



A new way for IST research project and standards bodies to interface, and maximize benefits from their mutual cooperation

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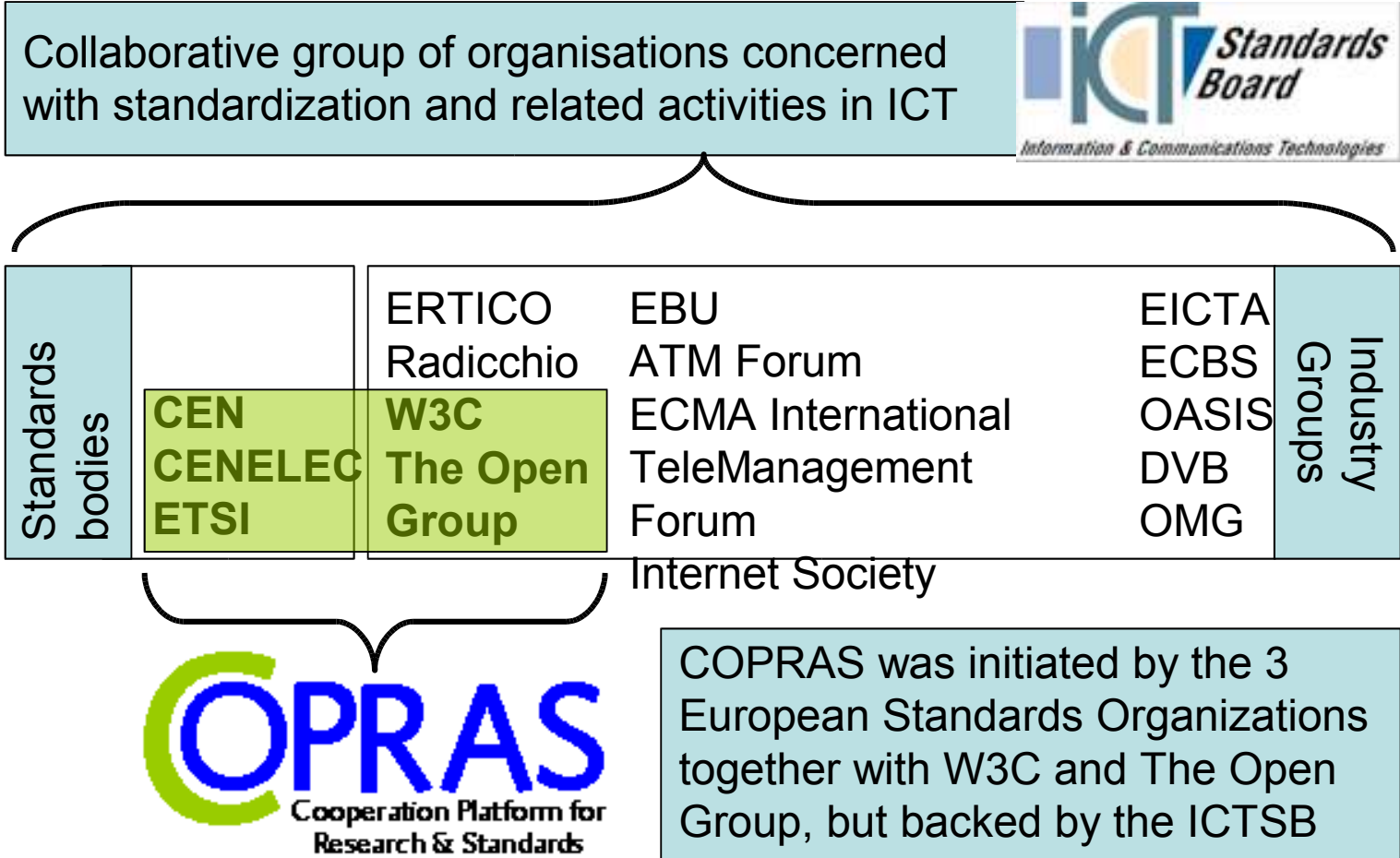
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COPRAS addresses the link between IST research and standardization

- FP6 SSA project addressing projects in most Strategic Objectives in calls 1, 2 & 3
- Improve interfacing between FP6 IST projects and standards bodies
- Focus Prime goals:
 - Act as a facilitator to FP6 IST projects wishing to upgrade their deliverables through standardisation
 - Prepare generic information on RTD/standards interfacing guiding those proposing or evaluating future projects
- Project started 1st February 2004 and will run until 31st January 2007

Project was initiated by 5 European organisations cooperating in ICTSB



Project aim: to improve interfacing between standardisation & research

- Survey projects for standards related output
- Analyse feedback & select projects to define most effective cooperation
- Install processes, cluster projects thematically & pool resources when possible
- Define & arrange input from research projects into standardisation processes
- Promote new work items resulting from research project's output
- Ensure relevant input from standards bodies to research projects

Background, objectives & rationale behind the COPRAS project

- Interfacing with standardisation is required for research projects under Framework Programmes
- Standardisation activities are many times already underway with respect to many aspects in IST
- Structuring cooperation will reduce overlap and save resources on the side of research projects
- Cooperation at an early stage will make research results available earlier to industry & society



Project steps will translate feedback into concrete standardization actions

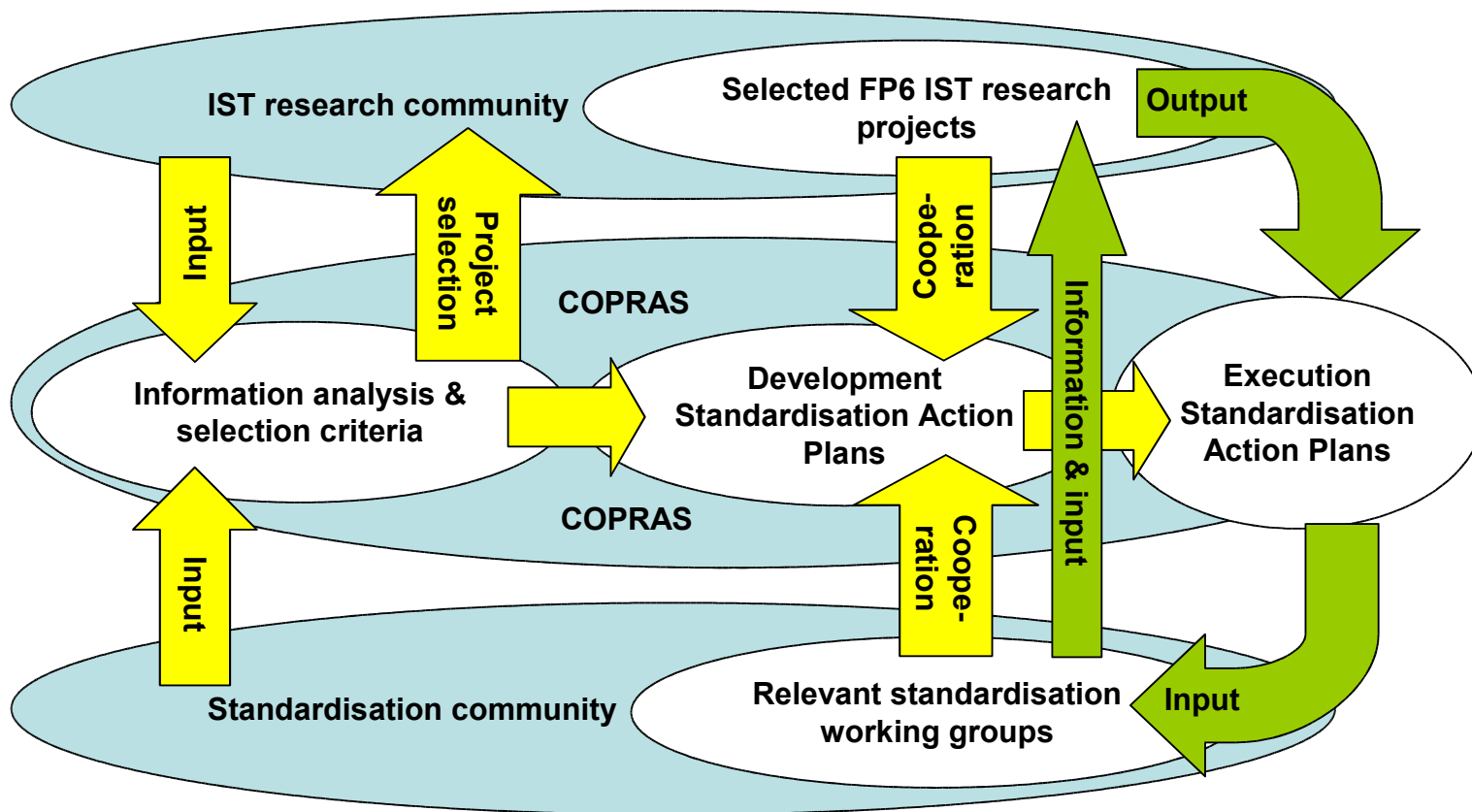
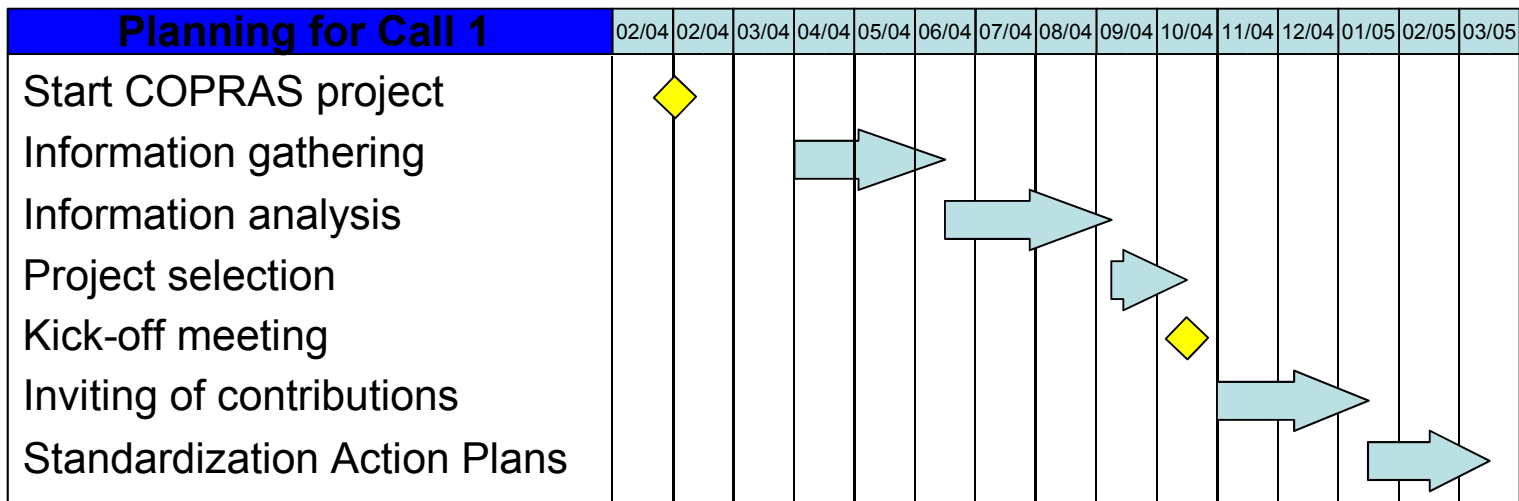
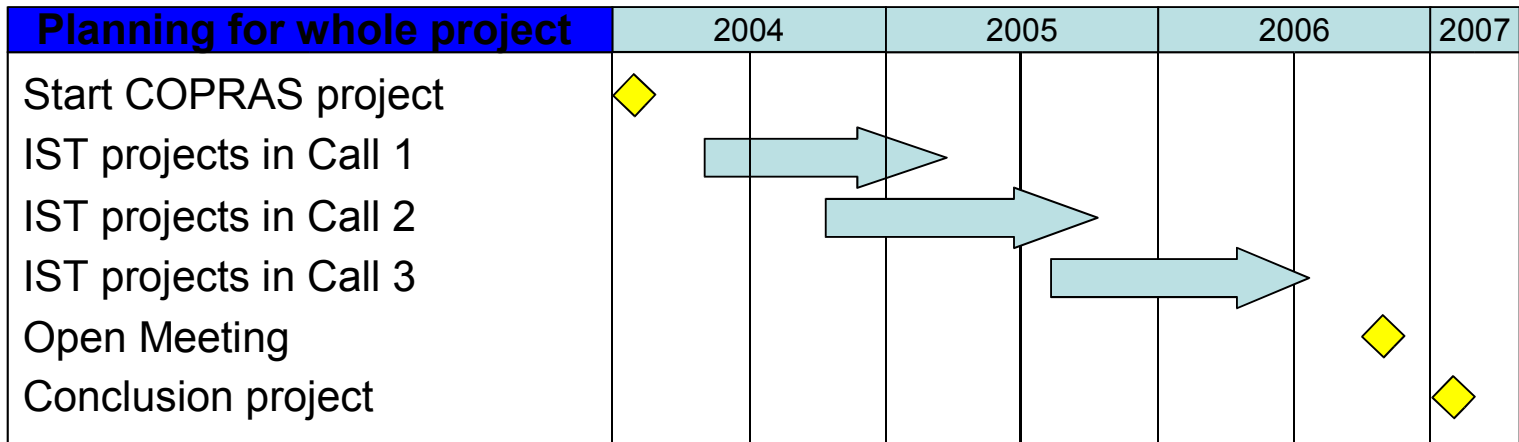
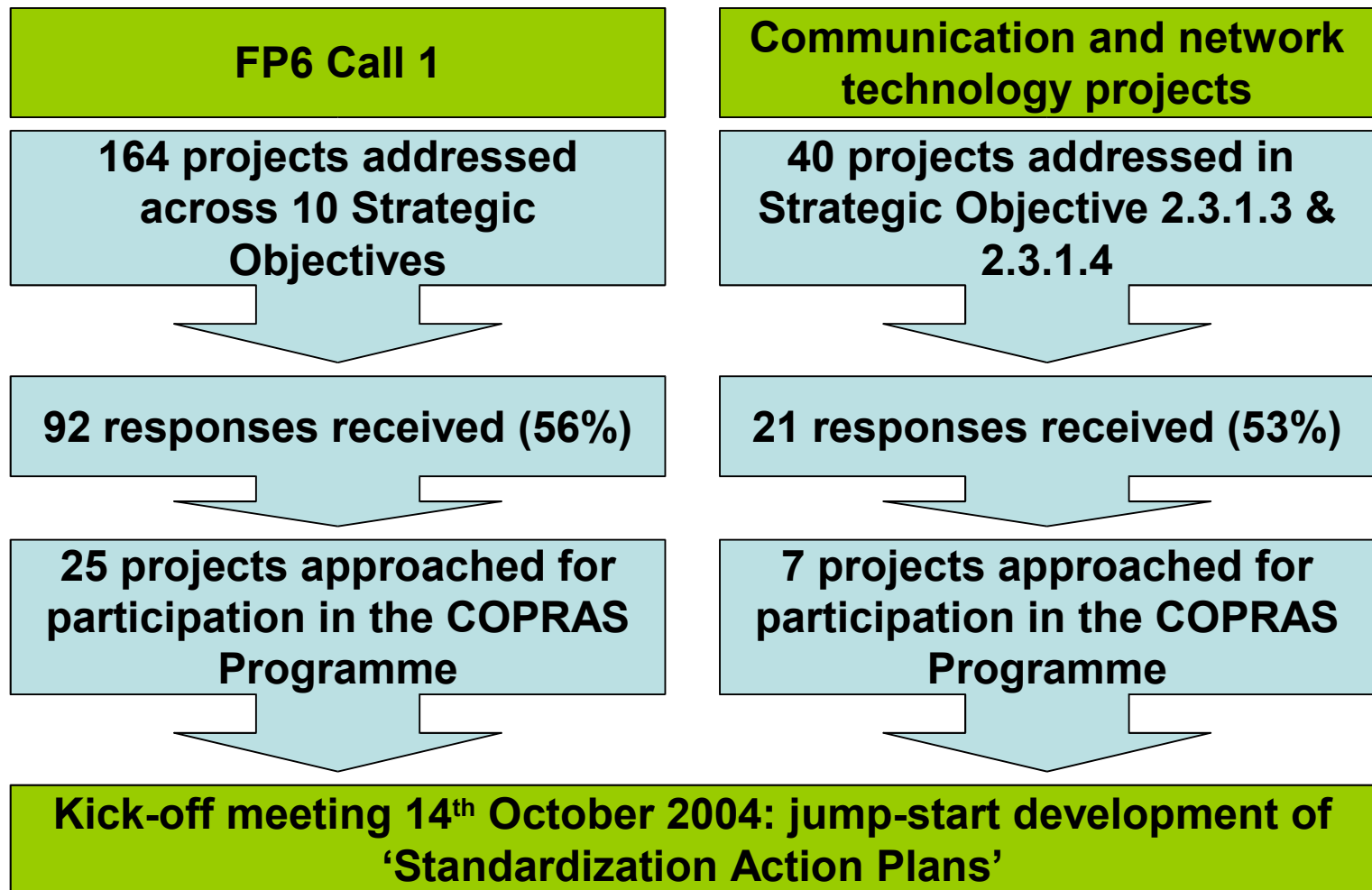


Diagram of COPRAS' methodological steps & processes

Consecutive steps will be followed through all FP6 IST calls



Initial results are encouraging, also for the Broadband & Mobile areas



Kick-off meeting with selected projects 14th October in Brussels

- Jump start cooperation between selected projects and standardization working group
- Share information on ongoing standardization work projects can benefit from
- Clustering (where appropriate) with other IST projects to identify shared interests and roles in collaborative approach
- Discuss concrete benefits individual or clustered projects can benefit from when joining COPRAS
- Define follow-up steps

Tailor-made Standardisation Action Plans will be developed with projects

- Identify steps to be taken by projects and standards bodies
- Provide a realistic path towards standardization based on the experience and support of COPRAS
- Identify realistic objectives in view of available resources
- Define technical & dissemination activities
- Define tasks to be completed by projects and COPRAS

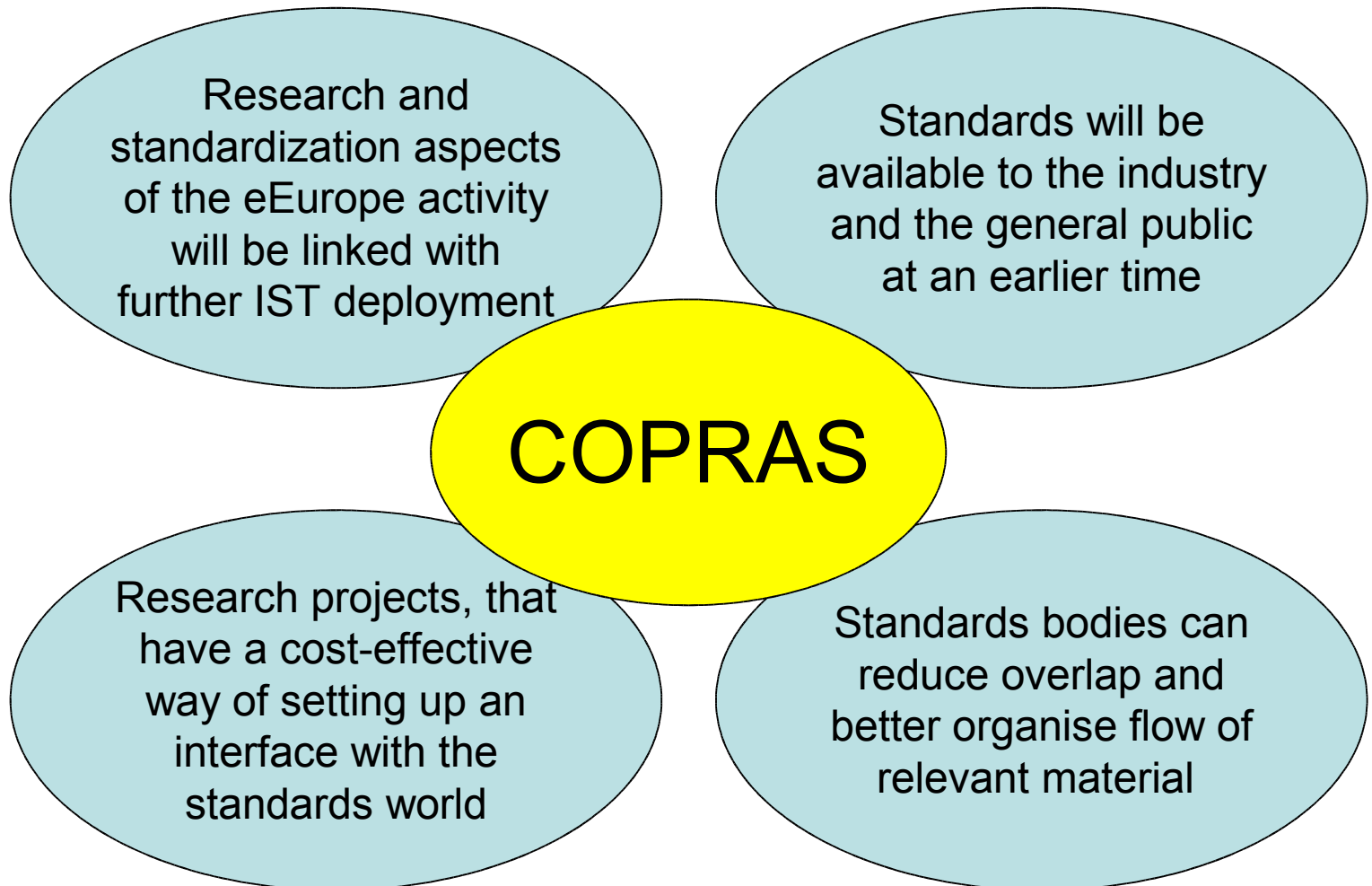
Concrete benefits to projects from Standardization action Plans

- Identify support COPRAS or standardization working groups will provide to projects
- Identify where roles, resources, and tasks can be shared amongst projects
- Helps to identify innovative and accelerated approaches to standardization
- Helps projects with the dissemination of projects' results

Benefits to research projects from participating in COPRAS

- Avoid projects going through a maze finding the proper standards body
- Provide external expertise, saving projects' resources
- Increase quality of products and create competitive advantages
- Generate higher international recognition & exploitation potential of projects' results
- Allow test of products according to internationally agreed principles

Ultimately, all stakeholders will benefit from COPRAS' results





We hope to develop a fruitful cooperation between COPRAS and projects in the Communication and network technology areas

Thank you for your attention!

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