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Project modifications in Central Baltic Programme

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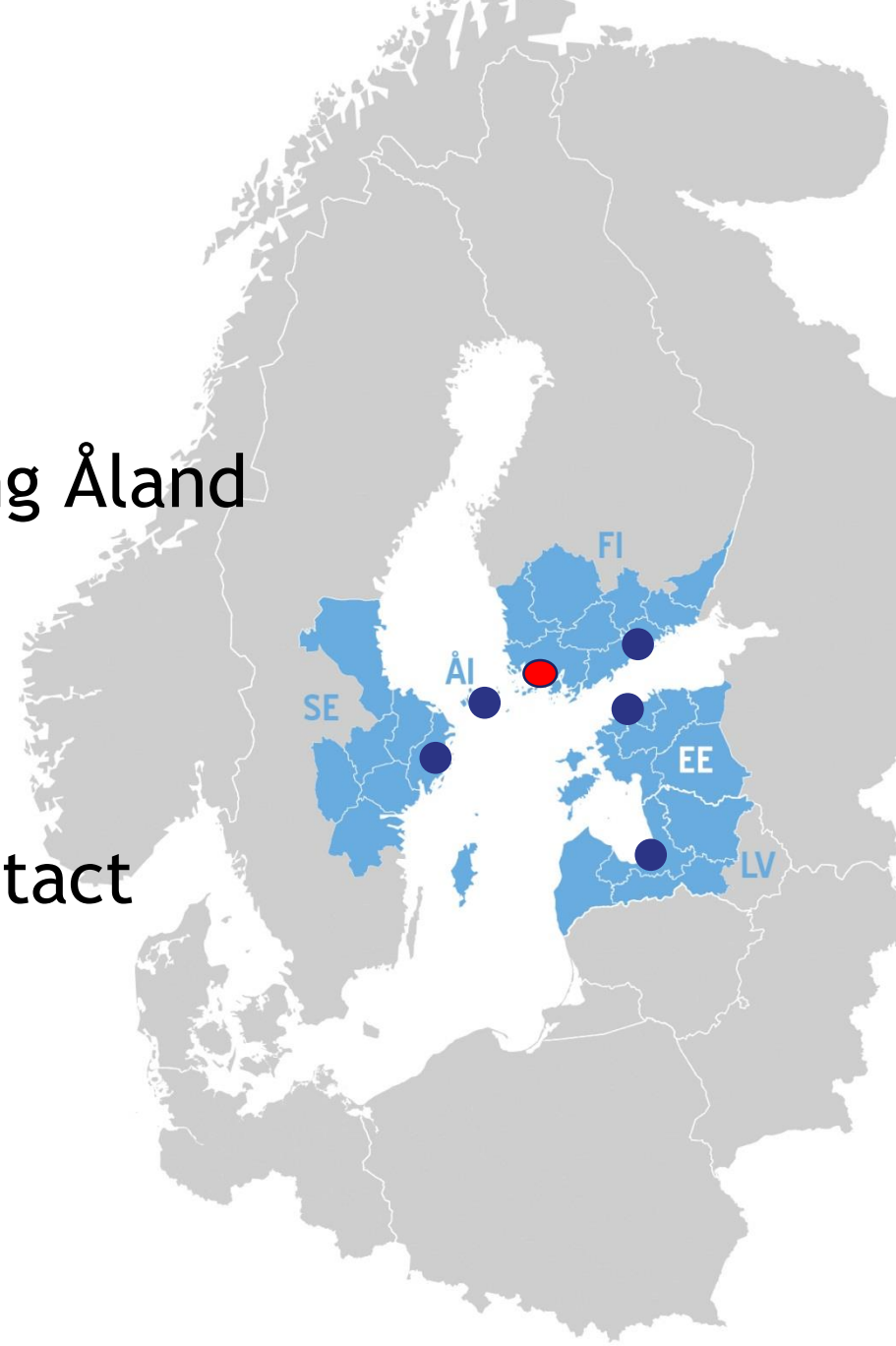
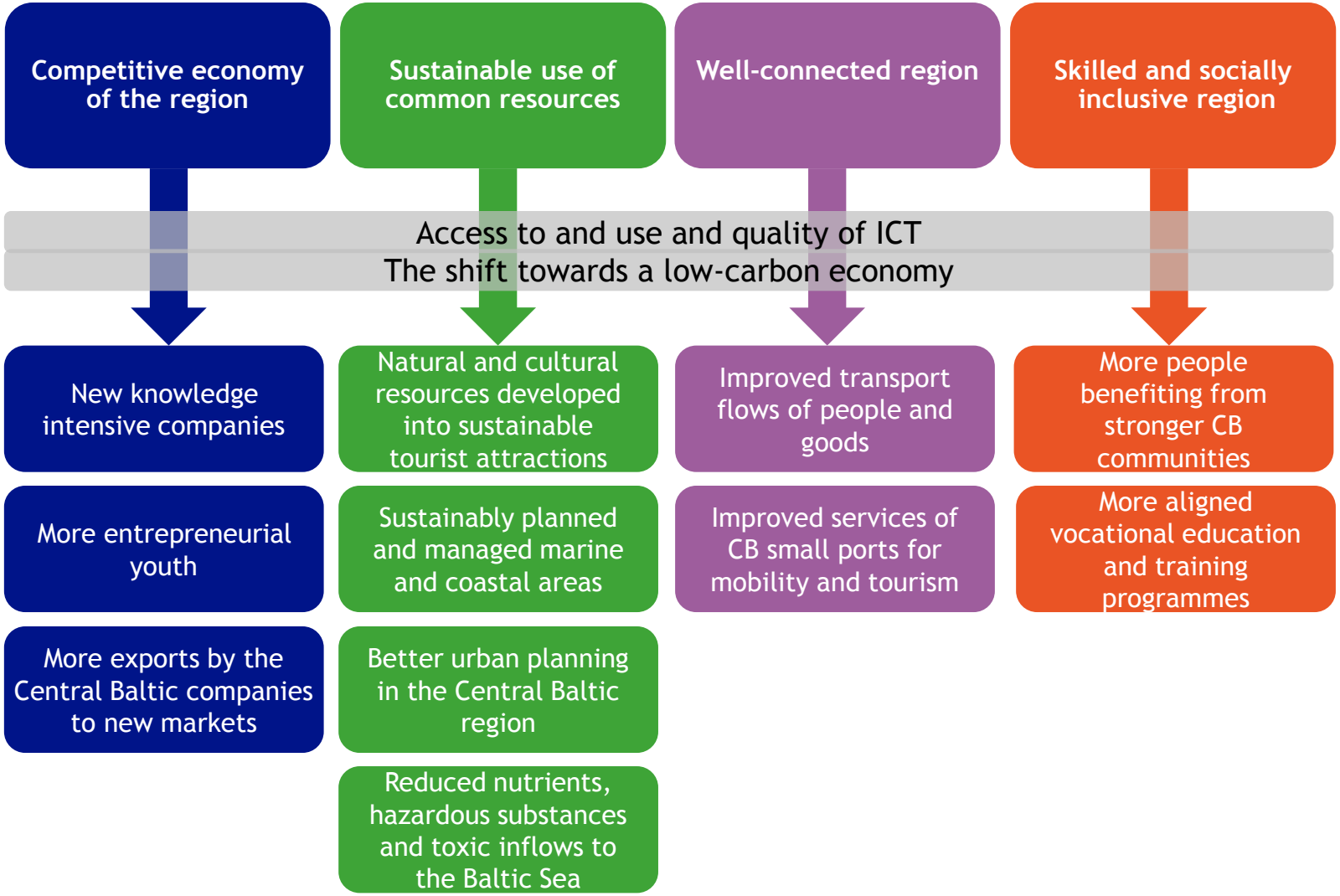
Programme area

- Sweden, Finland (including Åland islands), Estonia, Latvia
- 10,5 mln inhabitants
- JS in Turku (Finland)
- A network of national contact points
- Budget - 115 mln eur




Competitive economy of the region
Sustainable use of common resources
Well-connected region
Skilled and socially inclusive region
Access to and use and quality of ICT
The shift towards a low-carbon economy
New knowledge intensive companies
More entrepreneurial youth
More exports by the Central Baltic companies to new markets
Natural and cultural resources developed into sustainable tourist attractions
Sustainably planned and managed marine and coastal areas
Better urban planning in the Central Baltic region
Reduced nutrients, hazardous substances and toxic inflows to the Baltic Sea
Improved transport flows of people and goods
Improved services of CB small ports for mobility and tourism
More people benefiting from stronger CB communities
More aligned vocational education and training programmes

Current status

- 97 approved projects (3 call for proposals)
- €96 mln. (ERDF) allocated
- €35 mln. paid to projects
- Last targeted 4th call to be closed autumn 2018

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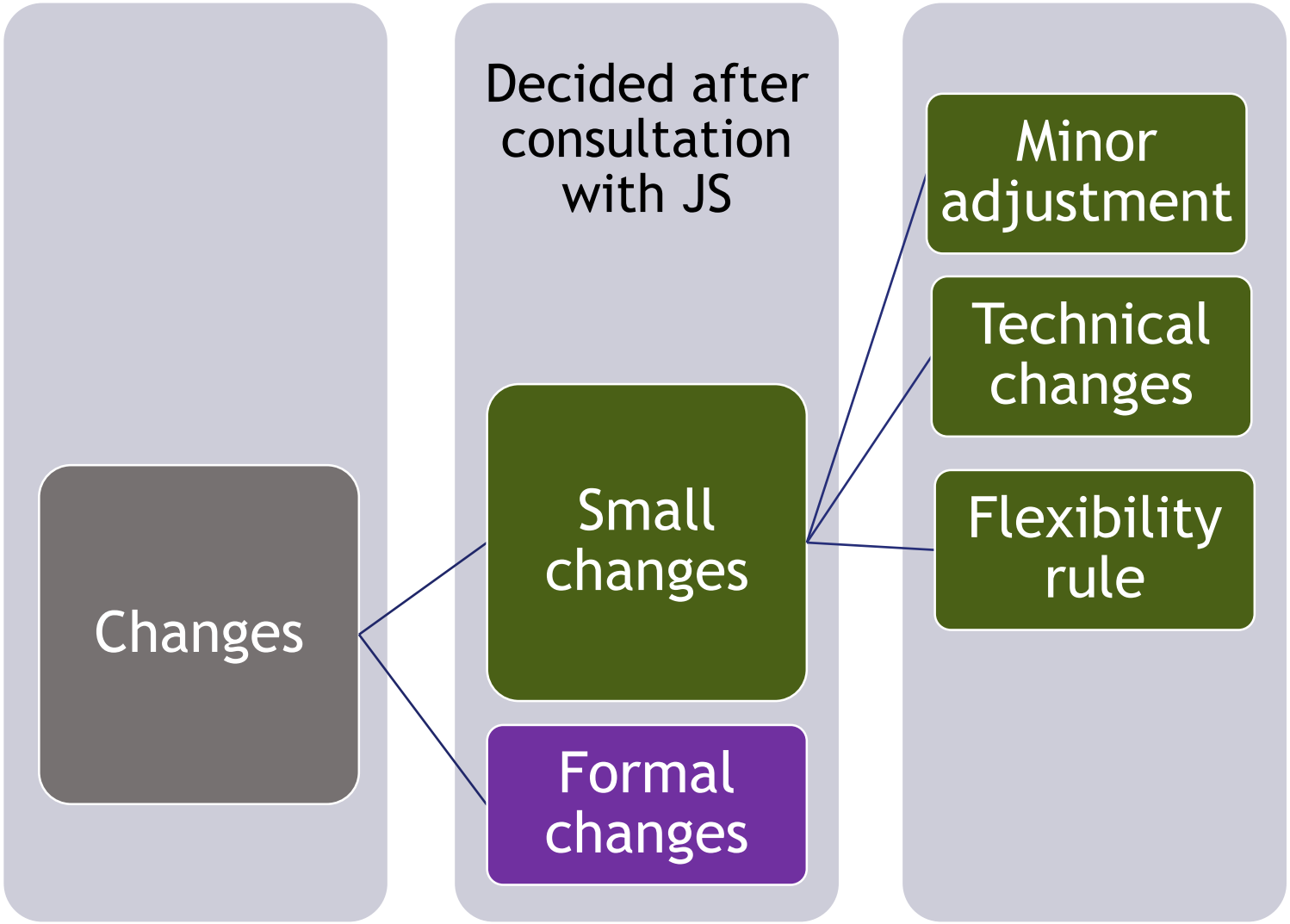
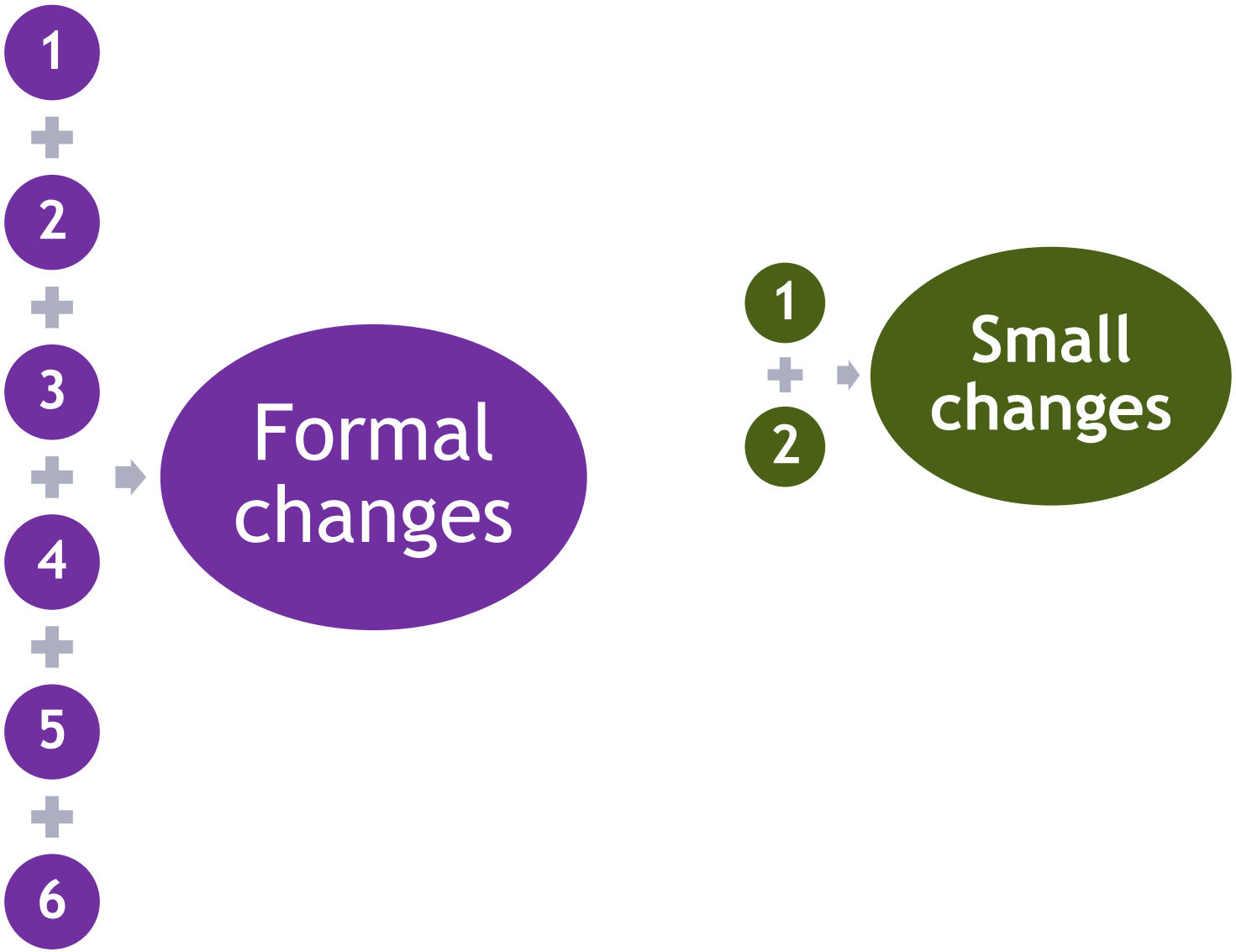
Classification of project changes

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Formal changes
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Small changes

1. Minor adjustments

(Change of activity location, timing)

inform via report

(New activity, item of cost)

JS CP approval by email

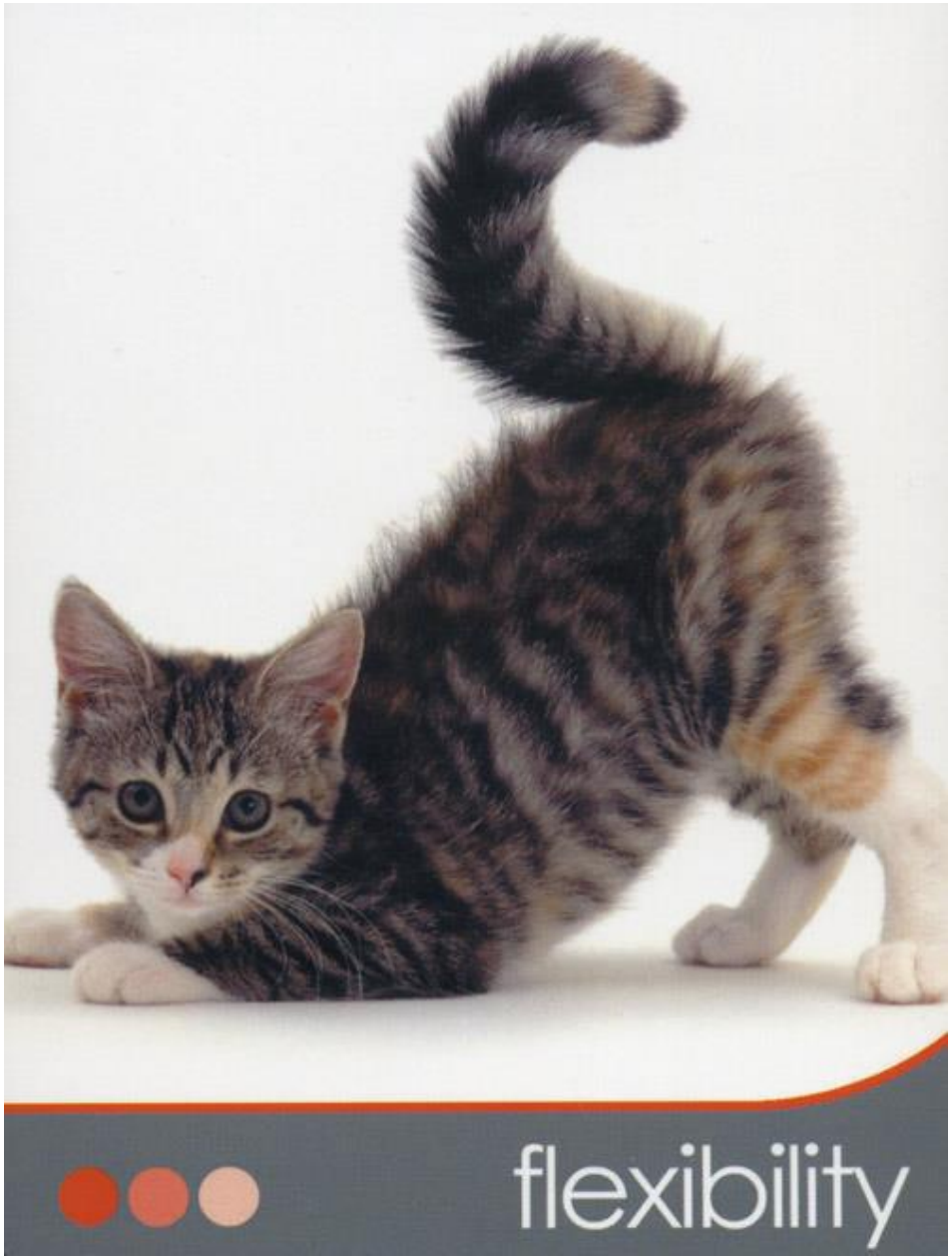
2. Technical changes

(not related to content, PP address, contact person,address, etc,)

update Supplementary Information in the eMS and/or

inform by e-mail

3. Flexibility rule



3. Flexibility rule

- Individual BLs can be exceeded by 20% at project level
- Monitoring and approval - LP
- If more than 20 % - MA approval

RESTRICTIONS:

- N/a: staff cost and lump sums
- Partially apl. BL Equipment,
- New activity or cost item cannot be icluded
- Total PP budget cannot be changed

Small changes procedure

1. Description and justification (LP email)

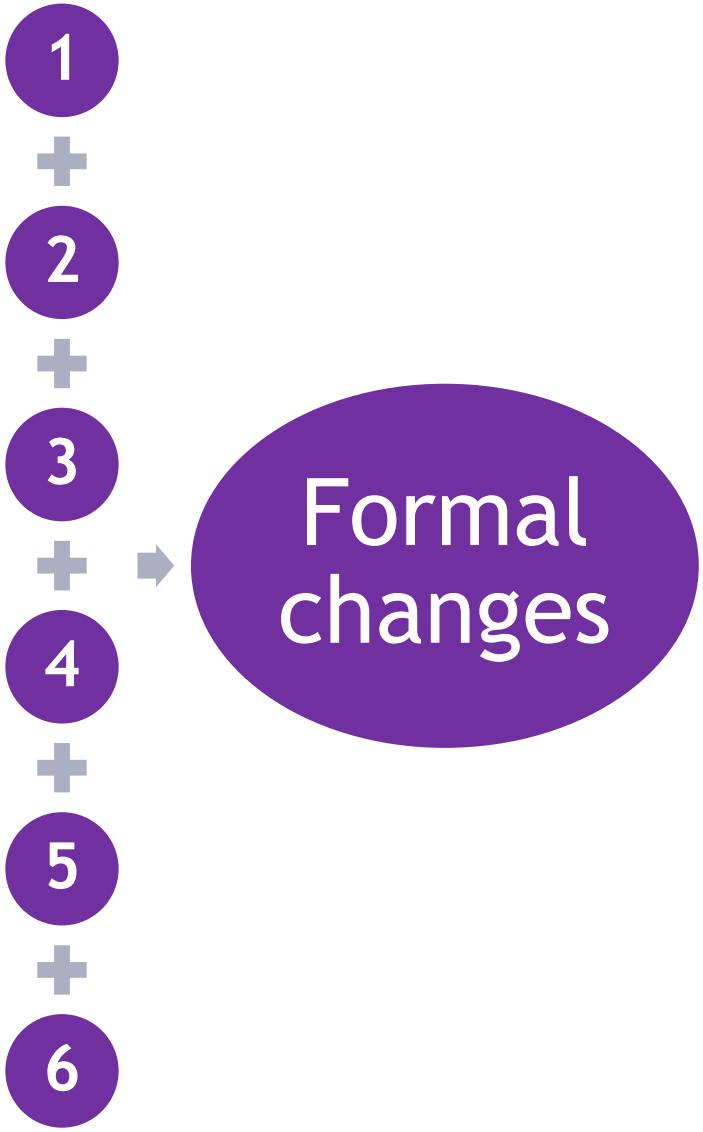
- additional clarification might be needed (yet in most cases not)

2. Aprroval (JS email)

- JS writes approval by email and saves it in internal network and in the eMS

Formal modifications

- 1-2 Modification Requests
- The last Modification Request at least 6 months before the end of the project
- Project Steering Group approval beforehand



Modification procedure

1. LP contacts JS contact person

- needs discussed
- CP evaluates relevance, what type of modification and recommends next steps

2. Preparation of Modification Request (word +excel files)

- Filling in templates
- Clarifications
- Submission of electronic version (including SG minutes

3. Aprroval

- JS writes cover letter „JS opinion“
- MA (in very rare cases SC) approves changes (signature)

Modifications in the eMS

4. Modification request by the CP

- Suitable time carefully checked and agreed (LP, JS CP and financial officer)
- JS CP indicates in the text box what will be changed

5. Updates of the AF

- LP updates the AF according to the Modification Request
- Also all small budget changes approved by email included
- Updates harmonised with JS CP

6. Aprroval in the eMS

- JS writes approval message
- Informs MA by email
- MA confirms in eMS

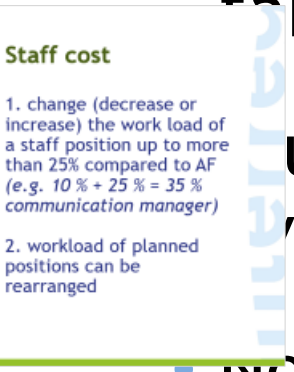
Staff cost

1. change (decrease or increase) the work load of a staff position up to more than 25% compared to AF *(e.g. 10 % + 25 % = 35 % communication manager)*

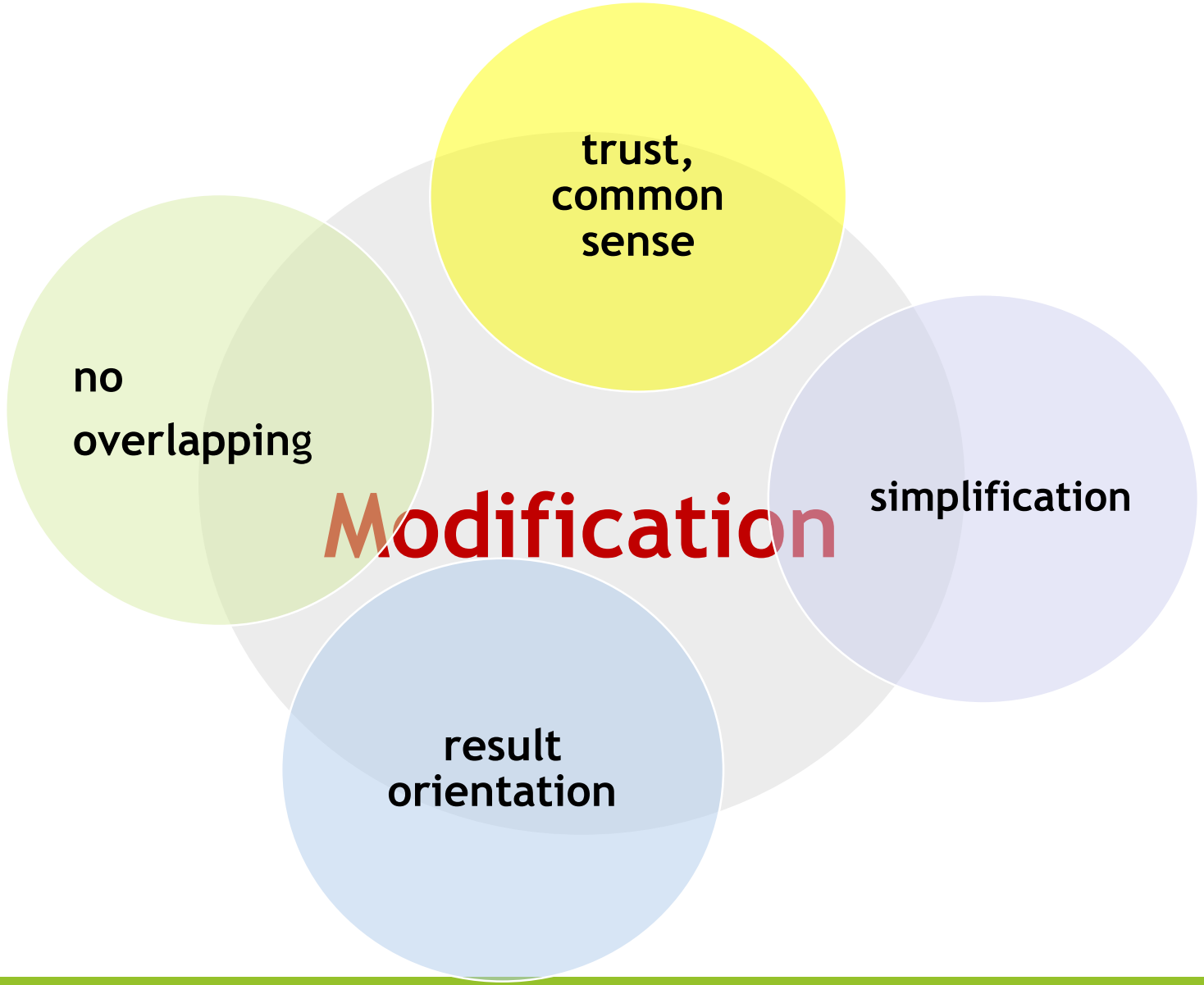
2. workload of planned positions can be rearranged

Final remarks

- Less formal modifications (1-2 times per project compared to 5-6 or even 10)
- More responsibility/freedom on LP and JS contact person in managing changes and taking decisions
- Trust among programme bodies and avoidance of overlap
- No paper version of the Subsidy Contract amendments



Horizontal principles



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