

ESPON 2020 moving forward - news from the Managing Authority

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1. Where the Programme is standing now

- Programme has reach his cruising speed:
 - With the discussion and decision on the Annual Work Plan for 2019 the majority of the activities will be decided and kick started
 - First final results are now available both from applied research and from the targeted analysis and more will become available during this year
 - cooperation and the dialogue among programme authority and stakeholders to improve the implementation, the quality and the usefulness of the outputs is making steady progress

2. We would like to listen to you ...

- at consultations with Partner's /stakeholders:
national consultations are taking place during this year in all countries in different moments and modalities.
- In the context of the ESPON 2020 mid-term evaluation: the evaluation of the current programme just started,

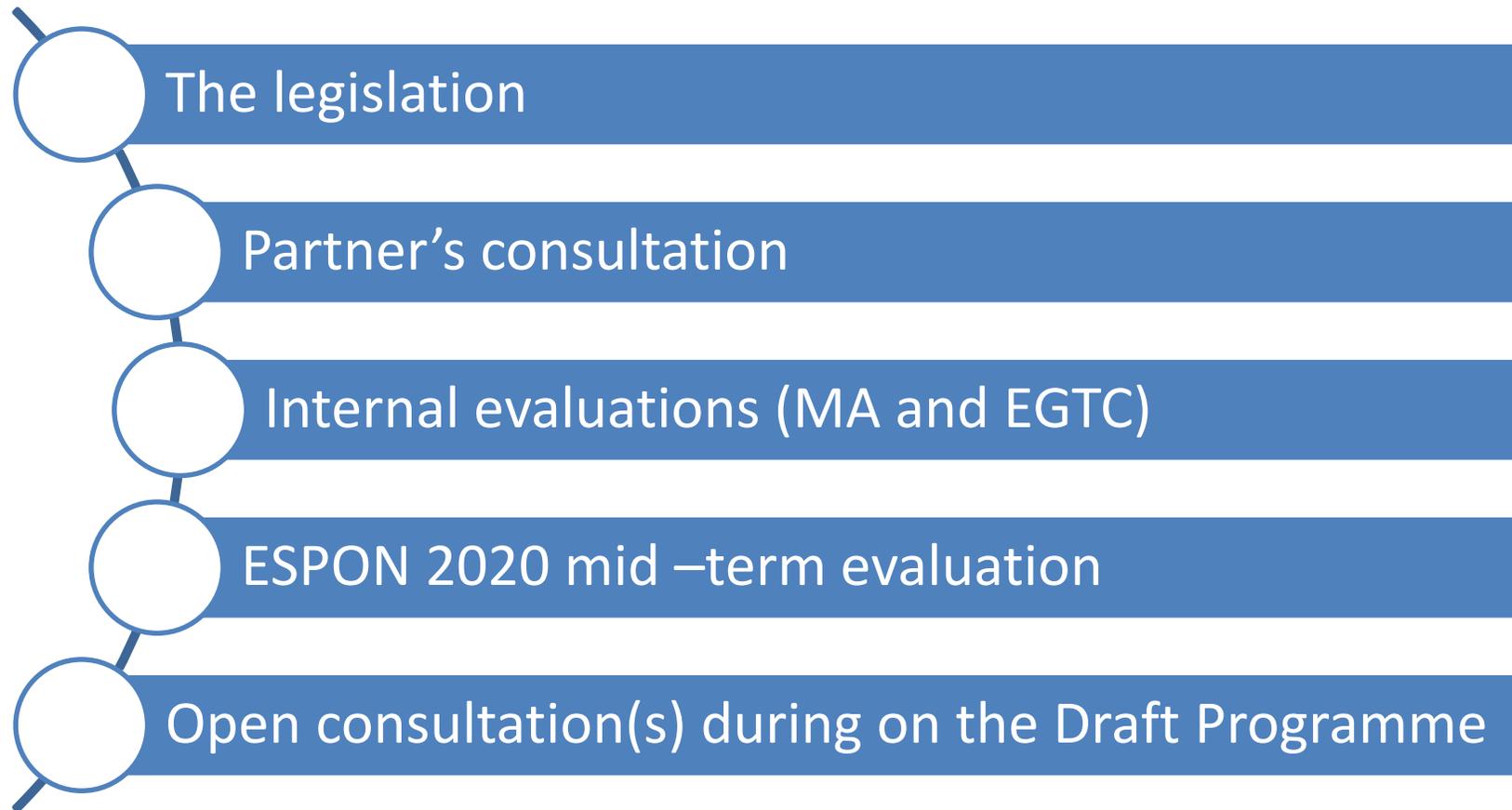
For the Programme Authorities It is important at this stage to learn about your opinion on what and how we are doing and on how we can do better.

3. Preparing for the future

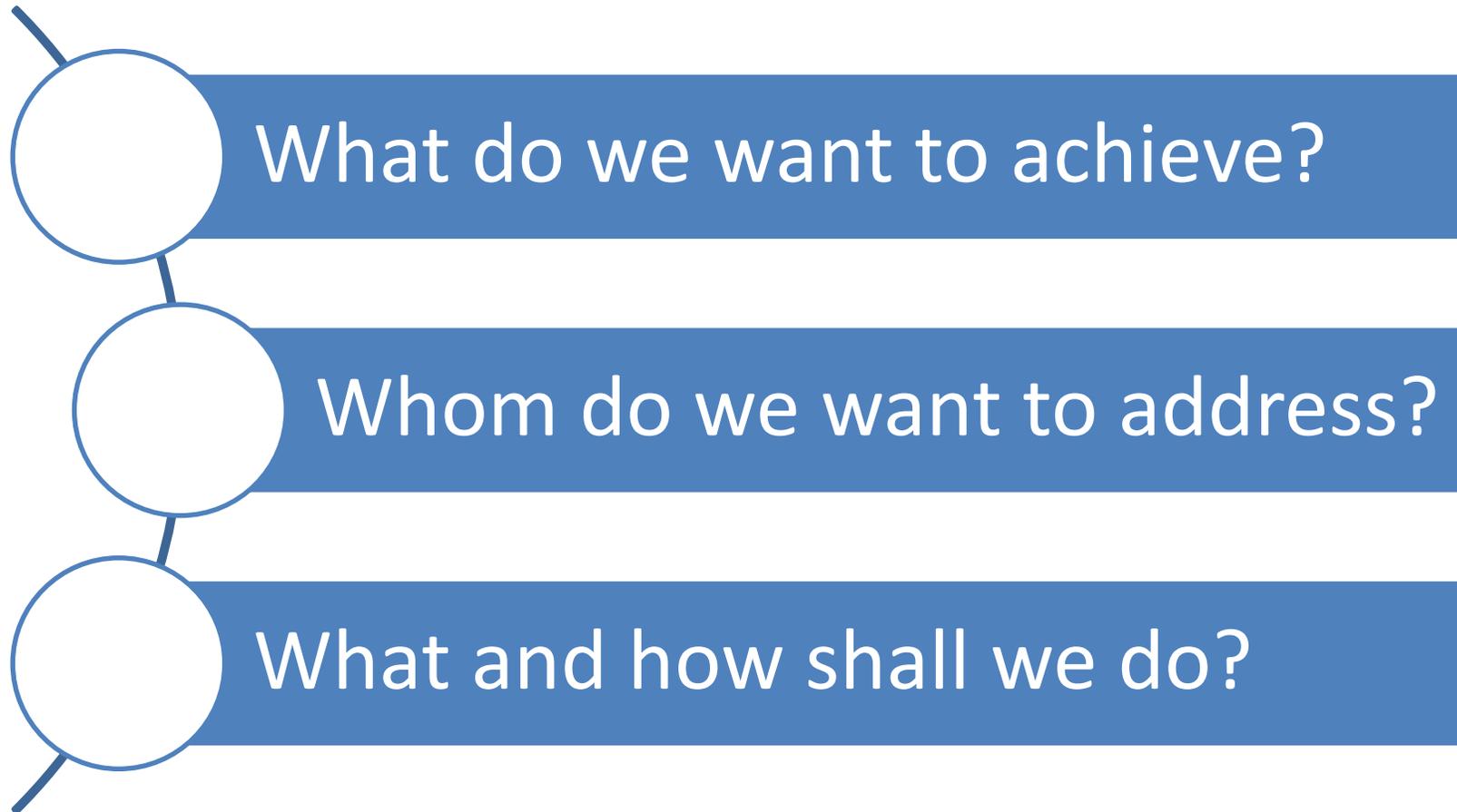
ESPON has its place in the Commission's Proposal of the (European Territorial Cooperation (ETC) Regulation published 29 May 2018

- Your opinion will be important to design the next generation of ESPON
- Inputs form the result of the Mid-term evaluation
- Process and discussion with the main stakeholders will start in the second half of 2018 – a Joint Working Group will be established

3.1 Inputs for drawing up an ESPON Programme for the years 2021-2027



3.2 Structured discussions with the stakeholders



Thank you for
your attention



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