Network coordinator preparation activities

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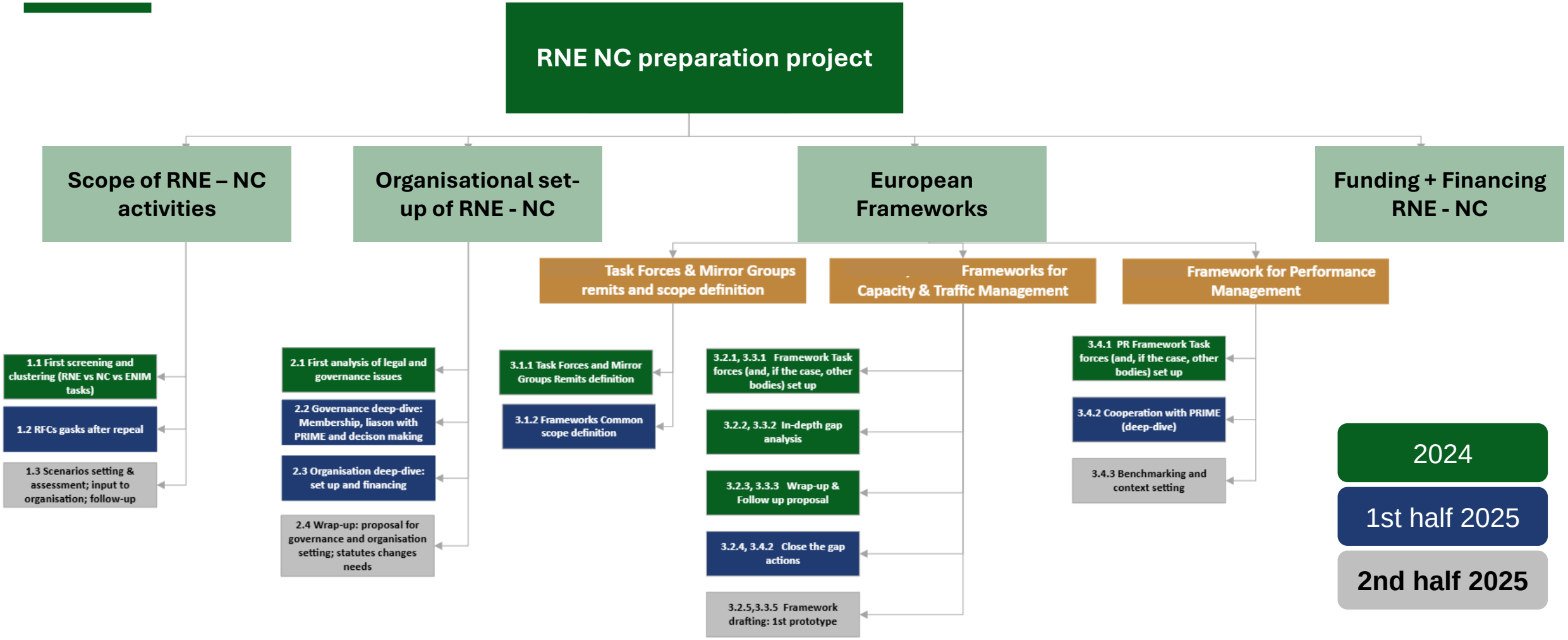
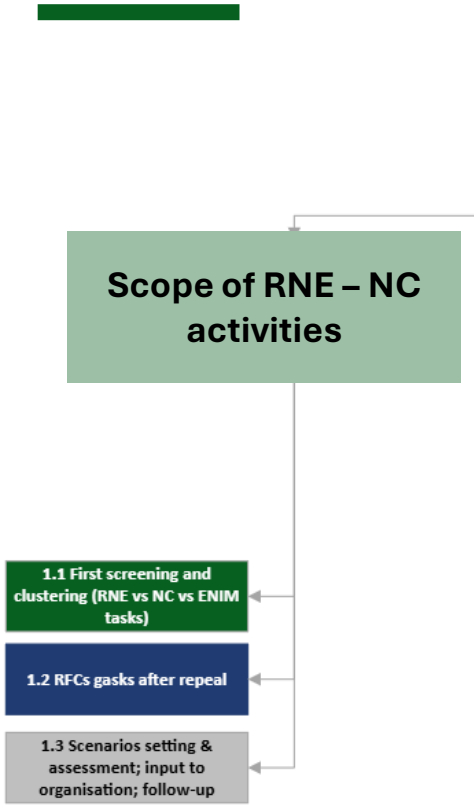
Network Coordinator preparation project



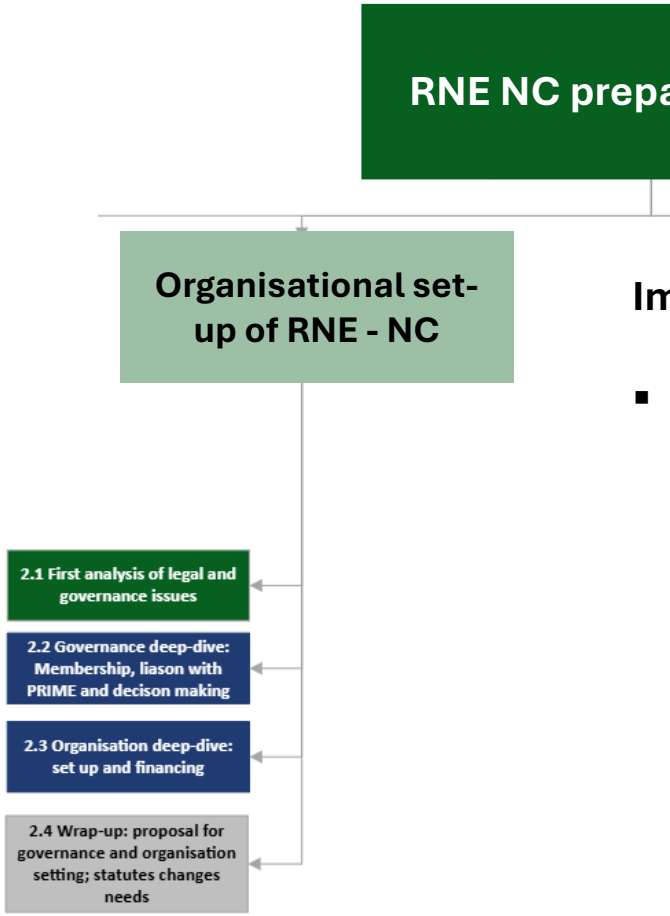
Focus on Scope of activities



Important items for follow-up

- Clarification of exact distribution of tasks ENIM – NC
  - Incl. Mandate for NC to perform some tasks initially attributed to ENIM (?)
- Prioritisation of tasks
- Preparation of work programme
  - Expected structure & timeline

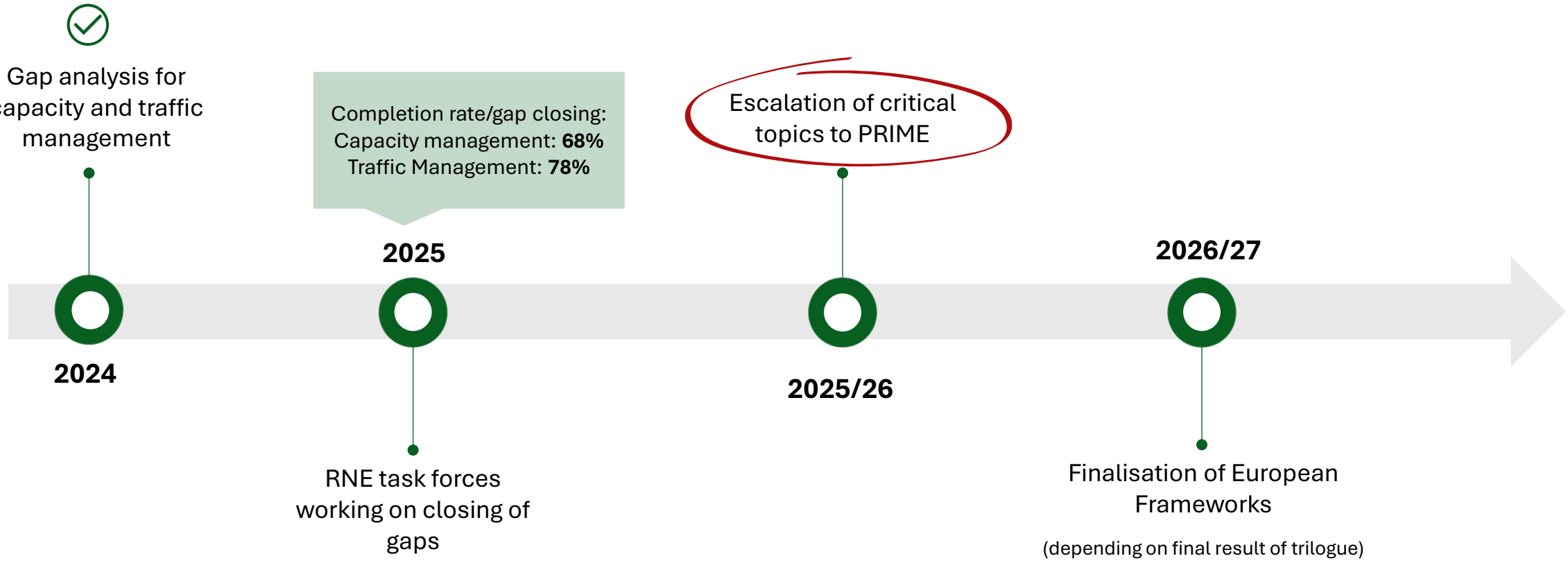
Focus on Organisational set-up



Important items for follow-up

- RNE currently launching process to revise its Statutes in 2026
  - Membership
  - Decision making process
    - Incl. link between ENIM decision making process and NC preparatory process
    - Need for ad hoc processes for initial decisions & set-up?

Focus on Preparation of European frameworks



Scope of European Frameworks

RNE proposal for PRIME Plenary

European Framework

Main body

Process descriptions in **medium** level of **detail**

Elements being critical for harmonised implementation of process (Regulation requirements + any add ons)

Key information on IT requirements

Annexes

More detailed guidelines

Implementation guide

Guidelines or other documents that contain options

supplementary elements from existing handbooks/guidelines

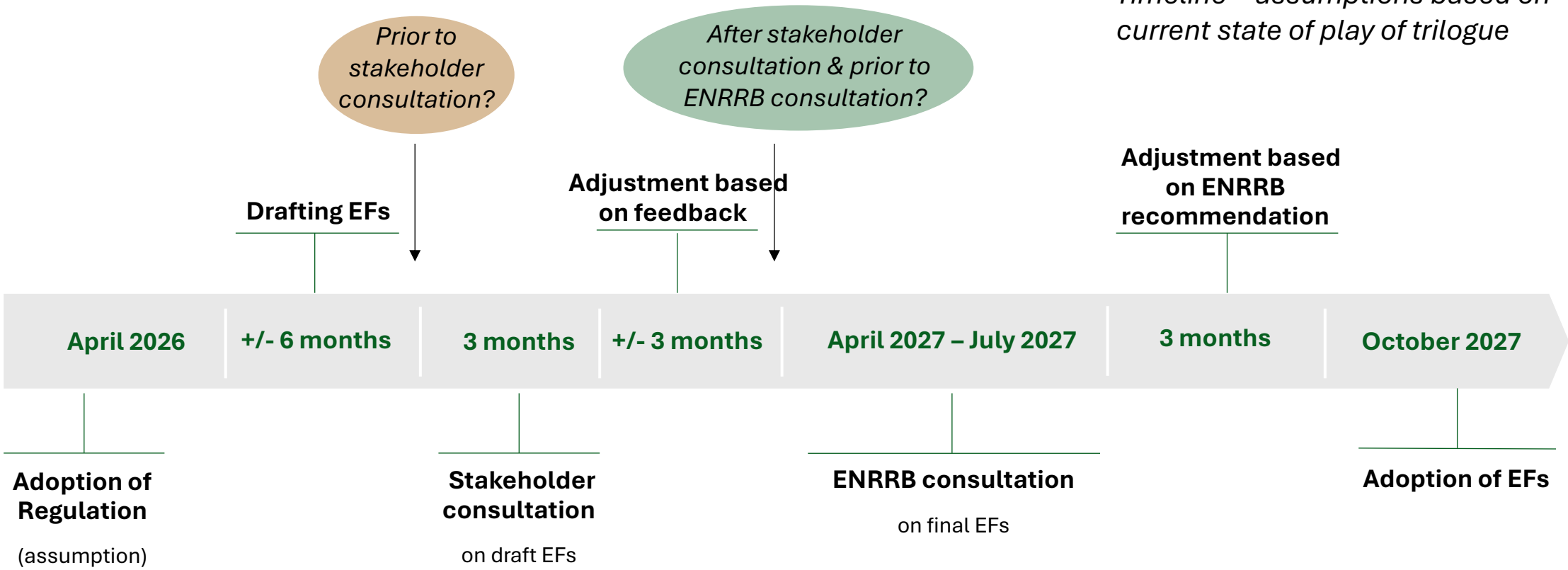
IT tools' specifications

Upcoming activities in 2025 & 2026

	Q2 2025	Q3 2025	Q4 2025	2026
Scope	Approval RNE + Info PRIME			
Provision of contents	Capacity Management and Traffic Management Task Forces (RNE JO + IMs)			
Putting together Frameworks	**Editors Task Force** (JO experts: relevant business area, legal, communication)			
Deliverables & endorsement	**Workshop with PRIME**	**Frameworks 1st prototype** (funding deliv.)		**Finetuning & approval process in continuous exchange with PRIME/ENIM**

Involvement of ENIM on draft & final EFs?

Timeline = assumptions based on current state of play of trilogue



Stakeholder consultation & coordination

Clarification of roles

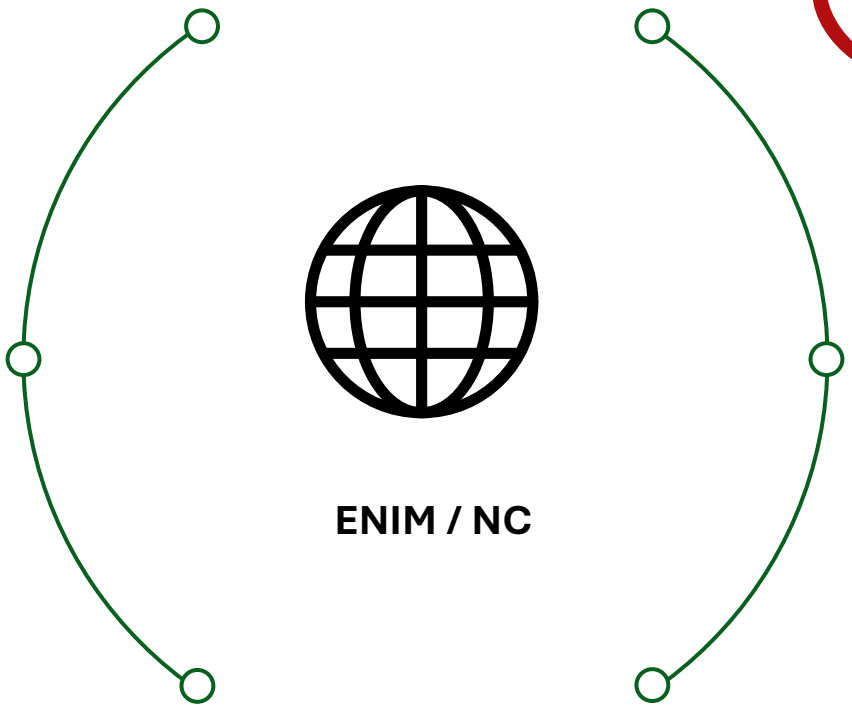
- E.g. SERAF – ENIM/NC: who is expected to address what?

Streamlining of fora

- Streamlining of current RNE groups for stakeholder involvement required

Piloting new formats

- E.g. ongoing consultation on draft Commercial conditions guidelines



Arrangements with Regulators

- RNE in regular contact with RBs to prepare for implementation

Initial vs recurrent activities

- Design of rules/processes vs. operational coordination

Exchanges with Ministries?

- To be initiated? By whom?

Focus on Performance review activities

PRIME
Platform of Rail Infrastructure Managers in Europe

- Annual benchmarking report
- PRIME Deep dive studies

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- Train performance management
- Europerformance dashboard preparatory works
- RFC KPIs
- Initial work on capacity management KPIs
- Planned activities under CEF II – Technical assistance 3

Spotlight on Performance review activities

Performance review – roles of actors?

What we need to do

European Framework for performance review

Procedures to define performance objectives

KPIs

national	internati onal	infra	operatio nal

Processes for monitoring

Procedures to assess corrective measures

Develop, test and implement perf review procedures

Deploy innovative ways to disseminate results

Structure & content of performance review report

Cooperation with other bodies & stakeholders

Role of involved actors?

PRIME KPI subgroup

RNE structures

Ramboll

RFCs/ETCs?

Advisory Performance Panel

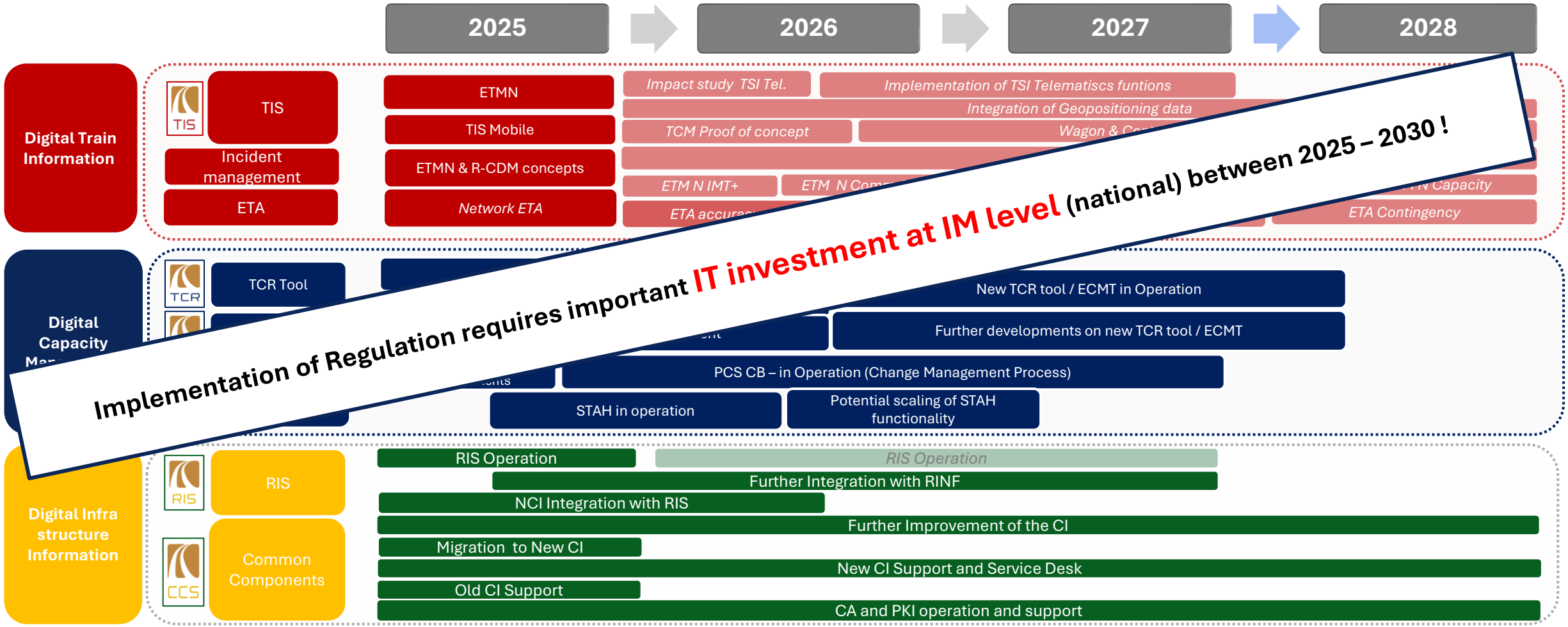
Budget risk assesssment 2025-2027

Focus on Financing / RNE and its members 2025 - 2027

Scenario 1	Budget 2025	Budget Planning 2026	Budget Planning 2027	Budget Planning 2028	Budget Planning 2029
Membership Fee	€ 5 380 000	€ 5 540 000	€ 5 700 000	**To be worked out based on the requirements of the Network Coordinator**	
IT – Systems and other income	€ 1 400 000	€ 1 310 000	€ 1 400 000		
EU Funding (CEF II - TA)	€ 5 250 000	€ 5 500 000	€ 5 500 000		
EU Funding (CEF I & II)	€ 2 970 000	€ 3 070 000	€ 3 200 000	**FUNDING as of 2028 ?**	
Total RNE-Budget	**€ 15 000 000**	**€ 15 420 000**	**€ 15 800 000**		

Estimation

Focus on IT Investment needs



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While we wait for adoption...

… can we (start to) implement?

General aspects		Comment
▪ Stronger IM coordination	✓	▪ No legal obstacles
▪ Stakeholder coordination	✓	▪ No legal obstacles
▪ Performance review activities	✓	▪ No legal obstacles
▪ Transport market studies	✓	▪ European Transport Market Study already under preparation, coordinated by RNE

… can we (start to) implement?

Capacity management		Comment
▪ Capacity strategy	✓	▪ Already prepared by number of IMs under coordination of RNE; no legal obstacles
▪ Capacity Model	✓	▪ Already prepared by number of IMs under coordination of RNE; “partitioning” problematic in some countries
▪ Timetabling	✗	▪ Capacity supply with pre-planned capacity & rolling planning not possible under current legislation
▪ Coordination of temporary capacity restrictions	✓	▪ Annex VII implementation as suitable starting point
▪ Digital tools	✓	▪ Some workarounds needed as long as no sound legal basis for all CM process
▪ Commercial conditions	✗	▪ Some national RB decisions hampering harmonised implementation

… can we (start to) implement?

Traffic Management		Comment
▪ Coordination of traffic management	✓	▪ European Traffic Management Network project under preparation within RNE
▪ Common rules for managing disruptions	✓	▪ Partly already prepared under umbrella of RNE (International Contingency Management Handbook)
▪ Exchange of information	✓	▪ Some limitations due to confidentiality issues
▪ Digital tools	✓	▪ Train information system (TIS) tool available to support information exchange