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**NOTE**

From:	RegWatchEurope
To:	Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth (Better Regulation)
Subject:	Further Development of regulatory oversight at EU level - Presentation

Delegations will find attached a presentation for agenda item 3 , " Further development of regulatory oversight at EU-level", of the meeting of 14 October.

# Further Development of Regulatory Oversight at EU-level

**Discussion Paper of RegWatchEurope**  
for the Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth  
(Better Regulation) of the European Council

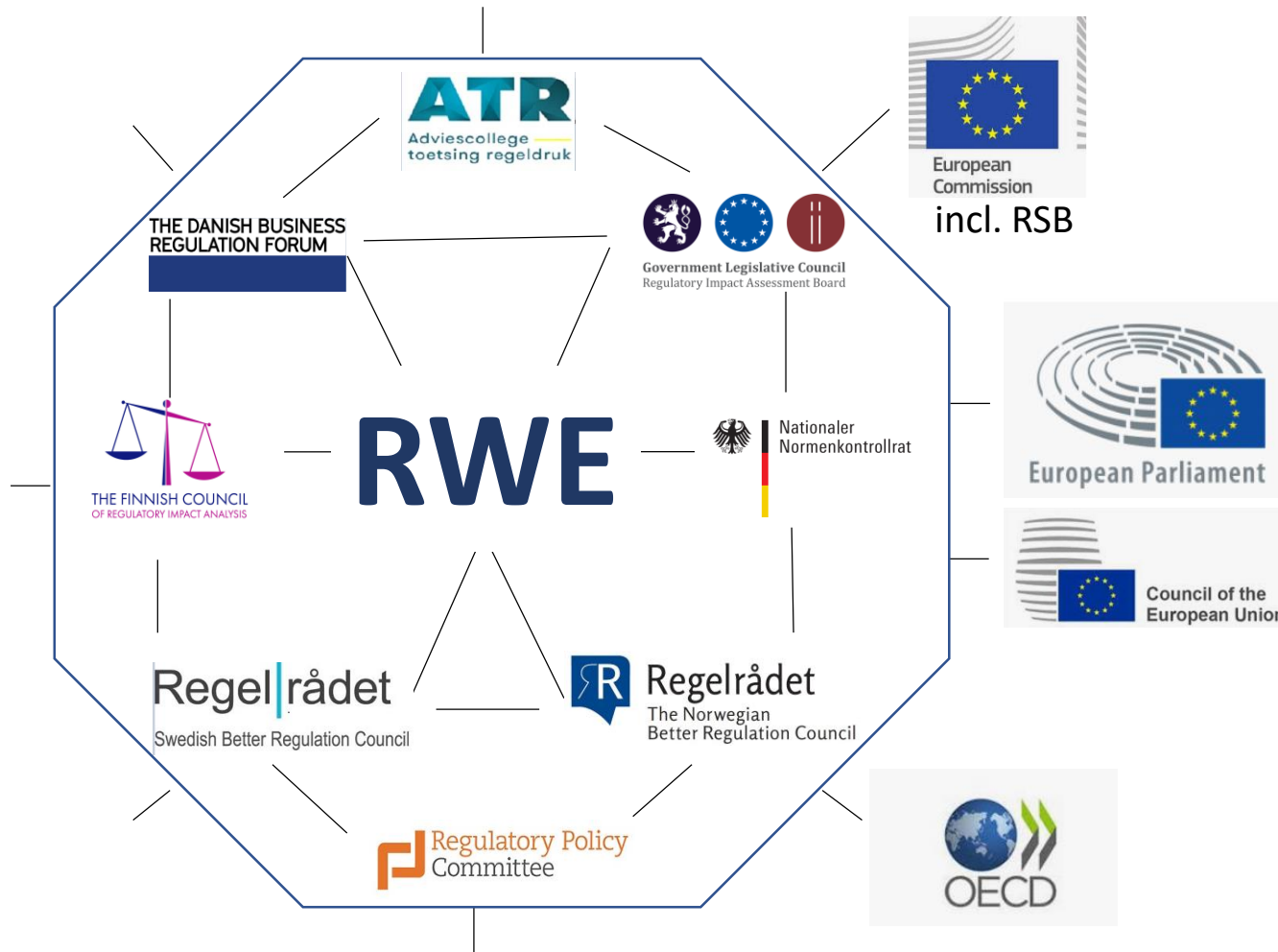
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# What is the RegWatchEurope network?



## Key features of RWE

- Independent bodies (8): EU (6), non-EU (2)
- Mandated to
  - (1) Scrutinise Impact Assessments
  - (2) Advise Governments on Better Regulation

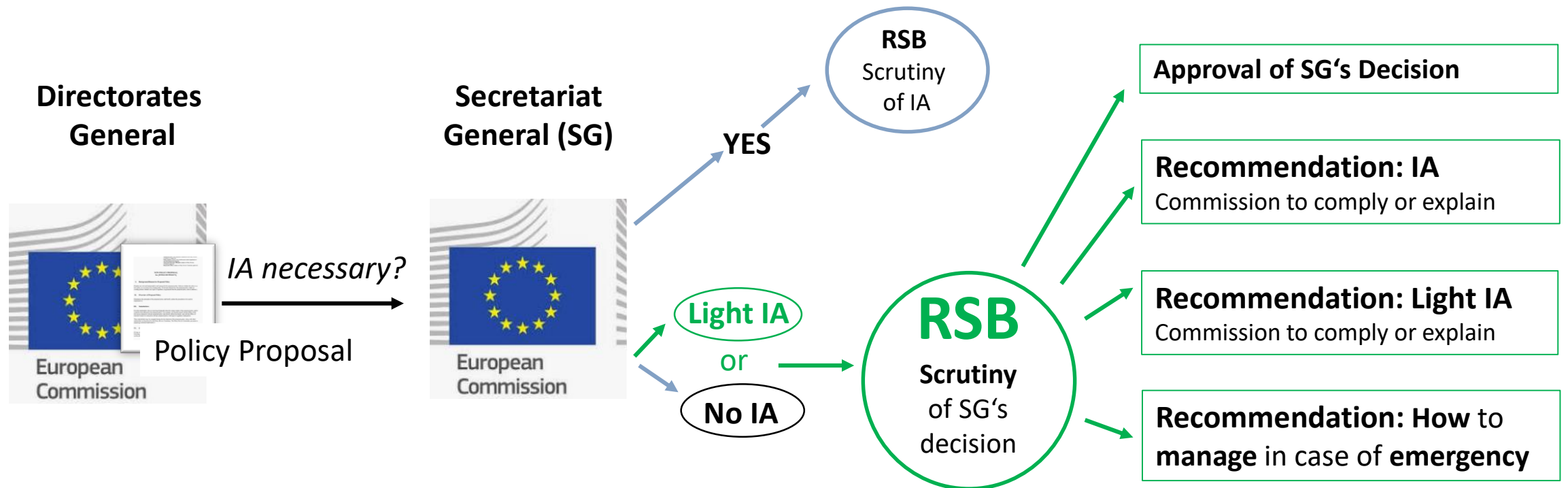
## Objectives of RWE

- Exchange experiences & best practise
- Represent interests of independent scrutiny and advisory bodies at European and international level

# Better Regulation at EU-level: RegWatchEurope's perspective

- Better Regulation has made **good progress at EU level**.
- **Key success factor** for improvement of Commission's impact assessments: **RSB**
- But: **Complaints about red tape persist** and **better regulation** through the legislative cycle still **suffers from some weaknesses**.
- RegWatchEurope's experience: **Independent advice and scrutiny encourages governments to improve their better regulation approach as a whole**.
- RegWatchEurope has explored how to **further strengthen independent advice and scrutiny at EU level** - particularly with regard to the **mandate of the RSB**.

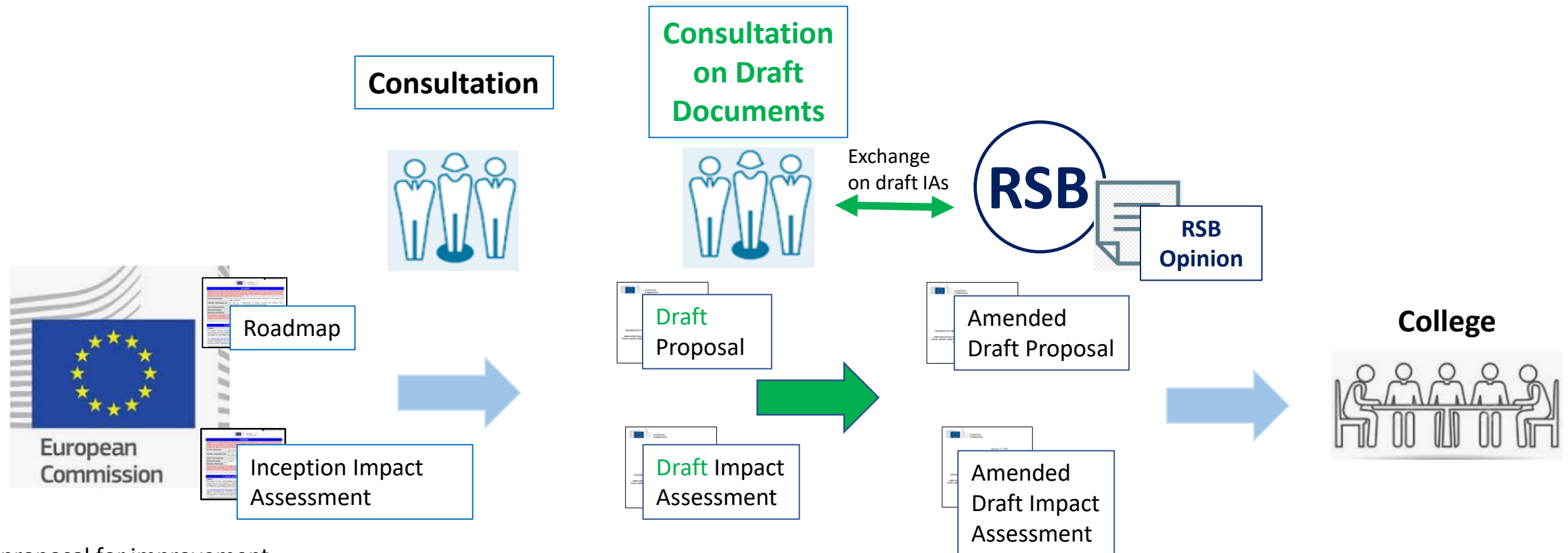
# #1 Introduce Independent Oversight by the RSB of the Decision Against Conducting an Impact Assessment



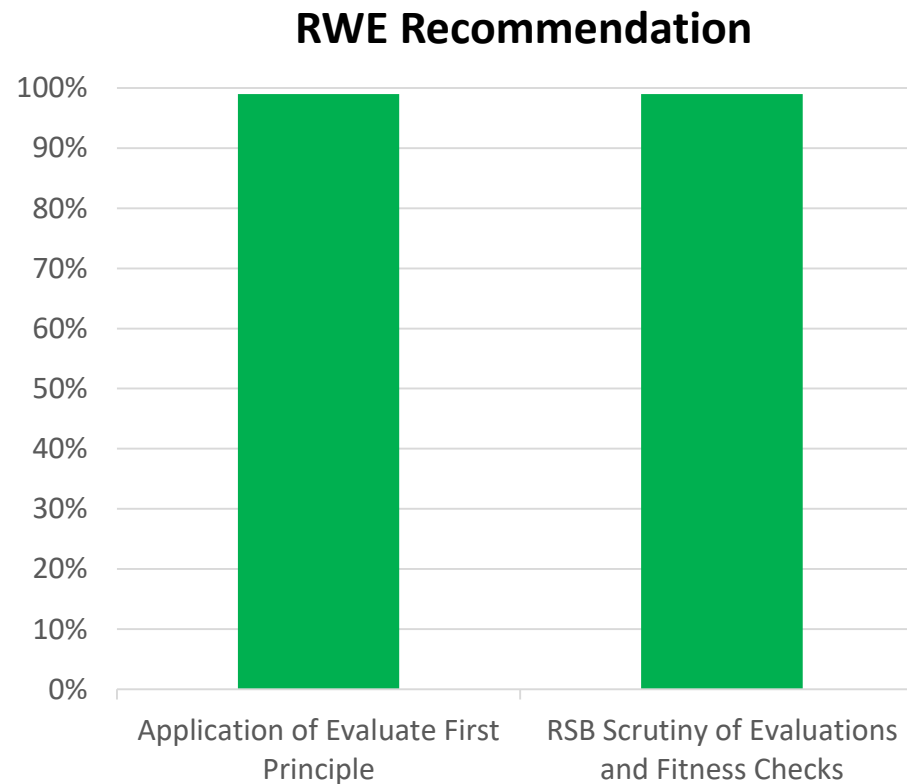
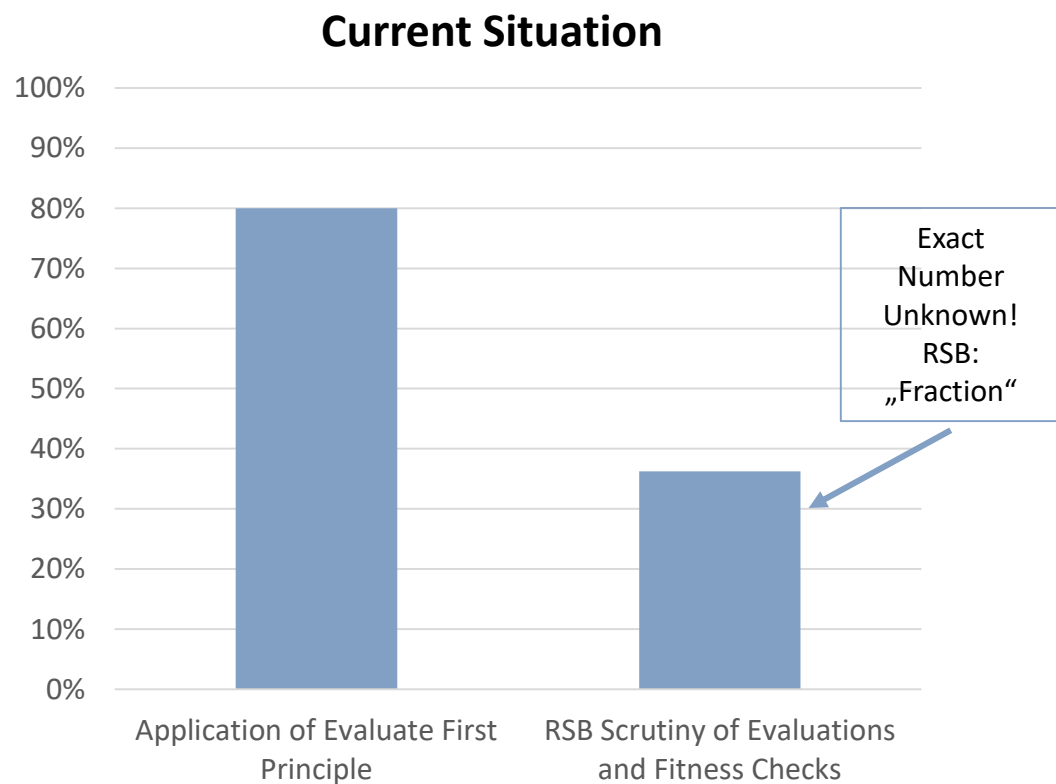
● RWE proposal for improvement

● Current situation

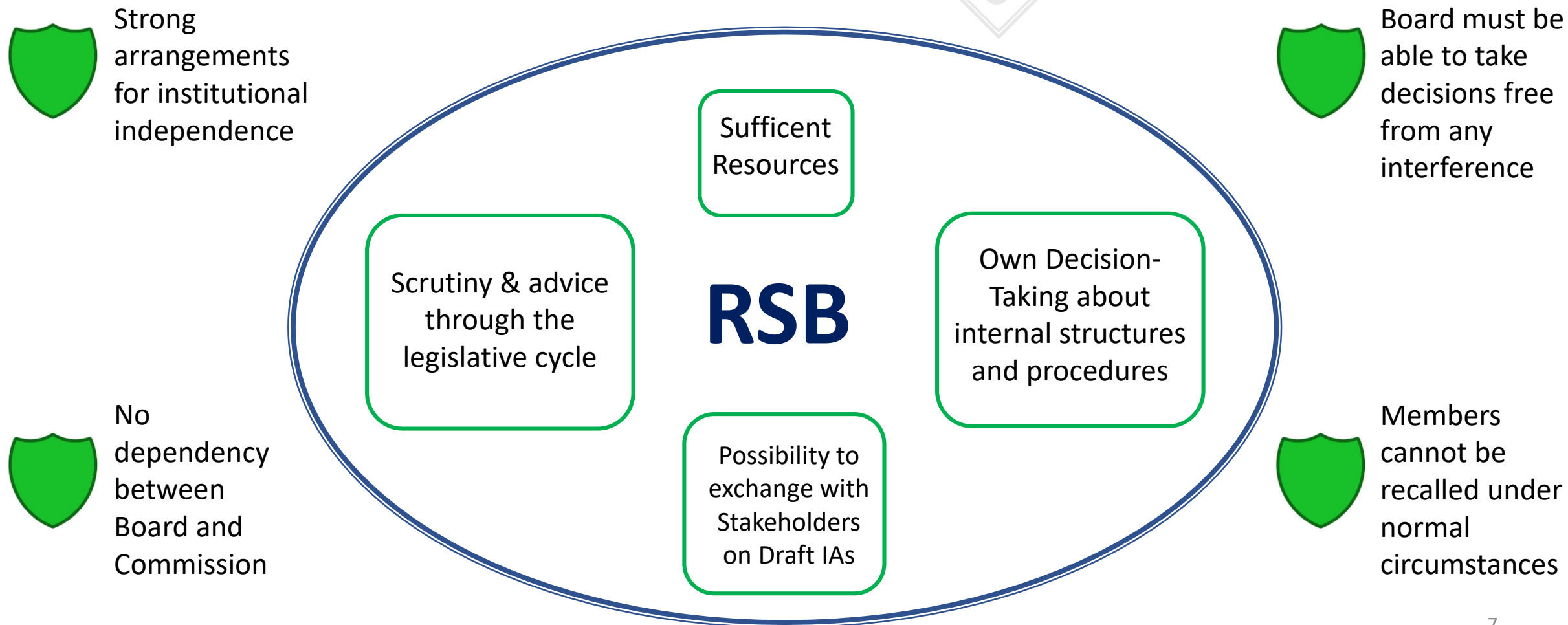
## #2 Evidence-based consultations on Draft Impact Assessments and RSB contacts with key stakeholders



# #3 Implement “Evaluate First”-principle and introduce quality assurance for all ex-post evaluations & fitness checks



## #4 Strengthen the independent mandate of the Regulatory Scrutiny Board





## #5 Formally promote the application of Better Regulation principles by Parliament and Council

### Current Situation:



- No own better regulation approach
- Implementation of IIA\*: Parliament assessed impacts of some significant amendments
- No oversight body



- No own better regulation approach
- Implementation of IIA\*: still pending
- No oversight body

### RWE Recommendations for Parliament & Council:



- Better Regulation Approaches forming a level-playing field
- Common methodology
- Impact assessments for all significant amendments (principle of responsibility)
- Independent oversight of quality of impact assessments

\*IIA: Interinstitutional Agreement  
(assessment of significant impacts)

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# Thank you for your attention!

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