

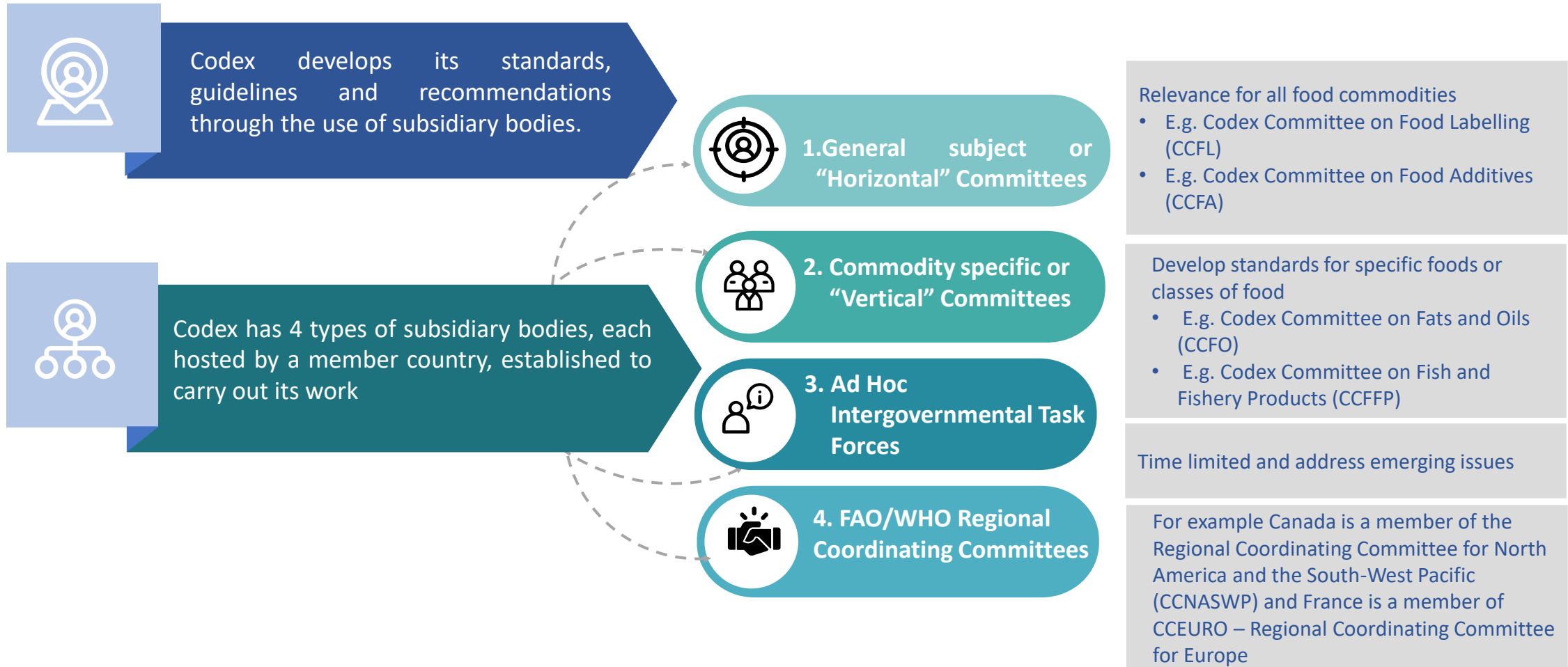


Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) - Operations of Codex

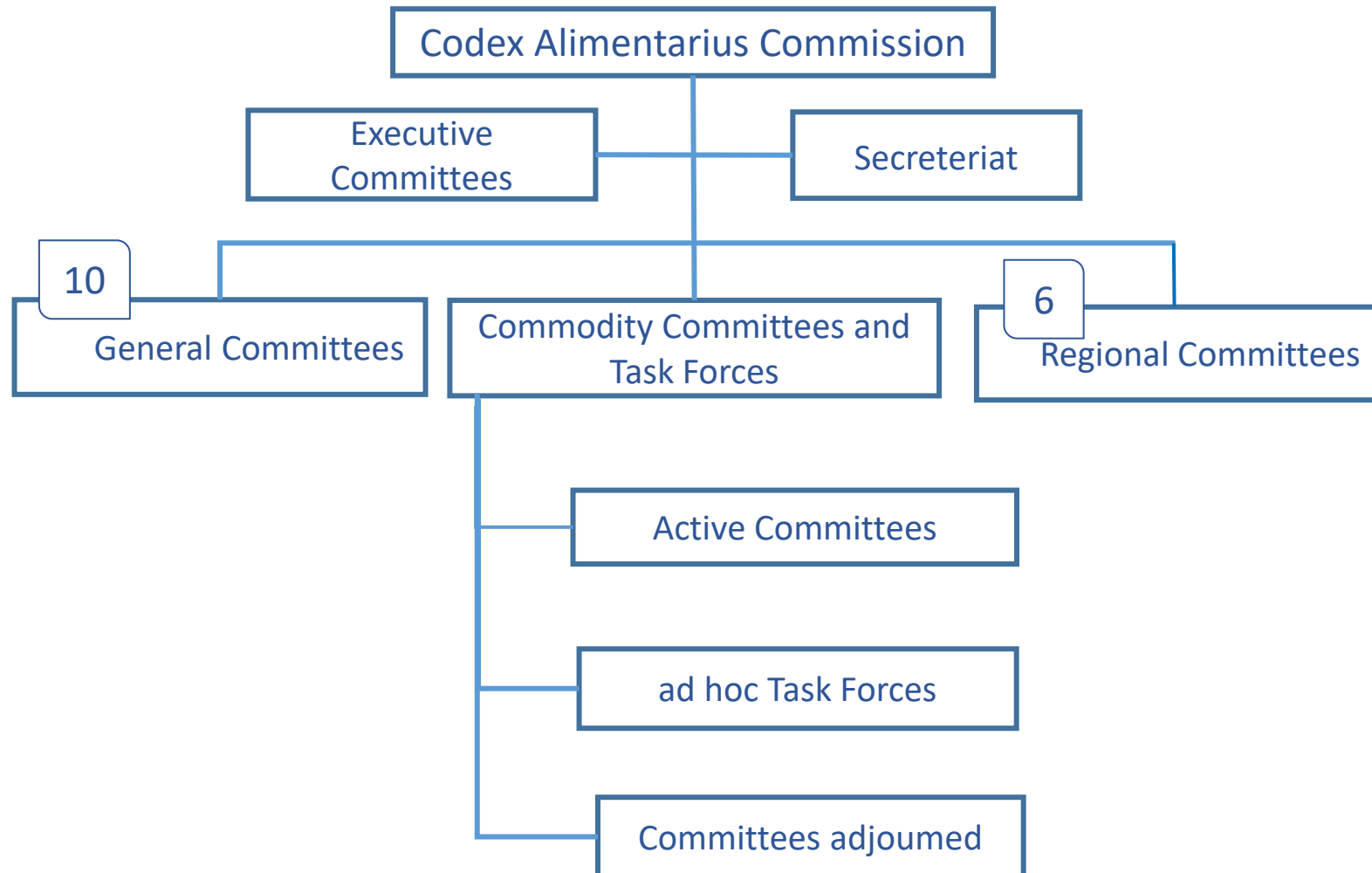
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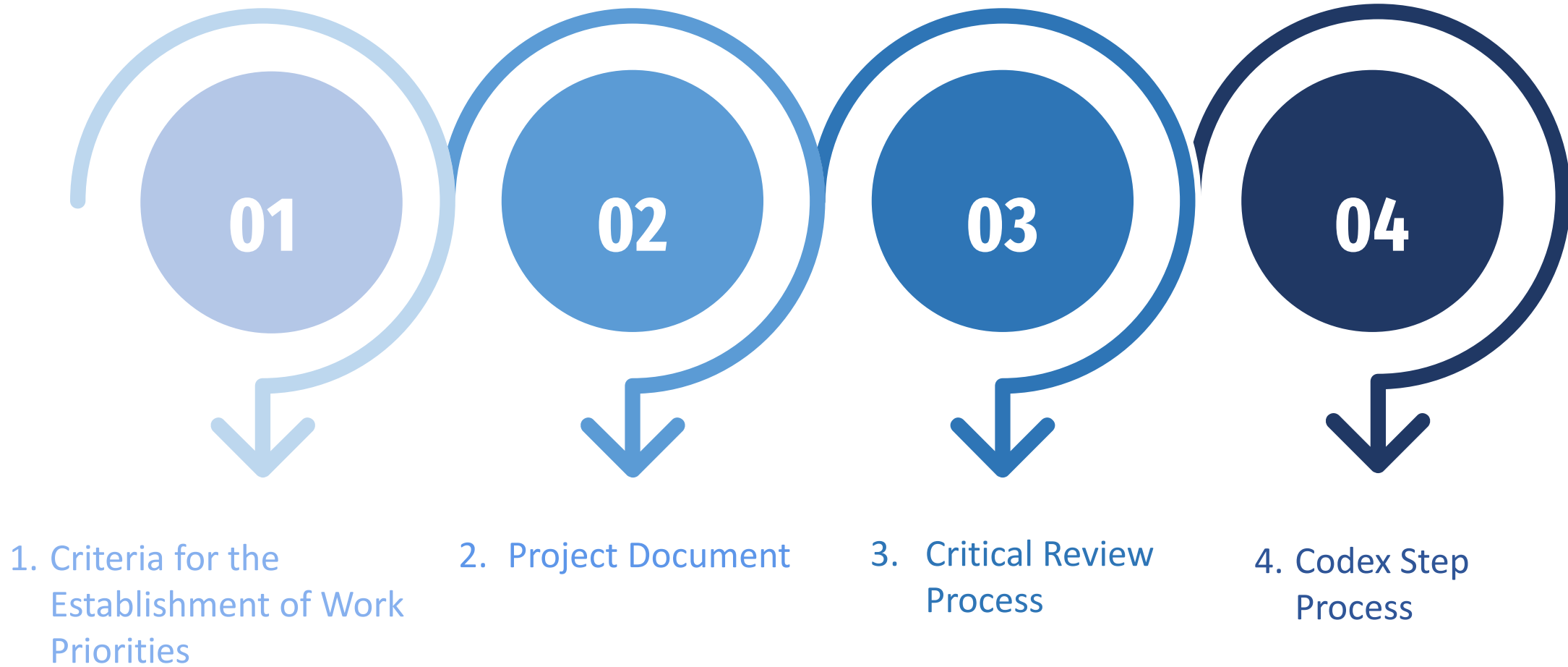
How Does Codex Work?



Structure of the Codex Alimentarius Commission

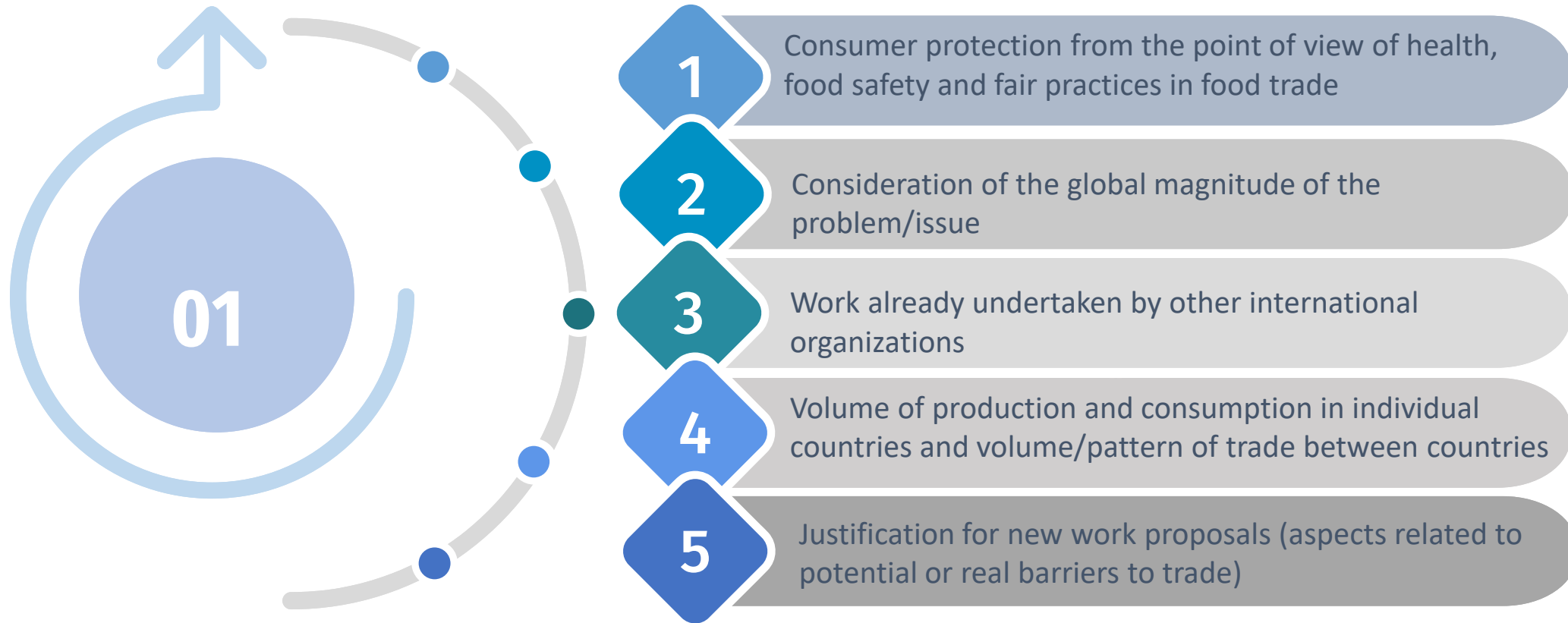


Process to Develop/Revise Codex Text



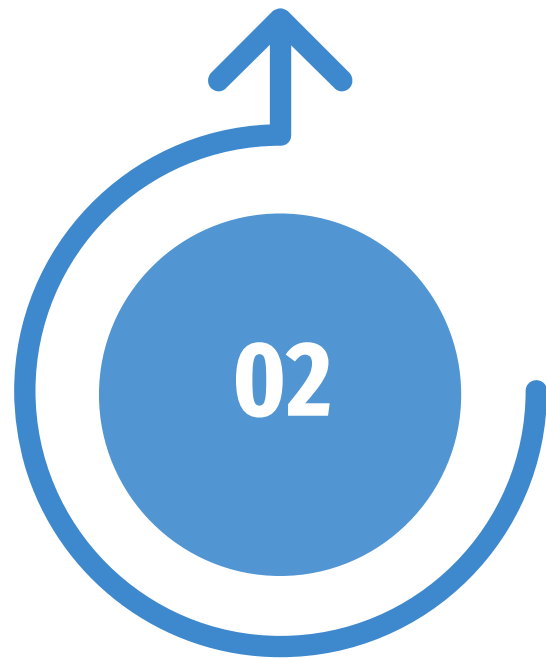
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1. Criteria for the Establishment of Work Priorities



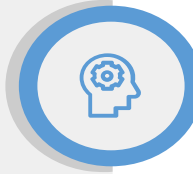
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2. Project Document Must Include



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The Purpose and Scope of the Standard



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Its relevance and timeliness



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The main aspects to be covered



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An assessment against the Criteria for the Establishment of Work Priorities



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Information on relation between the proposal and other Codex documents



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An assessment The identification of requirement for expert scientific advice



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The identification of need for technical Input from external bodies



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Its relevance to the Codex Strategic Objectives



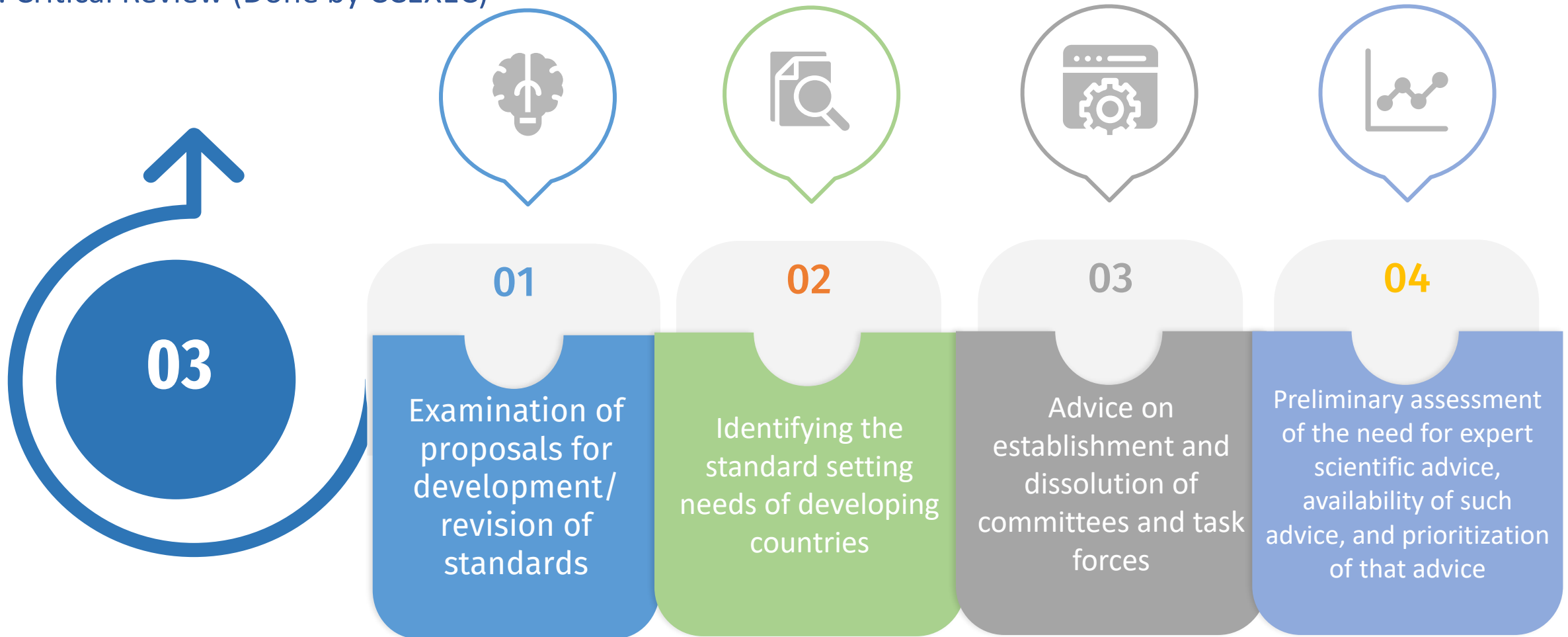
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The proposed time-line for completion of the work (start date, proposed date for adoption at Step 5, proposed date for adoption at Step 8)



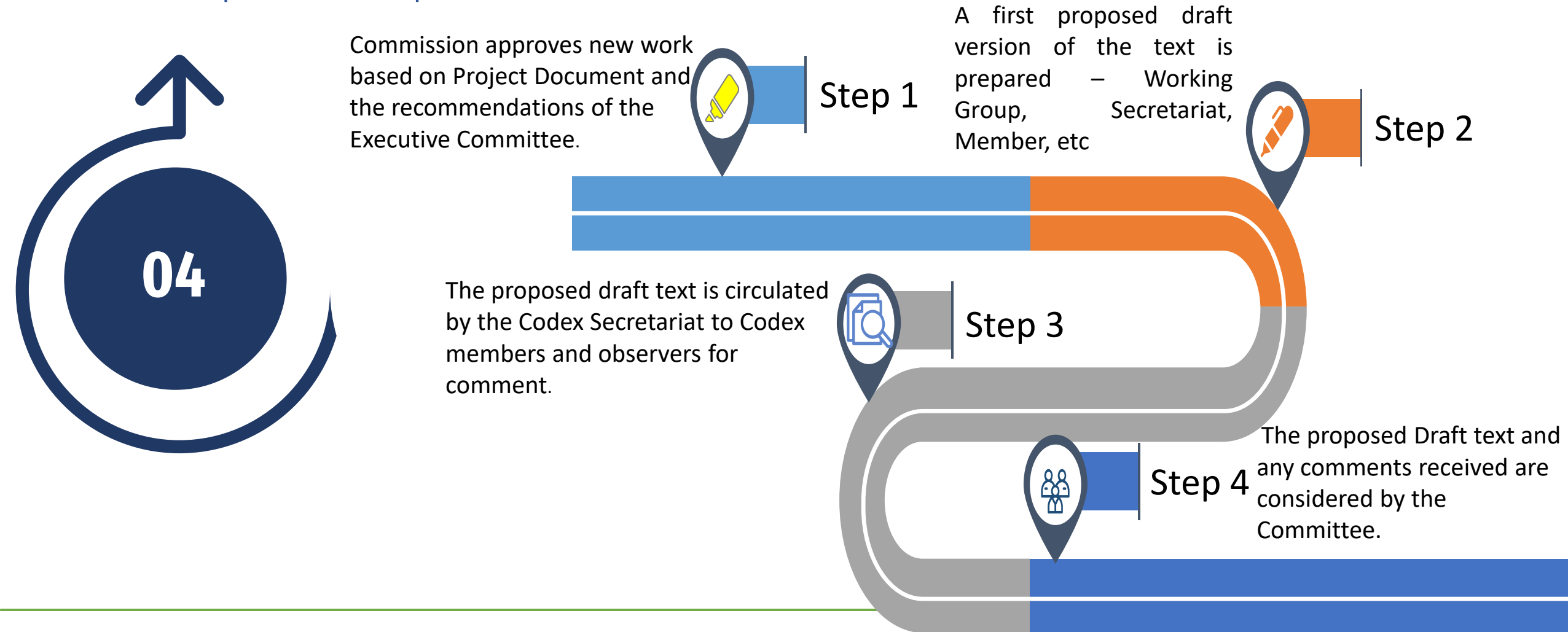
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3. Critical Review (Done by CCEXEC)



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4. Codex's 8-Step Process : Steps 1- 4



At Step 4, the Committee can Decide to



Step 4 The proposed Draft text and any comments received are considered by the Committee.

Return to step 2

- i. Return the proposed draft text to Step 2 for re-drafting, taking into consideration decisions/comments agreed to during the Committee session,

retain at Step 4

- iii. The Committee can agree to retain the text at Step 4 for further consideration at its next meeting (text is NOT recirculated for comment), or

Re-circulate at Step 3

- ii. The Committee can agree to make changes during its plenary session and agree to re-circulate the document at Step 3 for comments on changes made

advance at Step 5

- i. Committee can agree to advance the text to the Commission with a recommendation for adoption at Step 5 as a draft text.

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4. Codex's 8-Step Process : Steps 5-8

The Draft text is circulated by the Codex Secretariat to Codex members and observers for comment on text in square brackets

Step 6

Step 5

The proposed draft text is adopted by the Commission as a “draft text”.

Step 7

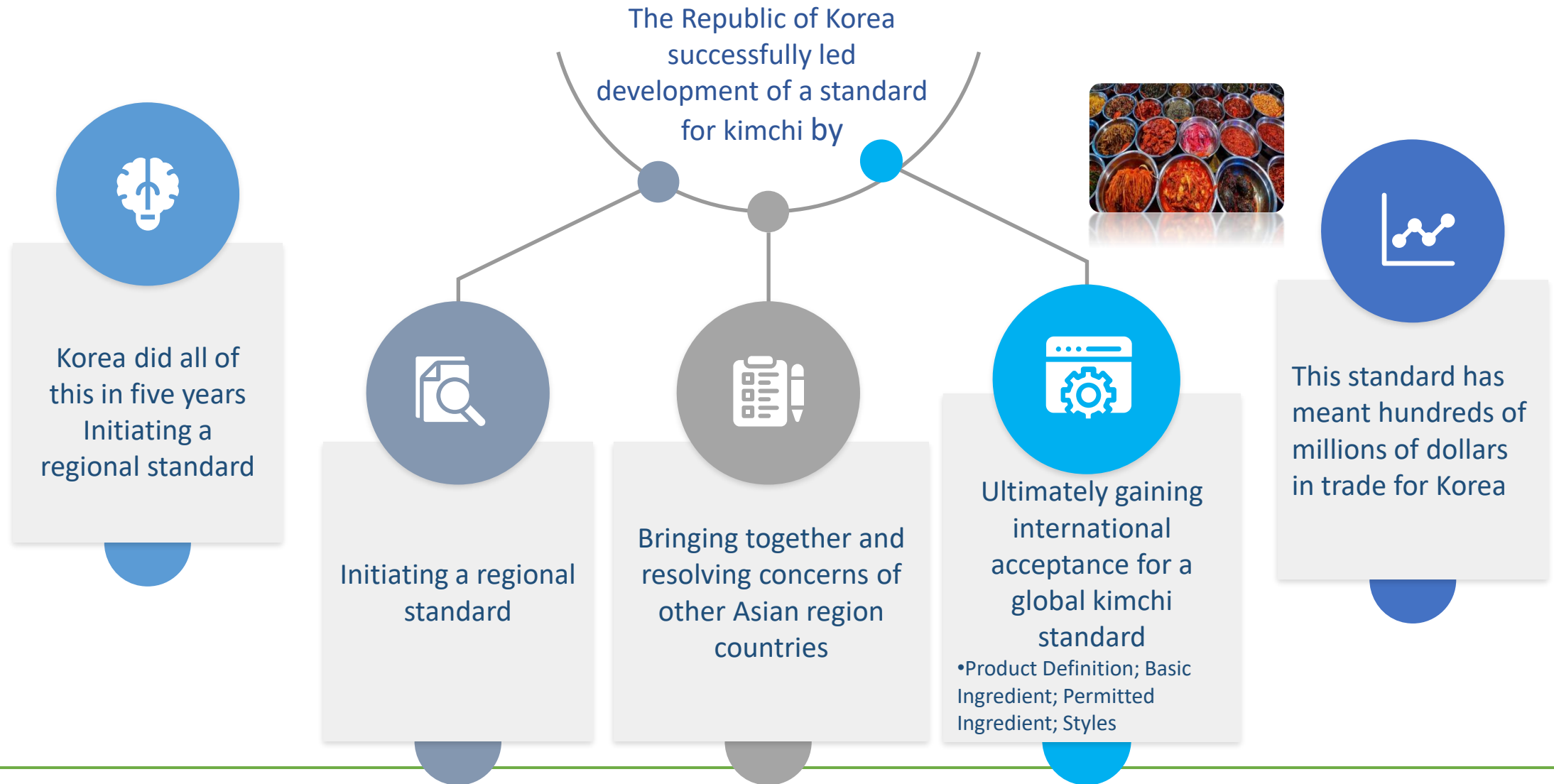
The Committee considers the draft text and comments submitted. Normally limited to text in square brackets.

Step 8

The Draft text, with any amendments, is forwarded to the Commission for final adoption as a Codex text.

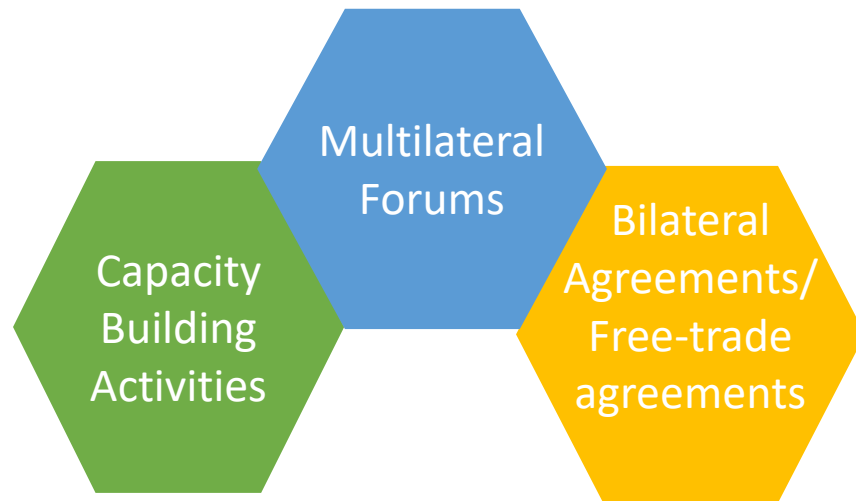
It is possible for a Standard to be Adopted at Step 5/8 once all discussions points are addressed at Step 4 and there is consensus to recommend the adoption of the Standard by the Committee

Case Study of Success



Standard Established – Now - What ?

- Only useful – when used by members
- Advocate through
 - Promoting regulatory cooperation based on Codex standards
Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation / ASEAN / ACFTA / Arab Region



- Establishing national regulatory systems based on Codex
- Adoptions/adaptation of Codex standards is a key component

