

HLG on simplification

Gold-plating

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Purpose of the presentation

1. **Scope of the Report**
 2. **Areas of concerns and sources of complexity for beneficiaries with ideas for discussion**
- Management and control system (audit)
 - Link between Cohesion policy and State aid policy
 - Primary and secondary regulations (timetable, size/detail, real need)
 - Public procurement
 - Monitoring and evaluation

CLARIFYING GOLD PLATING

EU LEGISLATION



The Federal Government

BETTER IMPLEMENTATION OF EU-LEGISLATION

ASK MEMBERS AND CITIZENS TO WORK IN THE INTEREST OF TRANSPARENCY
BETTER DESCRIPTION OF G.P.
IMPROVE QUALITY OF ASSESSMENTS

TRANSPARENCY

EU-UNITED REGULATION NOT ONLY NATIONAL!

EUROPE GOLD PLATING WHEN IMPLEMENTING EU-LAW
BACK TO BUSINESS, REMOVE G.P.
IN INTEREST OF TRANSPARENCY!

UK PERSPECTIVE:
WE WILL END GOLD PLATING!

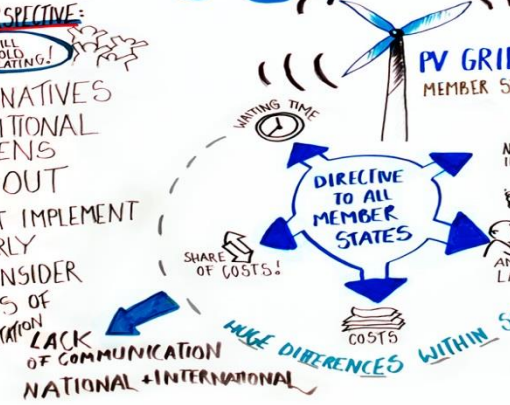
ALTERNATIVES
NO ADDITIONAL BURDENS
COPY OUT
WON'T IMPLEMENT TOO EARLY
RE-CONSIDER NEEDS OF IMPLEMENTATION

LACK OF COMMUNICATION NATIONAL + INTERNATIONAL



REDUCE COSTS FOR BUSINESS
NEGATIVE EFFECT ON GROWTH, DEVELOPMENT, COMPETITIVENESS!

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EXPLAIN THE CONSEQUENCES
ADMINISTRATIVE BURDENS TALK TO EACH OTHER

EXPLAIN INFORMATION! AVAILABLE ONLINE
LESSONS TO LEARN FROM EACH OTHER
KEEP EXISTING STANDARDS

MINIMUM OR GO FURTHER?

WE ARE ALLOWED TO GO BEYOND - PROBLEM?

PROBLEMS: SWEDISH PERSPECTIVE
ADDITIONAL COSTS!

NEGATIVE EFFECT ON COMPETITIVENESS
IT'S OUR CHOICE!
AND OURS!
IT'S ALLOWED, IT'S NOT ILLEGAL
WE ARE ALLOWED TO GO BEYOND - PROBLEM?

NEGATIVE EFFECT ON TRADE!
BRING MEMBER STATES TOGETHER

IMPLEMENTED DIFFERENTLY

THE SINGLE MARKET



What is gold-plating



Management and control system (audit)

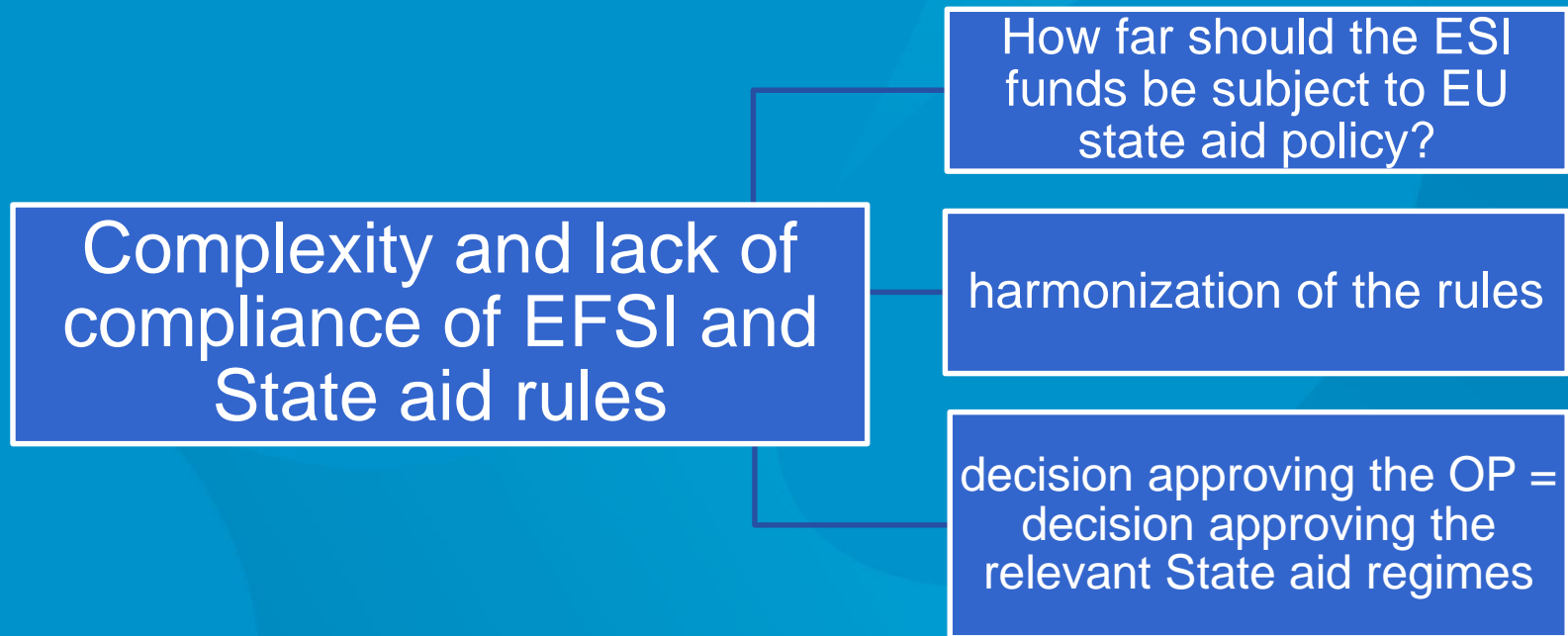
zero-error and zero-fraud
management rationale
increasing complexity of the
procedures
lack of trust

Subsidiarity: EU audit
concentrated on fewer areas:
high error rates, new and
innovative instruments,
performance audit, quality check
of national institutions

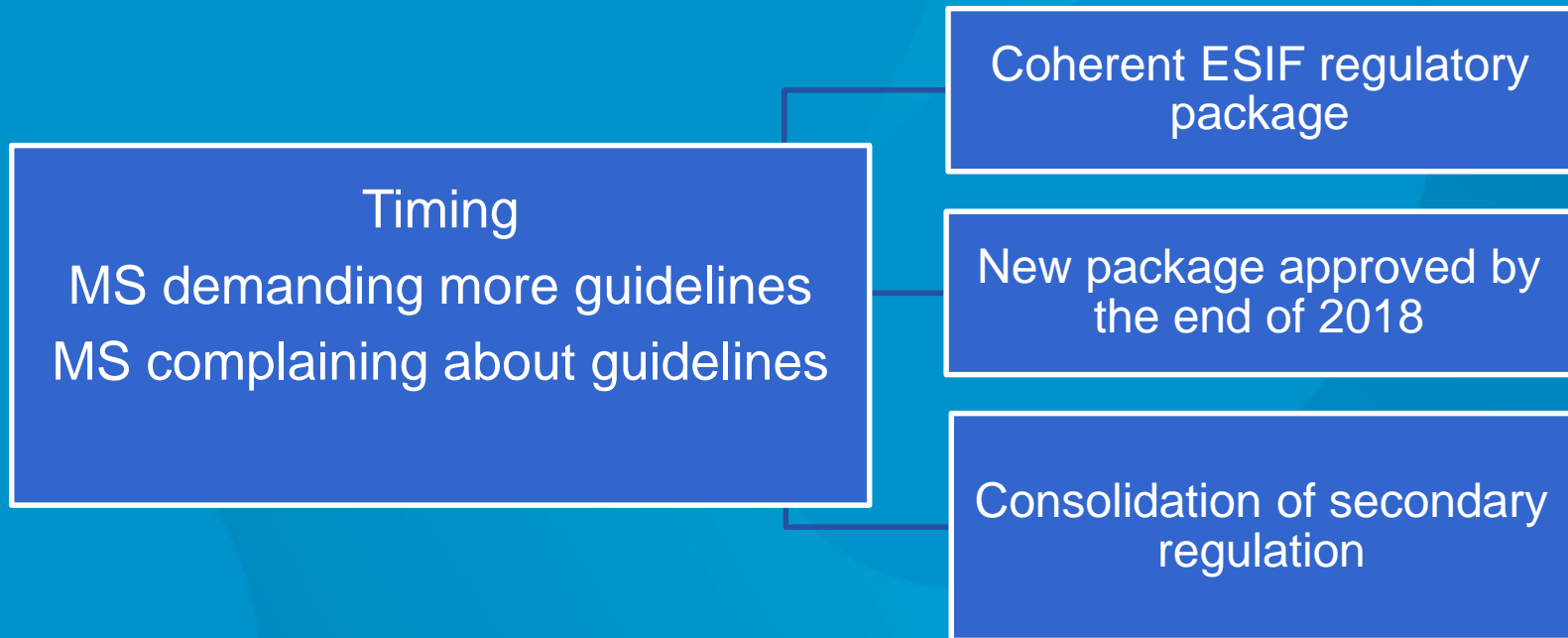
Subsidiarity:
joint audit frameworks/
joint interpretation compacts

Proportionality: definition of
systemic irregularity
Proportionality: audit committee
Preventive role of audit

Link between Cohesion policy and State aid policy



Primary and secondary regulations (timetable, size/detail, real need)



Public procurement

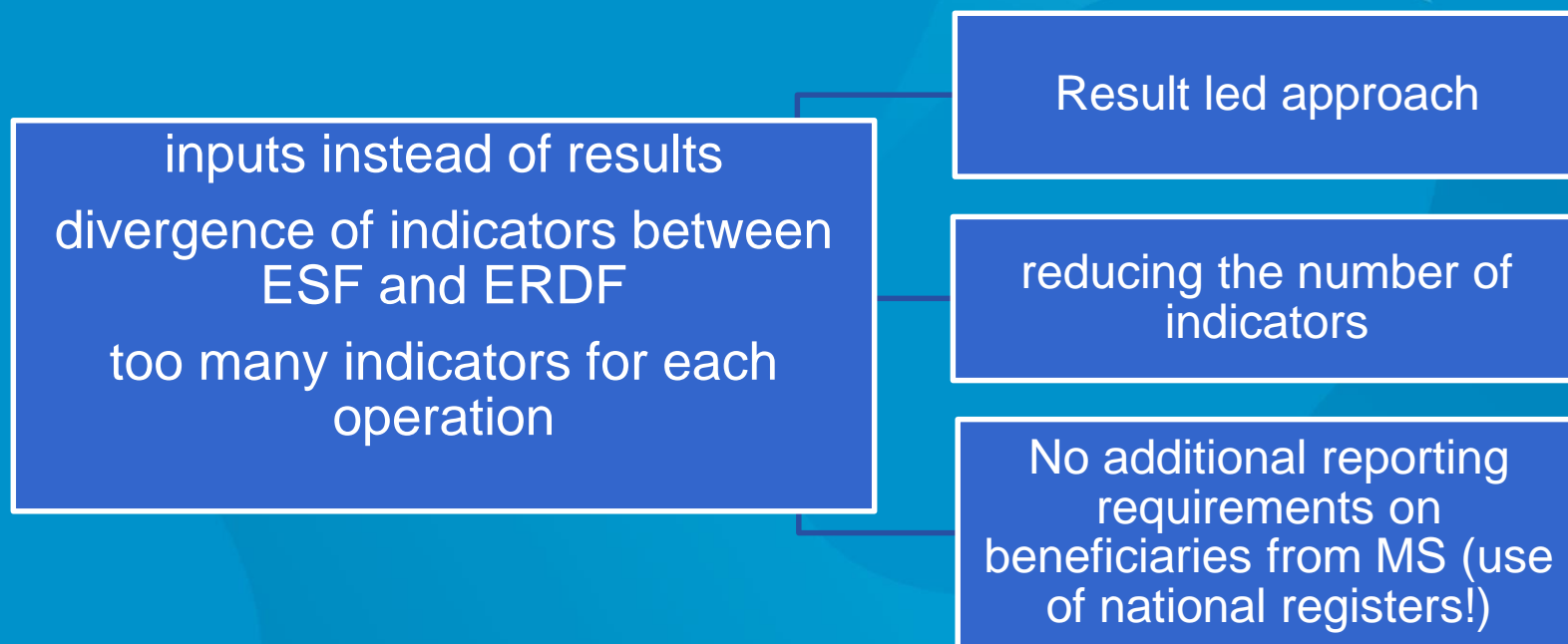
PP: complex, error-prone and lots of genuine gold-plating
lack of proportionality in application of corrections
PP rules much stricter for Cohesion policy than national funds

PP rules: regulations and not directives

Proportionality and subsidiarity of audit again!

Capacity and training both at national and EU level

Monitoring and evaluation



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