

CEFTA Approach to Implementation of SEE 2020 Integrated Growth

Dialogue on Regional Mobility
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Key Areas of Intervention

CEFTA & Integrated Growth

Free Trade Area

Competitive
Economic
Environment

Integration
into
Global
Economy

Goods

Services

Investment

Skilled labour

Competition
Policy

IPR

Public
Procurement

Market Access

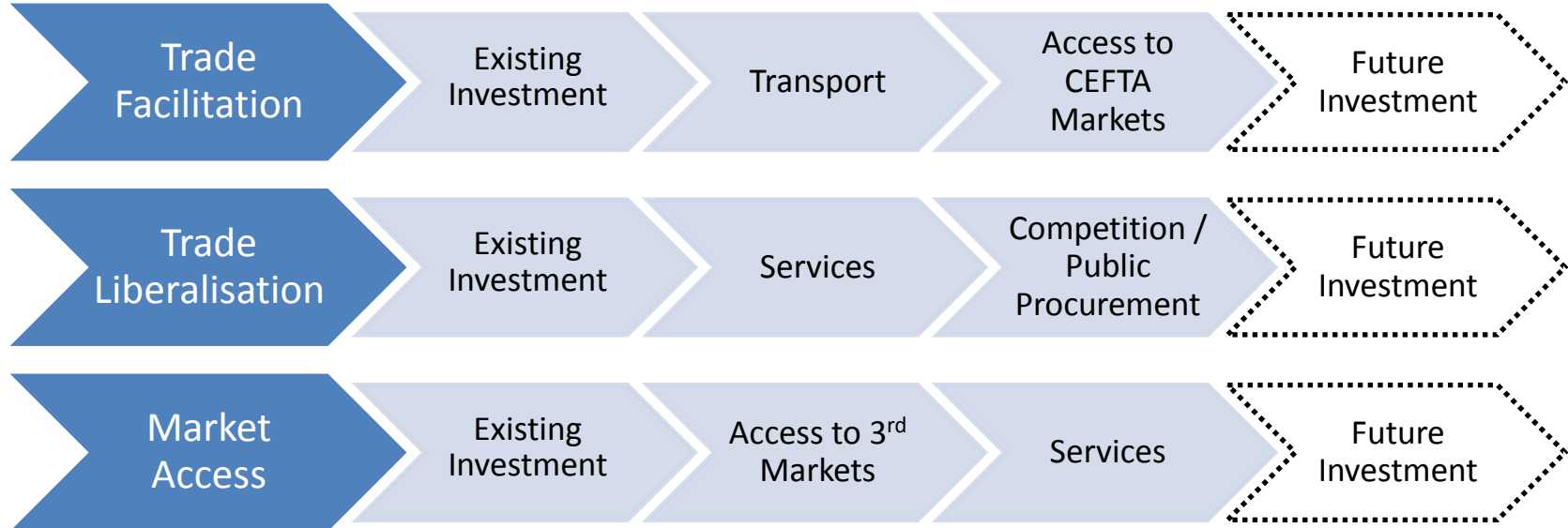
Participation in
Global Supply
Networks

Capacity

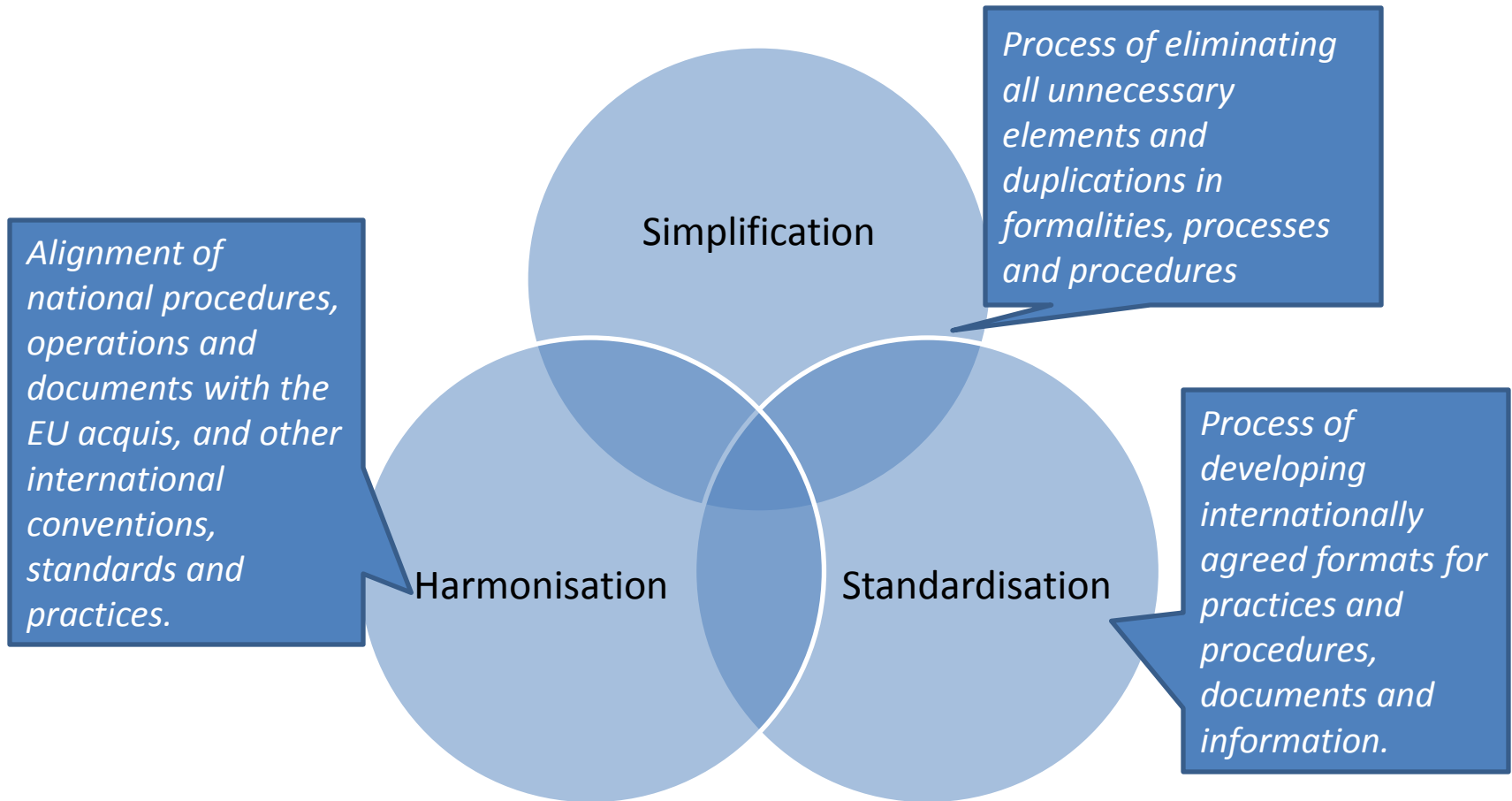
Transparency

Data availability and
quality

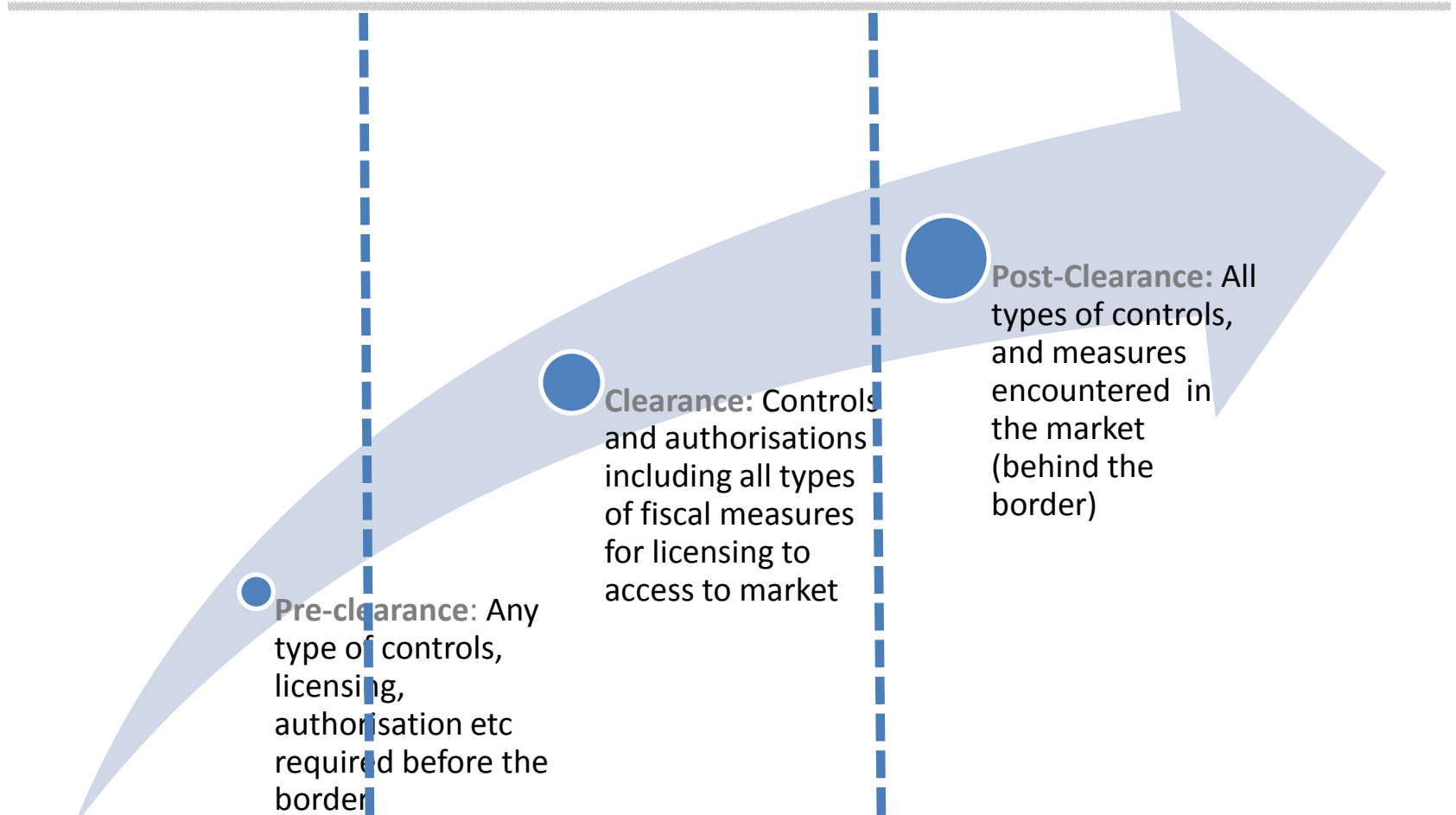
Scope of Intervention



Logical Framework of Regional Horizontal Intervention



Logical Framework of Regional Vertical Intervention



*Terminology of trade in goods applied with certain reservation as regards to the specific terminology in services

Intervention by CEFTA Structures

Trade facilitation

- Task force on Trade Facilitation
- SC NTBs, and TB
- SC Agriculture and SPS
- SC Customs and Rules of Origin
- **SEEIC- CEFTA Joint WG on Investment**
- **Platform of stake holders in trade and transport**

Trade liberalisation

- Negotiation Group on Services
- WG on Trade in Services
- **SEEIC/CEFTA Joint WG on Investment**
- **Platform between Competition Authorities/Public Procurement**

Market Access

- SEEIC/CEFTA Joint WG on Investment
- Subcommittee on Customs and Rules of Origin
- WG on Trade in Services
- Task force on Trade Facilitation
- **Regional working body on Mobility**
- **Platform between Competition Authorities/Public Procurement/IPR**

- To be established or initiated
- Existing

Challenges in implementation

- Implementation of consolidated CEFTA & SEE 2020 agenda involves domains for which objectives of liberalisation are not explicitly defined by the Agreement; although still in the framework of CEFTA **new legal instruments** will have to be agreed.
- Ministries responsible for Trade might not always have direct mandate over these domains, which may require both **inter-ministerial coordination** and active involvement of other governmental bodies.
- By definition the proposed areas of intervention call for **technically complex discussions**, as well as for coordinated efforts of both policy making ministries and law enforcement authorities.
- Successful implementation involving concrete results can only be reached in a **constructive and well structured dialogue with private sector**; existing communication channels are relatively weak.
- A well functioning **coordination mechanism across the SWEE 2020 Pillars** has to be established if the implementation is to benefit from potential synergies across the pillars of SEE 2020 while synchronising regional and respective national efforts.
- Even the best managed regional initiative cannot compensate for missing **intra-governmental coordination at the respective national level**.
- Availability of **relevant data/economic analysis** at both regional and national level may represent an additional challenge



THANK YOU.

