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OIE OBSERVATORY

*For a better understanding of the implementation of
OIE International Standards*

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The starting point

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RESOLUTION No. 36

Implementation of OIE standards by OIE Member Countries: state of play and specific capacity building needs

2. The OIE develop an Observatory to monitor the implementation of its international standards, to increase transparency and to identify constraints and difficulties faced by Member Countries. The design of the Observatory should ensure an efficient and integrated collection, analysis and reporting of information on progress and challenges associated with implementation of OIE international standards by Member Countries in a manner that incentivises increasing harmonisation while maintaining anonymity of the Member Countries;
3. In addition to monitoring the implementation of the international standards, the Observatory should evaluate the relevance, feasibility and effectiveness of the standards to Member Countries, as a basis to develop a more strategic focus to the OIE standard setting and capacity building work programmes;



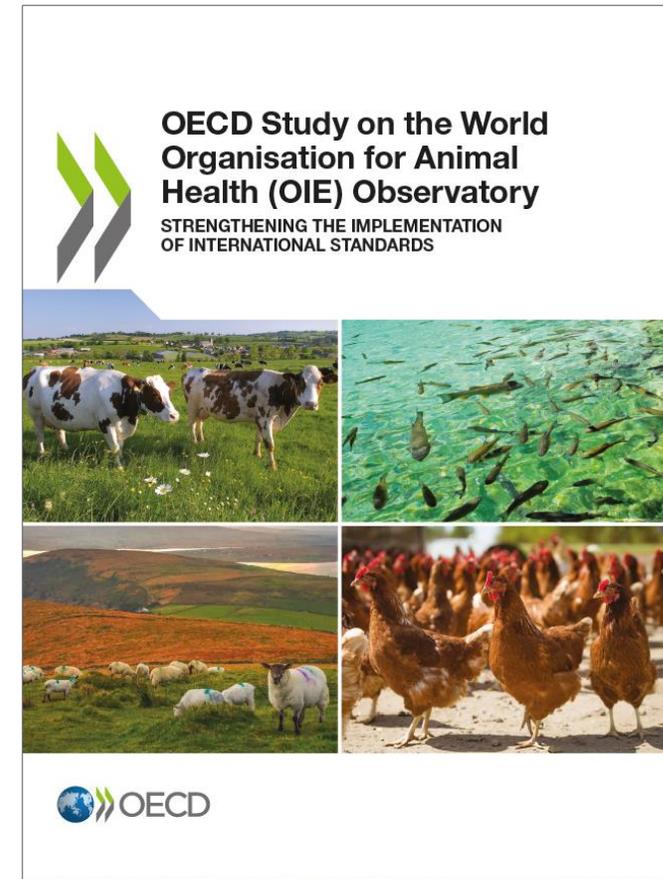
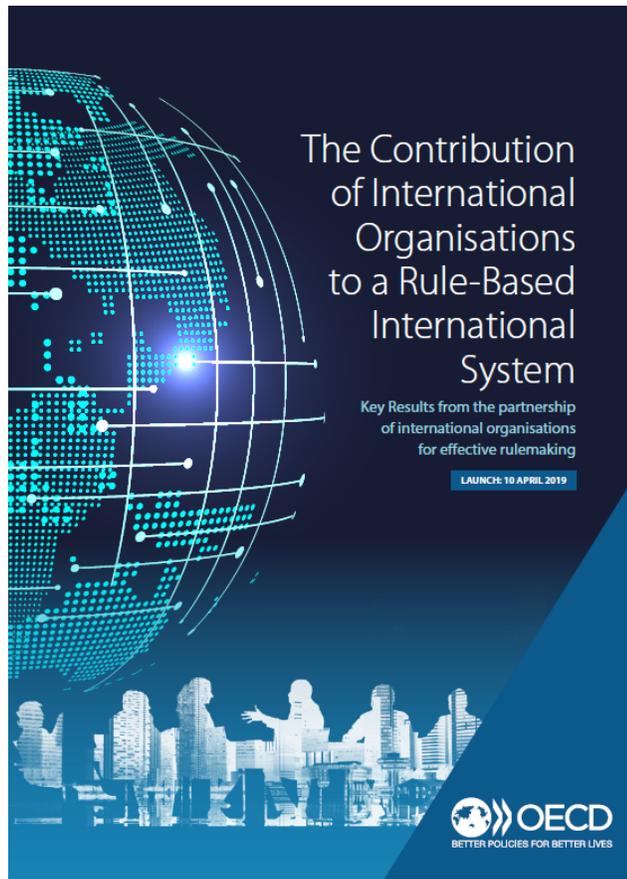
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Learning from the experience of other International Organisations

- Partnership of 50 International Organisations for Effective International Rulemaking
- OECD Recommendations for the establishment of the OIE Observatory



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MAKING SENSE OF EVIDENCE TO ADDRESS COUNTRY-SPECIFIC NEEDS

THE OIE OBSERVATORY IS A MONITORING TOOL...

A continuous and systematic mechanism of observation and analysis of Members' practices in the implementation of OIE International Standards



THANKS TO A DATA-DRIVEN APPROACH

... TO SUPPORT MEMBERS' ENGAGEMENT THROUGH:

DEVELOPMENT OF STANDARDS

Enhance the OIE standard setting-process through evidence-based assessment of the use of the OIE Standards

CAPACITY BUILDING

Tailor OIE capacity-building activities to address identified challenges

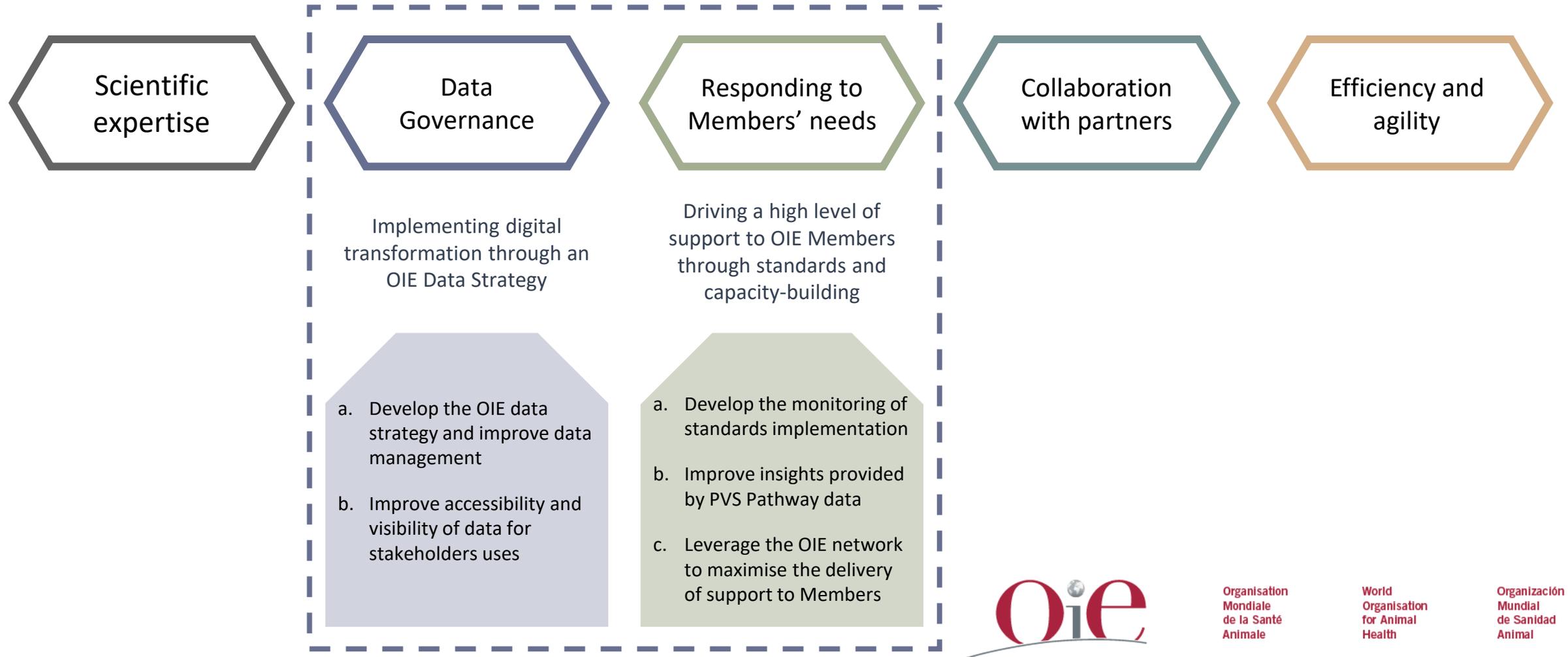
Share successful practices

ADVOCACY

Promote the benefits of the implementation of OIE Standards

OIE Observatory and 7th Strategic Plan

➤ Direct contribution of the OIE Observatory to 2 Strategic Objectives



Steps towards an operational OIE Observatory

2018 - 2019

DESIGN



86th GS
Resolution n°36



OECD Study



ROADMAP

2020 - 2021

TESTING



PILOT PHASE

2021 - 2025

IMPLEMENTATION



DELIVER / RUN / STABILIZE / OPTIMIZE

► **Implementation review report:** issued on an annual basis, will provide a high-level summary regarding the implementation of OIE Standards

► **Thematic analysis:** published on a pluriannual basis, will provide a more comprehensive and focused analysis on priority topics.



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Implementation of a specific governance during design and pilot phase



Council

Make strategic decisions



Reference Group

Provide technical advice to support the project

The **Reference Group** is composed of representatives from:

- **OIE Members:** Canada, Chile, China, New Zealand, South Africa, Tunisia.
- **Regional Economic Communities:** Eurasian Economic Commission, European Commission, Gulf Cooperation Council.
- **International Organisations:** Codex Alimentarius, FAO, IPPC, OECD, STDF and WTO.

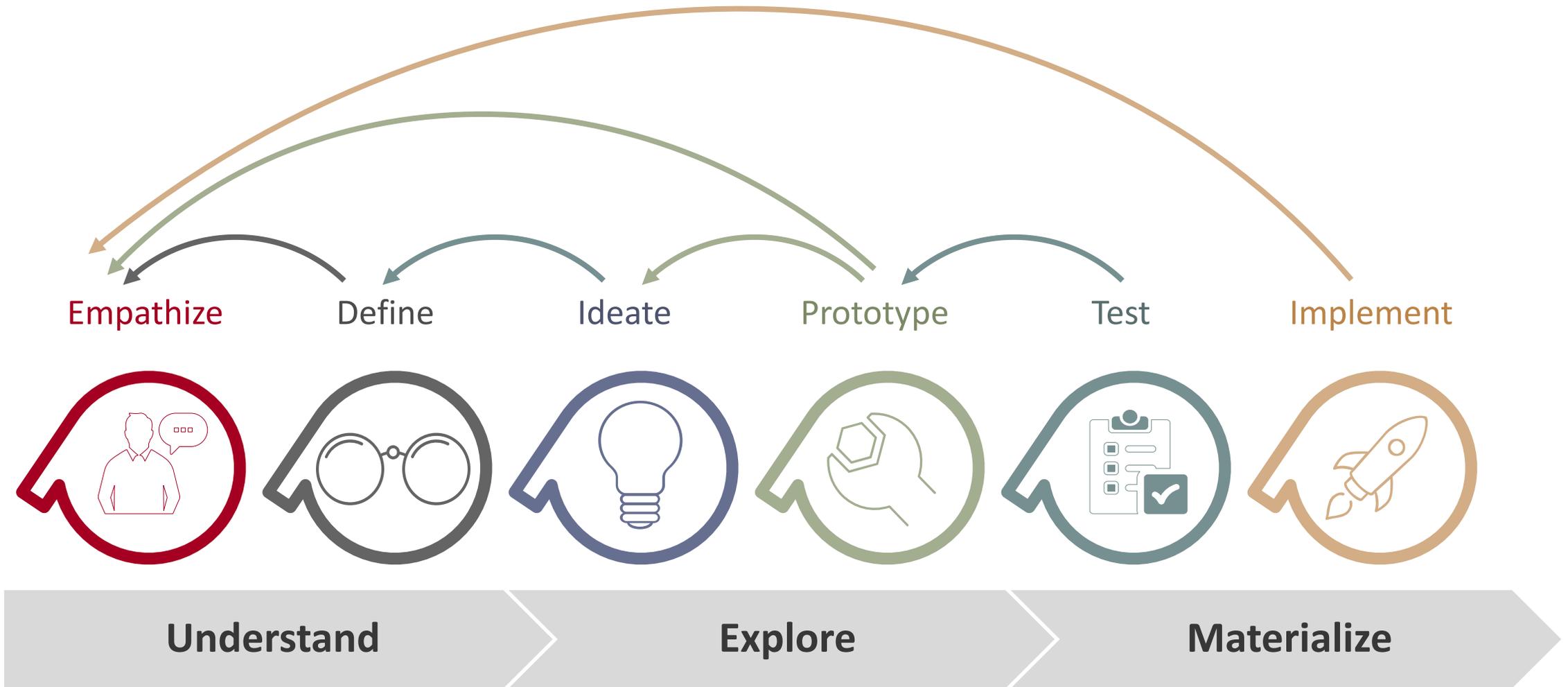


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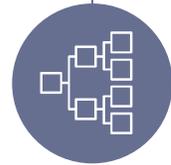
The Pilot phase follows an iterative process...



Development of prototypes



Defining what evidence need to be gathered to give reliable and consistent measurement against the objectives of OIE Standards



Cleaning, standardising and gathering the data into comparable datasets

DATA SOURCES

OIE-WAHIS
PVS Reports
Official status
Self-declarations
FAOLEX
WTO



Analysing the data collected according to the monitoring framework



Report + Visual summary



Identifying limits, challenges, perspectives, to make the OIE Observatory operational

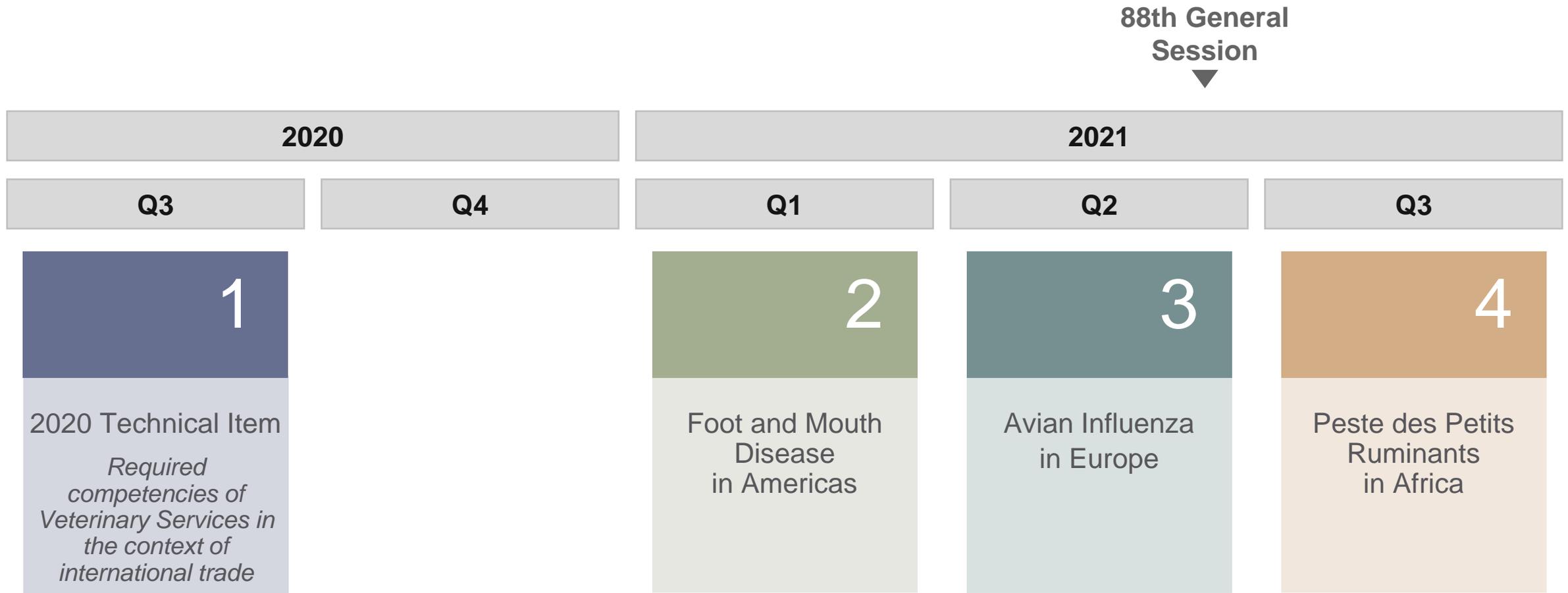


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Delivery of 4 prototypes during pilot phase



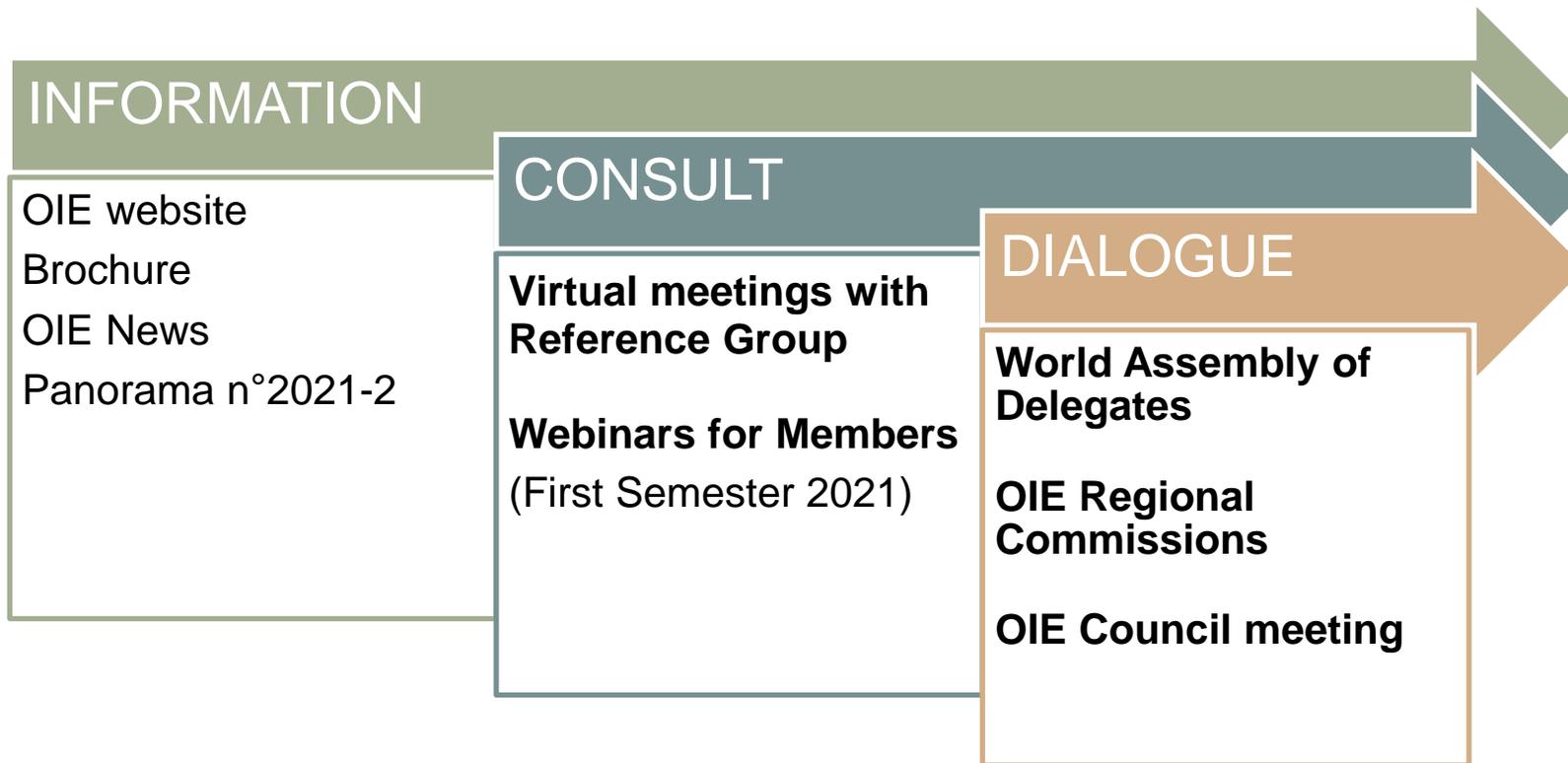
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Members' engagement

- The engagement of Members and key stakeholders is essential to ensure the success of the OIE Observatory.



OBJECTIVES:

1. Sharing a **common vision** for OIE Observatory
2. Collecting feedbacks on **prototypes** and engaging discussion on **future monitoring framework for the OIE Observatory**
3. Engaging a discussion on the **governance of OIE Observatory** and the use of its outputs by other OIE programmes (PVS Pathway, OIE Training platform, OIE standard-setting process) and Global Strategies



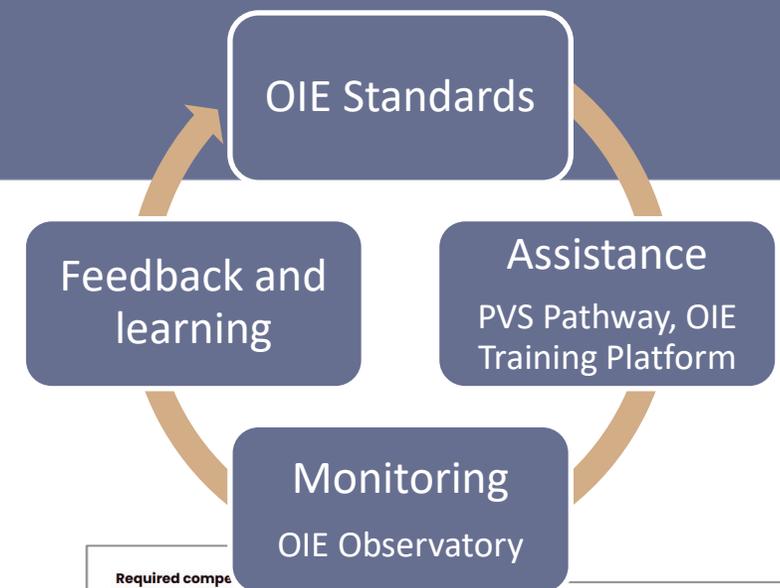
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2020 Technical item

➤ Turning vision of the 7th Strategic plan into reality



1. The international trade regulatory framework

Required competencies of Veterinary Services in the context of the international trade Opportunities and challenges

Explain the process of implementation of OIE standards



2. Challenges faced by Veterinary Services in the context of international trade and examples of successful practices

Required competencies of Veterinary Services in the context of the international trade Opportunities and challenges

Collect and analyse data to identify implementation challenges and successful practices



3. OIE capacity-building activities to reinforce Veterinary Services' capacity on trade

Required competencies of Veterinary Services in the context of the international trade Opportunities and challenges

Identify Member's needs and tailor capacity building activities



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Prototype 1

Synthesis of the main challenges faced by Veterinary Services (VS) in the context of international trade

The analysis findings were used to populate the framework developed in the methodology (see Figure 14).

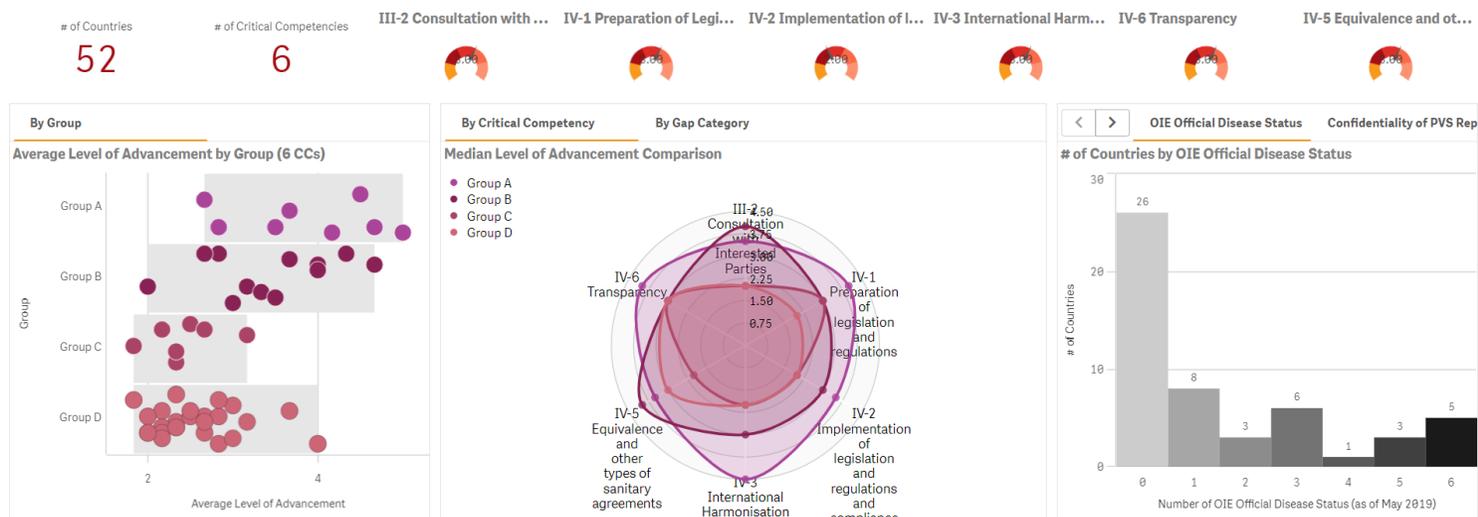
| | BEFORE TRADE NEGOTIATION | DURING TRADE NEGOTIATION | AFTER TRADE NEGOTIATION, IMPLEMENTATION |
|-------------------------------|--|---|---|
| LEGISLATION & ENFORCEMENT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deficiencies in preparation of legislation, regulations, policies and procedures Lack of consistency with SPS Agreement and international standards Insufficient regulatory transparency | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specific challenges faced by VS in setting import requirements "fit for purpose": Political interference Lack of scientific justification Lack of harmonisation and rationalisation in certification requirements | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ineffective enforcement (chain of command, roles and responsibilities, delegation, sanctions and penalties) Insufficient standard operating procedures |
| INTERACTION WITH STAKEHOLDERS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Insufficient consultation with the private sector and other interested parties Lack of effective compensation mechanisms Lack of effective PPP to be able to export | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of diplomatic network Language barrier Insufficient consultation with foreign governments and exporters / importers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of coordination with other government authorities |
| TECHNICAL CAPACITY | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specific challenges faced by VS to be able to export: Limited capacities in diagnostic and surveillance No effective identification and traceability system | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Difficulty to provide and consider evidence to support animal disease status Failure of importing countries' VS to recognise another country's disease-free regions Failure of importing countries' VS to recognise equivalence | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of IT infrastructure and specific expertise for developing e-certification |

Test for data collection, data analysis and data visualisation:

- Use of different data sources (PVS, official status, self-declaration, WTO, ITC)
- Interviews with OIE Delegates or high-level government representatives of 9 OIE Members
- Literature Review (including Scientific and Technical Review Vol. 39 (1))
- Data analytics application developed with 

OIE Dashboard (6 CCs)

Common Challenges to Engage in International Trade: View with 6 selected PVS Critical Competencies



A challenging project...

- The definition of implementation of OIE standards is particularly difficult to capture and interacts directly with the implementation of SPS Agreement. Monitoring implementation requires a transparent and observable form of measurement.
- Operationally, the OIE Observatory requires from the OIE a significant cultural change in data management.
- The objective of the pilot phase is to progress in an **“Agile”** way: *we learn as we go*.

... with multiple expected benefits

- Monitoring the use of OIE standards is a *sine qua non* condition to assess the implementation challenges and improve actions of the OIE over time.
- This should ultimately promote a wider uptake of OIE standards and demonstrate the value of an international rules-based system.





More information

- OIE Observatory webpage: <https://www.oie.int/en/standard-setting/overview/oie-observatory/>
- 2020 Technical item: <https://www.oie.int/en/conferences-events/2020-world-assembly-of-the-oie-delegates/technical-item/>
- IO Partnership for Effective International Rulemaking: <http://www.oecd.org/gov/regulatory-policy/irc.htm>



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