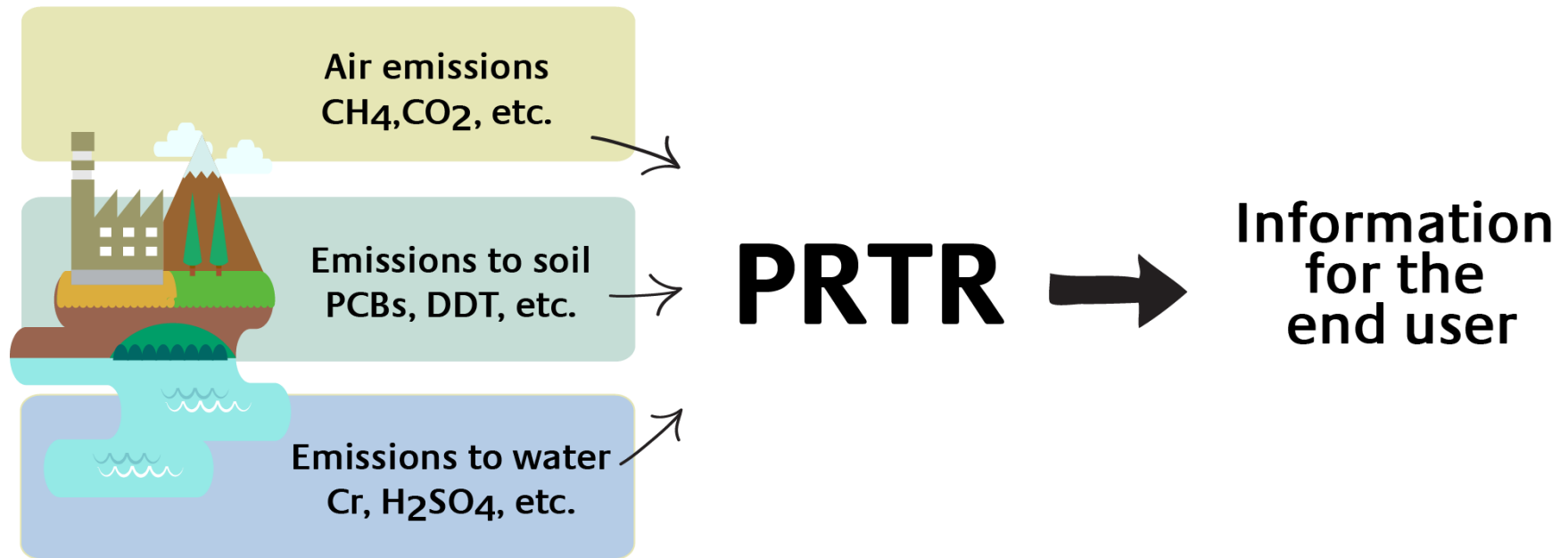


Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers

PRTRs

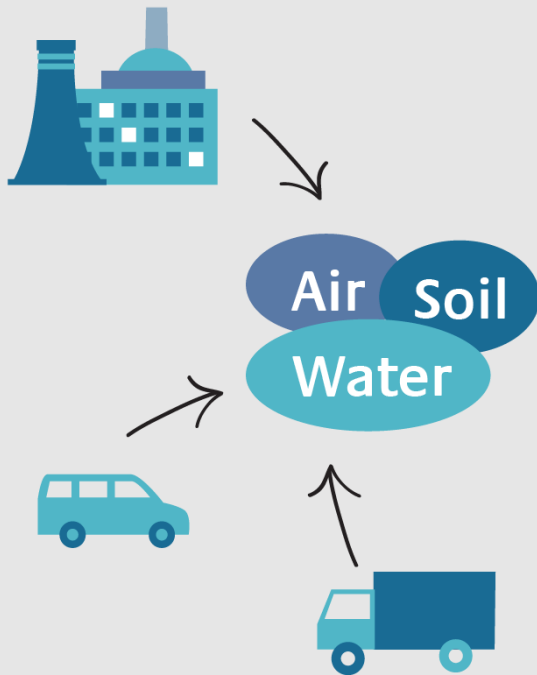
Basic Information

What is a Pollutant Release and Transfer Register?



How does a PRTR work?

Sources



Data Analysis



Users



From inventories on a single environment to PRTs



Change from **command-control** policy to a **participatory process**.



Multimedia information brings a better picture of the **environmental status** and allows to take **informed decisions**



Possible objectives of a PRTR

- Foresee tendency for emissions
- Identify priority areas and sectors
- Identify hot spots
- Obtain information to take action



Benefits of PRTRs



Governments



Industry



Public

Governments

- Establish **national priorities** and promote a **participatory** environmental management system
- Identify **priority areas**
- Reach **environmental targets**
- Identify and reduce **risks** posed by chemicals
- Comply with **international MEAs**

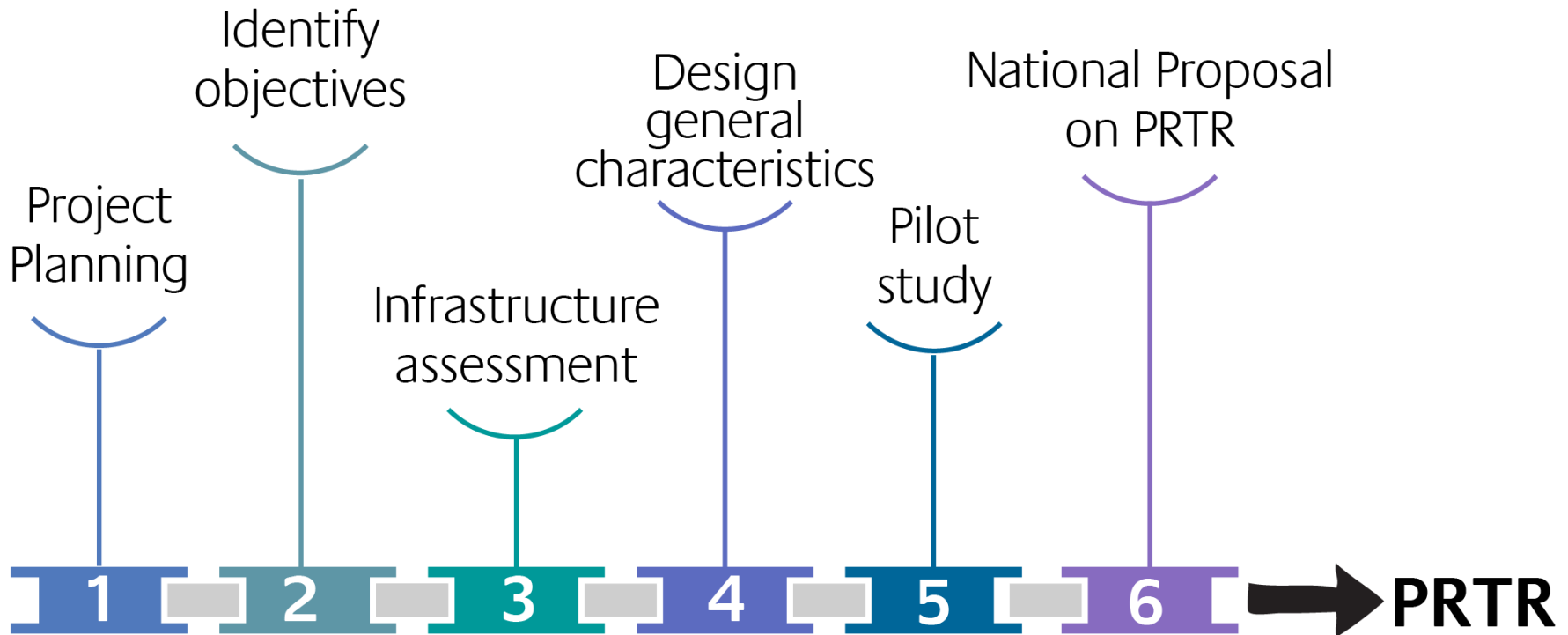
Industry

- Promote **pollution prevention** programmes
- Identify issues with **industrial processes**, opportunities for **cleaner production** and more **cost efficient processes**
- Opportunity to work with the community to improve **environmental conditions**
- Be competitive in the **world market**

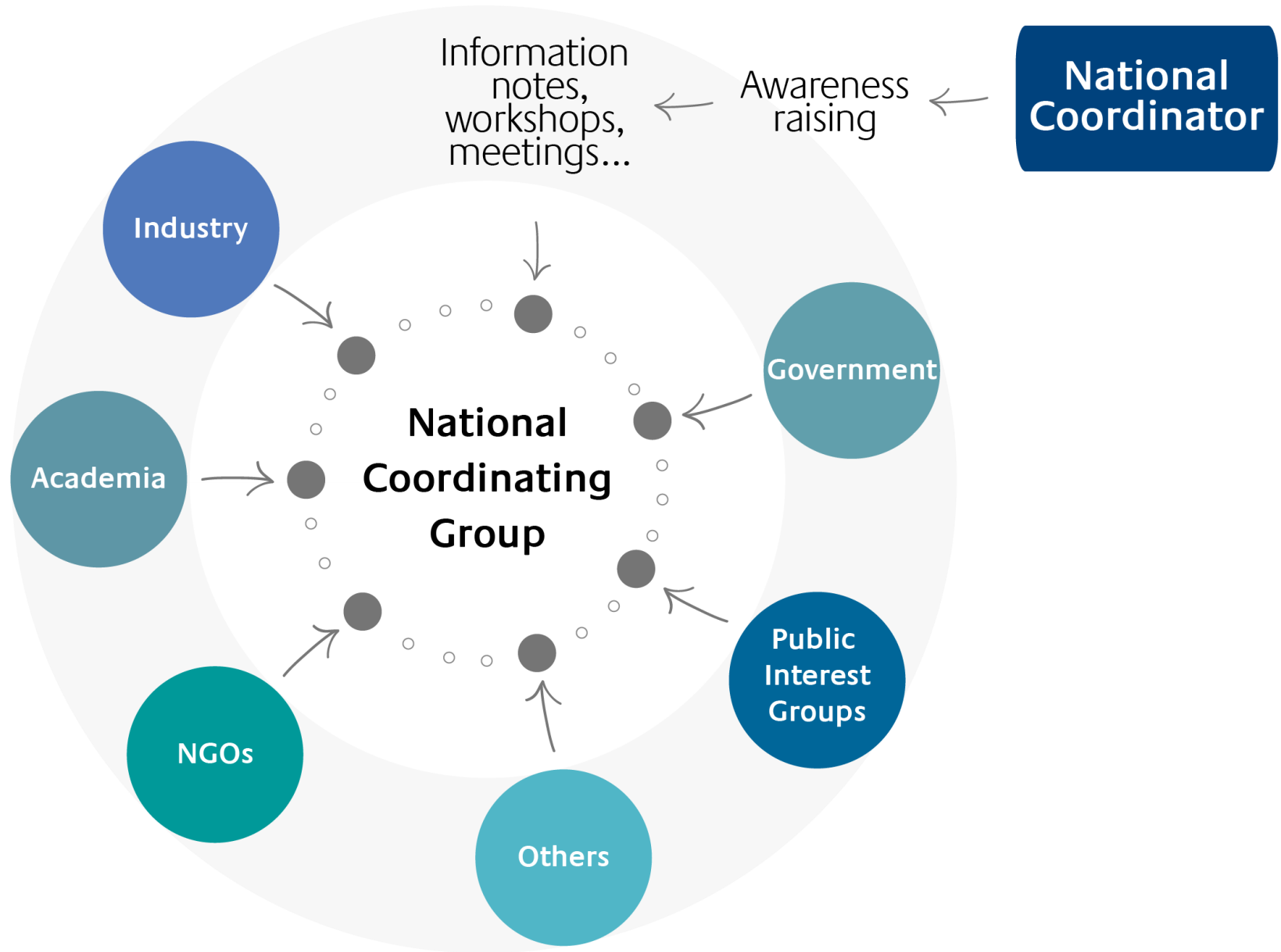
Public

- More **awareness** on risks posed by chemicals
- Informed participation in **environmental management**
- Information available for the **emergency response groups**
- Information available for **educational purposes**

Key stages in the design of a PRTR system



Possible Project Organizational



UNITAR Programme on PRTR Capacity Building



Guidance Materials



CD-ROM on PRTRs



Experiences from other
countries



PRTR Platform



Technical assistance to
support the
development of PRTRs



Technical network of
experts



To take into account

- PRTRs are to be adapted to national circumstances
- Serve different purposes
- Contribute to the sound management of chemicals in countries
- Assist to comply with international obligations

Thank you!



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