



Regional Programme for the Arab States

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Rationale for WH Programs

Decision 26 COM 17.2 (Budapest June 2002):

The Committee,
invites the Centre *"to develop new Regional Programs based on the needs specifically identified through the regional Periodic Reporting exercise with a view to achieve the new Strategic Objectives and to submit these programs for consideration and adoption at the 27th session of the Committee in June/July 2003"*



The Strategic Objectives set by the World Heritage Committee

- The 4 Cs:

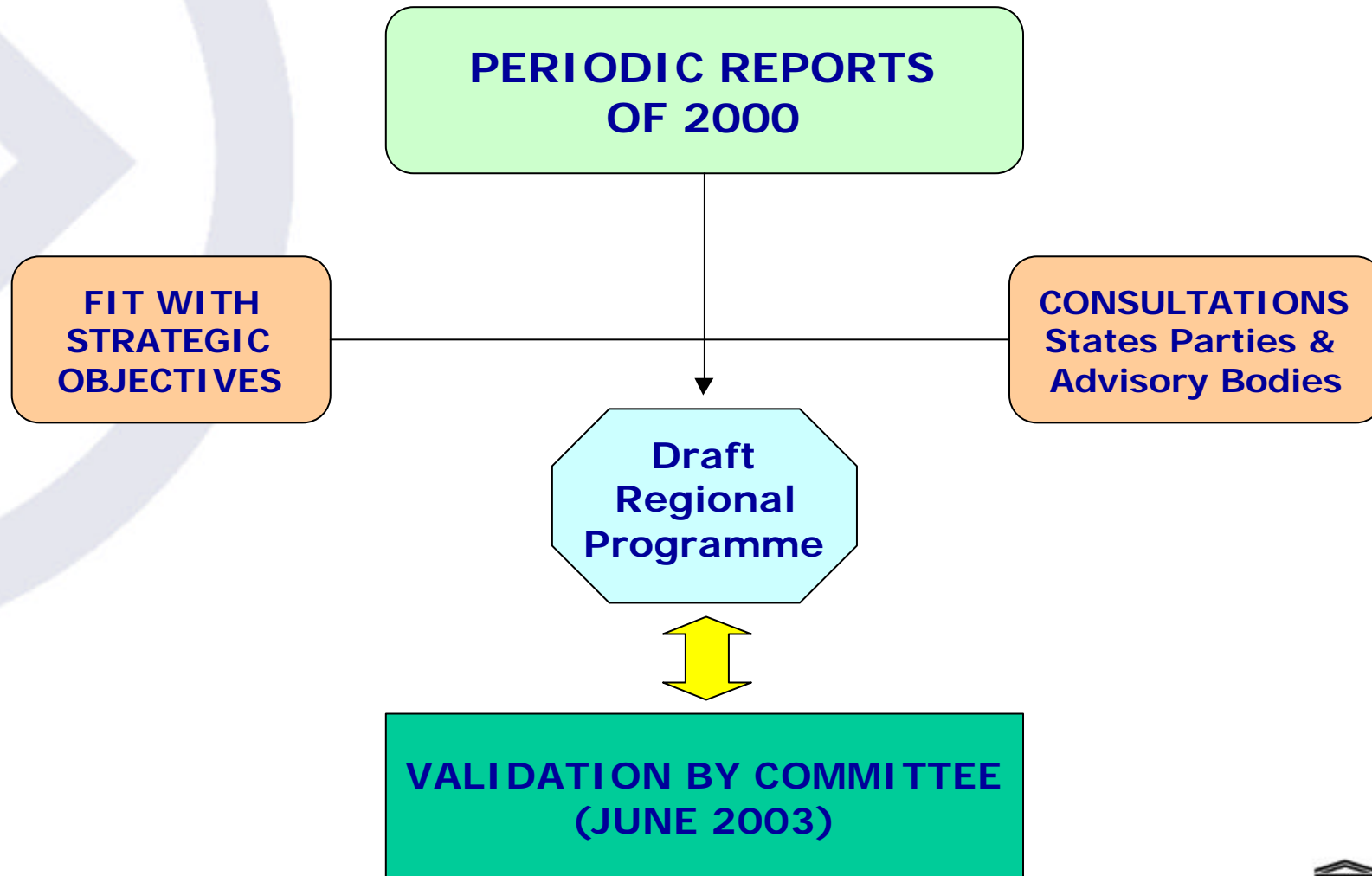
Credibility

Conservation

Capacity Building

Communication

Regional Programme for Arab States: Preparation and Adoption Process



Contents of the Regional Programme

(Document WHC-03/INF.20A)

- 1. Summary of findings from Periodic Reporting**
- 2. Relevant Policies of UNESCO and the Committee**
- 3. Strategy of the Regional Programme**
- 4. Objectives, Expected Results, Activities and Indicators**
- 5. Timeframe and Resources**

The 5 Areas of Action of the Regional Programme

- **Application of the Convention**
- **Institutional and legal framework**
- **Conservation and Management**
- **Education, awareness and communication**
- **Information management**

Strategy: the Three Main Points

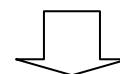
The Regional Programme,

- Provides Proactive response to Needs
 - Improves effectiveness of Assistance
 - Promotes Regional and International cooperation
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- Establishes a Monitoring Committee to review the Programme regularly (every three years).

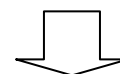
From Reactive to Pro-active Response

Operational Tools

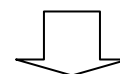
Problems identified through
Periodic Reporting



Objectives and
Expected Results



Assistance Module
or **Project**



Indicators

Pro-active Response: Assistance Modules and Projects

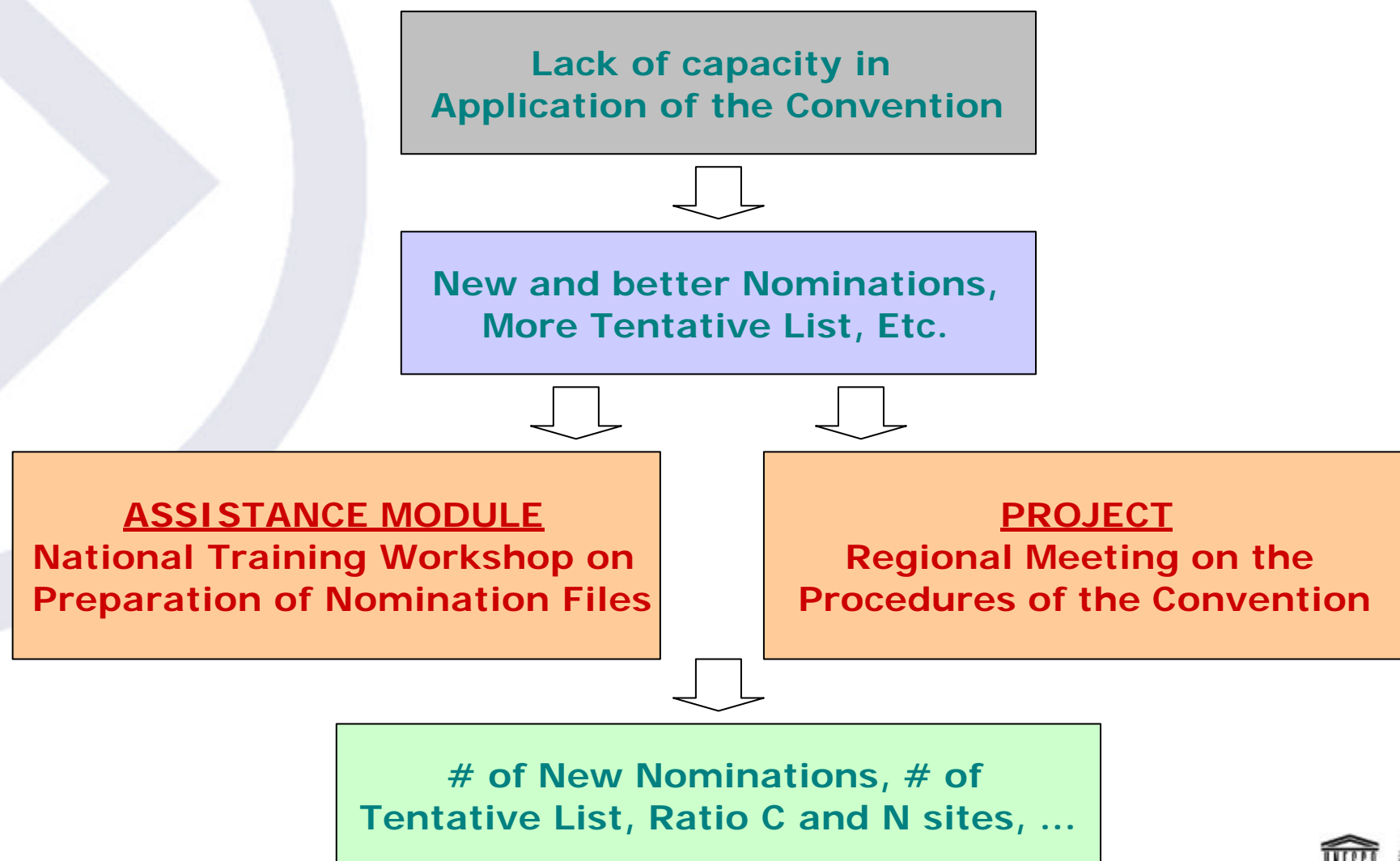
ASSISTANCE MODULES

A replicable, ready off-the-shelf activity of small size (can be funded through WH Fund) and national scope with built-in executing partners. Modules will be developed by WHC and Advisory Bodies.

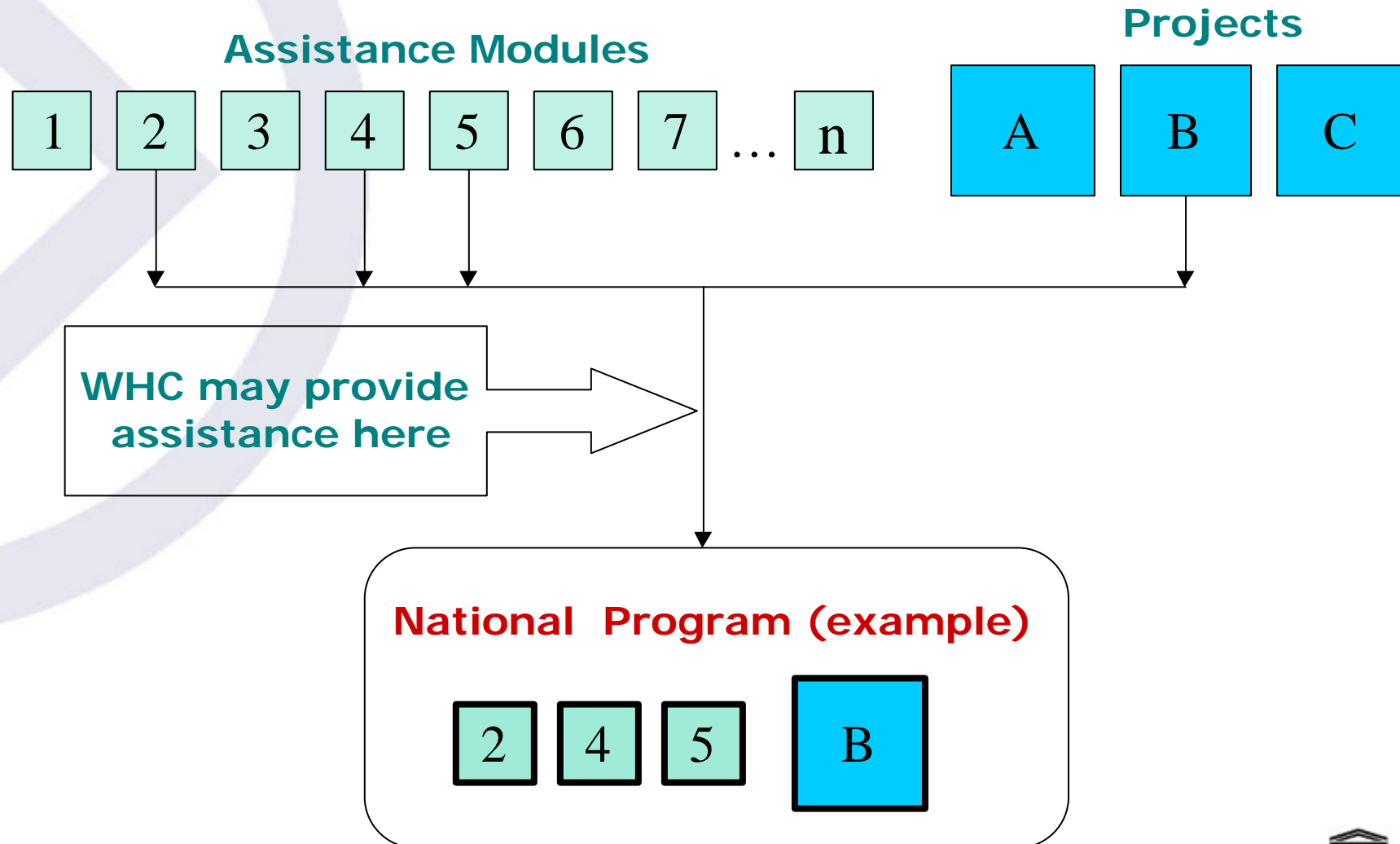
PROJECTS

A larger scale, one-time activity, normally funded through extra-budgetary funds and with a regional or sub-regional scope.

Pro-active Response: Example



Implementation at National level: Selecting from the “menu”



Improved Effectiveness


- Improved quality and speed of assistance provided under WH Fund by the WHC to States Parties;
- More cost-effective use of resources and easier evaluation of results;
- Greater mobilization of extra-budgetary funding.

Promote Regional and International Cooperation

- Identifies and brings together regional and international partners within long-term collaboration by integrating them into modules and projects;
- Facilitates regional participation and exchanges by establishing mechanism (the Monitoring Committee) to review the Regional Programme.

Timeframe and Resources for Regional Programme

- Six year cycle (like Periodic Reporting), with three-year review by Monitoring Committee;
- No special budget required. All resources within WH Fund remain available to States Parties who can apply, as before, for International Assistance. Now, however, they will have a better product to choose.



For more details please see Document:
WHC-03/INF.20A

Thank you