

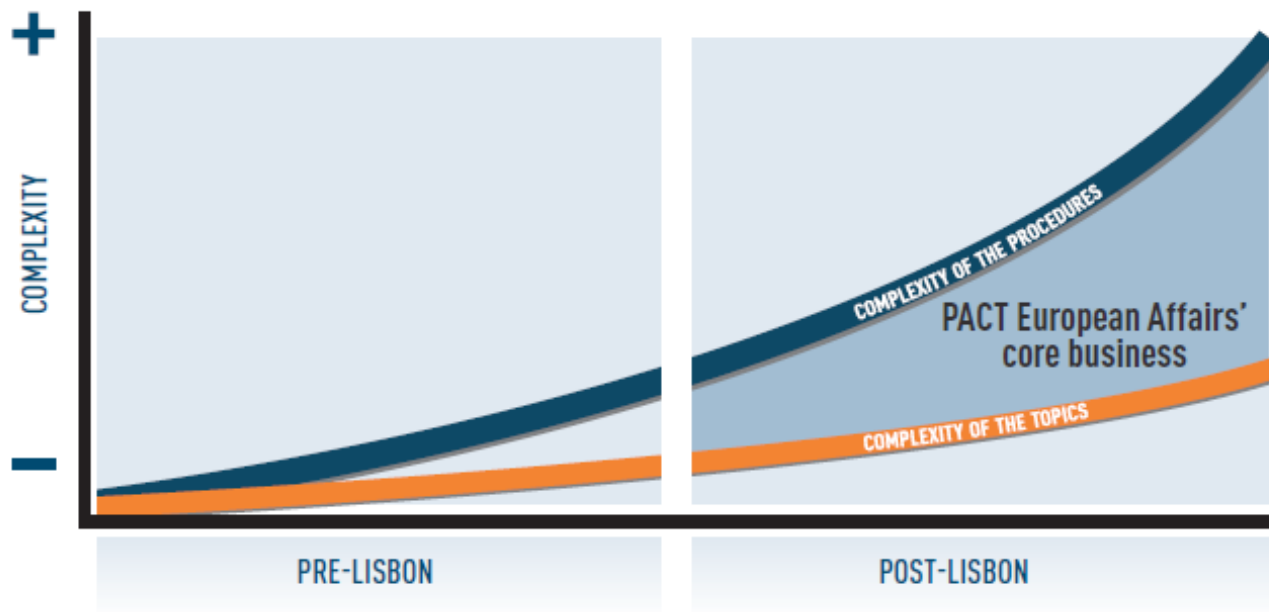


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Ordinary decision-making procedure – EU Policy and law-making processes and guidelines for effective advocacy in Brussels

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EU policy-making - the actors



The European Commission

28 Commissioners

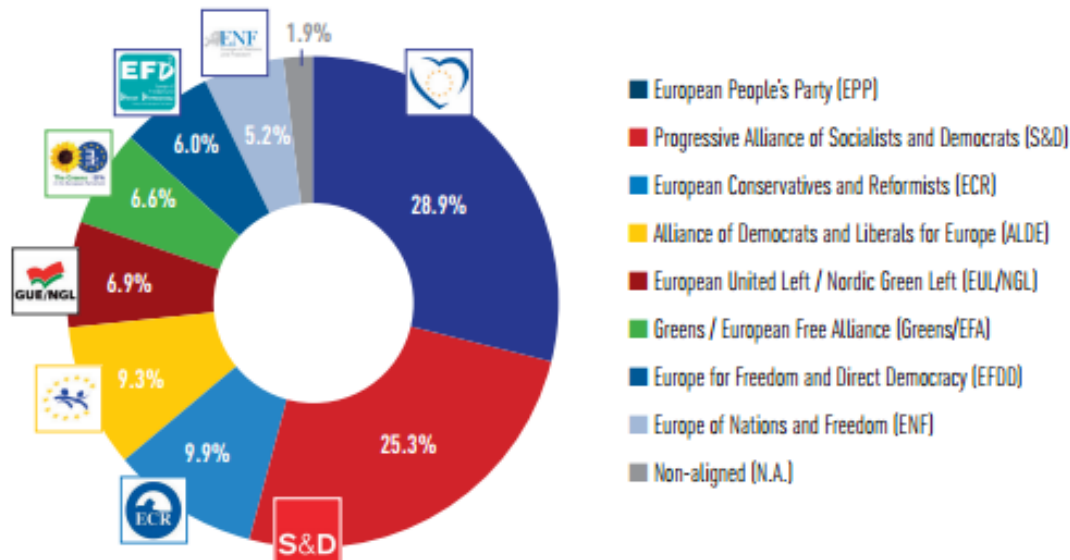
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+/- 30,000 civil servants

Proposes and drafts
Implements EU legislation
Evaluates EU legislation

The European Parliament

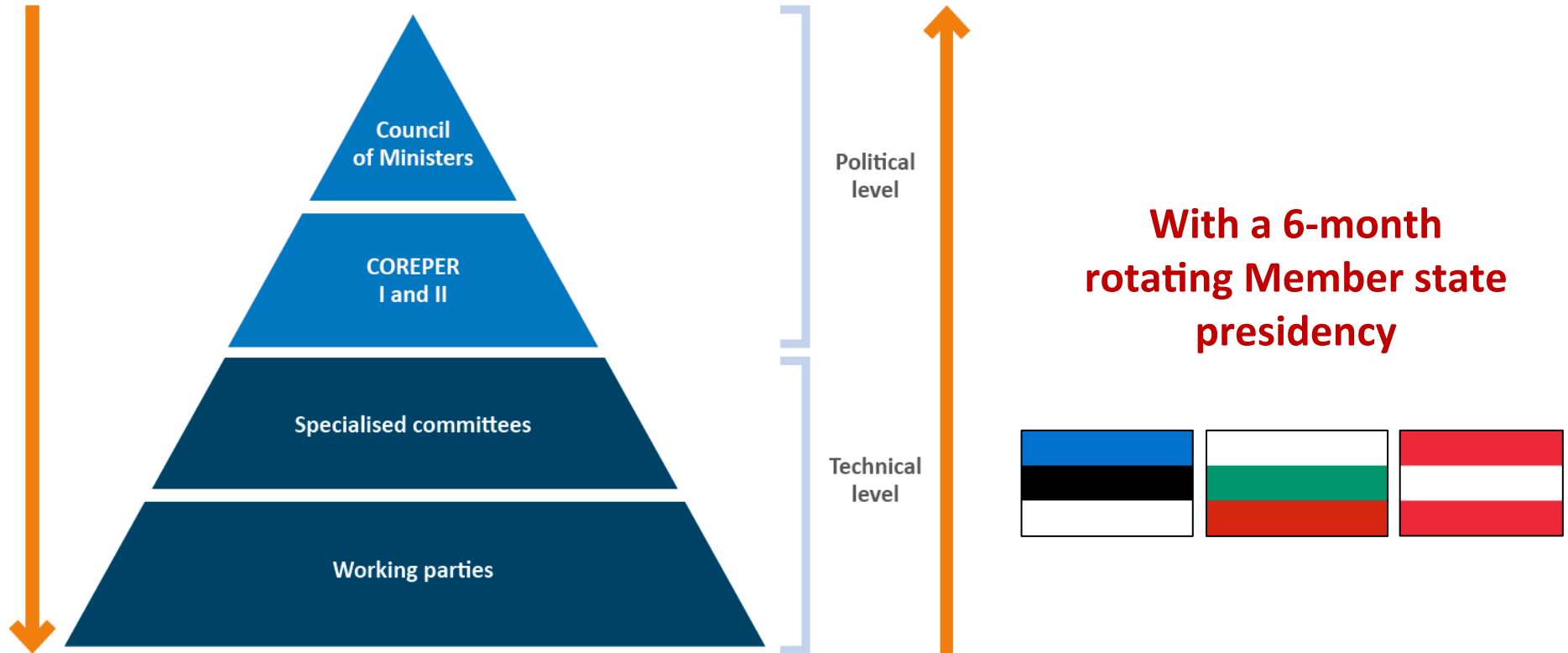
Size of political groups in the European Parliament



- **751 MEPs**
- **20 topical committees**
e.g. Industry, Transport, Research and Energy (ITRE)
- **assistants, political group advisors, EP secretariat, ...**

Legislates

The Council of Ministers



Legislates

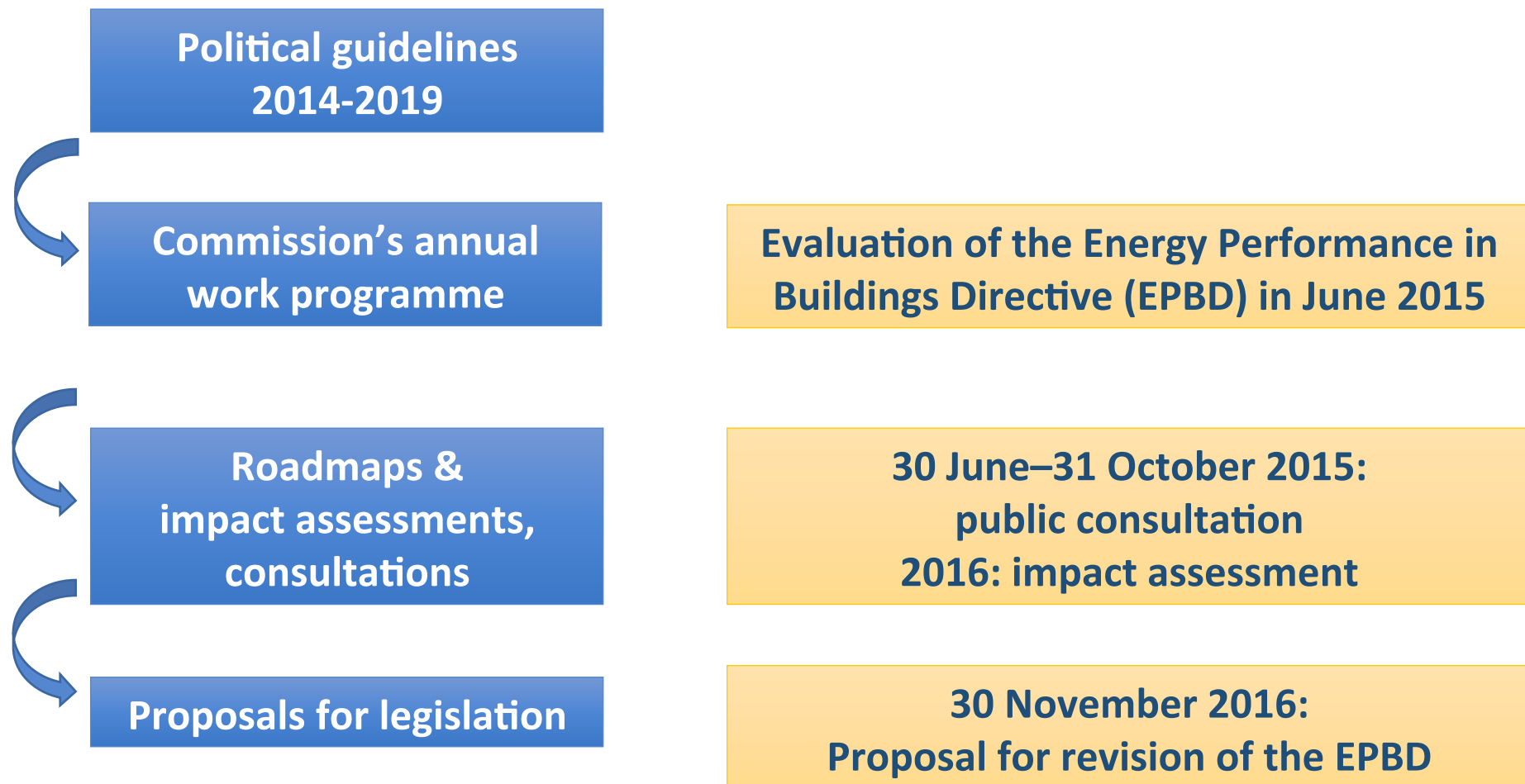
EU policy-making - the process



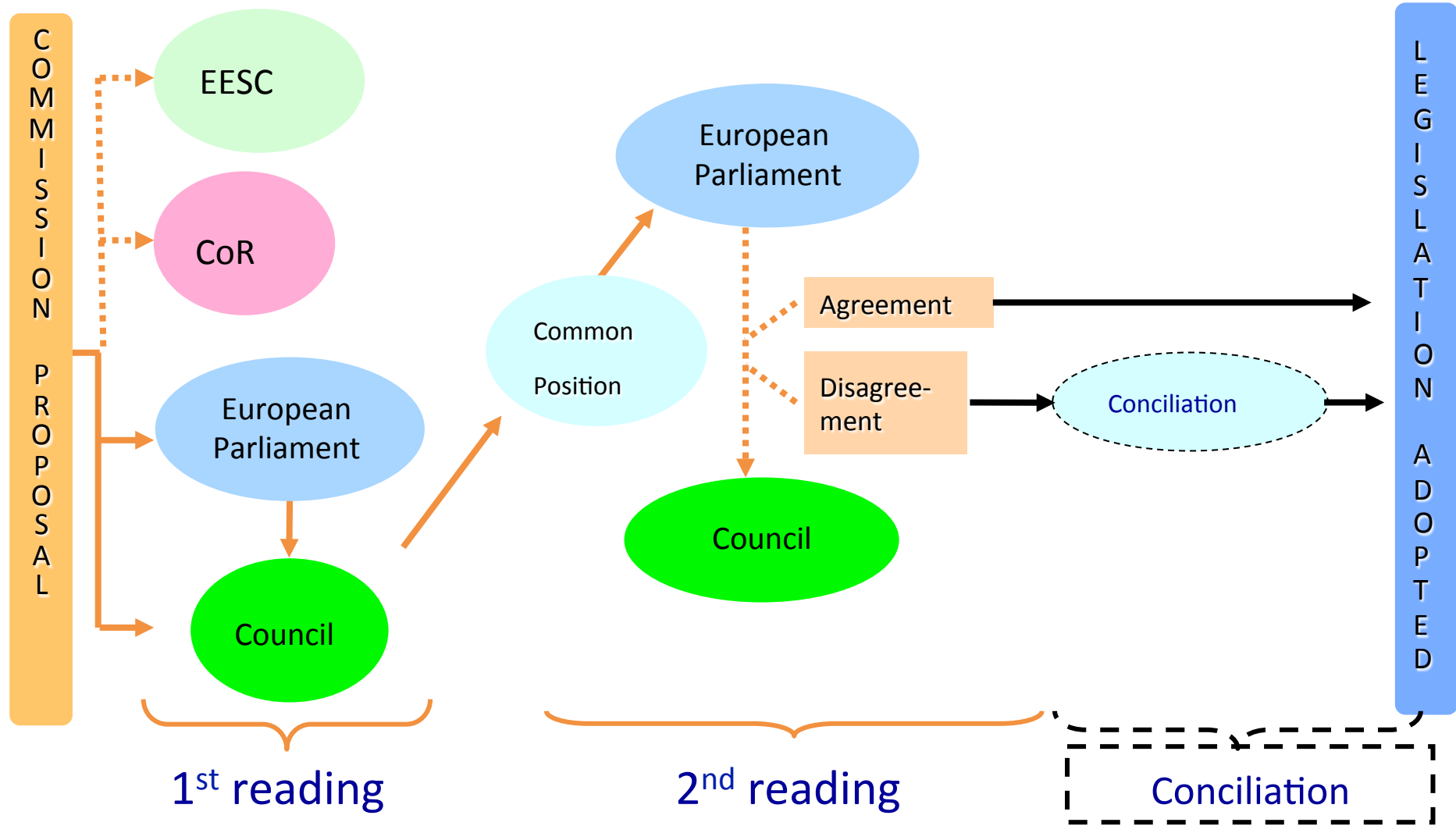
Source: European Parliament
Research Service

A perpetuum mobile

Evaluating and conceiving EU policy



The Ordinary Legislative Procedure



The Ordinary Legislative Procedure... in practice

Year 2000

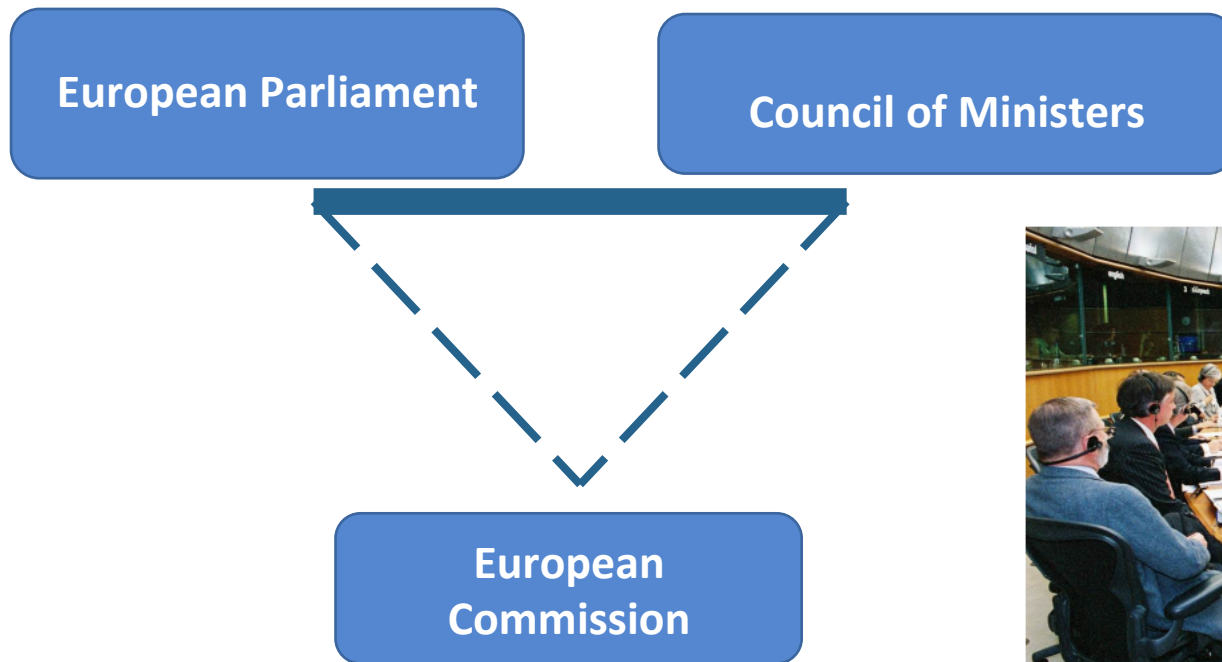
1 st reading agreements.....	25%
2 nd reading agreements.....	50%
Conciliation agreements.....	25%

Post-Lisbon

1 st reading agreements.....	85%
2 nd reading agreements.....	10%
Conciliation agreements.....	5%

2016: no second reading !

Trilogues

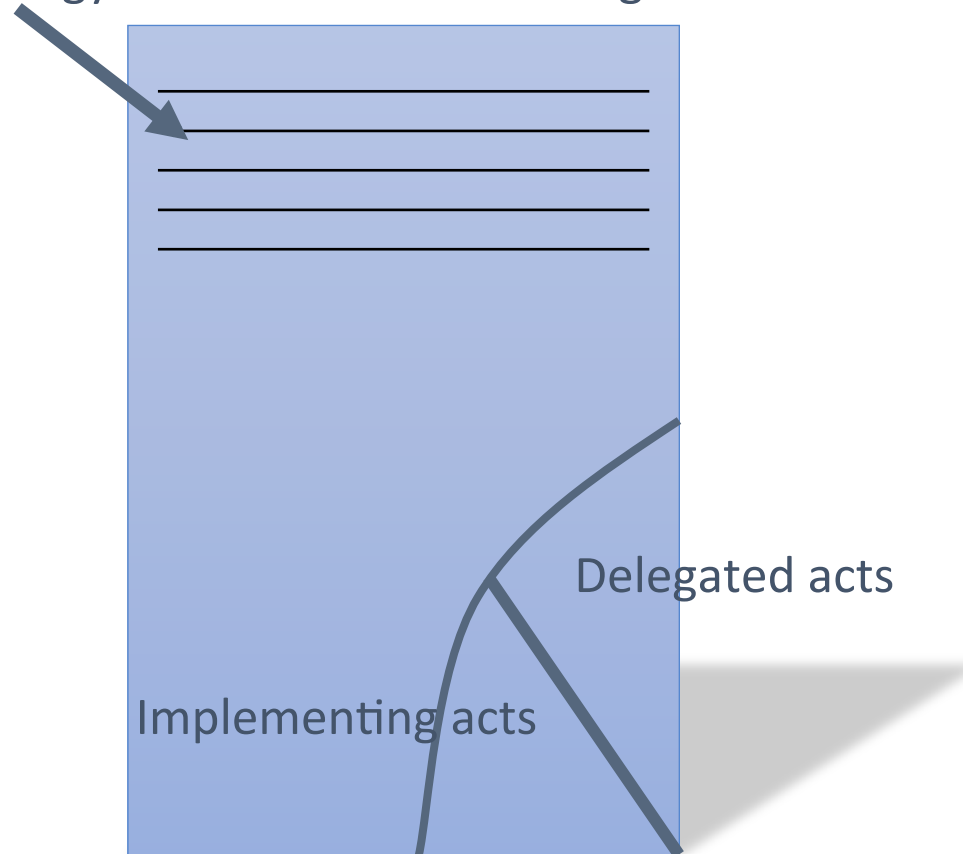


Trilogue meeting - © European Parliament

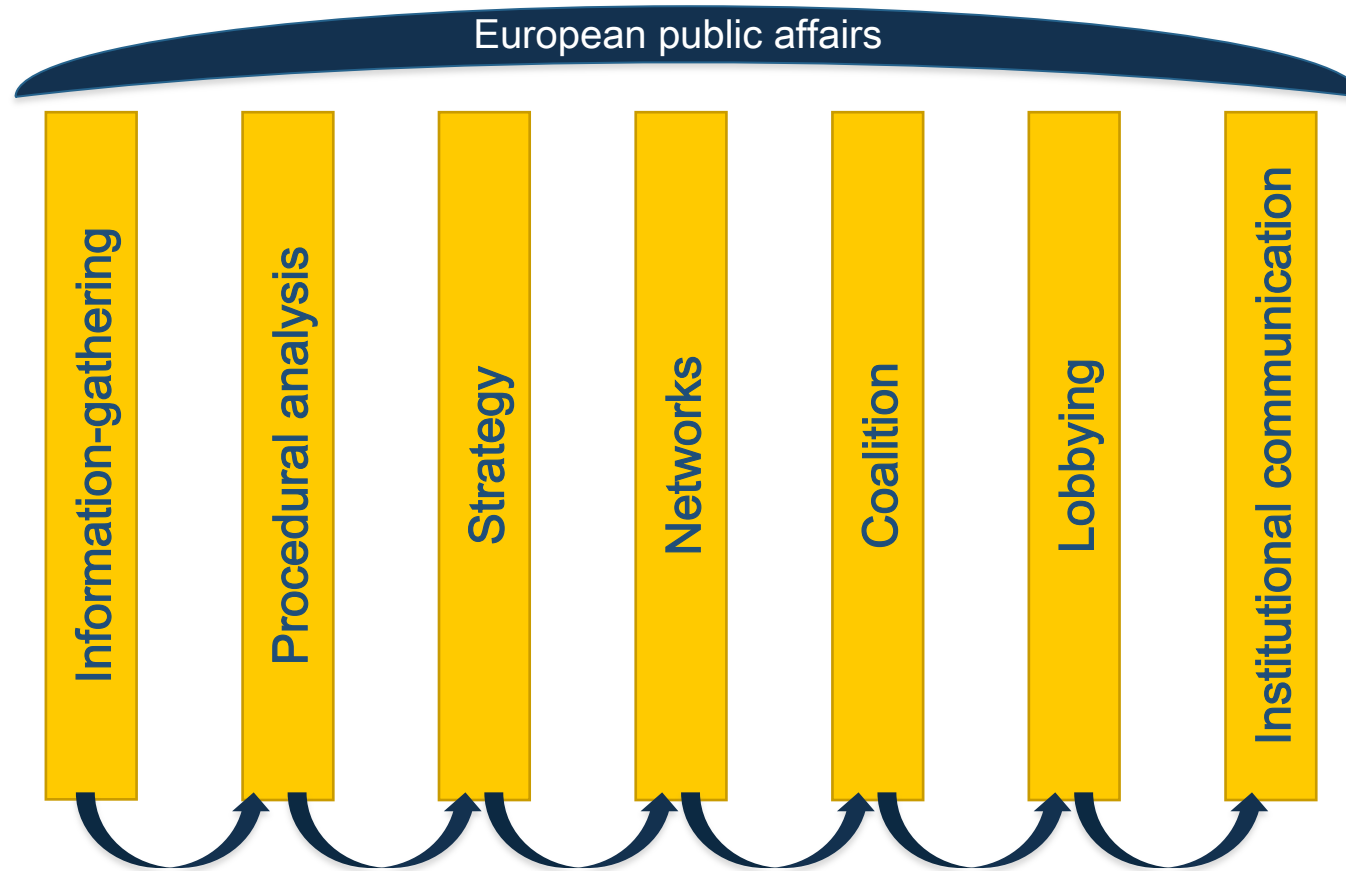
An opaque process requiring adequate information-gathering

Implementing legislation

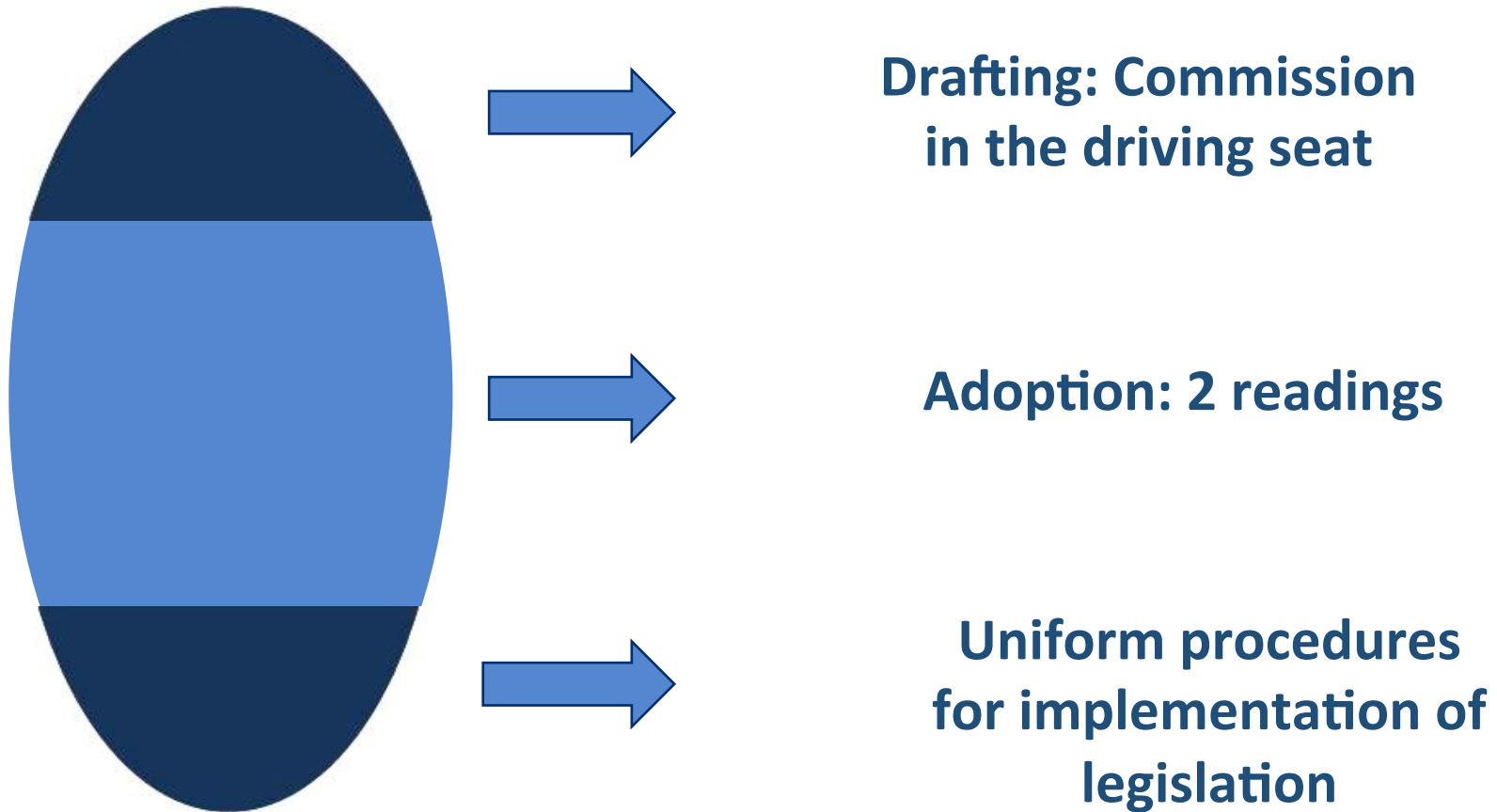
Energy Performance in Buildings Directive



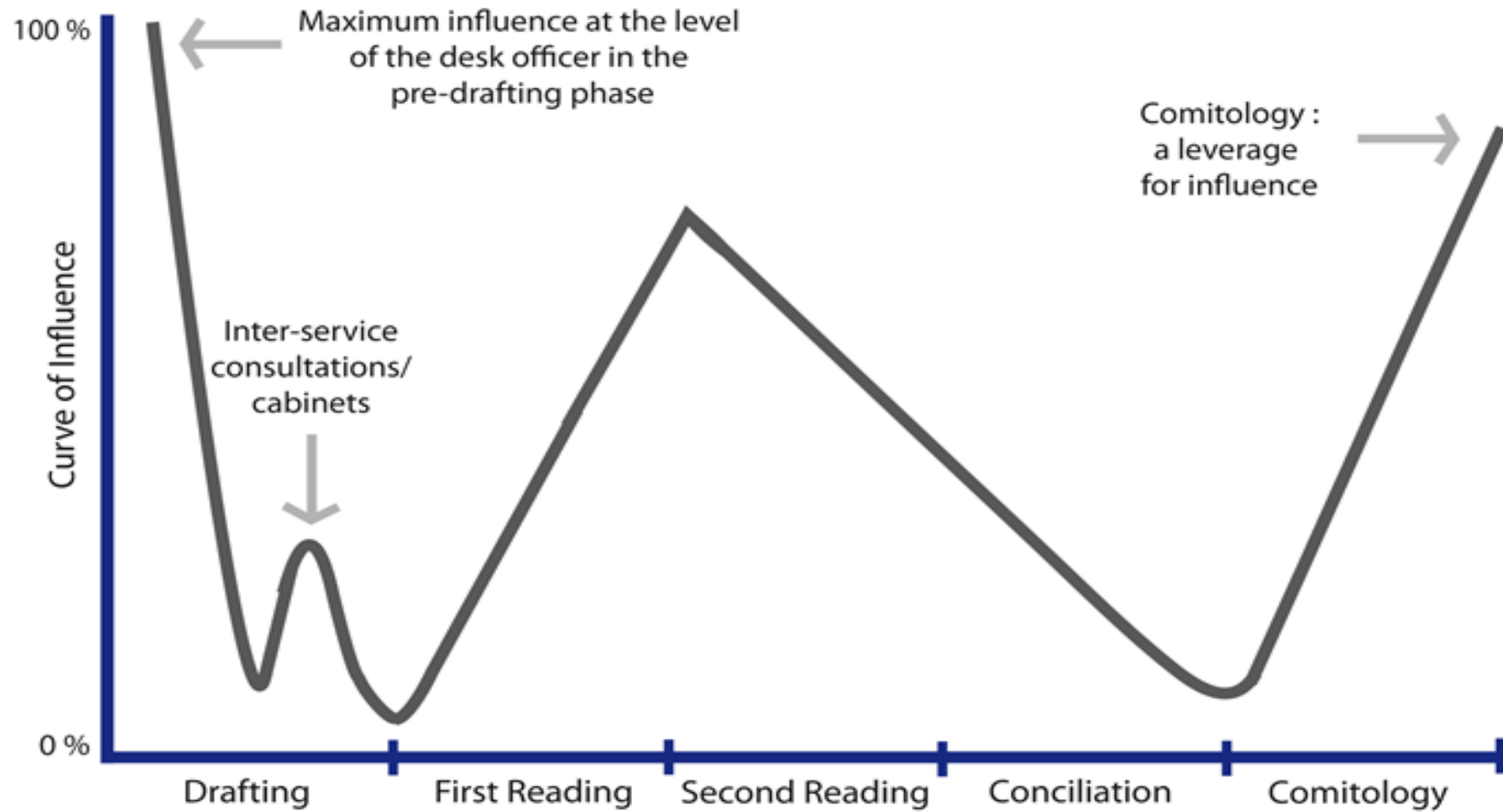
EU Public affairs and advocacy



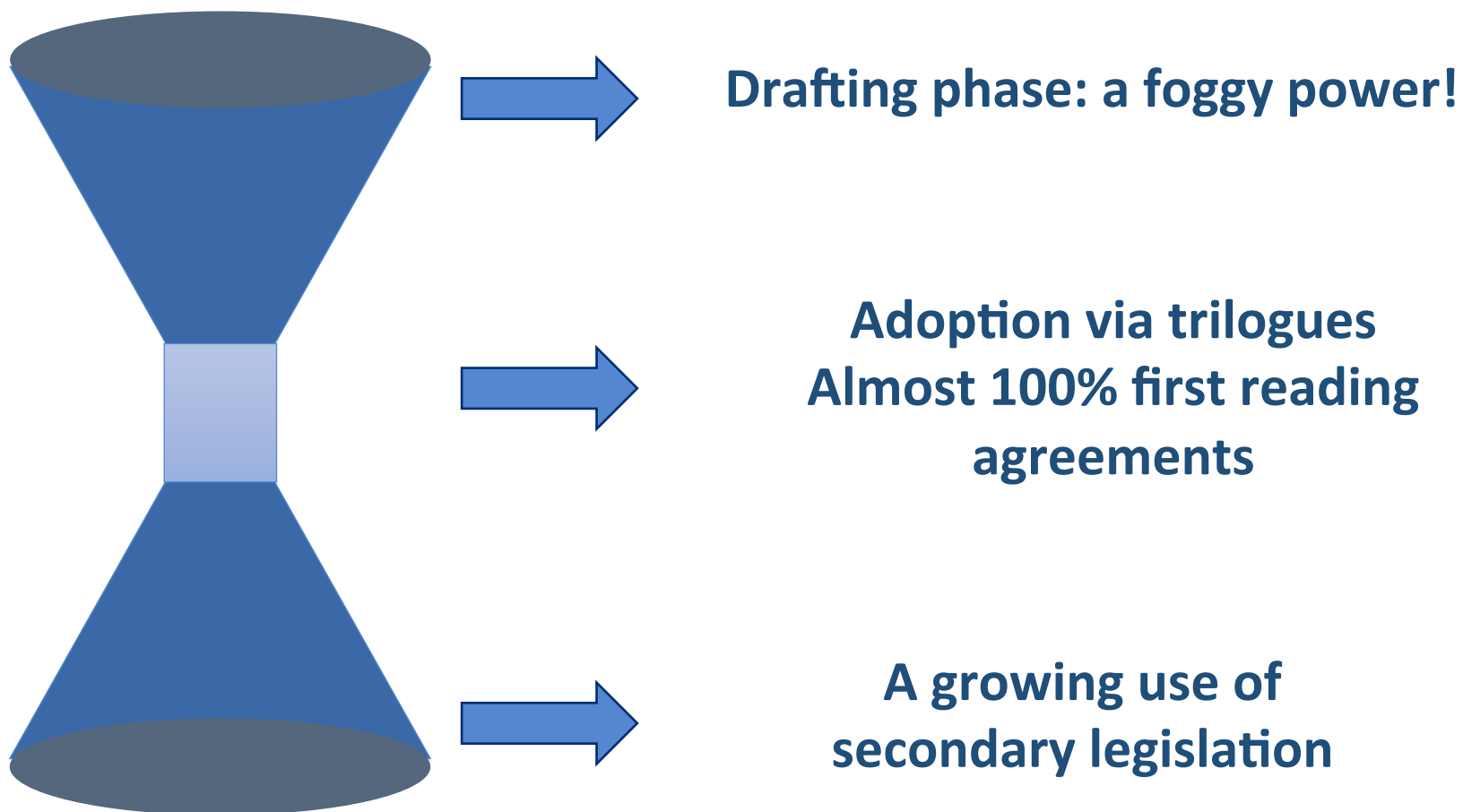
The margins of influence have evolved



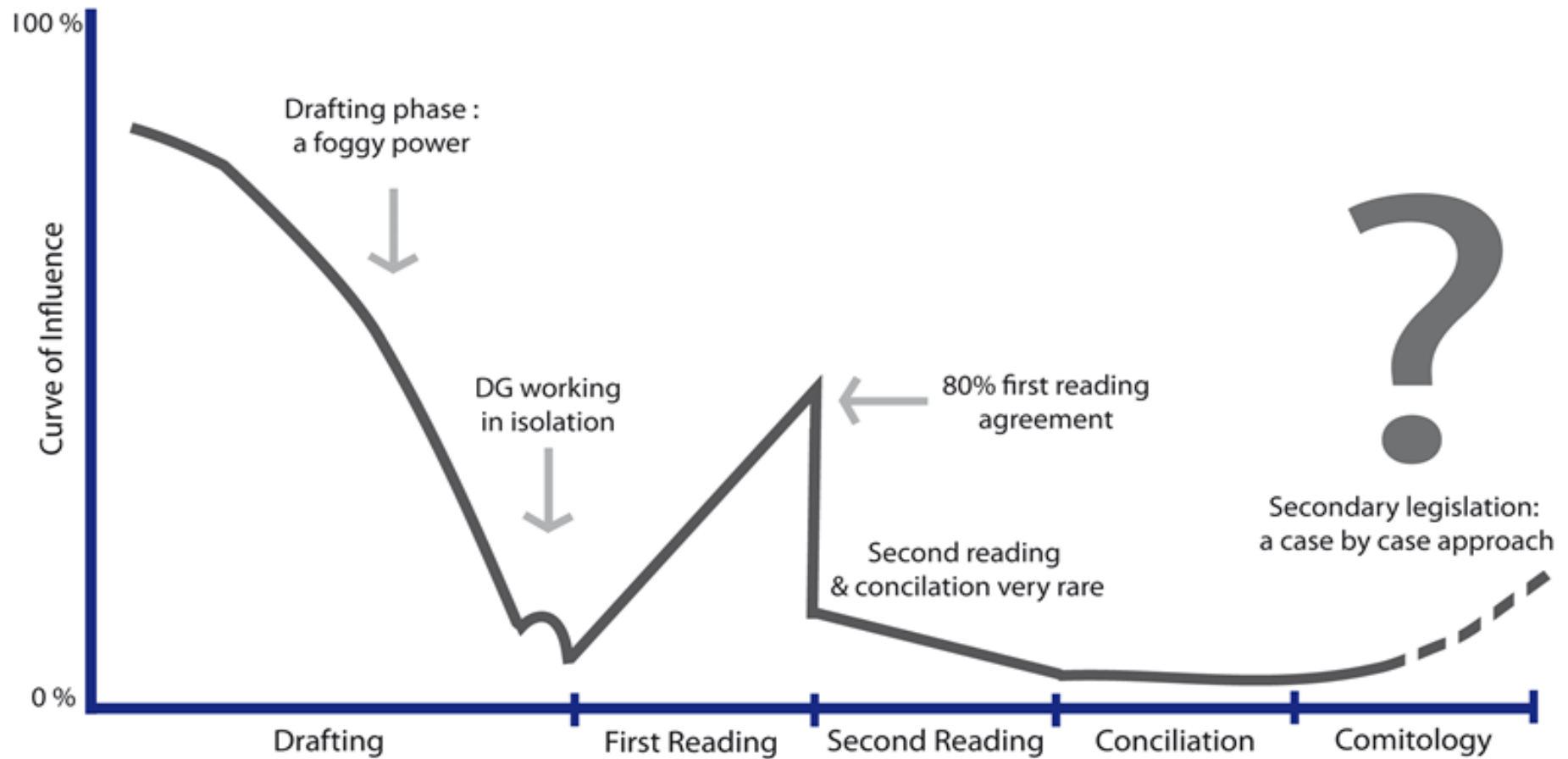
Curve of influence pre-Lisbon



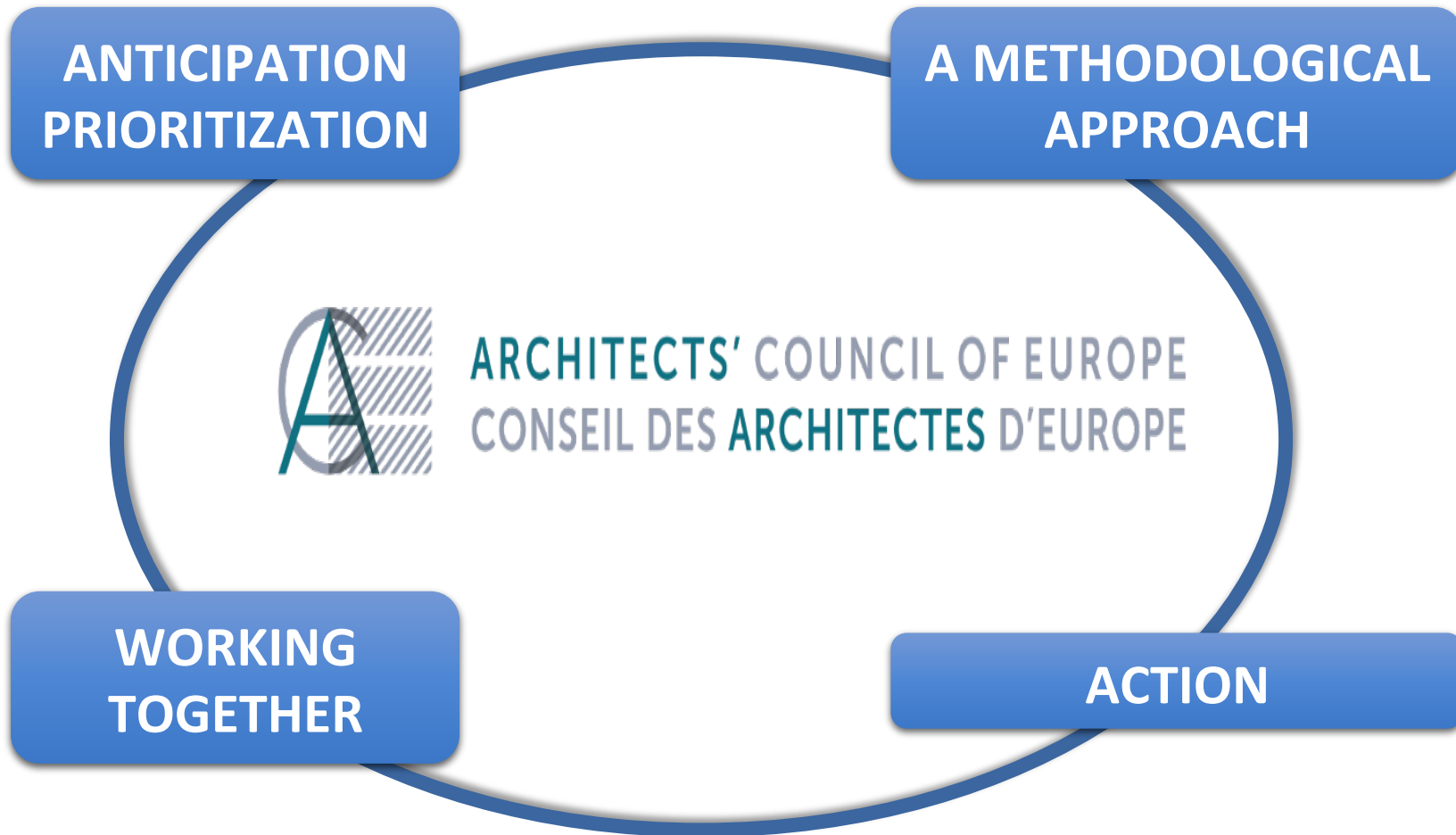
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Curve of influence post-Lisbon



Advocating successfully means



Any questions?

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