



# The evaluation process

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# Principles

## Objectivity

- Eligibility, selection and award criteria clearly defined in the work programme and the call for proposals

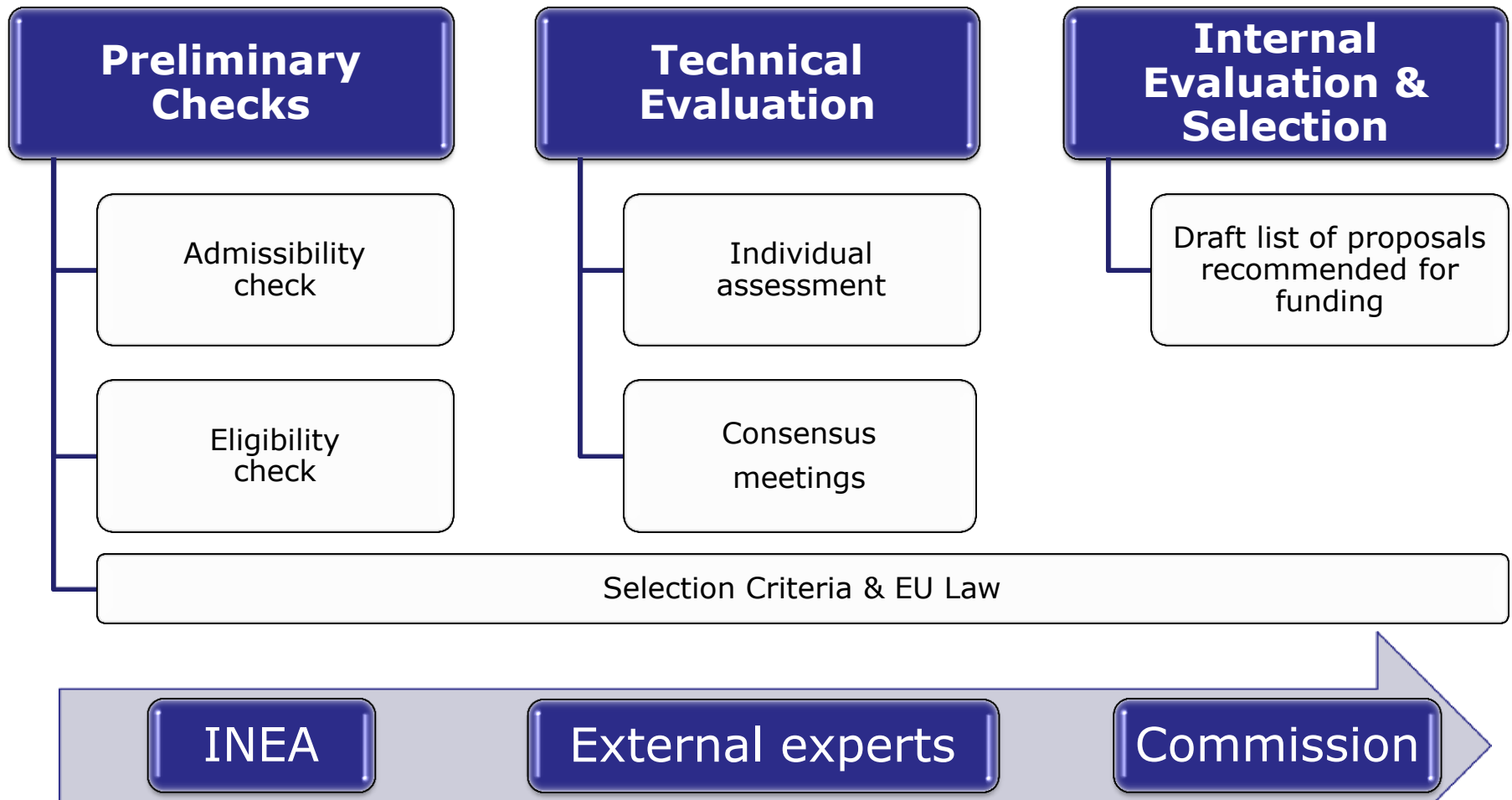
## Equal treatment

- All proposals evaluated against the same criteria
- No preferential treatment to any applicant

## Transparency

- Adequate feedback to applicants on the outcomes of the evaluation

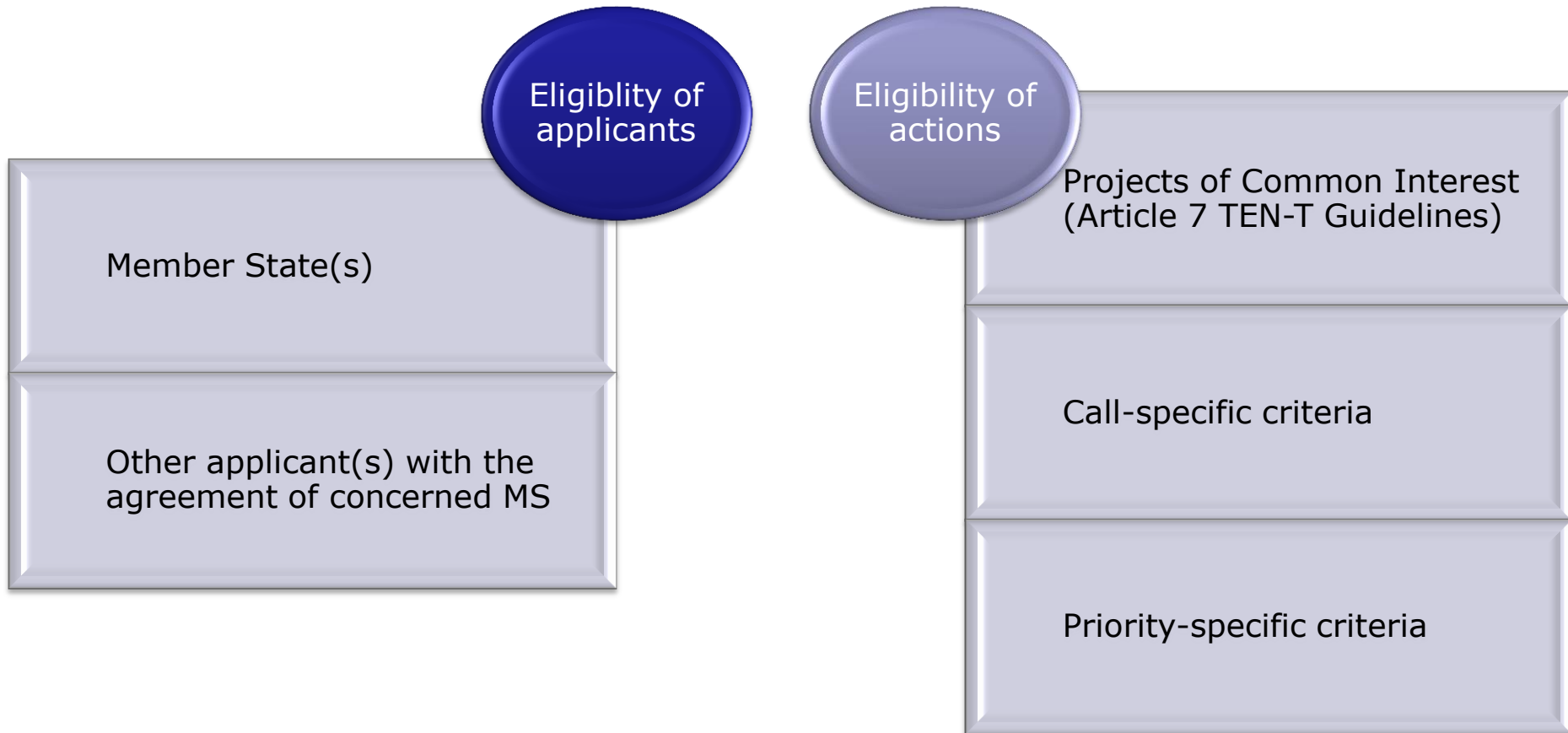
# Evaluation steps



## Admissibility criteria check

- Has the proposal been submitted electronically in TENtec?
- Has the proposal been submitted on time?
- Is the proposal complete?
- Has the proposal been signed by the applicant(s)?

# Eligibility criteria check



# Selection criteria check & Compliance with EU law

Financial  
and  
operational  
capacity

Financial and technical capacity  
of applicants to carry out the  
action

Compliance  
with EU Law

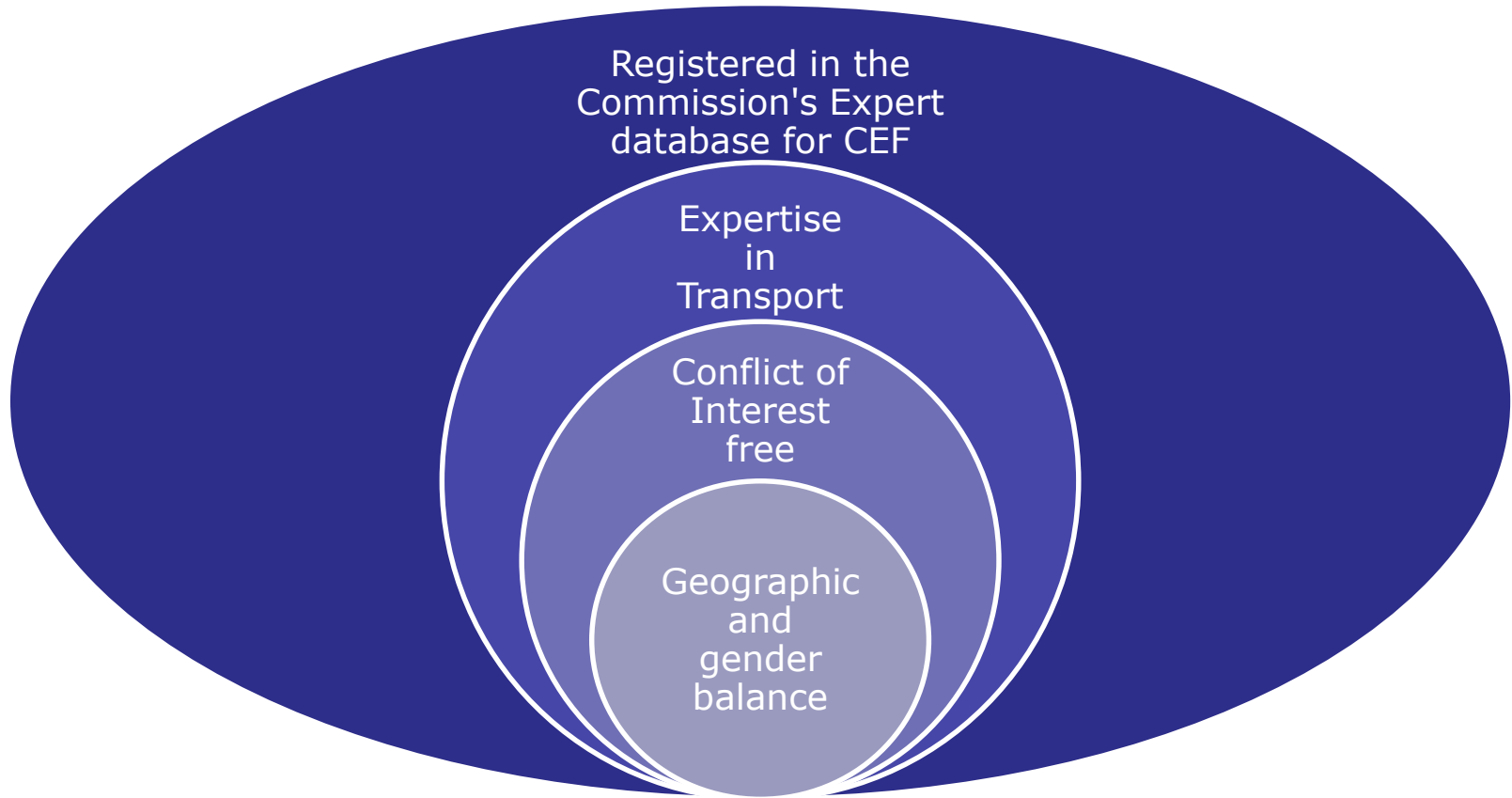
Compliance with EU legislation:

- environment
- interoperability
- road charging
- road safety and tunnel safety
- state aids
- public procurement

# Technical Evaluation

- Technical Evaluation performed by External Independent Experts
- External experts provide technical support on the submitted proposals
- Each proposal is assessed independently by at least three experts
- Experts evaluate on the basis of the information included in the application and against the defined award criteria

## Who are these experts?



<https://ec.europa.eu/inea/news-events/newsroom/independent-experts-needed-evaluation-proposals-cef>



# What do we ask them to do?

## Understand Call Text and procedure

- Read briefing material
- Follow remote briefings

## Evaluate individually

- Draft individual assessment remotely
- No contact between experts

## Come to Consensus meetings

- Discuss with other experts
- Reach consensus on comments and scores
- Draft a consensus form for each proposal

## Award criteria

Relevance

Maturity\*

Impact\*\*

Quality

\* Additional input from Financial Readiness Evaluation

\*\* Additional input from CBA Assessment

# Internal Evaluation

## Internal Evaluation

Considers  
the results of  
the technical  
evaluation

Checks  
complementarity  
of Actions

Considers EU  
Added value of  
Actions

Identifies  
potential  
synergies

Takes into  
account  
budgetary  
constraints

Checks the  
leverage impact  
of Union funds  
and EFSI

Promotes  
geographical  
balance between  
Cohesions and  
non-Cohesion MS

Draft list of proposals recommended for funding

## Final Selection Process

Preparation of Selection Decision

EC Inter-Service Consultation

Consultation of CEF Coordination Committee  
Information of the European Parliament

Adoption of Commission Selection Decision

Information to Applicants and Launch of  
Grant Preparation

## Indicative timeline of the selection process

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<b>Call publication</b>	<b>8 February 2017</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Cut-off date for submission</b>	<b>14 July 2017</b> (17:00:00 Brussels time)
Evaluation of proposals	July – November 2017
Consultation of CEF Coordination Committee Information of European Parliament	December 2017
Adoption of Selection Decision	January 2018
Launch of Grant Preparation	January 2018
Time To Grant	April 2018

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## Indicative timeline of the selection process

Call publication

8 February 2017

**2<sup>nd</sup> Cut-off date for submission**

**30 November 2018**  
(17:00:00 Brussels time)

Evaluation of proposals

December 2017 – March 2018

Consultation of CEF Coordination Committee  
Information of European Parliament

April 2018

Adoption of Selection Decision

May 2018

Launch of Grant Preparation

As of May 2018

Time To Grant

Late August 2017



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***Thank you!***