



The proposed Caribbean Sea Commission information system

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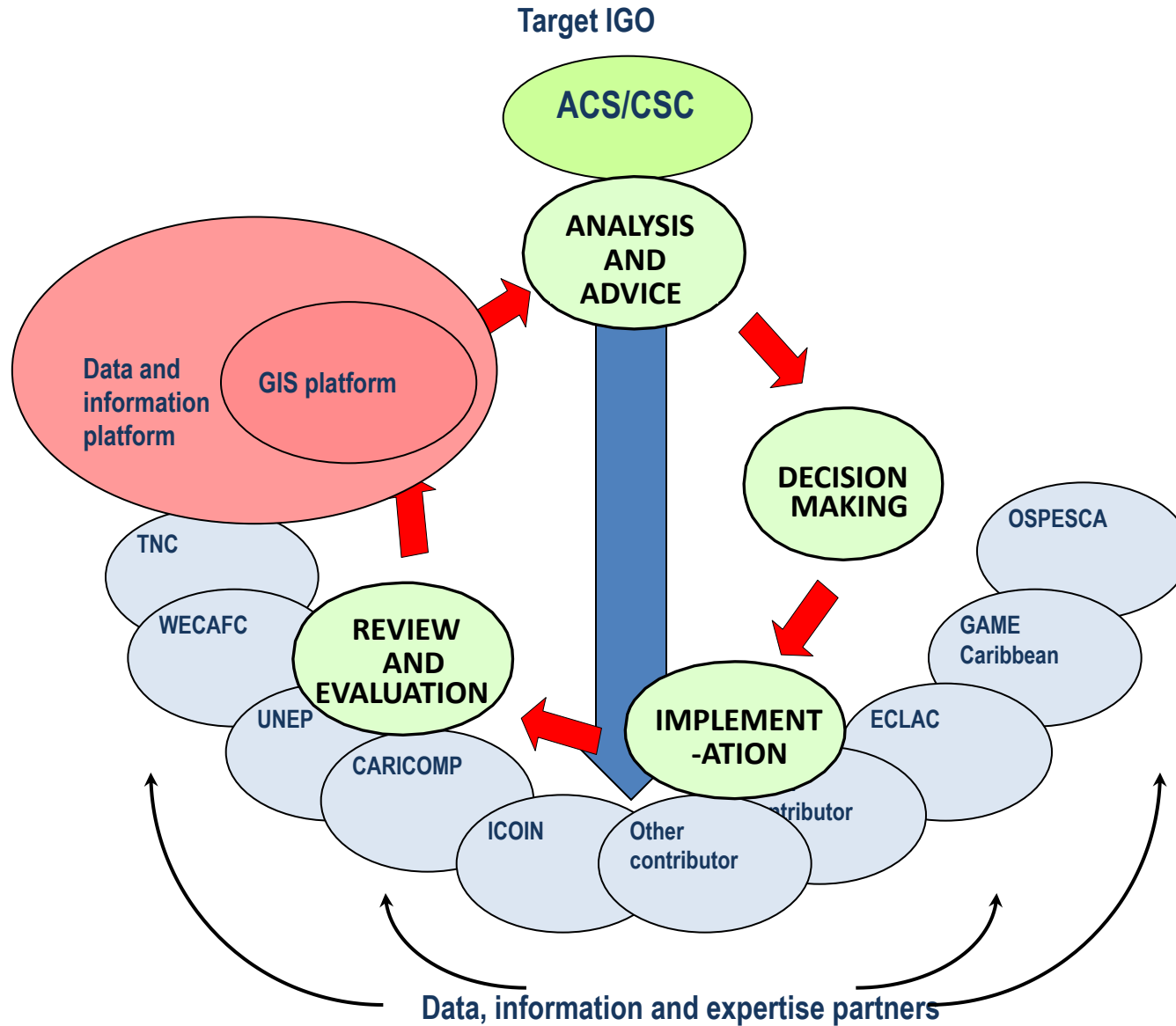
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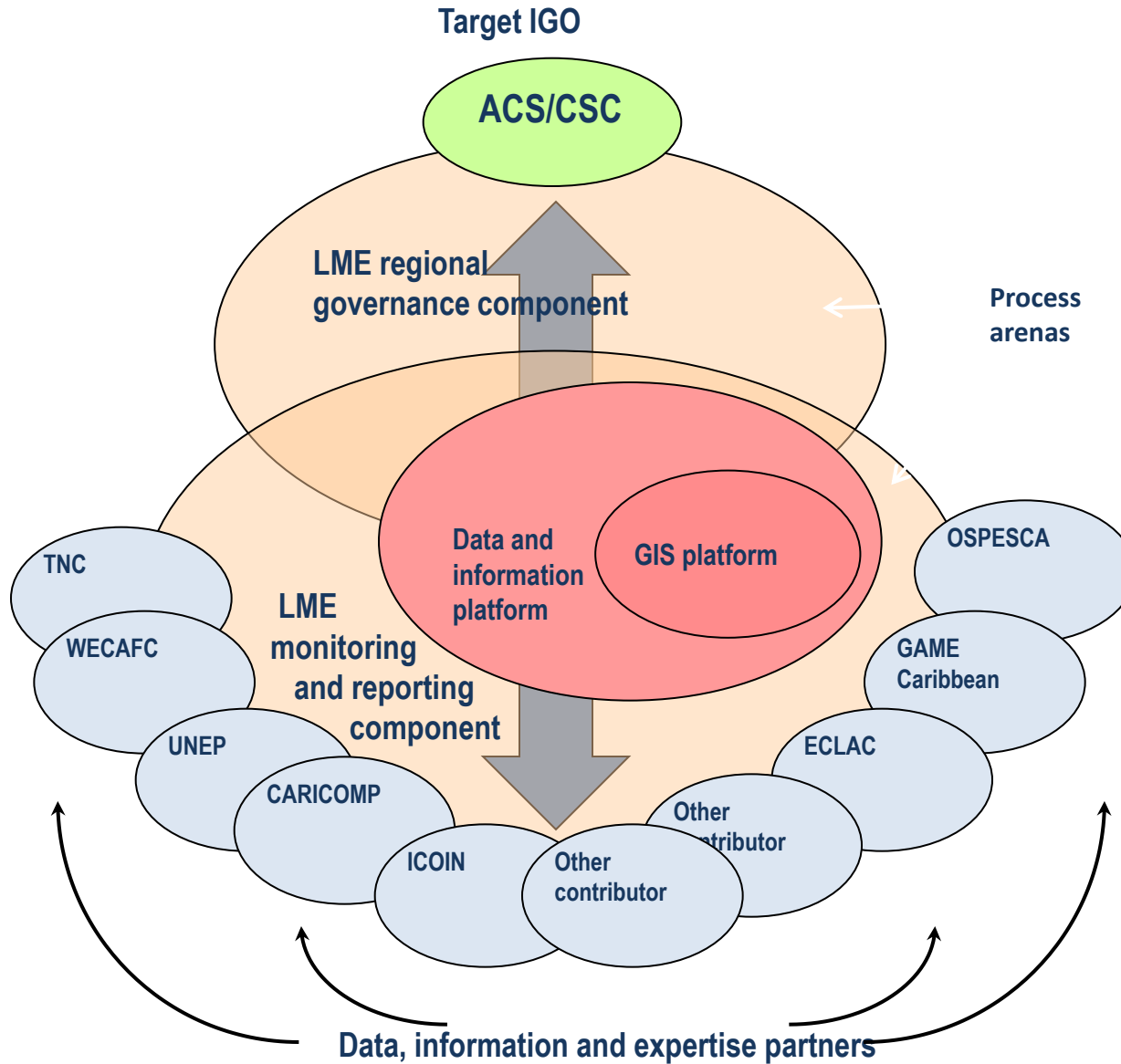
Issue for data, information and expertise platform

- Lots of technical work has been done
- Has had little impact on governance
- Many local efforts at management
- Uncoordinated and disconnected at regional level
- Duplication of effort

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Proposed data and information system

The proposed system will adopt a network approach that will:

- Be distributed versus centralised
- Allow different levels of buy-in by partners
- Accept different levels of data aggregation
- Promote access to historical data and information
- Allow access to and networking of expertise to allow for integration that true EBM will require
- Be open for everyone

For example - Economic valuation

Many organisations interested in economic valuation of ecosystem goods and services

- Fisheries (small-scale, commercial, recreational)
- Tourism (reefs, beaches, MPAs)
- Seascapes, biodiversity, local recreation
- Etc.

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Coastal Capital: Dominican Republic

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