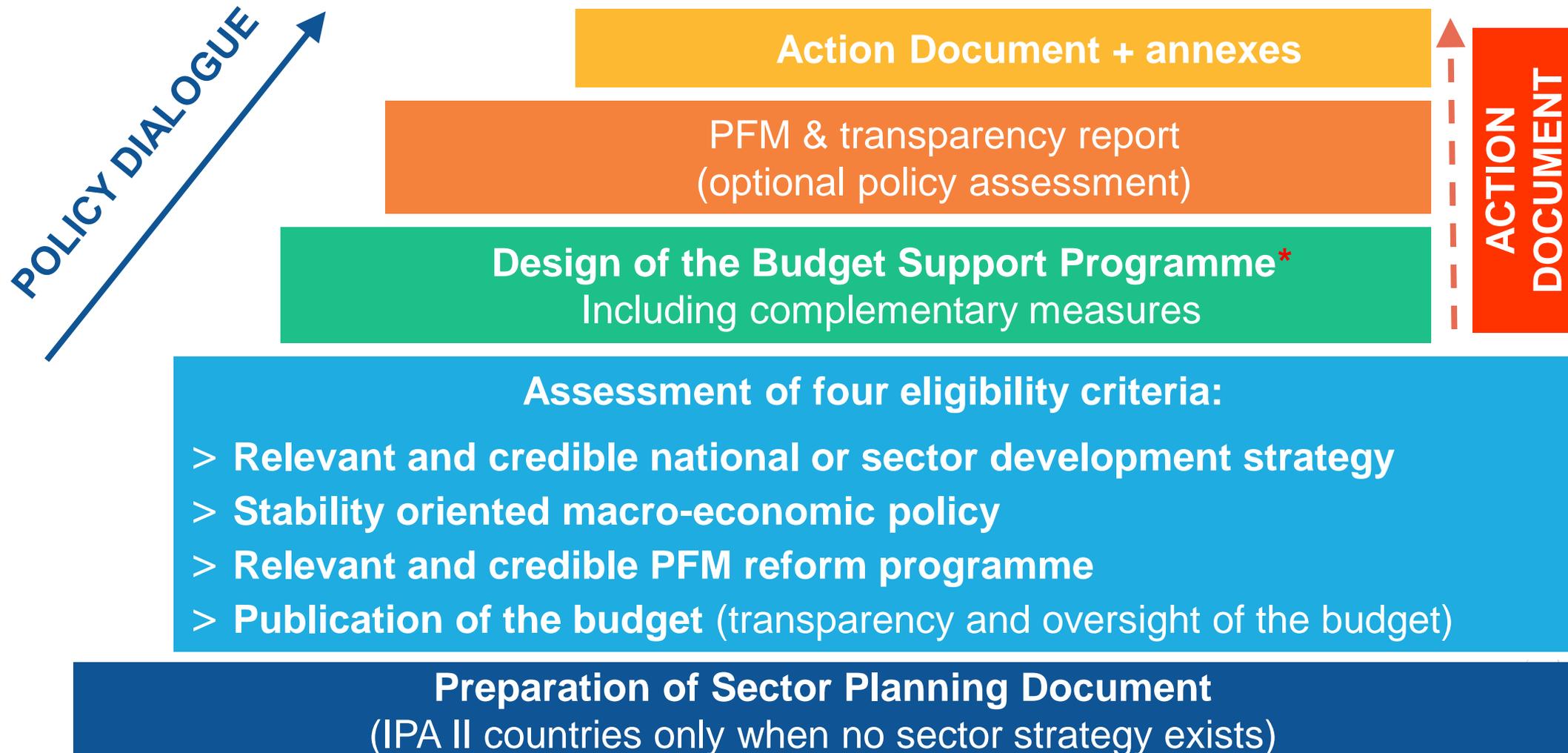
Country's commitment to Fundamental Values and/or political response to improve the situation should be taken into account as part of the RMF+.

A forward-looking approach.
Opportunity of intervention vs. risk of inaction

The context analysis at the centre: A continuous and iterative process

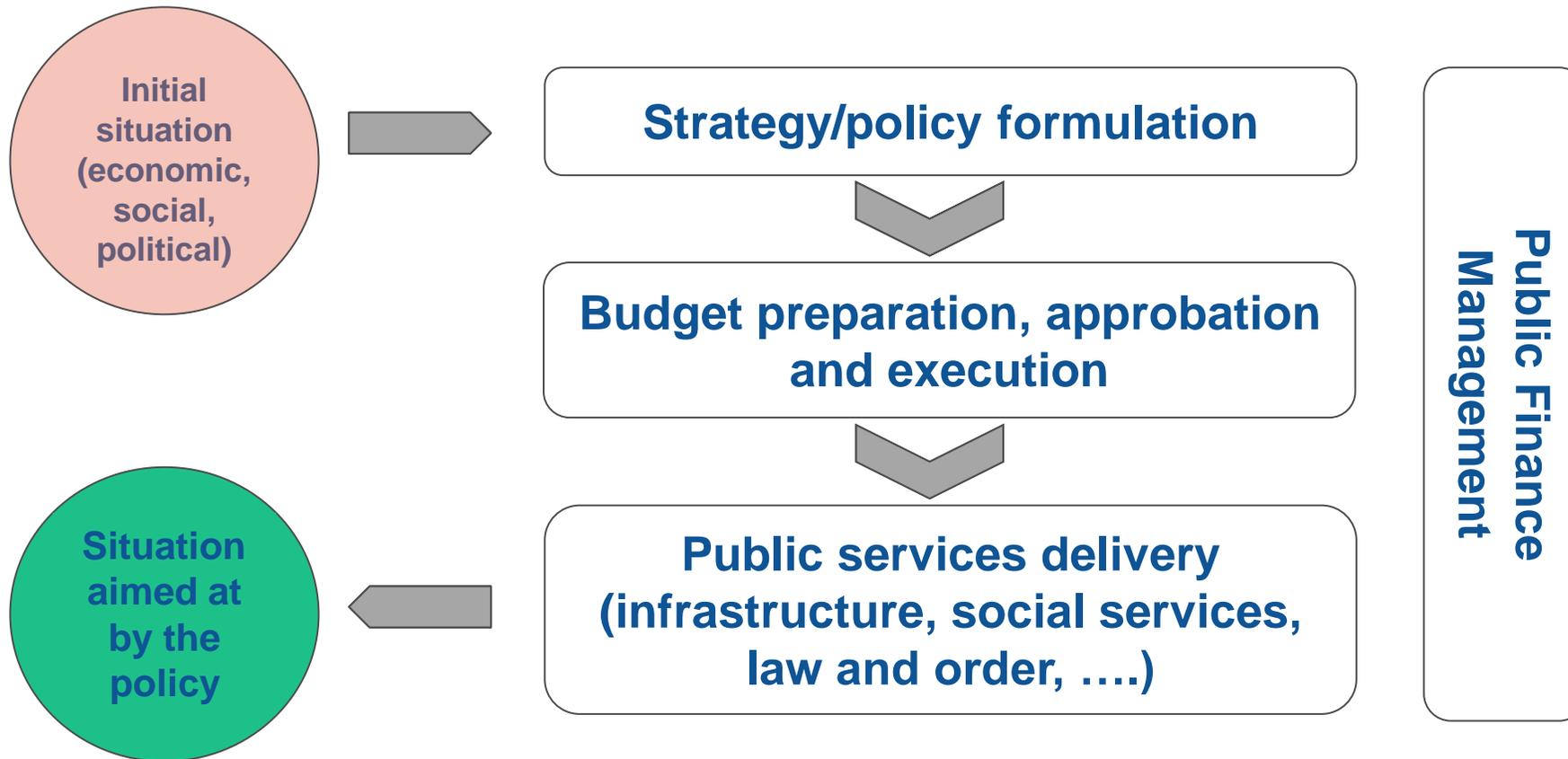


BS Preparation process



* Details on disbursement profile, the sources of verification for the general conditions and the variable tranche performance indicators to be provided in FA appendix

Public policy process



- Need to understand where decisions are made, by whom
- Political Economy Analysis (PEA), Policy Dialogue process and Stakeholders analysis

Public policy analysis

POLICY FRAMEWORK

- > Policy content and policy formulation process
- > Policy coherence
- > Monitoring, evaluation and coordination mechanisms
- > Communication strategy

POLICY RELEVANCE

- > Adequacy of Government response to country or sector challenges (contribution to sustainable growth, sector reform and service delivery, domestic accountability and oversight, resilience, crosscutting areas, ...)

POLICY CREDIBILITY

- > Past track record
- > Policy financing
- > Institutional capacities & ownership
- > Quality of data underpinning Policy

Please take a 15 min break



Exercise 4: Sector Policy

40' in groups
20' plenary feedback



The government of Fictiland has developed a new energy strategy for 2020-2050, with an implementation plan 2020-2030 which the EU is ready to support. The sector has been analysed and a summary can be found in the documents provided (sections 1 and 5). Similar to the previous exercises, from the analysis of the documents provided, please discuss and note in the template:

- Problematic areas
- Issues that might benefit from capacity building support
- The priority areas for Performance indicators of variable tranches
- The areas that need priority attention in monitoring (risks) and policy dialogue
- Any missing information you will need to design the budget support.

Tip: Read Section 1 (Sector context) and 5 of documents provided

To find out more, use the Guidelines pages 33-34 and Annex 3, pages 86-91

Exercise 4 – Table 4.1 – Sector Policy assessment

Issues	Issues identified	Support to capacity building	Point of Policy dialogue	Possible conditions (Performance Indicators)
<p>① Policy framework: policy content and formulation, M&E system, coordination mechanisms (incl. with donors), coherence of policies, existing communication strategy</p>	<p>There is no M&E system so data not reliable? There is a policy document but need more specifically on rural expansion of power. Large number of stakeholders: levels of Gov't, donors, sources of funding, beneficiaries. Are they all engaged? Pivotal role of Provinces. Reaching remote areas: equity considerations.</p>			
<p>② Policy relevance: contribution to overall objectives, response to sector challenges, inclusiveness of service delivery access and quality, sector governance (incl. external oversight), tackling of cross-cutting issues (gender, youth)</p>	<p>Rural electrification is a priority of the national development policy Questions about the sustainability of expanding further the power Trade-offs between speed of roll-out and reaching remote communities Multiple objectives: green issues, gender, equity affordability, cost recovery, sustainability</p>			

Tip: Read Section 1 (Sector context) and 5 of documents provided

Exercise 4 – Table 4.2 – Sector Policy assessment

Issues	Issues identified	Support to capacity building	Point of Policy dialogue	Possible BS Condition (Performance Indicators)
<p>③ Policy credibility: track record in policy implementation, policy financing (costing, MT budget allocations, budget comprehensiveness, financial sustainability, fiscal decentralisation), institutional capacity and ownership, quality of data underpinning policy</p>	<p>Weak human resources esp. at Provincial level Track record is positive Strong political commitment Financing is questionable (ODA is not secured, tariffs are still subsidised - will prices be adjusted? How will it affect rural incomes/equity? How is the grid going to be maintained?)</p>			
<p>④ Other risk areas that require close monitoring</p>	<p>Energy pricing Uneven institutional capabilities (stable staffing?)</p>			
<p>⑤ Missing elements required for analysis and decision-making</p>	<p>Policy documents (details), annual plans and costing Credibility of assumptions?</p>			

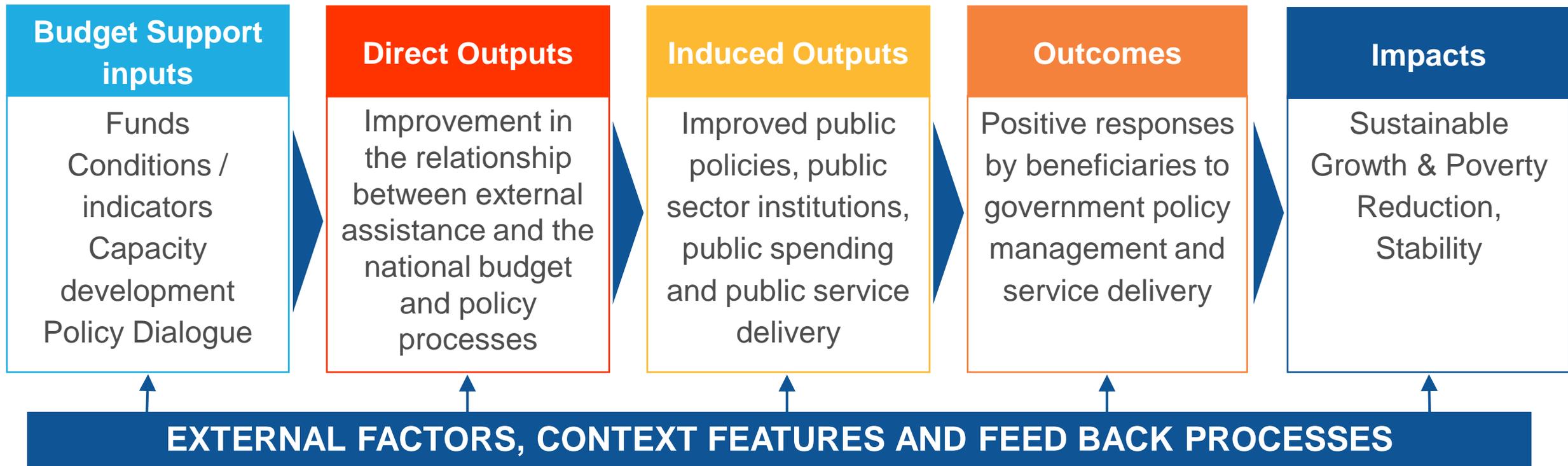
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Budget support Intervention Logic (OECD/DAC 2012)

GOVERNMENT POLICY & SPENDING ACTIONS (STRATEGY)

Inputs to Government policy & spending actions



Exercise 5: Intervention Logic

30' in groups
10' plenary feedback



The EU analysed the complementary information and documentation received from the government and the policy eligibility criterion is satisfied. The EU has decided to provide a €100 million SRPC over 2024-2026 to support the expansion of sustainable energy in rural areas. Budget support design can start.

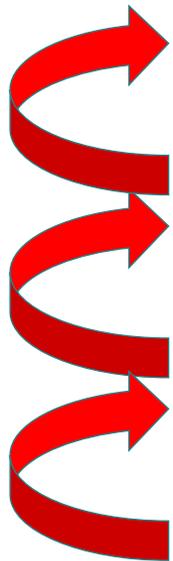
You are now tasked with preparing the Action document for the operation. As a first step, you will prepare the intervention logic of the operation, enabling you to clearly identify the expected contributions of budget support to the sector's objectives, understand the dynamics that will produce the expected results, the assumptions made and the risks entailed. Please place the different elements at the right place in the intervention logic.

Tip: Remember esp. Sections 1 and 5 of documents provided and read section 6 (lessons learned)

To find out more, use the Guidelines pages 21 and 22 and Annex 2, pages 81 to 85.

Exercise 5 – Table 5: Intervention Logic of support to the energy sector of Fictiland

	Results chain	Indicators	Mechanisms, processes, challenges/ risks and assumptions
Overall objective: impact			
Outcome(s)			
Induced Outputs			
Direct outputs			



Exercise 5.1 – IL of support to the energy sector of Fictiland - Example

Assumptions/risks

ECF technical back up provided to Provinces
ECF & GoF prioritise programme
GoF, ECF, DPs provide funding

DPs =TA pool funding
Gvt commitment to update tariffs/costs
Overcome political reluctance on improved budget mgmt

Proper technical back up must be provided by ECF to Provinces

Results chain	Indicators	Baseline (year)	Targets (year)
Overall objective: impact Improved living conditions in remote areas	Increased economic value generated by small businesses operating in rural areas Income levels in remote areas Health outcomes and literacy rates in remote areas	No known baseline	2023 baseline available 2025: +30% business 2025: Income :10% 2030: social indicators +5%
Outcome(s) Coverage of remote areas by off-grid electricity supply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> rural, mountainous and island areas households' access to a reliable electricity supply Reduced hours of outages accountability in sector 	2021: 98% -	2030: 100% Reporting Yearly basis on budget, extension of access, number of households
Induced Outputs Improved Governance of energy sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> M&E system operating Disaggregated and detailed electricity data availability Increased share of green power supply Revision of tariff mechanism Improved MT budget planning at province level Improved management investments 	2021: no baseline	M&E by 2022 Data by 2023 Tariff revised each year MT Budget available 2022
Direct outputs Funding of projects CB in PFM, project management, data collection Studies in electricity tariffs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No of projects funded by ECF No of projects funded by Provinces No of feasibility studies completed Trained staff at Provinces for budget management Trained staff in project management Data collection & treatment systems Electricity tariff simulations 	Not known	2030: 50 overall 

Any questions?



Budget Support

Design and design simulation

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Quiz time: Budget support eligibility criteria and intervention logic

RECAP Day 2

Design considerations

The design flows from the sector and eligibility criteria analysis and the ensuing policy dialogue. It involves:

- > Agreeing with government on basis for assessing macro-economic stability
- > Agreeing with government on the **PFM Reform Strategy and its monitoring framework**: essential for assessing and disbursing.
- > Agreeing with government on **policy**: essential for assessing and disbursing.
- > Agreeing with government **on areas requiring capacity building support**, including macro-economic, public finance and sector management.
- > Agreeing with government on **means of verification and assessment, timing, principles and rating**.

- > Agreeing with government on **coordination and monitoring** frameworks.
- > Deciding **amounts, duration, size, phasing**.
- > Agreeing with government on **fixed and variable tranches: number, amount, distribution**.
- > Agreeing with government on **disbursement conditions**: incl. indicator definition, baseline, target, timing, scoring method.
- > Agreeing with government on **Transparency and external oversight**: entry point and milestones for the programme implementation.

The role of Government Institutions

	Line Min.	Foreign cooperation Liaison Office	Ministry of Finance
Key institutions involved and roles in preparing budget support	Policy definition	Programming	PFM Reform Strategy: Design and Implementation
	Coordination within administration and with donors	Alignment with cooperation (accession) strategy	Coordination of reform effort with other PFM institutions (SAI, Parliamentary Committee) and line ministries
	Policy dialogue	Monitoring link to IPA sub-committees	Coordination through SWG with donors, strong monitoring and reporting

Fulfil the agreed policy implementation within specified timeframe:

A dynamic interpretation of each eligibility criterion

The fulfilment of agreed indicators for performance tranches

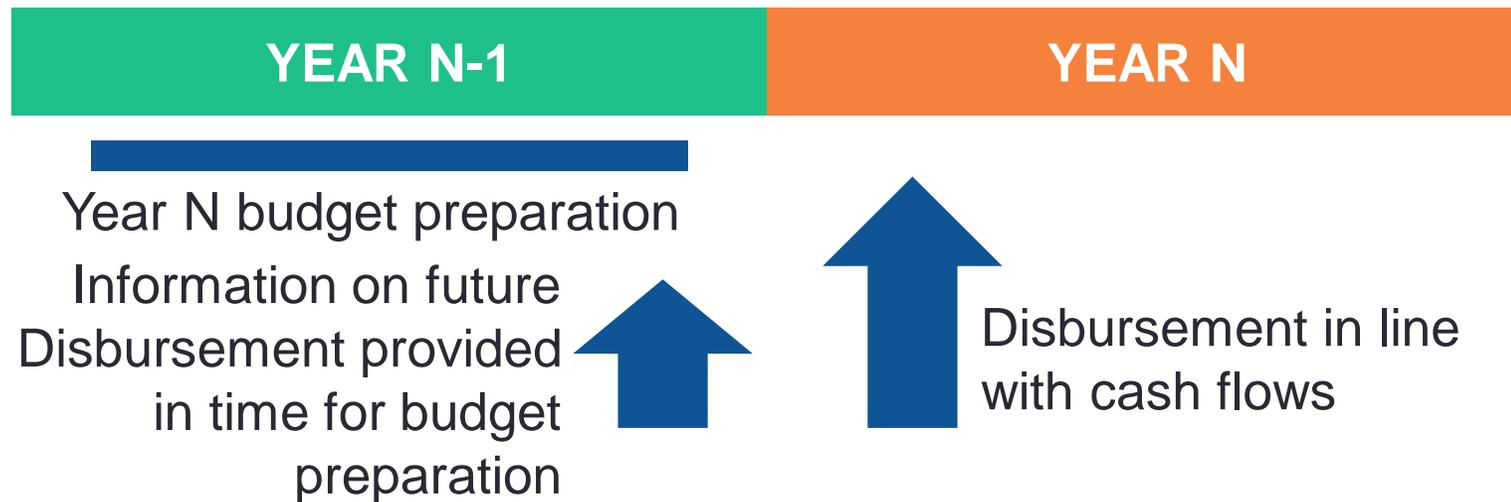
Funding arrangements

Additionality of funds:

- All funds are additional to domestic revenues
- When considering additionality of BS:
 - Consider effects on the Medium-Term Fiscal Framework and strategic resource allocations according to overall policy priorities (also, or in particular at sector level)
 - Consider recurrent cost implications and sustainability.
- Additionality \neq targeting
- No additionality at sector level but additional space at macro level: focus on dialogue, incentives and conditions on results
- Emphasis on effectiveness and efficiency of sector policies and expenditure

Timing of disbursement and duration: BS predictability

Predictability in the short term: align to budget cycle and treasury cash flow



Predictability in the medium term: duration of contract:

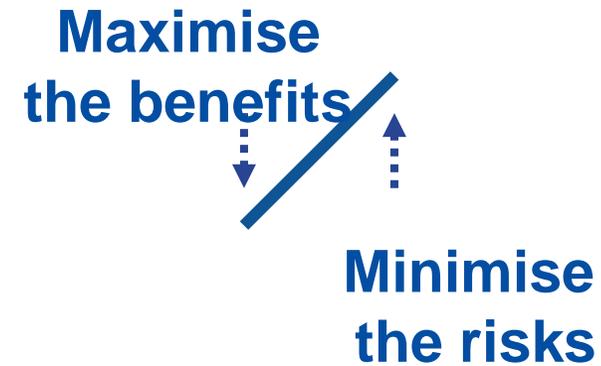
- SDG-C and SRPC (3-4 years in principle), usually repeated
- 1- 3 years for SRBC (depending on volatility of situation, and specific objectives of the operation i.e. short-term stabilisation or structural fragility)
- **No floating tranches**

Size and phasing of variable tranches

- > Variable Tranche meant to have incentive effects and to signal specific performance issues: larger VT may have stronger incentive effect, but the PC is taking higher risks.



Balance needed between creating incentives and avoiding unpredictability and volatility of disbursements (in general 50% Fixed Tranche and 50% VT)



Disbursement profile specific to each operation (caution with 100% VT, which may tend to lower the importance of general conditions)

Exercise 6: Funding profile: Energy SRPC in Fictiland

SRPC to the Energy sector of Fictiland of a maximum of €100 million over 2024-2026 with annual tranches of financial support with a fixed and a variable component, the variable component being performance based

Disbursement: amounts in Euros (= Maximum) and schedule

	2024		2025		2026		Total
	In € m	Timing	In € m	Timing	In € m	Timing	In € m
Fixed tranche							
Variable tranche							
Total BS							
CSA							

Maximum total amount €100m

Illustration of funding profile: Energy SRPC in Fictiland

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Disbursement: amounts in Euros (= Maximum) and schedule

	2024		2025		2026		Total
	In € m	Timing	In € m	Timing	In € m	Timing	In € m
Fixed tranche	20	Q3	20	Q2	15	Q2	55
Variable tranche		Q3	10	Q2	15	Q2	25
Total BS	20		30		30		80
CSA	20	Q4					20

Maximum total
amount €100m

Capacity development objectives

- Promote effective, accountable and inclusive institutions
- Enhance Government capacity to design, implement, monitor, and evaluate policies and to deliver public services
- Promote the active engagement of all stakeholders in policy design, implementation and monitoring
- Strengthen the national monitoring and evaluation framework, including statistical system
- Integrate gender equality measures in planning, budgeting and monitoring
- Mitigate risks where there is commitment to reform but lack of capacity

Exercise 7: Identify Complementary support activities

30' in groups
15' plenary feedback



Your initial assessments revealed areas of considerable institutional weaknesses, which could jeopardise the reaching of the energy policy objectives. In addition, whilst preparing the Intervention Logic, you faced some issues with access to reliable data. This led you to allocate €20 million from the total budget support to complementary support activities.

Please carefully consider the areas you identified earlier as being potentially in need of capacity building and propose a package of technical assistance, studies, training, and other support, that could be provided under the €20 million CSA envelop.

1 group concentrates on PFM/transparency, 1 group concentrates on energy sector

Do not forget to have a look at what other development partners already provide.

Prioritise! Be realistic!

Tip: Read Section 7 (M&E) and Annex 3 in your background document.
No specific chapter or annex in the Guidelines, but see a paragraph on p15

Outcome of exercises 1 & 2: illustrative choices of capacity building support for Fictiland's energy sector

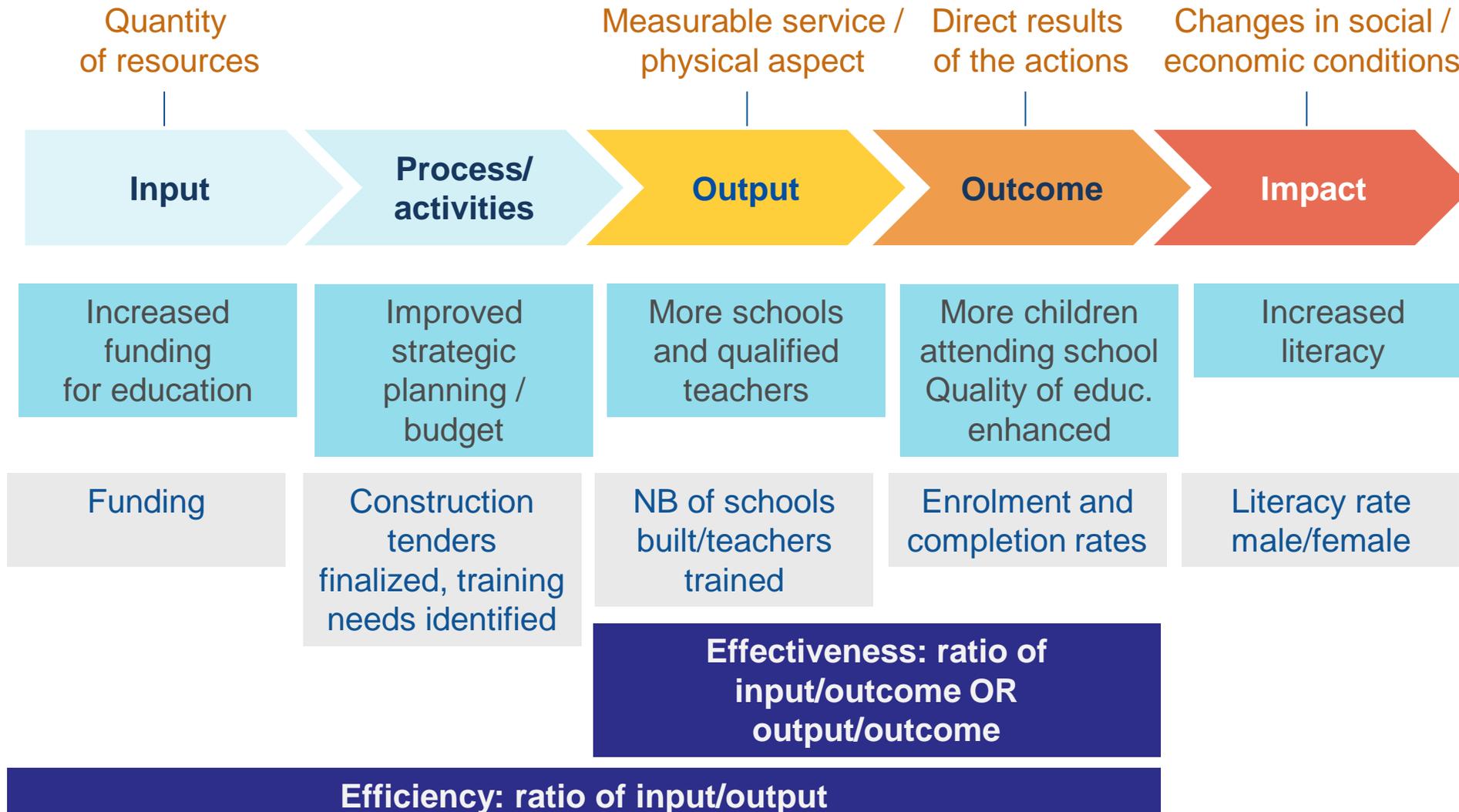
Background: SRPC to the Energy sector of Fictiland of a maximum of €100 million over 2023-2025 with €20m set aside for CSA

Area of change that requires strengthening	Type of capacity strengthening	Ministry/ Agency benefiting	Timing and length of intervention
Budget management at provincial level	Training	Provinces	continuous
Procurement	TA by EU Reform programme	Provinces	continuous
Energy information systems: from collection to treatment & publication	TA, training of statisticians, hardware if needed	FSO	asap
Tariff studies	Study	MOF and ECF	asap
Support to feasibility studies (greening)	Study, consultancies	ECF, market parties	asap
Studies on compensations for vulnerable groups (when electricity subsidy is lifted)	Study & research	MOF, other ministries	At the same time as tariff study
Legal and regulatory frameworks, norms and technical standards development for Renewable Energy & Independent Power Producers	TA, studies	Regulator, ECF, MOE	2022
Reinforcement of audit function (central & Province)	EU twinning with MS SAI	SAI	2021-2025
Participation in Pool fund on PFM TA	n/a funding only (PIMA Province to be foreseen)	Through IMF	
Participation in Pool fund on Energy TA	n/a funding only	Through ADB	

Please take a 15 min break



Which indicators for budget support?



Data quality in budget support: weaknesses in some indicators and in the verification of the payment for variable tranches



(...) Most (variable tranche performance indicators) were focused on short-term actions rather than longer-term results, including progress towards the sustainable development goals. Only 13 % of the 248 indicators we reviewed measured outcomes or impacts in the supported sectors (...). The use of outcome indicators would enable the Commission to better measure longer-term results in the supported sectors, including progress towards achieving the SDGs.



Data quality in budget support: weaknesses in some indicators and in the verification of the payment for variable tranches

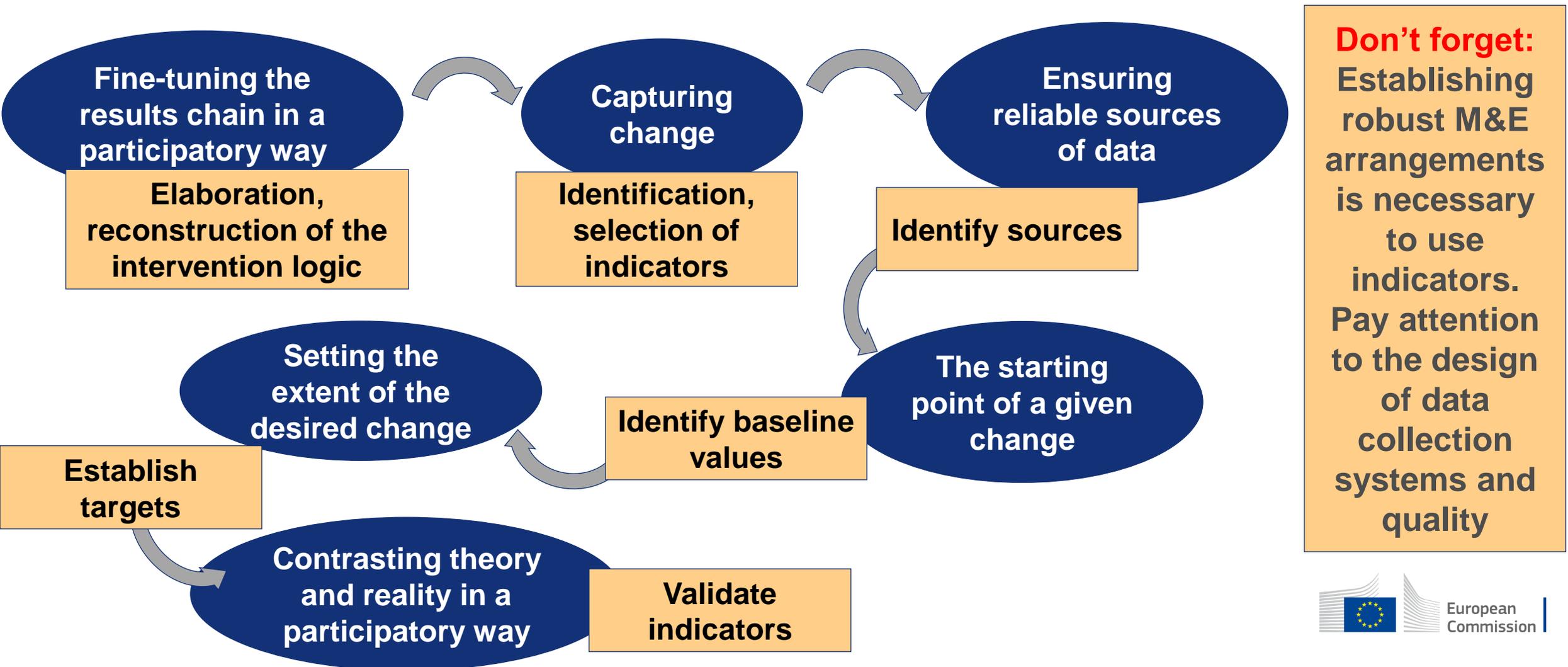


More than one third of the indicators were vaguely defined or had incorrect baselines, or none at all. This allowed for different interpretations as to whether targets had been achieved, making the analysis of the disbursement requests more complex and less objective. (...) Particular attention should be paid to:

- (a) Using performance indicators that are specific and do not allow different interpretations;*
- (b) Using baseline values and targets*



Practical steps in defining, verifying and using indicators



Indicator Template (AD template June 2021)

Full Title Indicator	
Base line year 0	Source:
Target for year 1	Period under review; indicative date of completion; sources of verification, expected date of transmission to Commission; what would be considered partial completion; amount attached
Target for year 2 (etc)	As above
Indicator type	Process/ input/ output/ outcome (select 1)
SDG marker	No more than 3 SDGs
Purpose	5 digit purpose code (OECD-DAC Creditor Reporting System)
Relevance / reference to country's public policy	Demonstrate alignment (incl. exact reference if possible); relevance to the intervention logic and to policy dialogue priorities
Definition and calculation	Formula (numerator, denominator) or as used in government official documents; measurement unit (% , km, national currency etc.)
Disaggregation	If available by gender, geographic area, population groups
Data collection and publication	Department in charge of data collection, processing, analysis and publication; Usual publication periodicity, timeliness or delays observed in the past
Data quality	Data quality assurance (diagnostics, national strategy strengthening statistical systems); statistical weakness; confidence level; mitigation measures to overcome weaknesses
Risks or exogenous factors	Describe. Mitigating measures?

Other ECA recommendations

- The Commission should:
- update baseline information prior to contract signature or correct the baseline values during contract implementation if necessary, by amending the budget support contract
- avoid situations in which the partner country achieves targets exclusively due to EU-funded technical assistance
- refrain from using sub-indicators in order to limit the actual number of indicators to the maximum described by the guidelines.

Please take a 15 min break



Exercise 8: Agreement on Performance Indicators

50' in groups
20' plenary feedback



After 18 months of intense discussions, the EUD and the Fictive Government are about to reach a final agreement on the performance indicators, to which 72% of the EU budget support will be linked in the form of 2 variable tranches to be disbursed in 2025 and 2026 (see funding profile hereafter).

Gradually the choice has been narrowed down to 12 indicators (see the list in section 8 of the background document) and negotiations now need to conclude on a final 8 indicators.

Use the criteria provided to assess and discuss which indicators are fit for purpose. Ideally retain only 4 out of the 5 indicators proposed.

Group 1: Please look at indicators 1, 3, 6, 7 and 12

Group 2: Please look at indicators 1, 4, 5, 8 and 12.

Group 3: Please look at indicators 4, 5, 6, 9 and 11.

Tip: Read Sections 7 (M&E) and 8 in your background document.

Consult annex 8 in the Guidelines, in particular the ten aspects to consider when assessing performance indicators and the indicator documentation sheet (p139)

Funding profile (for information)

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Maximum total
amount €100m

Traps to be avoided with Budget Support

- **Over-asking** (more than reasonably can be achieved).
- **Multiplicity of conditions** (use of sub-indicators).
- **Conditionalities beyond Government's control** (e.g. for legislative/judiciary).
- **Lack of clarity in the FA**, in particular related to the monitoring / measurement of indicators.
- **Taking over government's responsibilities** (e.g. TA delivers on a target directly).
- **Micro-management** (as opposed to government ownership).
- **Any reporting and auditing** over and above what is agreed upon.
- **Overloading the BS** because of perceived fears of risks.

Don't overload budget support!



Quiz time

Let's go to Menti!



Budget Support

Monitoring and disbursement and implementation simulation

Online Sessions

Monitoring

Monitoring and evaluation (M&E)

What is it ?

Continuous system of routine collection of information.

What does it do?

Determines progress in carrying out planned activities and measures progress towards achieving sector strategy objectives.

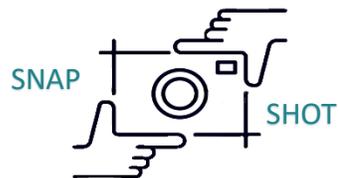
Why use it ?

To provide feedback to programme implementors, sector stakeholders, wider Government, donors, any other interested parties.

The role of performance indicators

1. Planning – what does the policy wish to achieve?
2. Monitoring – how is the policy performing?
3. Review – what did the policy achieve?
4. Evaluation – did the policy make an impact?
5. Justification for bids for resources
6. A basis for accountability
7. A basis for demonstrating value for money
8. Focusing people's attention on what is important
9. Flag up problems to be addressed

Snapshot assessment of statistical systems



To quickly produce a concise situation of the National Statistical System in the country

To assess the quality of official statistics and identify strengths and weaknesses of the NSS as a whole

To inform “statistics partners” to help designing fitted/efficient support programmes and evaluate their impacts

To help the NSS/NSO and their governing bodies to monitor the NSS development and performance

To serve as a first level assessment to a more in-depth NSS assessment (NSDS)

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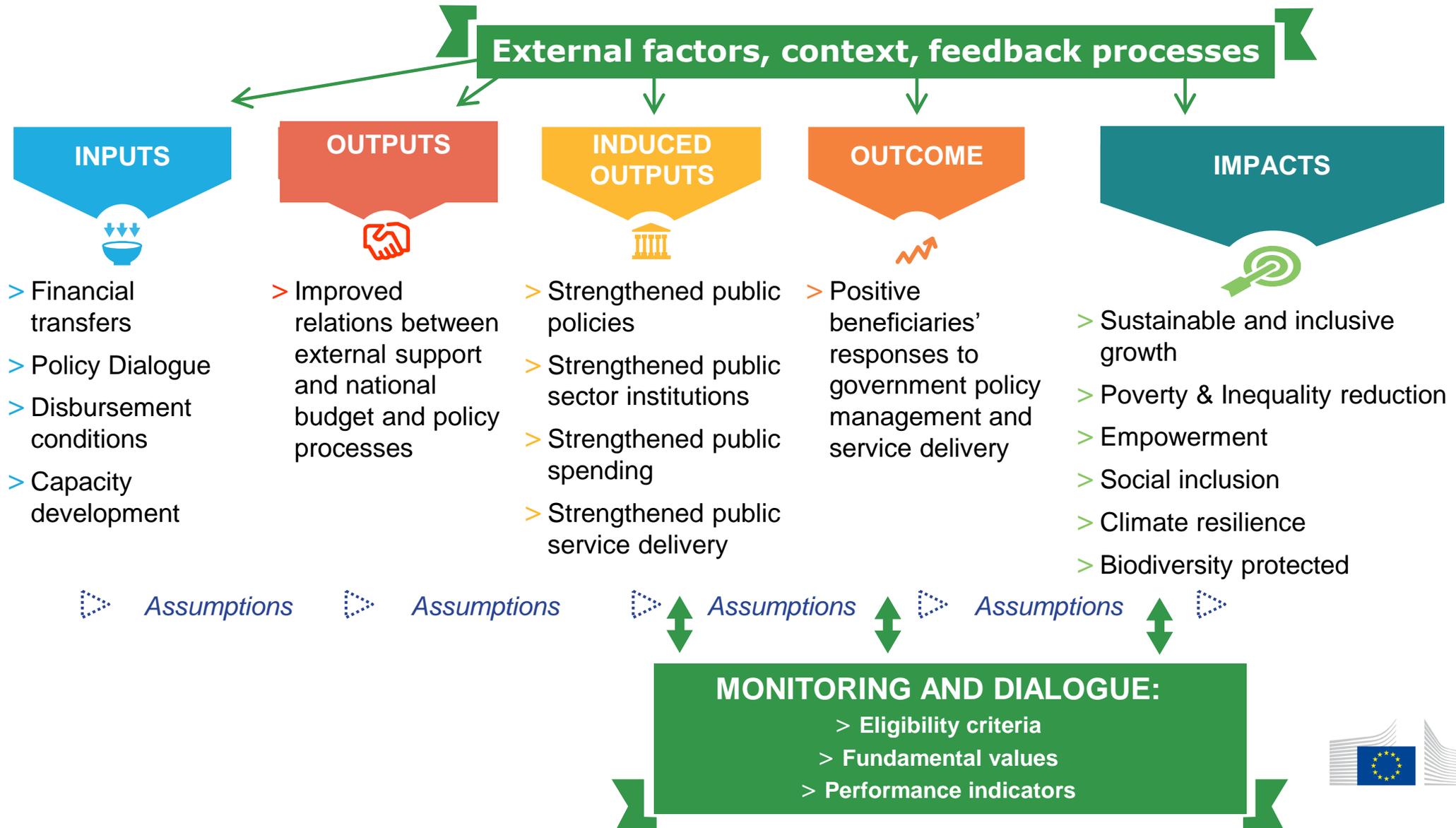
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Quiz time

What does the EU need to monitor?

Let's go to Menti!

What is subject to monitoring?



Quiz time

How and when does the EU monitor?

Let's go to Menti!

Monitoring a Budget Support programme: A continuous process

Follow up and data collection

- > Reports from Min Finance, Central Bank
- > IMF/WB / ECFIN Reports
- > Sector reports (implementation)
- > Enacted budget
- > Reports on budget execution
- > Assessments of PFM (PEFA, TADAT, PER, OBI)
- > Implementation reports of PFM Action Plan
- > Human rights reports
- > M&E and disbursement indicators

Analysis

- > Macroeconomic framework
- > Progress in implementing policies
- > Relevance/credibility of the policies
- > Progress of PFM reform
- > DRM (revenue) and Budget (expenditure) execution
- > Availability/accessibility of budget documents
- > Monitoring of performance indicators, achievement of results, specific objectives.
- > Evolution of risks
- > Monitoring of risk and mitigating measures

Payment file/ annual report

- > Verify continued relevance/credibility of policies
- > Macroeconomic assessment
- > Annual progress on PFM
- > Assessment of progress in transparency
- > Risk Management Framework (RMF+)
- > M&E systems

POLICY DIALOGUE

The landscape for monitoring and performance

Demand	Supply of information	
Users Parliament Supreme Audit Institution	M&E structures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mandate • Responsibilities • Tools 	Adequate capacity for M&E <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specialised human resources
Civil Society Central Statistical Office Academia	Data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrity • Collection (administrative, surveys, evaluations) • Storage & Dissemination • Access/Use 	<div data-bbox="1105 708 1773 958" style="background-color: yellow; text-align: center; padding: 5px;"> Policy & Strategy Objectives, indicators, baselines & targets </div> Culture of Monitoring and performance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internal/external demand for it • Management use and remedial actions taken • Use by external stakeholders

Disbursement

Disbursement process



Requirements for disbursement

	What is assessed by the EU	Required from Government
Public policy	Continued credibility and relevance of the strategy Satisfactory progress in implementation	Report on strategy implementation and sector progress Highlights on areas of special interest Progress on agreed performance indicators <i>Challenges met & response provided</i>
Macro-economic stability	Stability oriented policies aimed at restoring key balances The country's vulnerability to external shocks	Report on annual macro-economic performance, incl. fiscal performance and DRM <i>Challenges met & response provided</i>
PFM and budget transparency	Progress in implementation of Public Finance Management reforms Satisfactory access to budget information Progress in Domestic Resource Mobilisation	Report on progress of Public Finance Management reform implementation, incl. Domestic resource mobilisation Report on budget transparency <i>Challenges met & response provided</i>

Please take a 15 min break



Illustration Fictiland : June 2025 assessment, Performance indicators

Indicateur	Baseline	Year 2024		Weight	Maximum amount	Score
		Target	Actual			
Objective 1: Grid development						
1. PI1. Access	120500	155000	147000	10%	€1M	0.5
2. IP4: Renewable energy consumption	70000	95000	n.d.	10%	€1M	0
Objective 2: Sector governance						
3. IP6: Energy Information System	n.a.	yes	yes	20%	€2M	1
4. IP5: Recurrent Budget (%)	2.50%	2.50%	1.76%	10%	€1M	0
5. IP8: Electricity subsidy	68%	80%	68%	15%	€1.5M	0
6. IP9: Feed-in tariff	n.a.	yes	yes	10%	€1M	1
7. IP12: Solar development plan	n.a.	yes	yes	10%	€1M	1
Objective 3: Social protection						
8. IP10: Social assistance scheme	n.a.	Oui	Oui	15%	€1.5M	1

Calculating the Variable tranche 1/3

Method 1: Assess individual indicators:

- 0 = no progress;
 - 0.5 = significant progress;
 - 1 = target met
- Pro rata payment: aggregate the amounts for each indicator

Illustration Fictiland : Calculation of tranche

Method 1

Indicator	Weight	Maximum amount	Score	Method 1
Objective 1: Grid development				
1. PI1. Access	10%	€1M	0.5	€0.5M
2. IP4: Renewable energy consumption	10%	€1M	0	€0M
Objective 2: Sector governance				
3. IP6: Energy Information System	20%	€2M	1	€2M
4. IP5: Recurrent Budget (%)	10%	€1M	0	€0M
5. IP8: Electricity subsidy	15%	€1.5M	0	€0M
6. IP9: Feed-in tariff	10%	€1M	1	€1M
7. IP12: Solar development plan	10%	€1M	1	€1M
Objectif 3: Social protection				
8. IP10: Social assistance scheme	15%	€1.5M	1	€1.5M
TOTAL DISBURSEMENT				€ 6.0M

TOTAL to disburse : € 6 million out of a maximum of € 10 million

Calculating the Variable tranche 2/3

Method 2: Assess aggregated performance of indicators by policy objective:

- 0 = unsatisfactory (aggregated score below 35% of maximum)
- 0.5 = satisfactory (score 36-70%)
- 1 = strong (71-100%)

➤ Pro rata payment:

- 0 → no disbursement,
- 0.5 → 50% disbursement;
- 1 → full disbursement

Illustration Fictiland : Calculation of tranche

Method 2

Indicator	Weight	Maximum amount	Score	Method 2
Objective 1: Grid development				(0.5+0)/2 =0.25 for objective 1 →25% unsatisfactory → No disbursement €0M
1. PI1. Access	10%	€1M	0.5	
2. IP4: Renewable energy consumption	10%	€1M	0	
Objective 2: Sector governance				(1+0+0+1+1)/6.5=3/6.5 for objective 2 → 46% satisfactory → 50% disbursement → €6.5M * 50% = €3.25M
3. IP6: Energy Information System	20%	€2M	1	
4. IP5: Recurrent Budget (%)	10%	€1M	0	
5. IP8: Electricity subsidy	15%	€1.5M	0	
6. IP9: Feed-in tariff	10%	€1M	1	
7. IP12: Solar development plan	10%	€1M	1	
Objectif 3: Social protection				1/1=1 for objective 3 → 100% strong → €1.5M
8. IP10: Social assistance scheme	15%	€1.5M	1	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENT				€4.75M

TOTAL disbursement: 4,75 M out of a maximum of € 10 million

Calculating the variable tranche 3/3

- **Method 3: Each indicator is assessed:**
 - 0 = no progress;
 - 0.5 = significant progress;
 - 1 = target met
- Assess all indicators together for overall performance with total score:
 - below 30% of maximum= unsatisfactory → no disbursement;
 - 31% to 45% = limited → disbursement 35%;
 - 46% to 75% = satisfactory → disbursement 65%; and
 - 76% to 100% = strong → full disbursement.

Illustration Fictiland : Calculation of tranche

Method 3

Indicator	Weight	Maximum amount	Score	Method 3
Objective 1: Grid development				Total score: 4.5 out of 10 $4.5/10 = 0.45$ → 45% is limited → disbursement 35% → €3.5M
1. PI1. Access	10%	€1M	0.5	
2. IP4: Renewable energy consumption	10%	€1M	0	
Objective 2: Sector governance				
3. IP6: Energy Information System	20%	€2M	1	
4. IP5: Recurrent Budget (%)	10%	€1M	0	
5. IP8: Electricity subsidy	15%	€1.5M	0	
6. IP9: Feed-in tariff	10%	€1M	1	
7. IP12: Solar development plan	10%	€1M	1	
Objectif 3: Social protection				
8. IP10: Social assistance scheme	15%	€1.5M	1	
Total	100%	€10M	4.5	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENT				€3.5M

TOTAL to be disbursed : 3.5 M out of a maximum amount of € 10 million

Methods 1, 2 and 3 compared

Indicator	Weight	Maximum amount	Score	Assessment and Calculated amount		
				Method 1	Method 2	Method 3
Objective 1: Grid development					Score 25% <i>Not satisfactory</i> €0M	Total score 4.5/10= 45% <i>Limited 35% disbursement</i> €3.5M
1. PI1. Access	10%	€1M	0.5	€0.5M		
2. IP4: Renewable energy consumption	10%	€1M	0	€0M		
Objective 2: Sector governance						
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Objectif 3: Social protection						
8. IP10: Social assistance scheme	15%	€1.5M	1	€1.5M	Score 100% <i>Strong</i> €1.5M	
TOTAL DISBURSEMENT				€6.0M	€4.75M	€3.5M

To be noted

- In principle undisbursed funds will not be recycled to next tranches (decommitted or used for complementary support actions)
- In exceptional cases, an indicator can be neutralised or waived and the amount can be reallocated to the other indicators or to the next year and/or reassessed following year if positive trend

Exercise 9: Disbursement negotiation, June 2025

50' in groups
20' plenary feedback



A first year of budget support has passed. During 2024, you have kept close to the MoE and its various technical departments to monitor progress. You participated in the SWG with the other development partners and stakeholders. With the COVID-19 pandemic and its aftermath, policy plans could not be implemented as originally designed.

To support the Government in coping with the economic and fiscal consequences of the critical situation of Fictiland following the massive floods at end-2023, the EU already brought forward the payment of the 2025 fixed tranche. You are now sitting down with the authorities to discuss the disbursement of the 2025 variable tranche, which is based on the performance for 2024. Four out of the 8 indicators did not reach their 2024 targets, which were agreed in 2023....

For this exercise, you will be divided into two groups, one group representing the EUD, the other group representing the Fictive Government. Please nominate a speaker. Prepare your arguments for disbursement. An article has just been published in the Fictou Daily Post... see the provided documents.

Please take a 15 min break



Disbursement report template

- > **Introduction:** Overview table disbursements so far. Significant changes observed with respect to eligibility criteria; main developments country/sector context; follow-up on key recommendations from previous assessment; changes to Risk Management Framework (incl. reputational risk); conclusion on the proposed disbursement.
- > **Review of the 4 eligibility criteria and policy dialogue**
- > **Annexes**
 - Government disbursement request
 - Delegation's PFM (including DRM) and Transparency Report (3 years validity)
 - Update PFM monitoring table (annually)
 - Latest validated RMF
 - Financing Agreement or latest amendment in force
 - Sources of verification (general conditions and variable tranche indicators)
 - In case last payment: Final Report

Which documents to insert / Hyperlink in a disbursement file

Partner Country Formal request from the Government

- > **Cover Letter**
- > **(i) Financial information form:** validity of bank account and Proof of transfer previous disbursement (exchange rate) (if not done before)
- > **(ii) Analysis and evidence** of continued eligibility and targets achieved for the indicators of the variable tranche
- > Calculation variable tranche and amount requested

EU Delegation

Template plus:

- > Government policy framework (if new)
- > Government policy implementation report and action plan
- > Aide Memoire of Joint Review (if applicable)
- > IMF reports; other macro-economic reports
- > PFM Diagnostic reports
- > Government PFM Reform progress report
- > Policy dialogue framework / plan (if applicable)



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Finally, data need to be verified!

The Commission should:

- a) review the underlying evidence supporting the performance data provided by partner countries in the disbursement request, unless it has already explicitly concluded that this data is reliable;
- b) when using external reviews, require in the terms of reference the verification of the reliability of key performance data provided by partner countries. Before disbursing the variable tranche, verify that the experts have complied with this requirement.

Source: ECA, Data quality in budget support: weaknesses in some indicators and in the verification of the payment for variable tranches, 2019

If things go wrong: Gradual and proportional response

Change in Fundamental Values	Response
Stable or positively progressing situation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minor adaptations for fine-tuning if required
Concerns arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mitigation measures to be proposed• Roadmap for improvement
Significant deterioration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report from EU Delegation to Geographic Director (support by INTPA / NEAR, EEAS).• Next to SSC / FAST. Suggestions for precautionary measures (complementary actions?); delay in disbursement; reduction of BS
Extreme cases	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Suspension and if needed termination of the financing agreement• Possible re-allocation of resources to non-governmental activities

Questions and Answers

INTPA Unit E1

Rounding Up: relevant information?

- **On INTPA Internet:** https://ec.europa.eu/international-partnerships/budget-support_en
- **On INTPA Intranet:** Always refer to it (for templates, documents etc)
 - <https://myintracomm.ec.europa.eu/dg/intpa/eu-development-policy/budget-support-public-finance-domestic-revenue/Pages/budget-support.aspx>
 - Links to Videos:
 - What is EU budget support? – <https://bit.ly/EUbudgetsupportVideo1>
 - How EU budget support operates – <https://bit.ly/EUbudgetsupportVideo2>
 - EU budget support, a partnership for results – <https://bit.ly/EUbudgetsupportVideo3>
 - EU budget support at the time of crisis, the State and Resilience Building Contract – <https://bit.ly/EUbudgetsupportVideo4>
- **On Capacity4Dev platform:**
 - Restricted group « Budget Support Network » - <https://europa.eu/capacity4dev/bsn>
 - Public Group: « Economics, public finance, domestic revenue mobilisation & budget support » - https://europa.eu/capacity4dev/macro-eco_pub-fin - Training material available here

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