HTA collaboration in support of health system resilience

European network for
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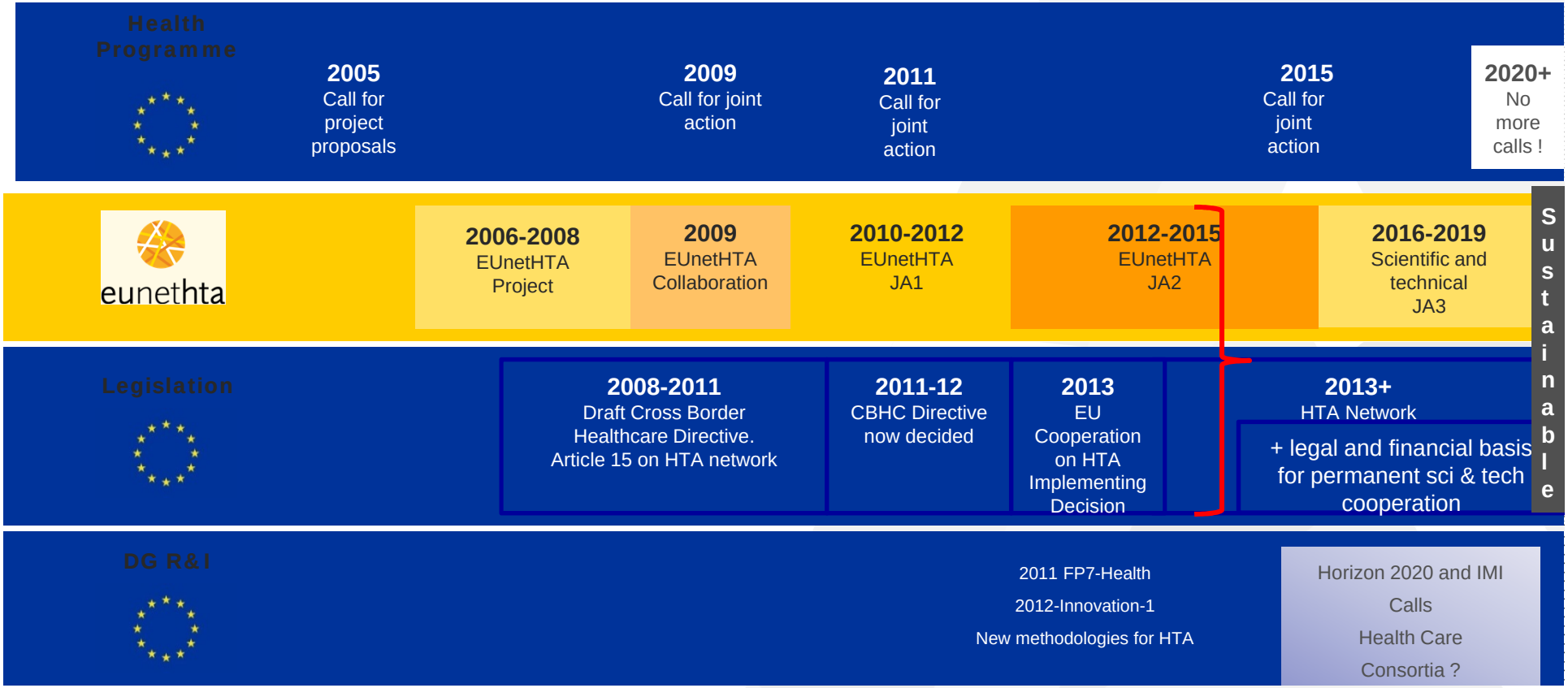
The timeline of reaching a sustainable and permanent HTA cooperation in Europe

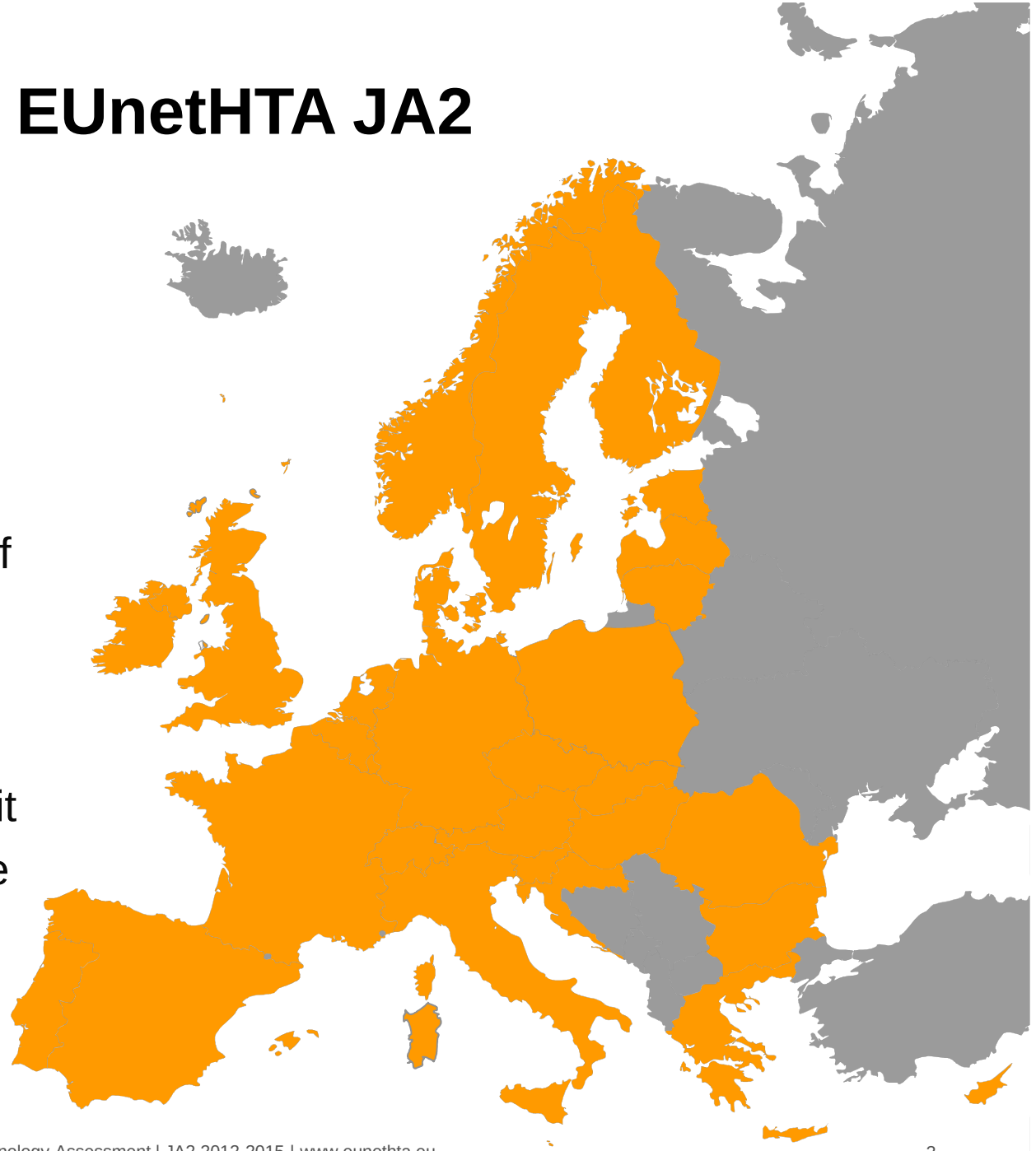


Participants in EUnetHTA JA2

EUnetHTA Partners and Associates

69 Partner organisations designated by Ministries of Health

Large number of regional agencies and non-for-profit organisations that produce or contribute to HTA

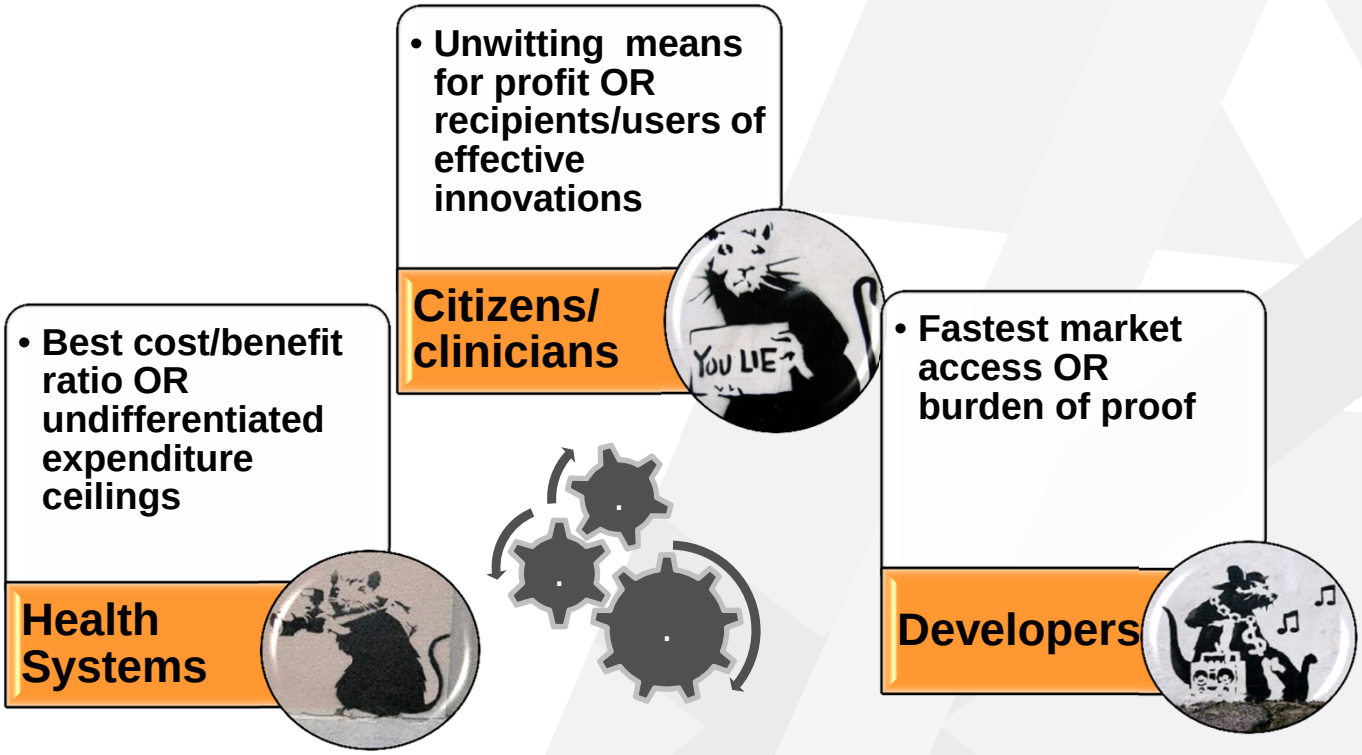


Health Technology Assessment

* Health technology assessment (HTA) is a multidisciplinary process that summarises information about the medical, social, economic and ethical issues related to the use of a health technology, in a systematic, transparent, unbiased, robust manner.
* Its aim is to inform the formulation of safe, effective health policies that are patient focused and seek to achieve best value.
* Despite its policy goals, HTA must always be firmly rooted in research and the scientific method.

How HTA can / does contribute to Health Systems' resilience

* Expectations (and tensions)



The Domains of the HTA Core Model®
- answering questions to aid decisions

Reliable, timely, transparent, information

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3. Safety
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6. Ethical analysis
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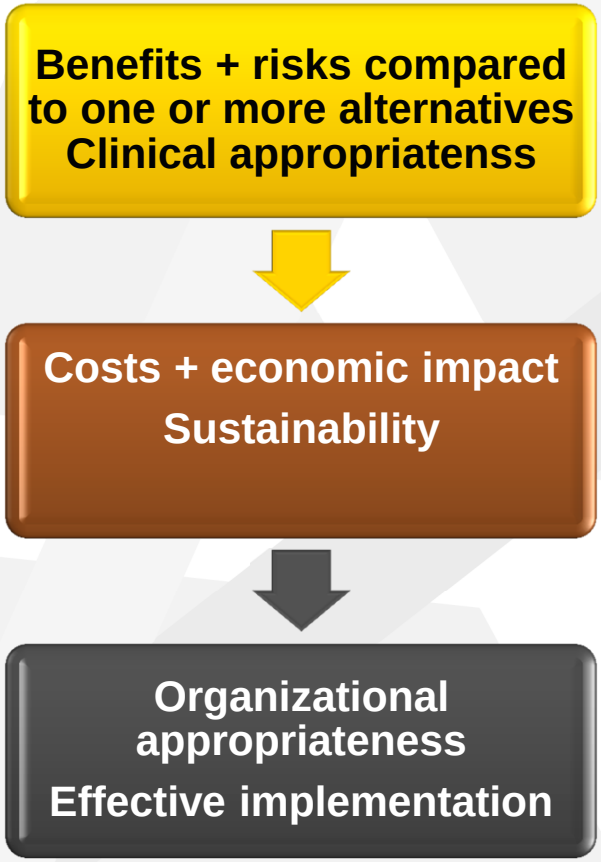

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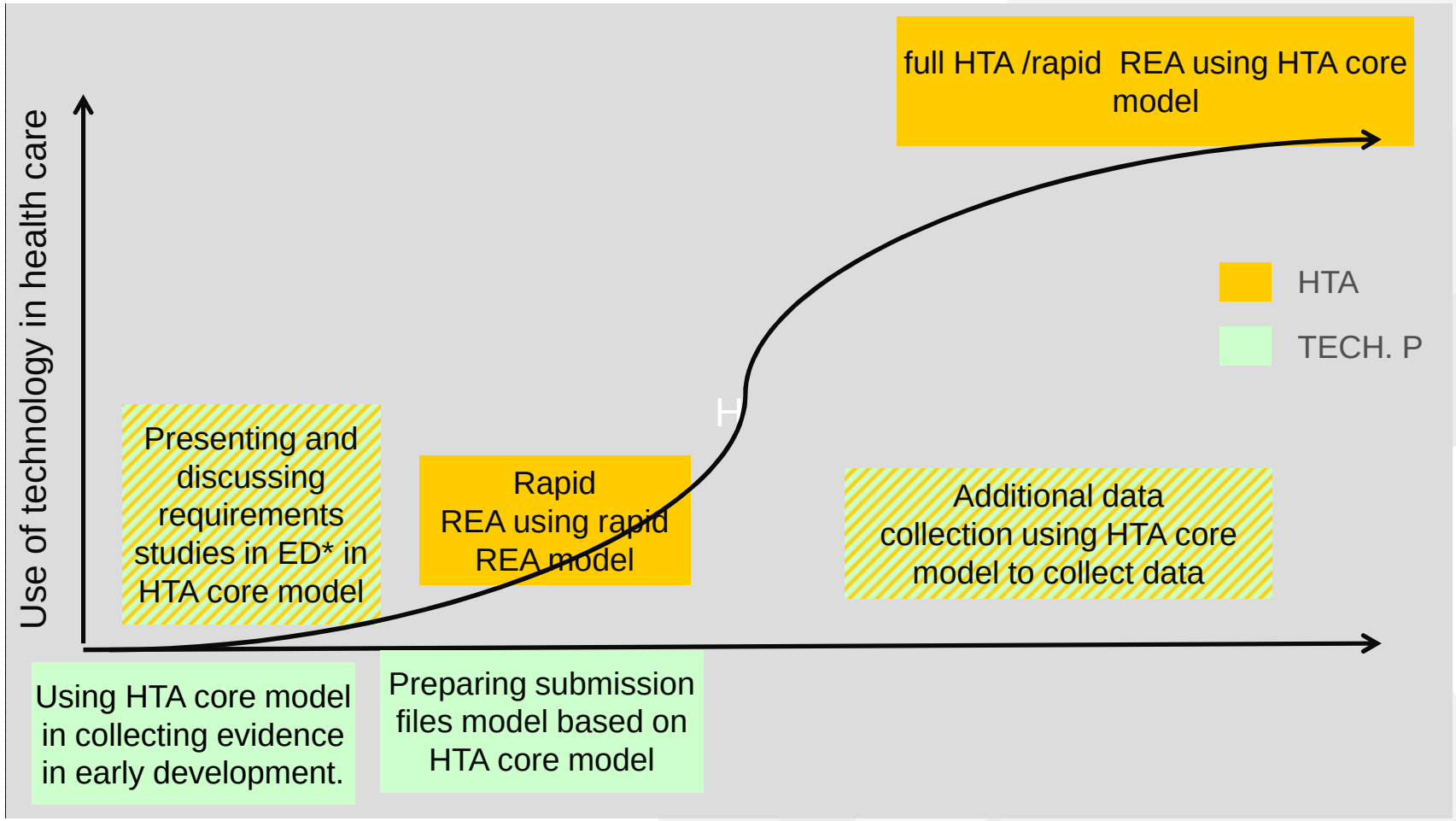

The HTA European Collaboration goals

Efficiency	Quality	Availability of evidence
• Timely information • Less duplication • Re-use and local adaptation • Greater coverage of topics	• Shared methodology • New/emerging methodological challenges	• Communication of evidence needs • Dealing with research gaps

Sharing trustworthy assessments

- Joint products, collaborative products, re-use of local products

HTA and context

Globalize the evidence, localize the decision

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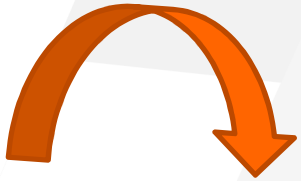

Locate the decision, globalise the evidence, localise the reporting

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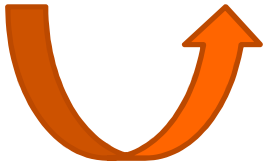

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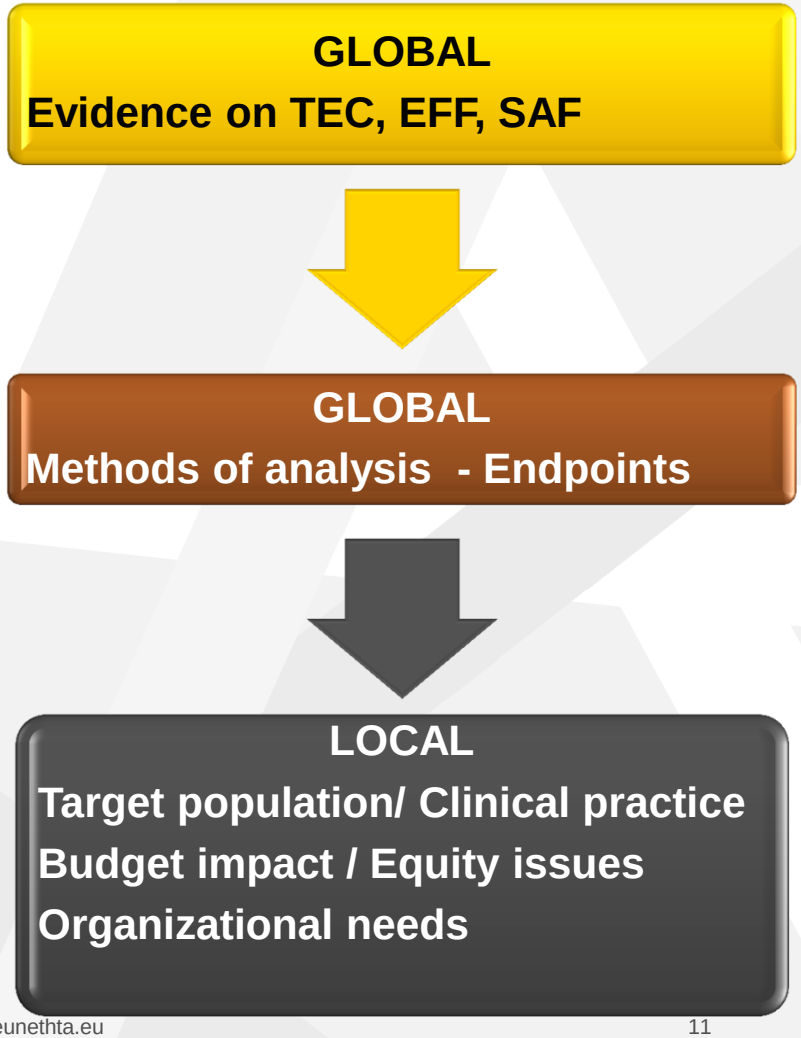

Global evidence to support local decisions

Ø Transparency and accountability of decisions

Ø Variations explained and understood

Ø Higher predictability of market and health expenditures

Ø Increase of uniformity of care across borders

Key lessons learned

- ***Value of network***
  - Ø Positive national results of European cooperation
  - Ø Synergies between policy making, HTA and regulation have materialised at EU level – they facilitate national synergies
  - Ø Getting effective technologies faster to the patients – pathways are emerging, with shared strategies still to be developed

- ***The HTA cooperation mechanism***
  - Ø Europe has an official HTA Network Strategy
  - Ø EUnetHTA has issued Recommendations on the implementation of the scientific work

JA 3 - Next goals / Objectives :

towards a permanent and sustainable cooperation

Ø Recommendations for a sustainable model of European HTA

Ø Sustainable joint work: from early assessment to re-assessment

Ø Support for developers of medical technologies on their product development plans

Ø Quality management / assurance of HTA products

Ø Increase HTA capacity in MS

Ø Better understanding of how HTA is/becomes embedded in decision making processes of MS

Thank you

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