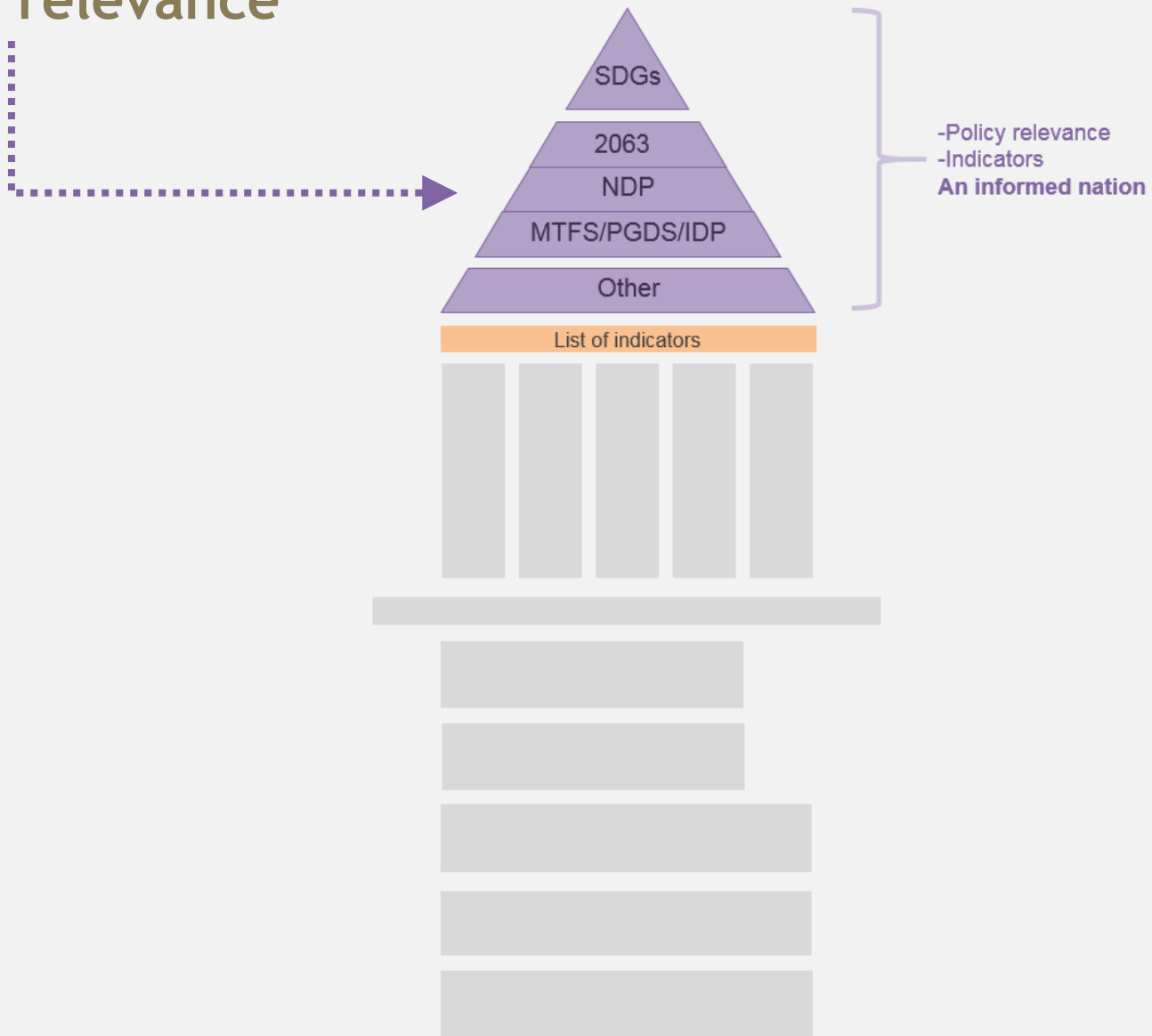


Policy relevance of SEEA and ability to deliver: the Achilles hill of statistical development

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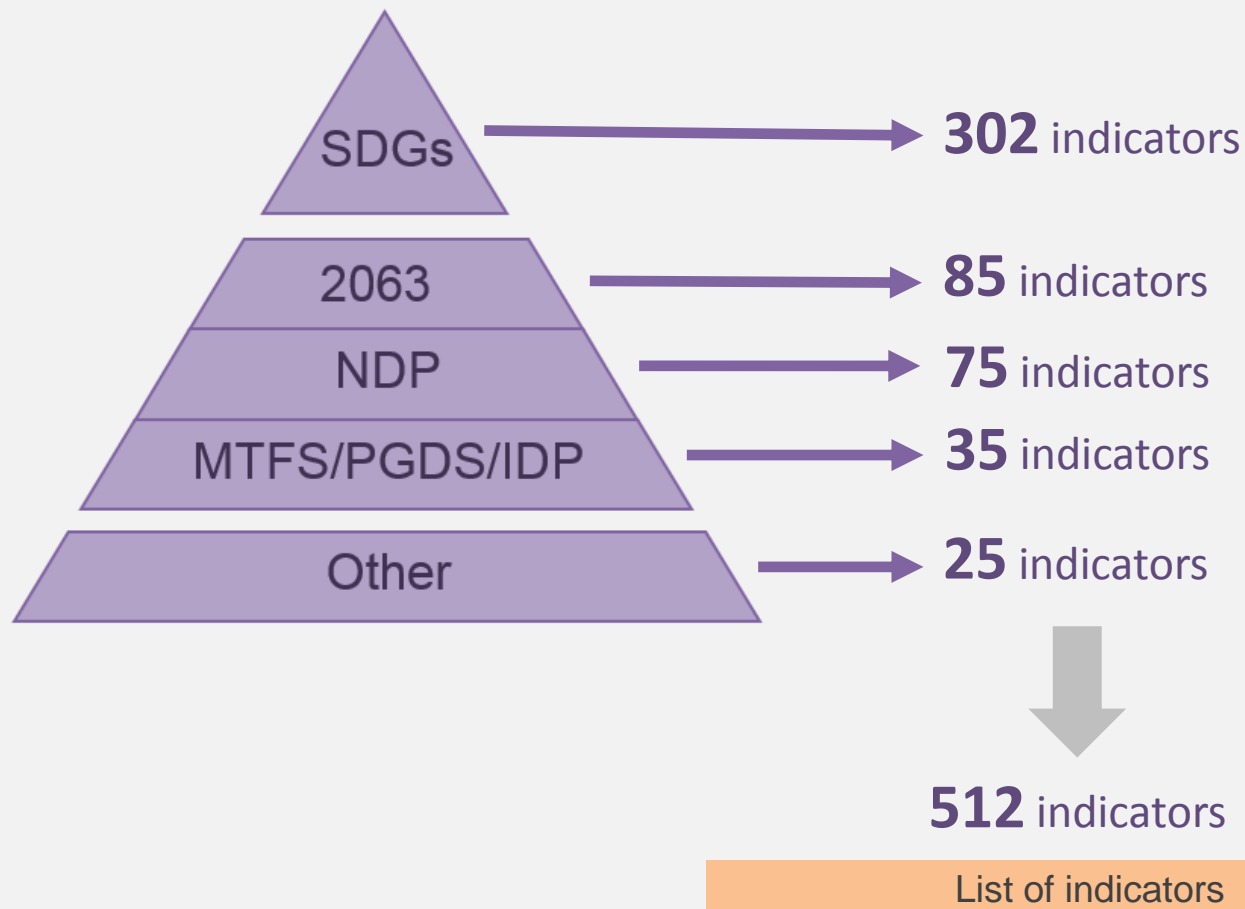


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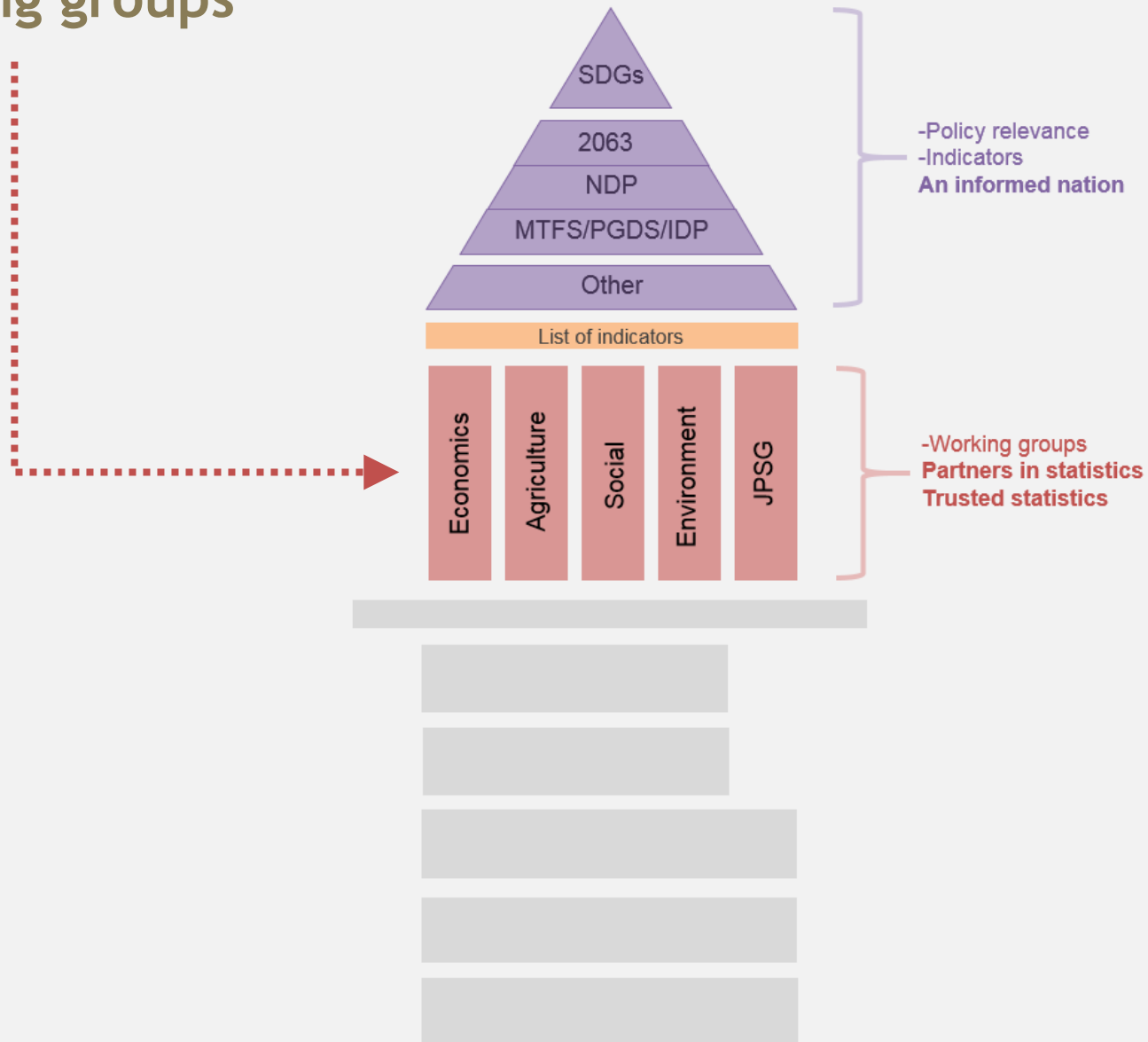
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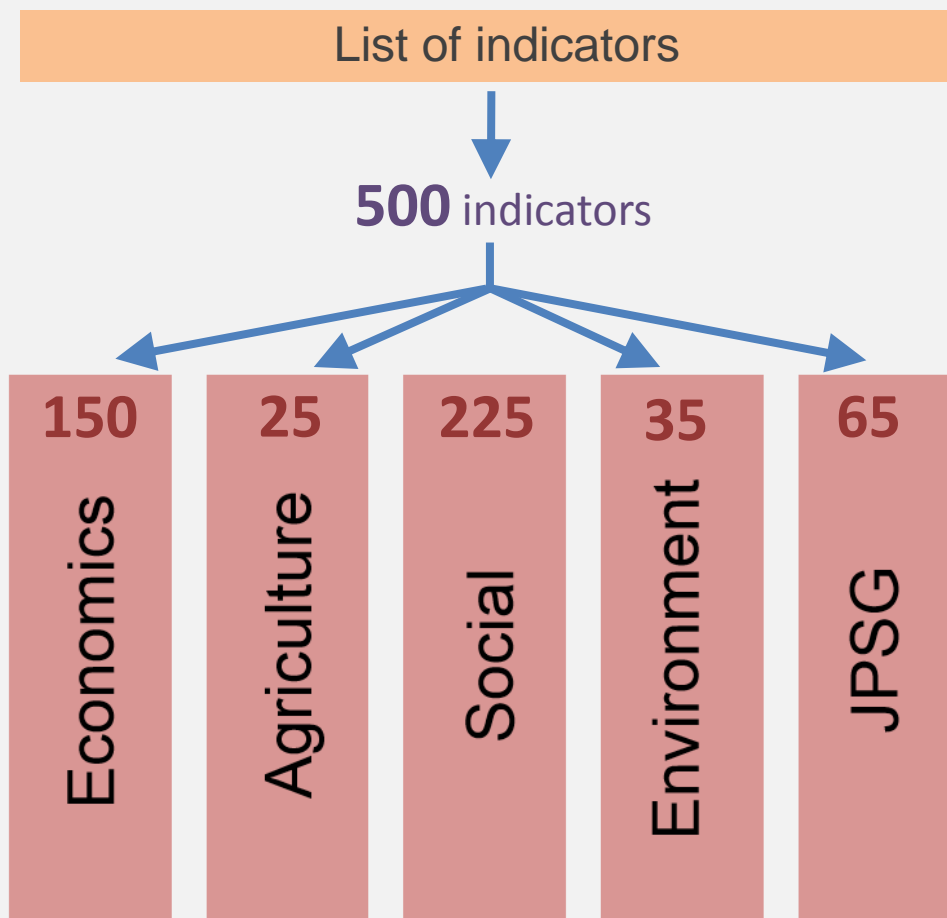


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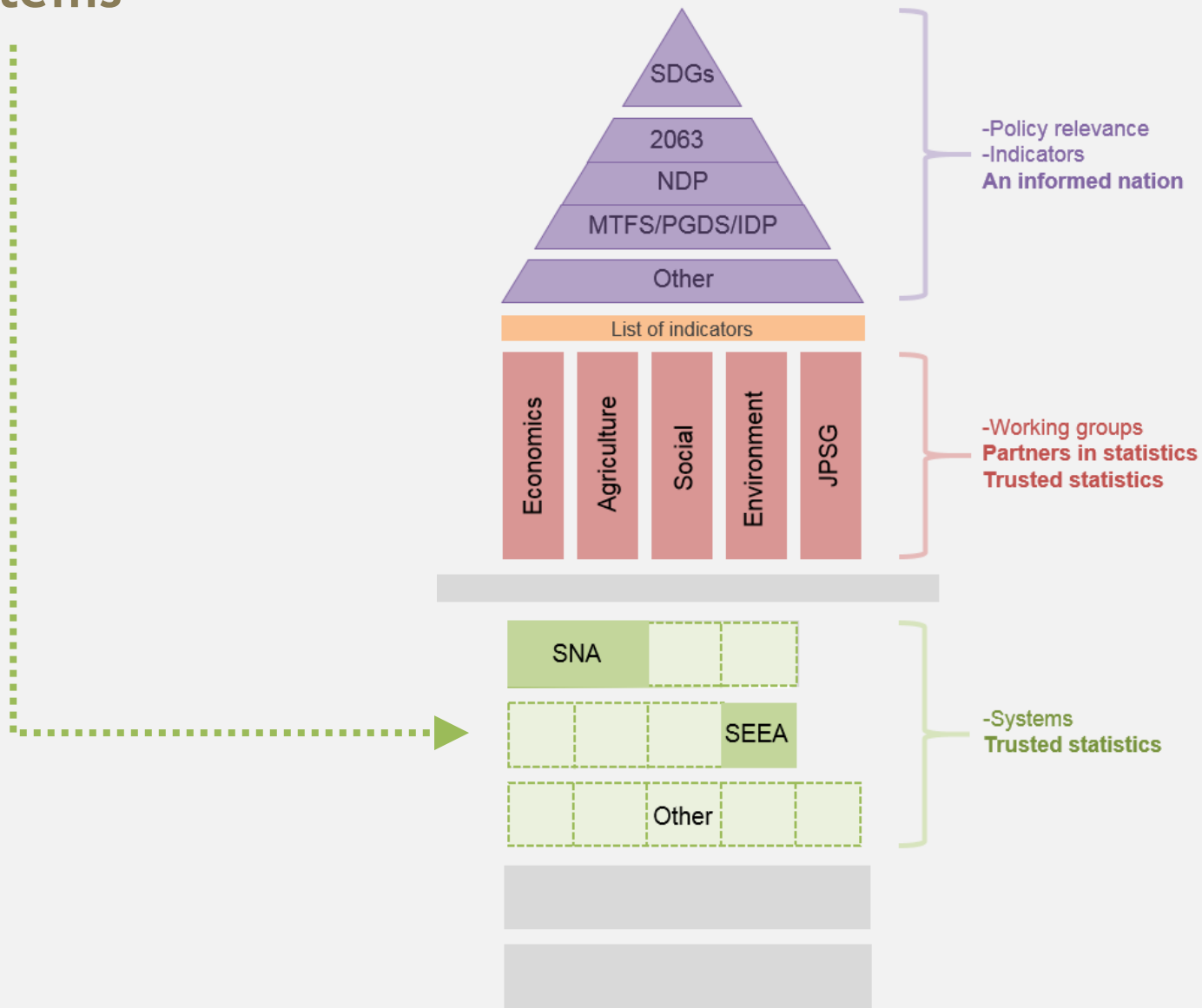


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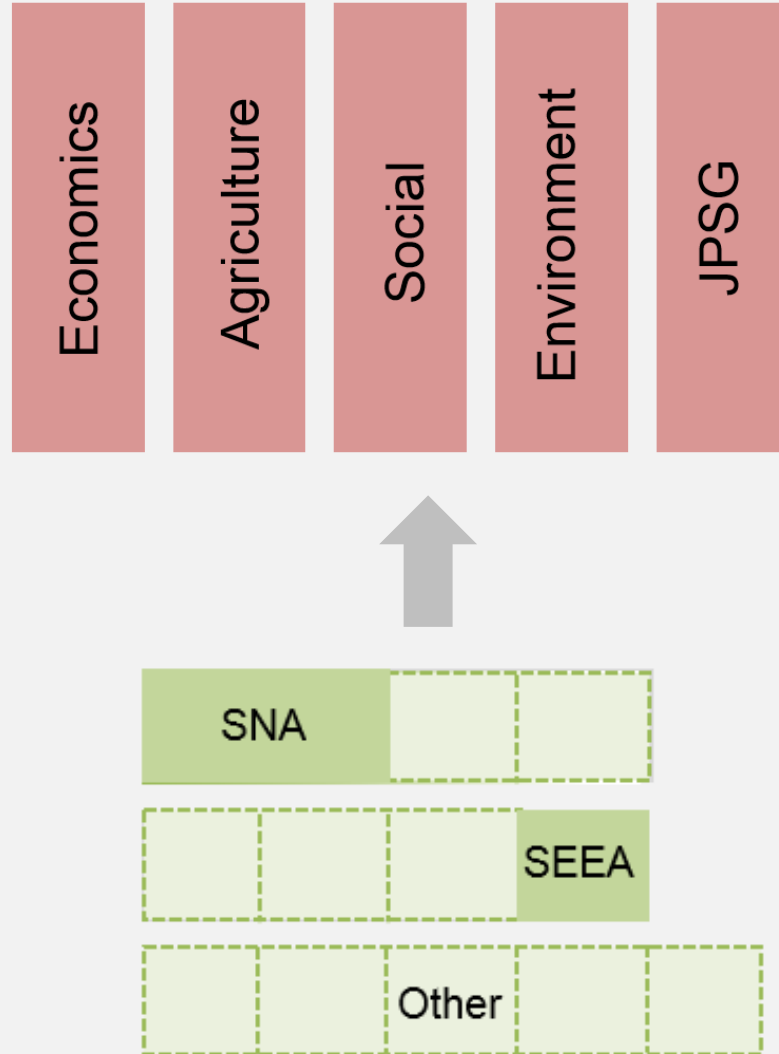


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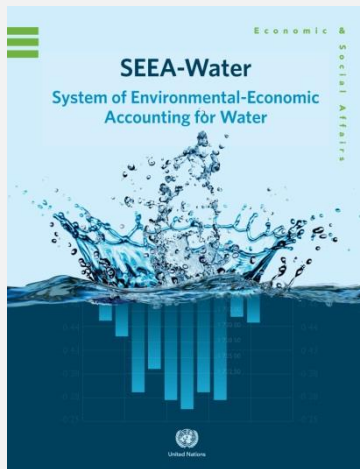
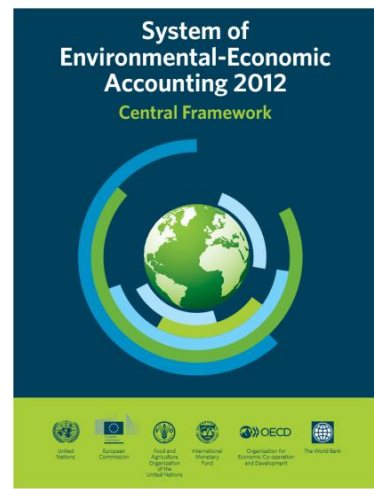
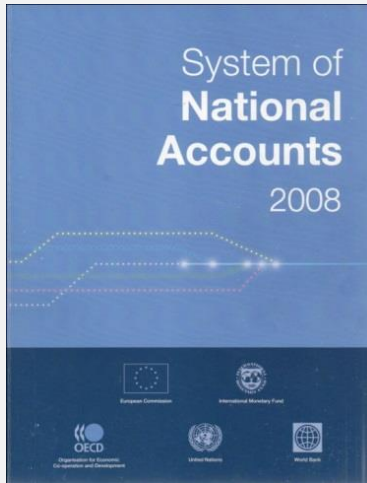
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**SEEA-
Energy**

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**SEEA-
Agriculture,
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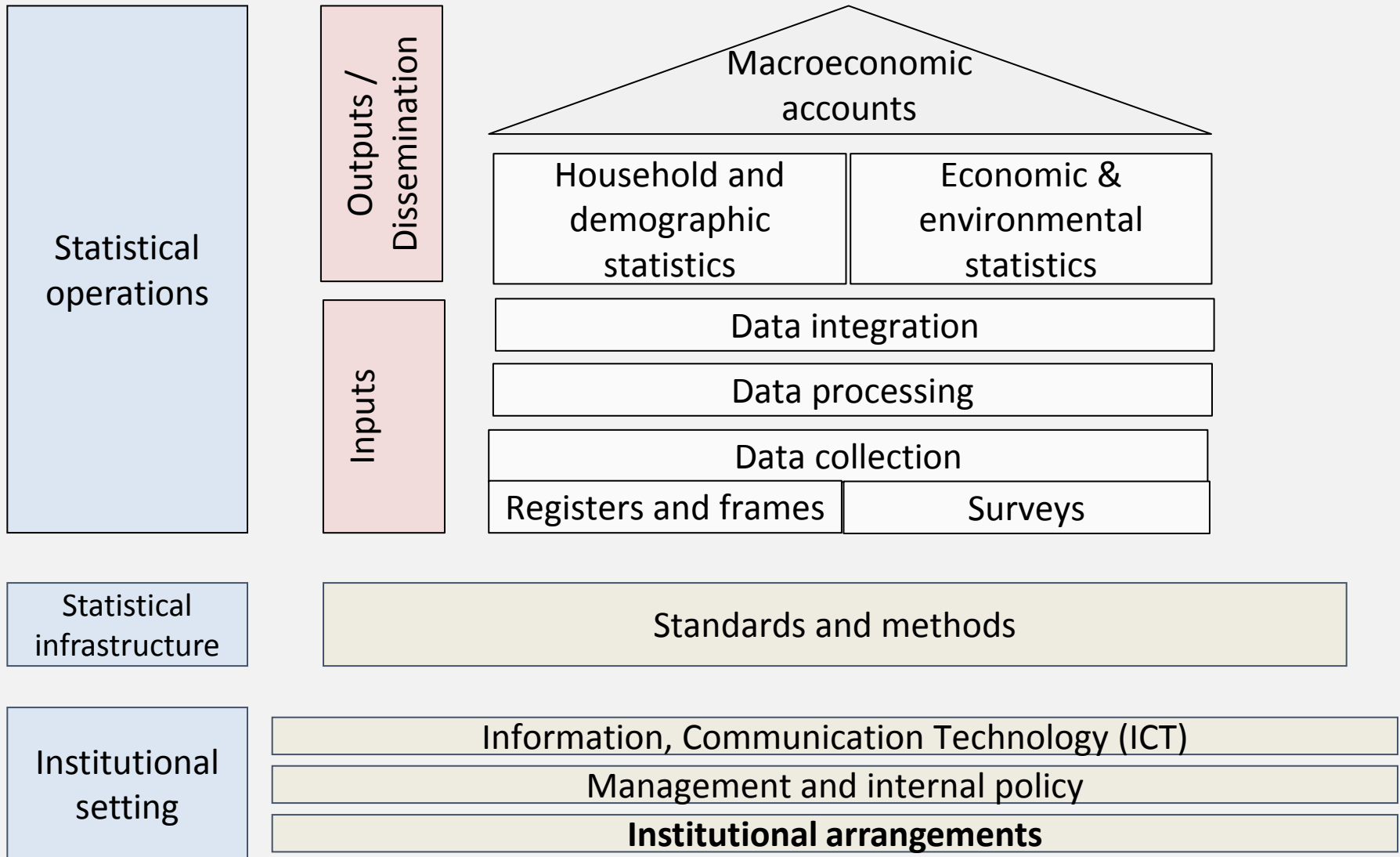
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Others

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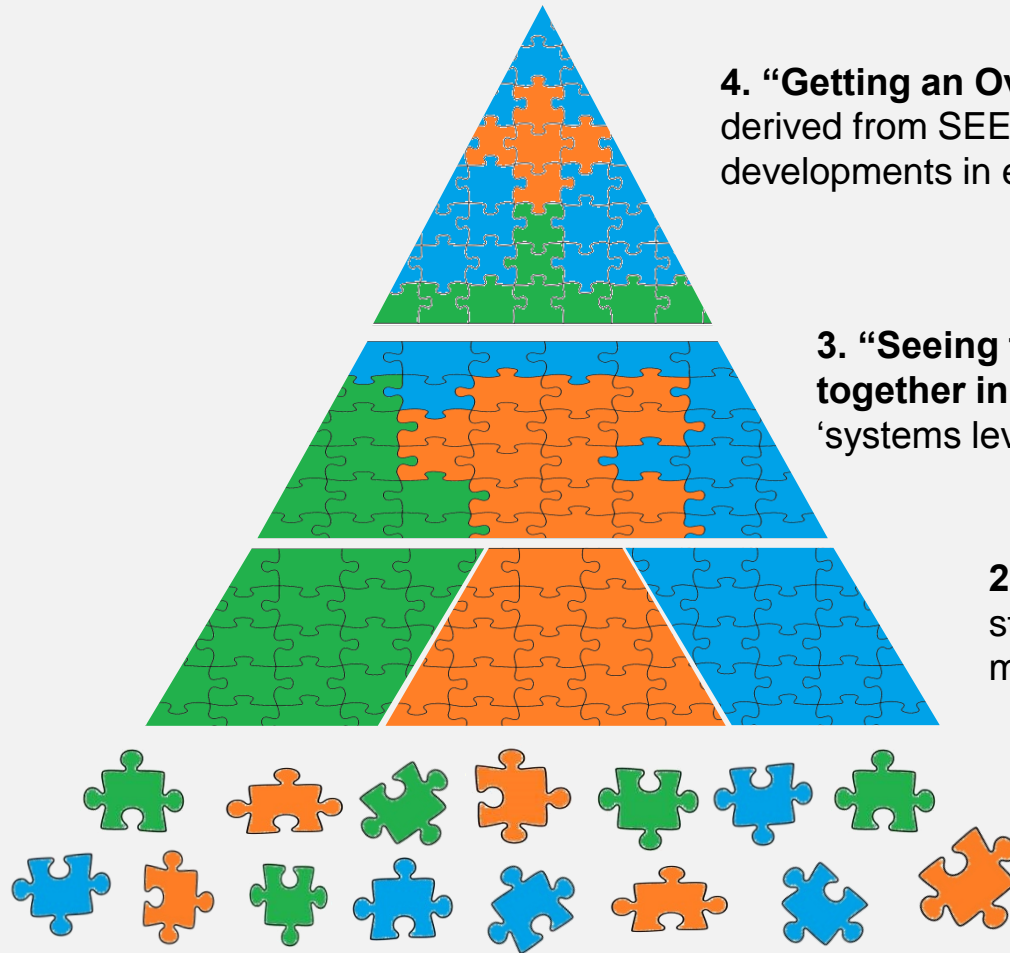
Integrated statistics approach



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SEEA: Conceptual Framework

An international standard to measure the environment and its relationship with the economy:



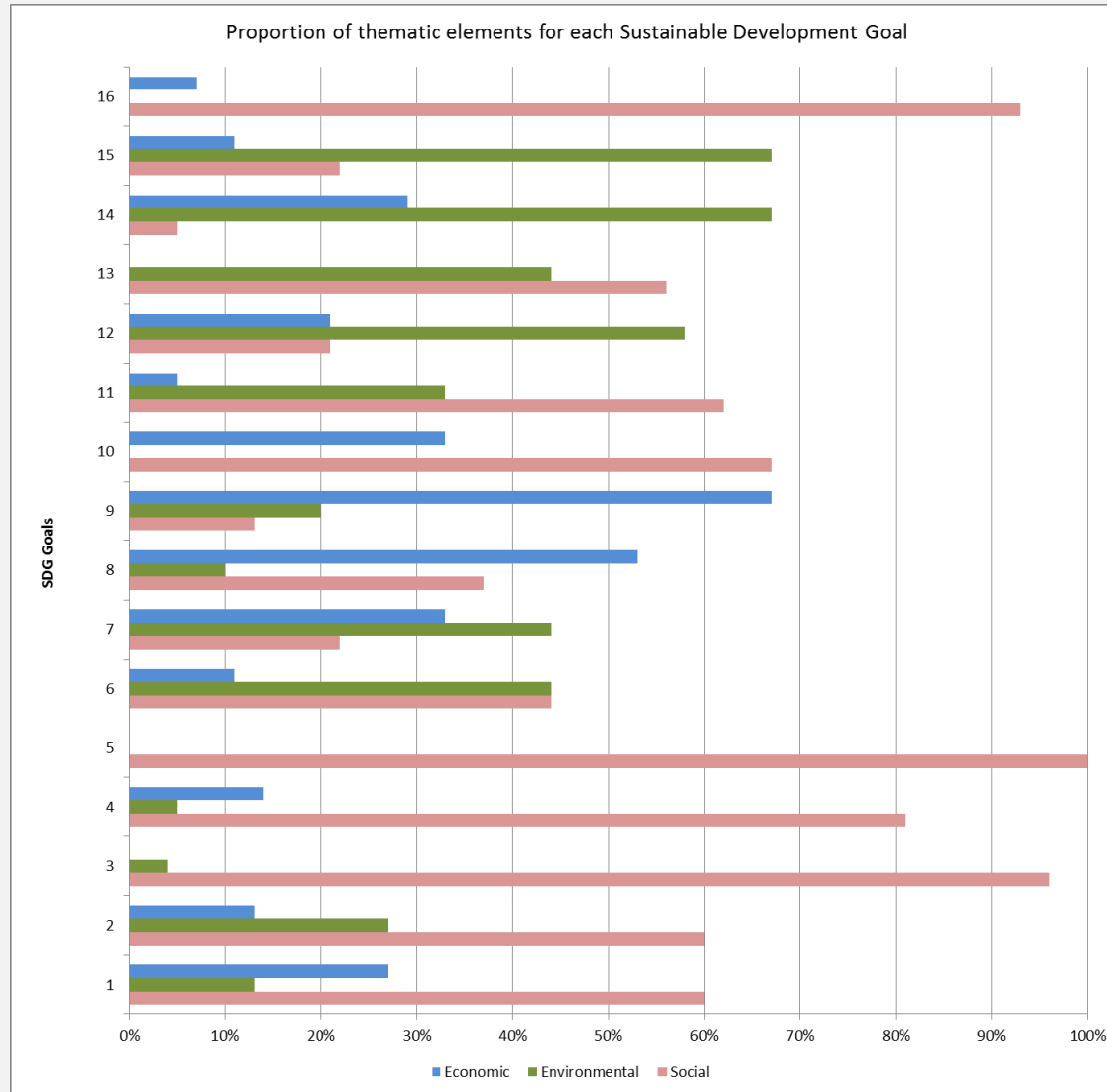
4. “Getting an Overview of the Picture”: Headline indicators derived from SEEA-aligned Information for an indication of developments in environmental issues

3. “Seeing the overall picture and how things fit together in detail”: Organizing data into accounts for ‘systems level’ understanding of the environment

2. “Harmonizing Basic Data”: Application of statistical standards to reconcile divergent methodologies

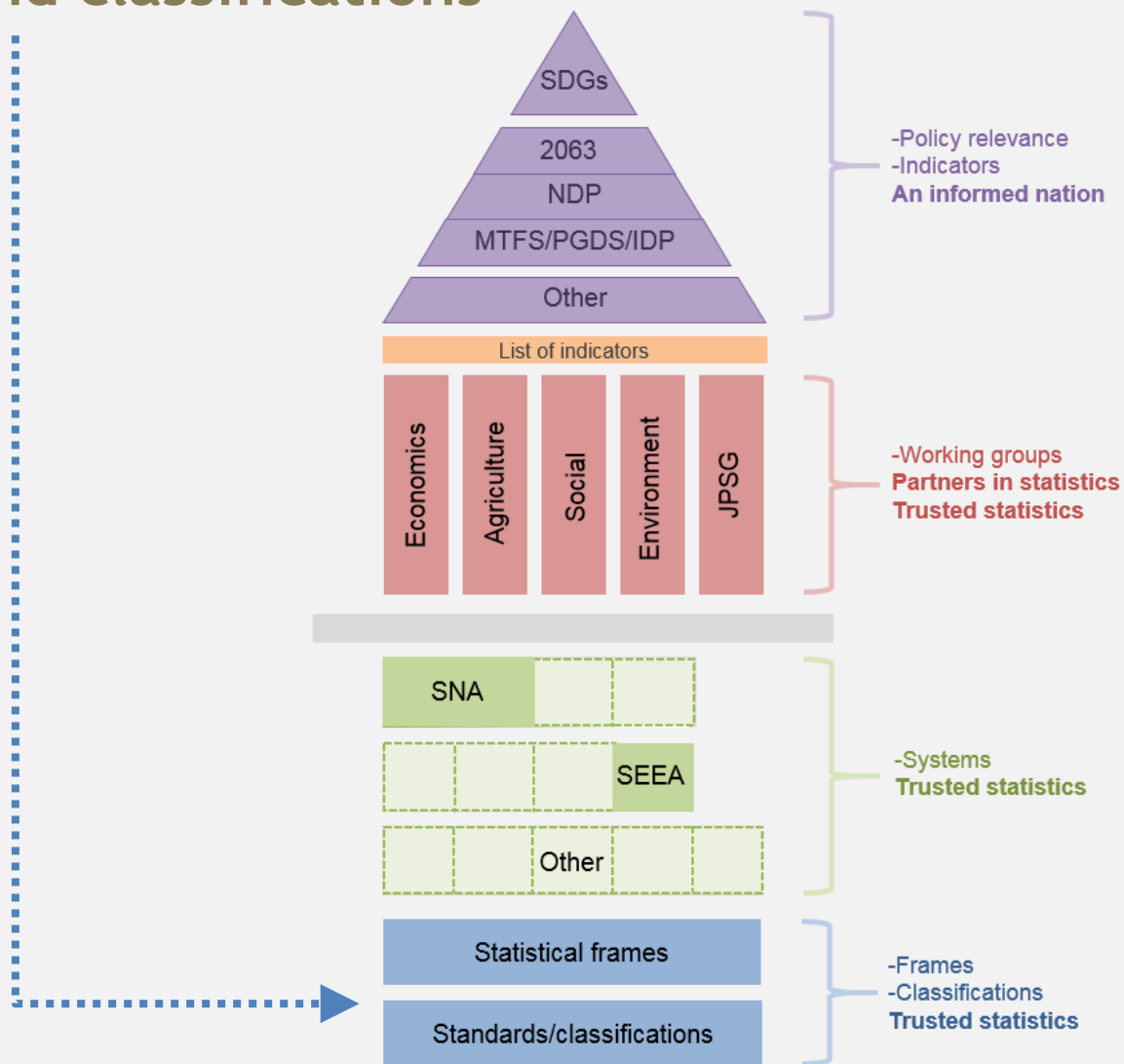
1. Fragmented Environment Data: Data collection dispersed across agencies using different methodologies

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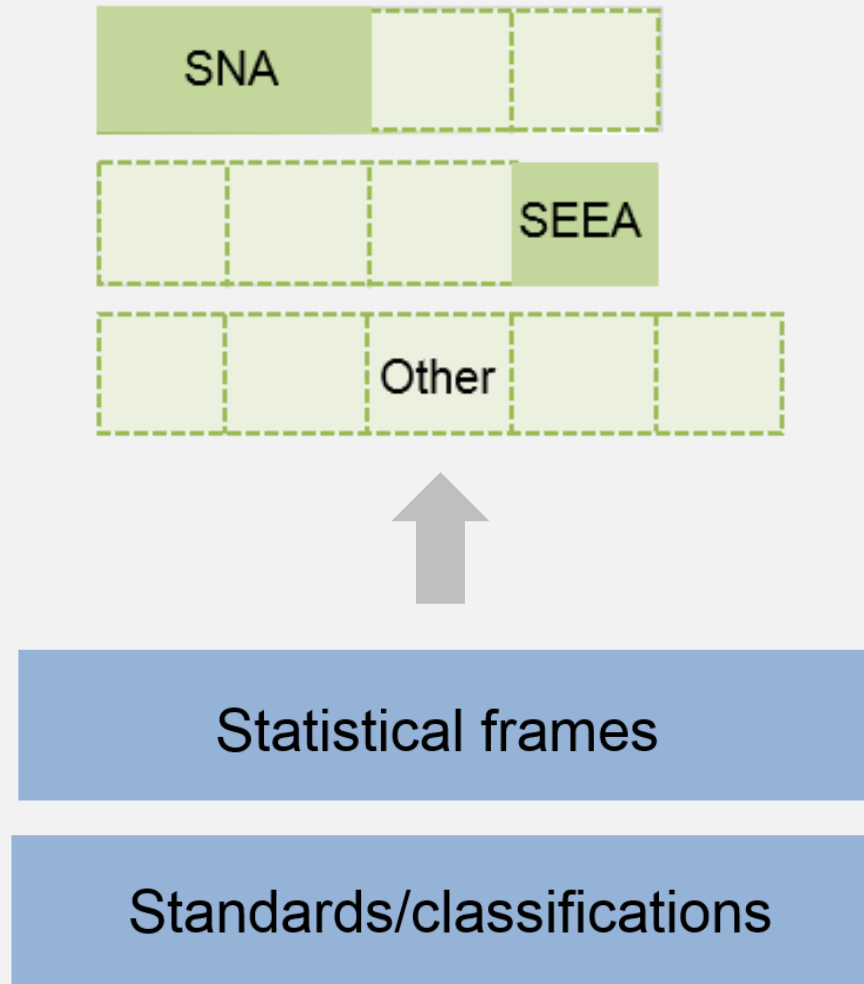


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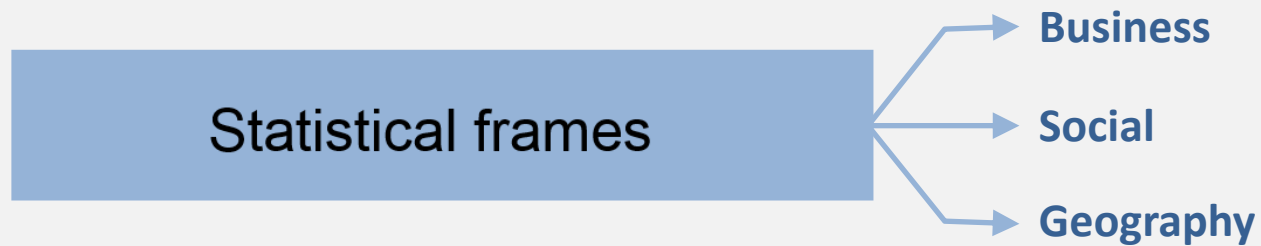
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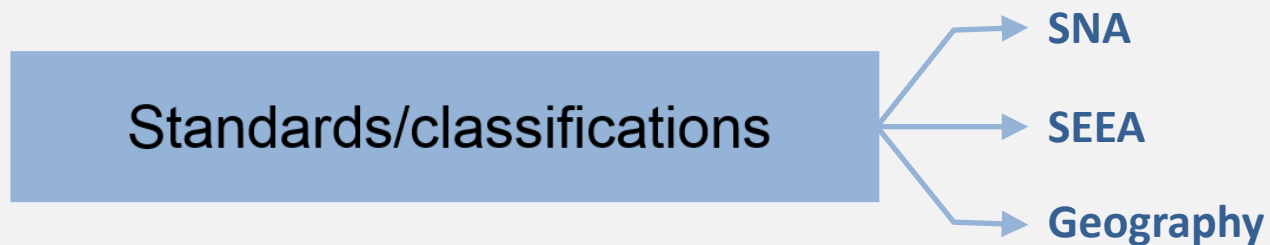
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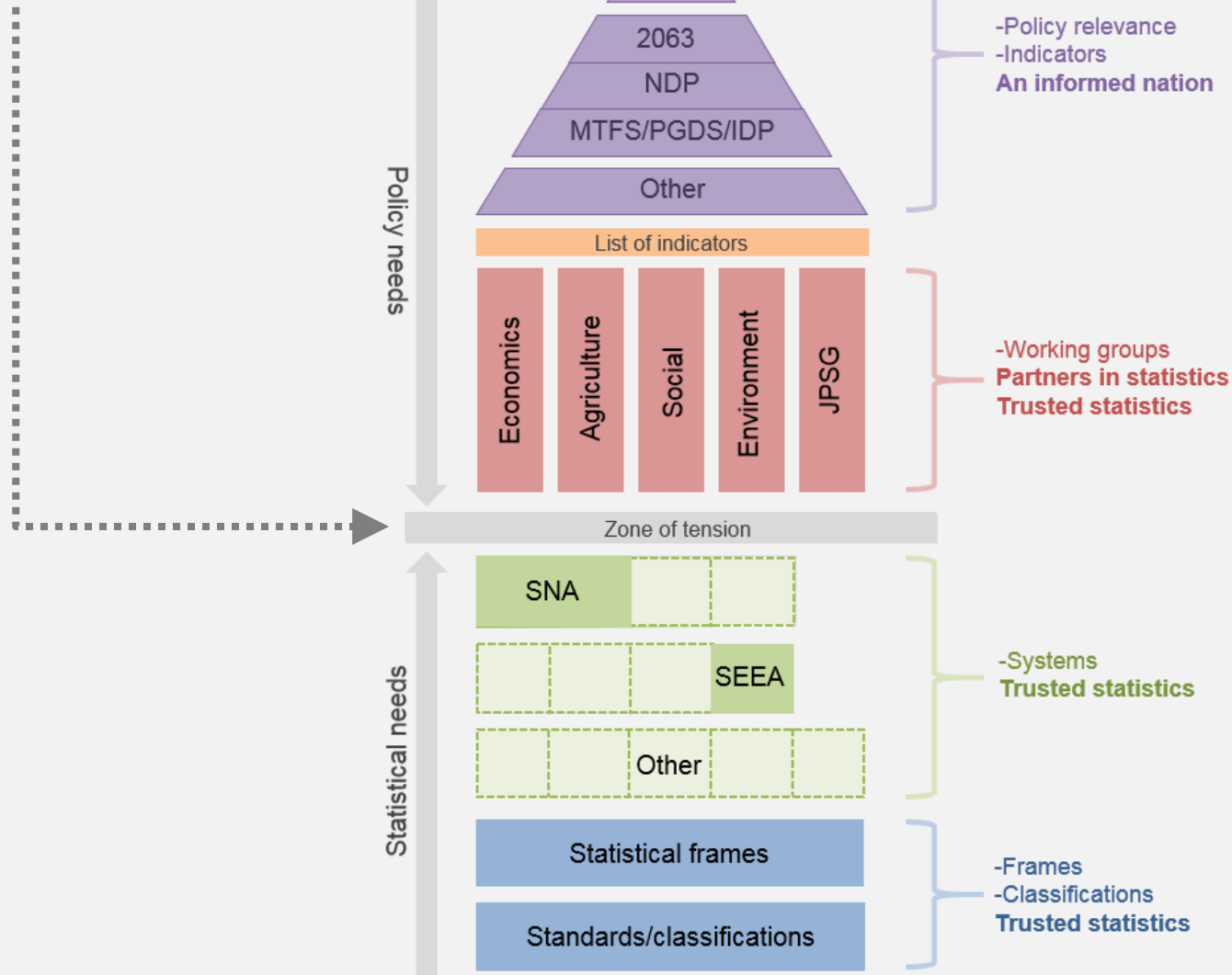
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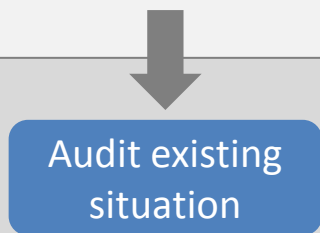
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Gap analysis

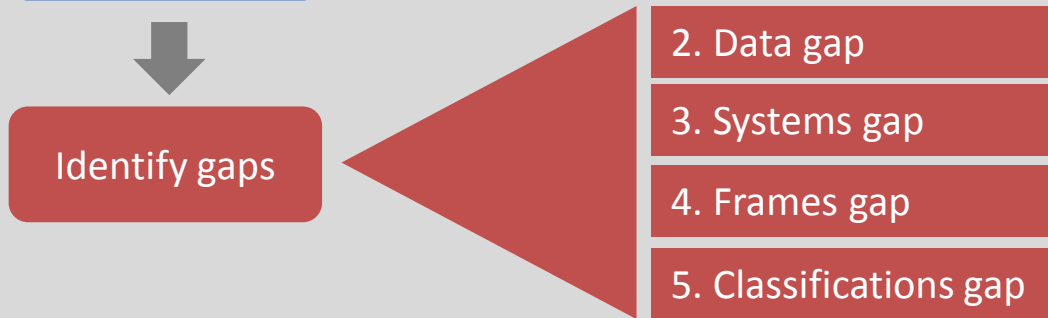
Identify needs



Gap analysis



Now



Strategy

Gap analysis

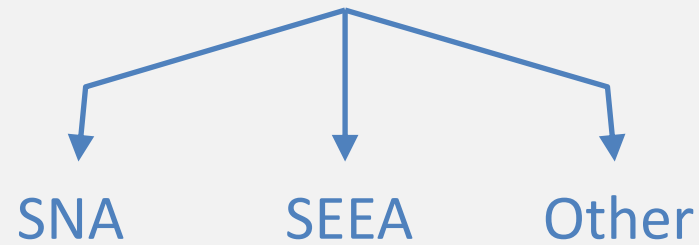
2. (How to fill the) Data gap

	Stats SA	Other
Survey		
Admin		

Economic ✓
Agriculture ✓
Social ✓
Environmental: DEA ?
JPSG ?

How will the gap be filled, and by whom?

3. Systems gap



Country specific research?

Gap analysis

4. Frames gap

Economic Social Geography

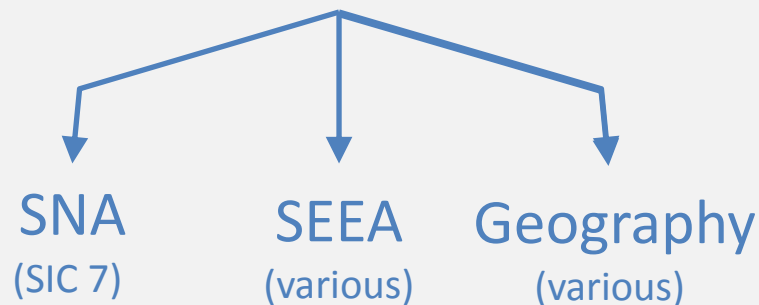
Owner	<i>M&E (BR)</i>	<i>SSI Dwel fr</i>	<i>DRDLR?</i>
Status	<i>Geo-coded?</i>	✓	?

Alignment

Tension

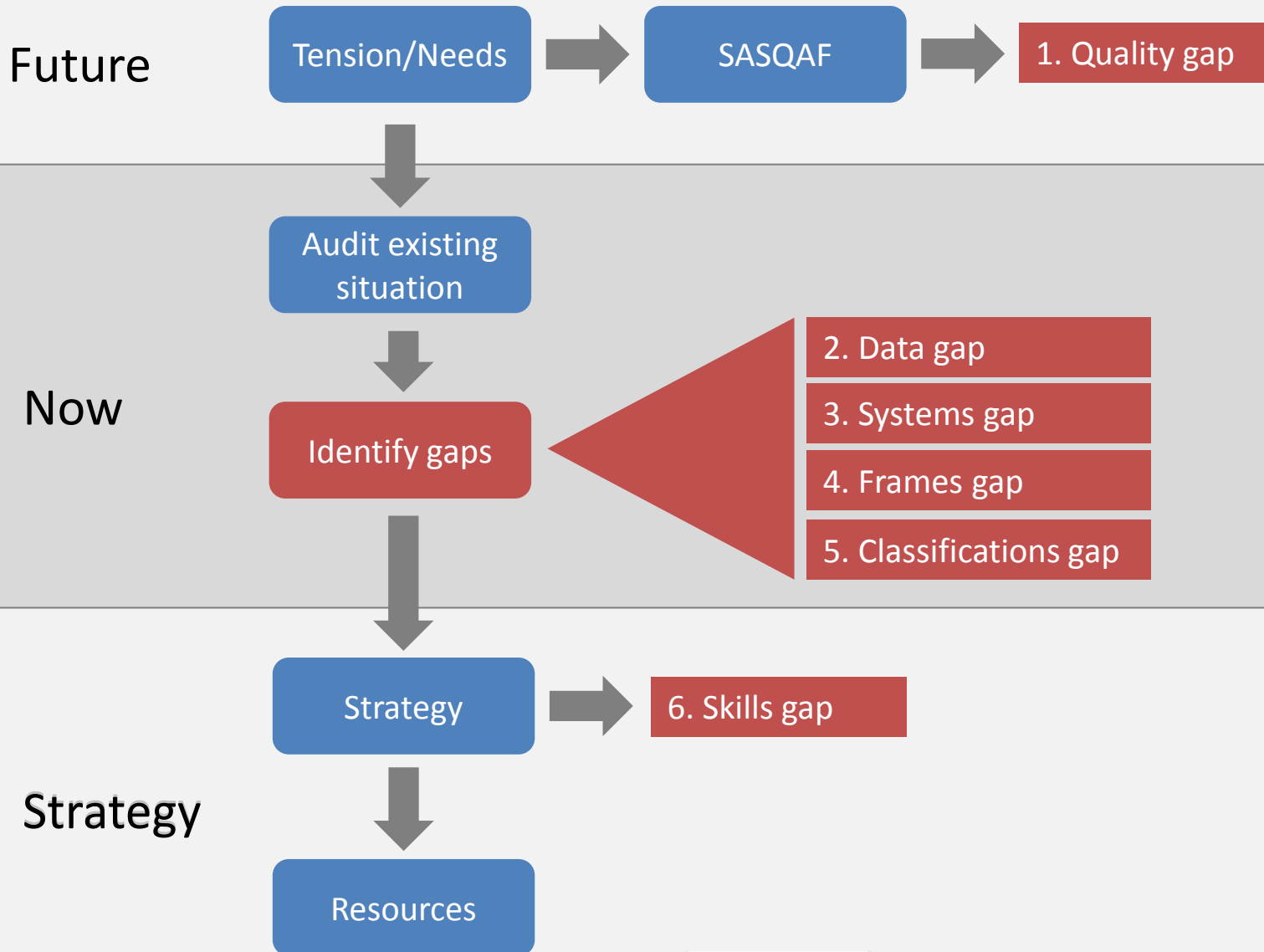
NSSD work with other organisations?

6. Classifications gap



Owner	M&E	M&E SANNS	DRDLR?
Status	Not implemented	?	?

Gap analysis



Next steps

3 related strategies required

- Economic statistics
- Focus all surveys on Benchmark 2020
- Implement new classifications and methods

1. Agriculture statistics

2. Environmental Economic Accounts
Benchmark 2020

Divisional plans in place

Agriculture: ?????

Strategy update required (DAFF)

Environmental: ?????

Reformat country plan (Many others)

Does Stats SA strategy guarantee
alignment between clusters

Stats SA vs SANSS plans



Separate but interlinked strategies required for all 5 working groups

For Stats SA economics cluster:

- Economic statistics
 - Focus on benchmark 2020 project
 - All surveys are included here
 - New sources, methods, classifications etc
- Agriculture statistics
 - Support national accounts
 - Related government goals of food security etc
- Environmental-economic accounts
 - SEEA implementation through coordination
 - Sustainability

Stats SA vs SANSS strategy = tension

“Ownership” of statistics (and SVC) = legislative reform