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How to embrace societal concerns in framing of questions, problem formulation & protocol development

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Stakeholder engagement - Framing of Questions

Background;

- Stakeholder Engagement Approach ([SEA](#)) adopted by the Management Board in 2016,
- “Framing of Questions” engagement model responds to one of the measures identified under the EFSA Transparency and Engagement (TERA) project with aim to improve the transparency and openness of EFSA core business,

Objectives;

- to ensure greater engagement of stakeholders in **the process of development of EFSA's self-mandates and guidance documents**, to capture societal needs and enable engagement from early stage of the risk assessment process.



Targeted engagement models

- Discussion Groups
 - Roundtables
 - Communicators Lab
 - Info sessions
- Framing of Questions

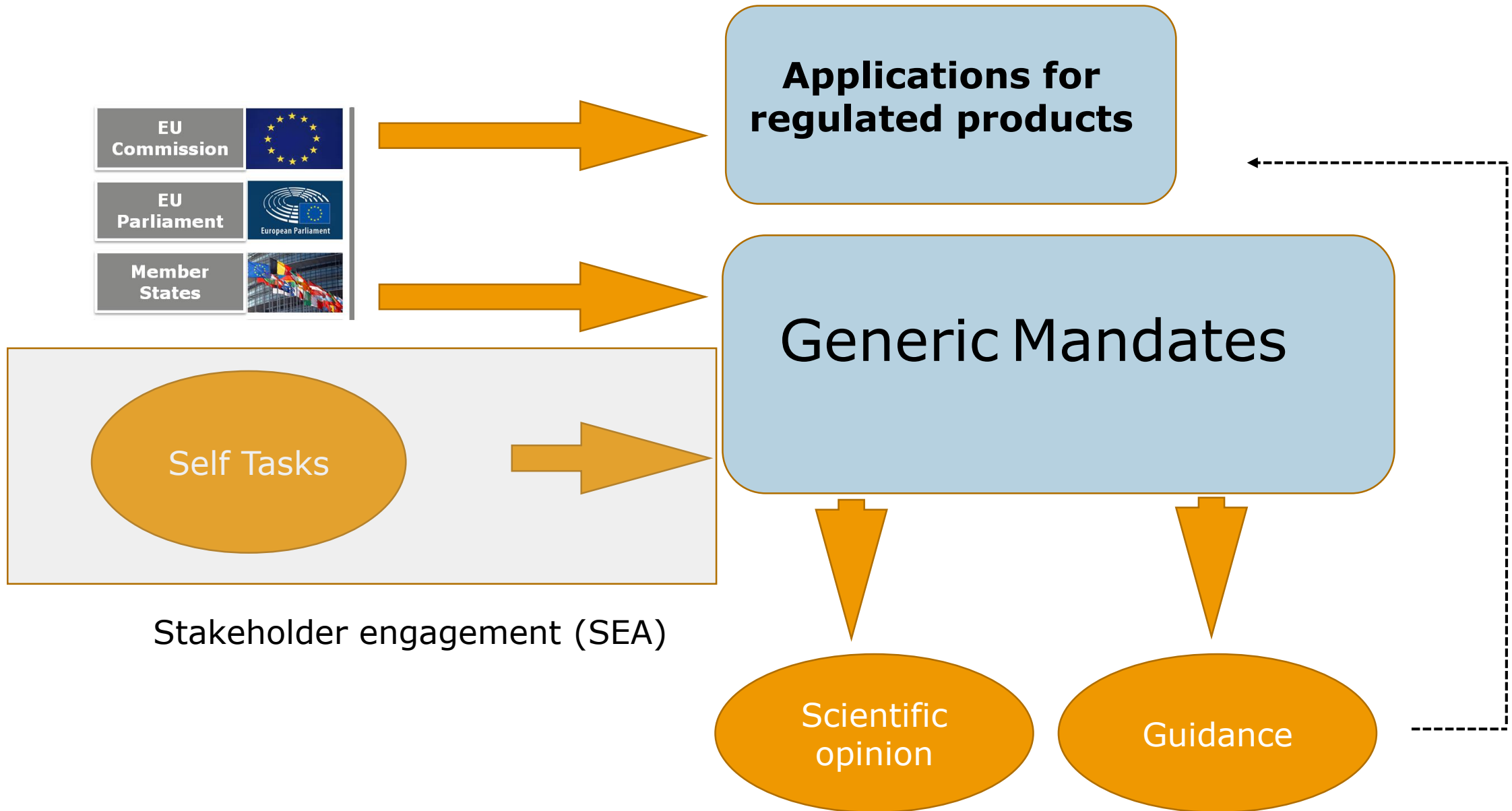


Terminology

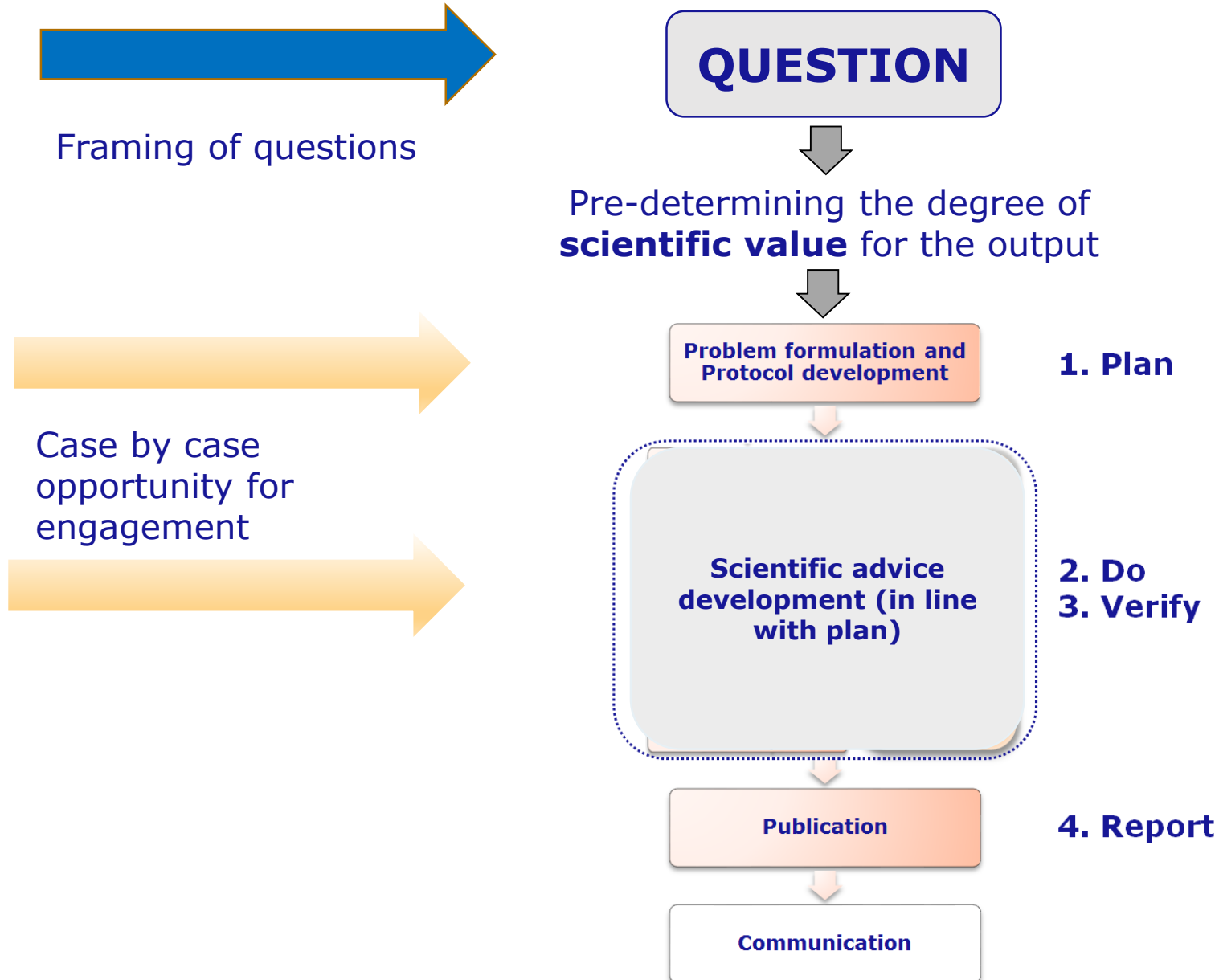
- **Framing of question** = capture societal needs and expectations at an early stage of the development of EFSA's self-mandates and Guidance Documents, in particular those which are sensitive or technically complex
- **Problem formulation** = translating the mandate into a question (or sub-questions) answerable via the scientific assessment process (WHAT)
- **Protocol development** = defining the methods for conducting the assessment (HOW)



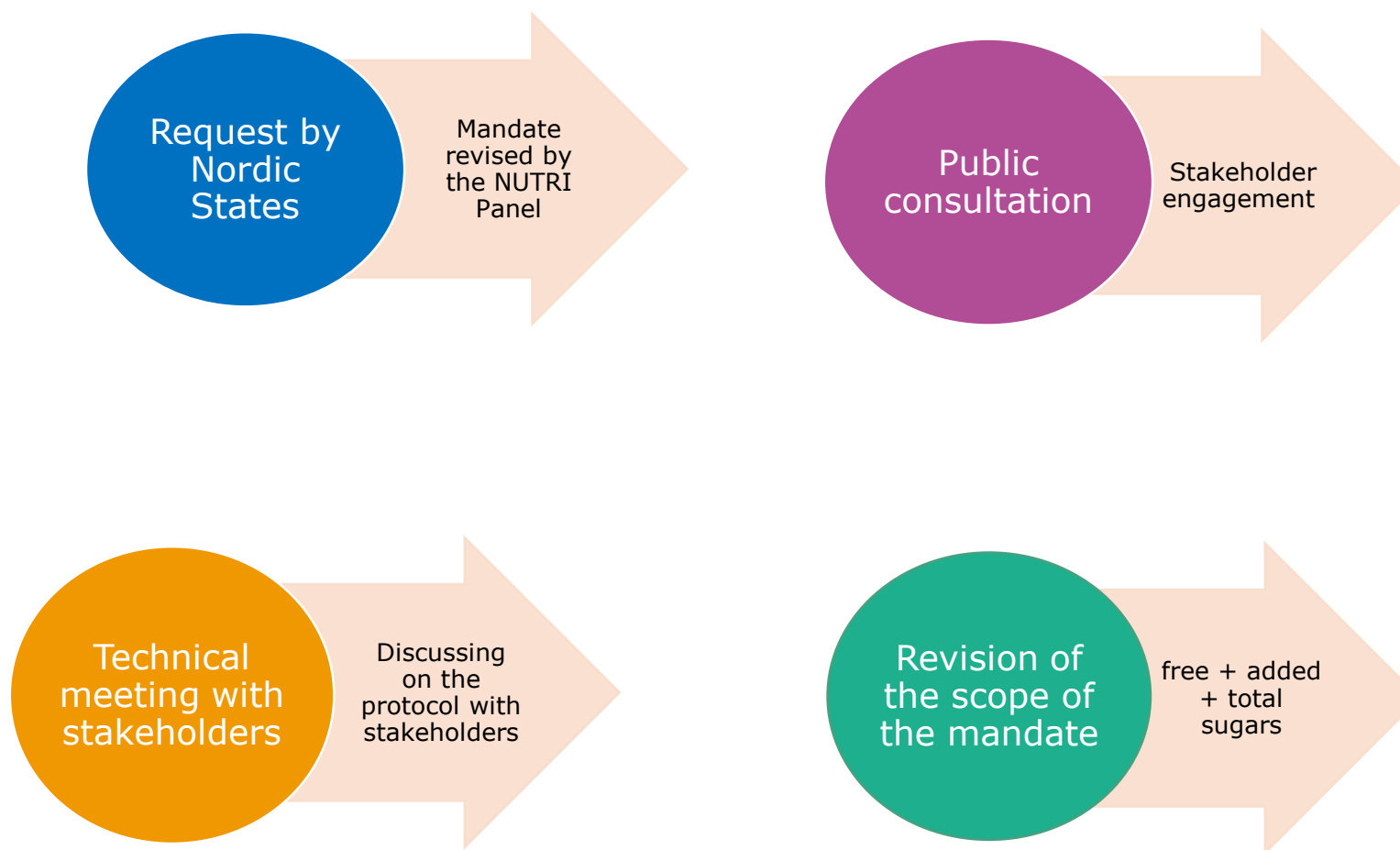
EFSA's mandates



Stages for stakeholder engagement



Case Study - Sugar mandate



Case Study – Climate change

1. Self task

- Develop Methodology for Identification of Emerging Risks

2. Identifying Drivers of change

- Social/Economical/Technological/Environmental/Ethical

3. On-line stakeholder survey

- Scoring – criteria for prioritization
- Characterization

4. Prioritization

- Likelihood of emerging/impact/extent/imminence/data availability

5. List of Prioritized Topics

- Animal Health/Plant Health/Contaminants/GMO/Nutrition/Pesticides

Next steps? Your input!

- Possible topics of interest
- Criteria for prioritization
- Points in process and mode of engagement
- Any other questions?



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