



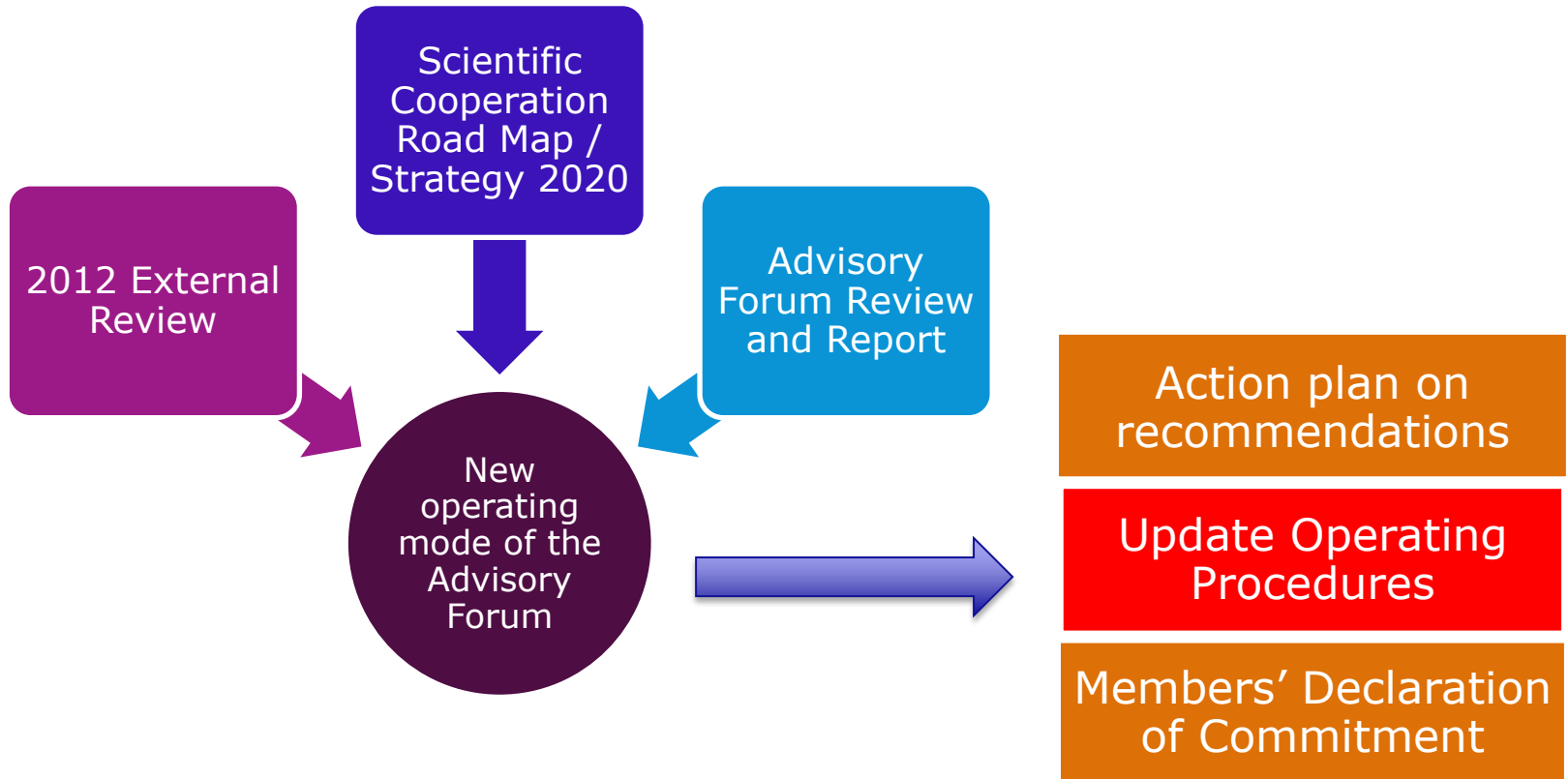
Revision of the Rules of Procedure of the Advisory Forum

Management Board Meeting
15 June 2016

THE ADVISORY FORUM

- **Established under Art 27 of Founding Regulation**
- **30 Members (28 MSs, Iceland, Norway); 6 Observer countries and EC**
- **Operating Procedures to be specified and made public**
- **The roles of members:**
 - Advise ED on work programme;
 - Pool knowledge and exchange information;
 - Avoid duplication of scientific studies/research;
 - Cooperate where scientific divergence is identified;
 - Promote European networking through Art. 36 organisations;
 - Ensure close cooperation on identification of emerging risks.

BACKGROUND & CONTEXT




OPERATING PROCEDURES OF THE ADVISORY FORUM

EXISTING DECISION

- **Agreed by the Management Board in March 2008**
- **Covers aspects of Art 27 only**
- **Very descriptive (e.g. organisation of meetings and related procedures)**



OPERATING PROCEDURES OF THE ADVISORY FORUM

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- **Recommendation from 2015 Review:**
 - include more detail on roles specifically relating to scientific divergence
 - **Objectives of the revision of the Decision:**
 - **Detail scope of operation (not just the mechanics of meeting);**
 - **Provide more detail on roles of members;**
 - **Strengthen engagement.**

OPERATING PROCEDURES OF THE ADVISORY FORUM

MAIN CHANGES

- **Less repetition**
- **Reference to translation removed**
- **Less on procedures (reimbursements, transparency and confidentiality)**
- **More structured**
- **Art 30 (scientific divergence) – structured approach**
- **Art 36 (scientific cooperation and networking) – opportunities for more responsibilities for MSs**

OPERATING PROCEDURES OF THE ADVISORY FORUM

- **Draft tabled at 60th Advisory Forum meeting (8-9 June)**
- **Management Board asked to provide comments on the draft**
- **Final Draft Decision to be tabled for adoption by the Management Board in October 2016**

