



**Pan American
Health
Organization**



*Regional Office of the
World Health Organization*

CARMEN Policy Observatory on Noncommunicable Diseases



What is the CARMEN Policy Observatory?

- A system for knowledge development & dissemination
 - involving a network of countries and institutions
 - engaged in ongoing systematic analysis of:
NCD-related public policies including
 - legislation, regulations, standard-setting etc.
 - Financial measures
 - Provision of programs and services
 - Information and education
 - International conventions

Who is the Audience?

Has various *means, purposes* and *strategies*:

- **Government political leaders (All levels)**
- **Government bureaucrats (All levels)**
- **Members of public health organizations**
- **Members of professional bodies**
- **Members of self-help and consumer-advocacy groups**

The CARMEN Policy Observatory Strategy

1. Evidence (Knowledge) Development
2. Support for Policy Making, Knowledge Dissemination and Feedback

CARMEN Policy Observatory

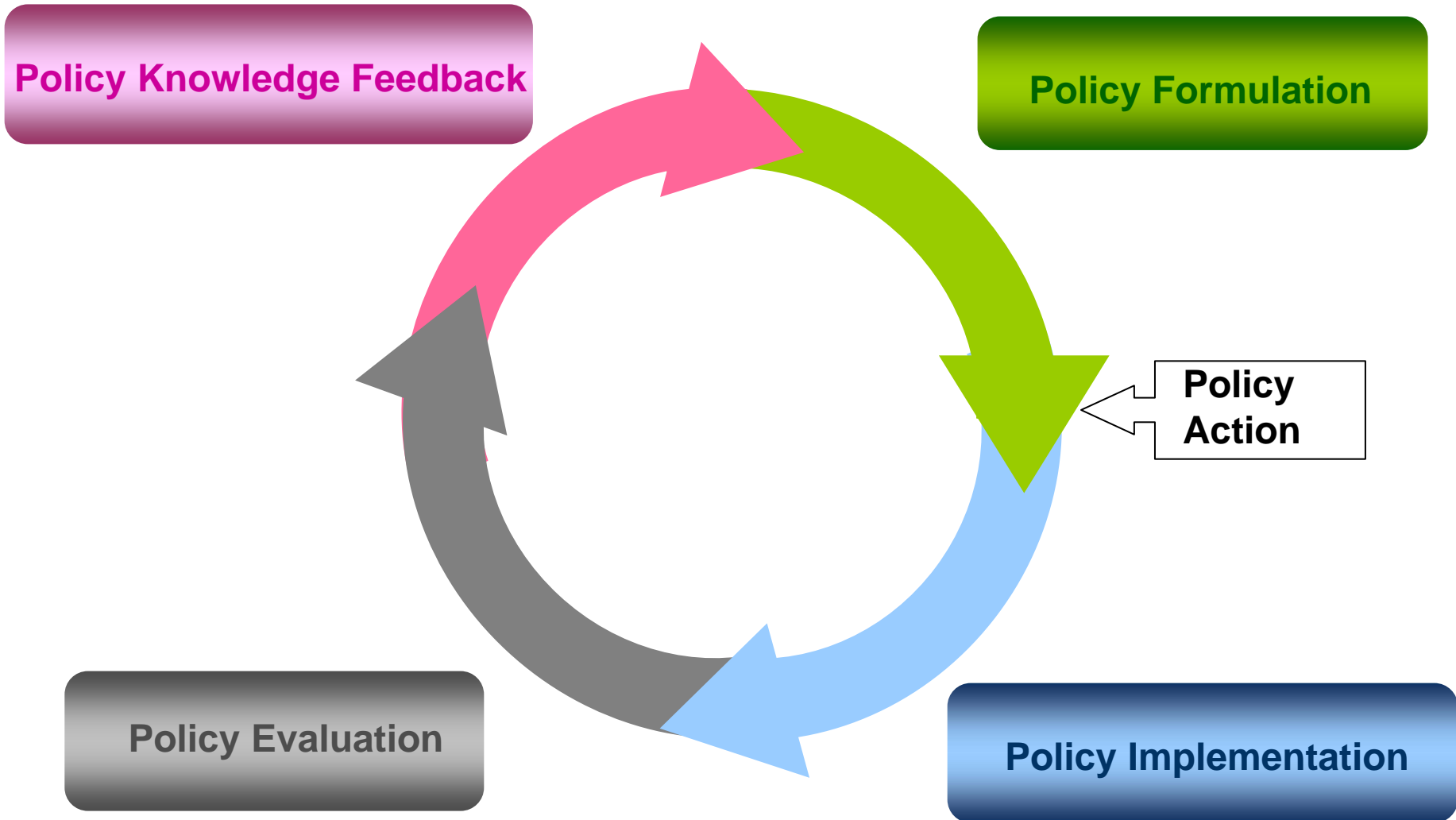
– Scientific Framework

Themes

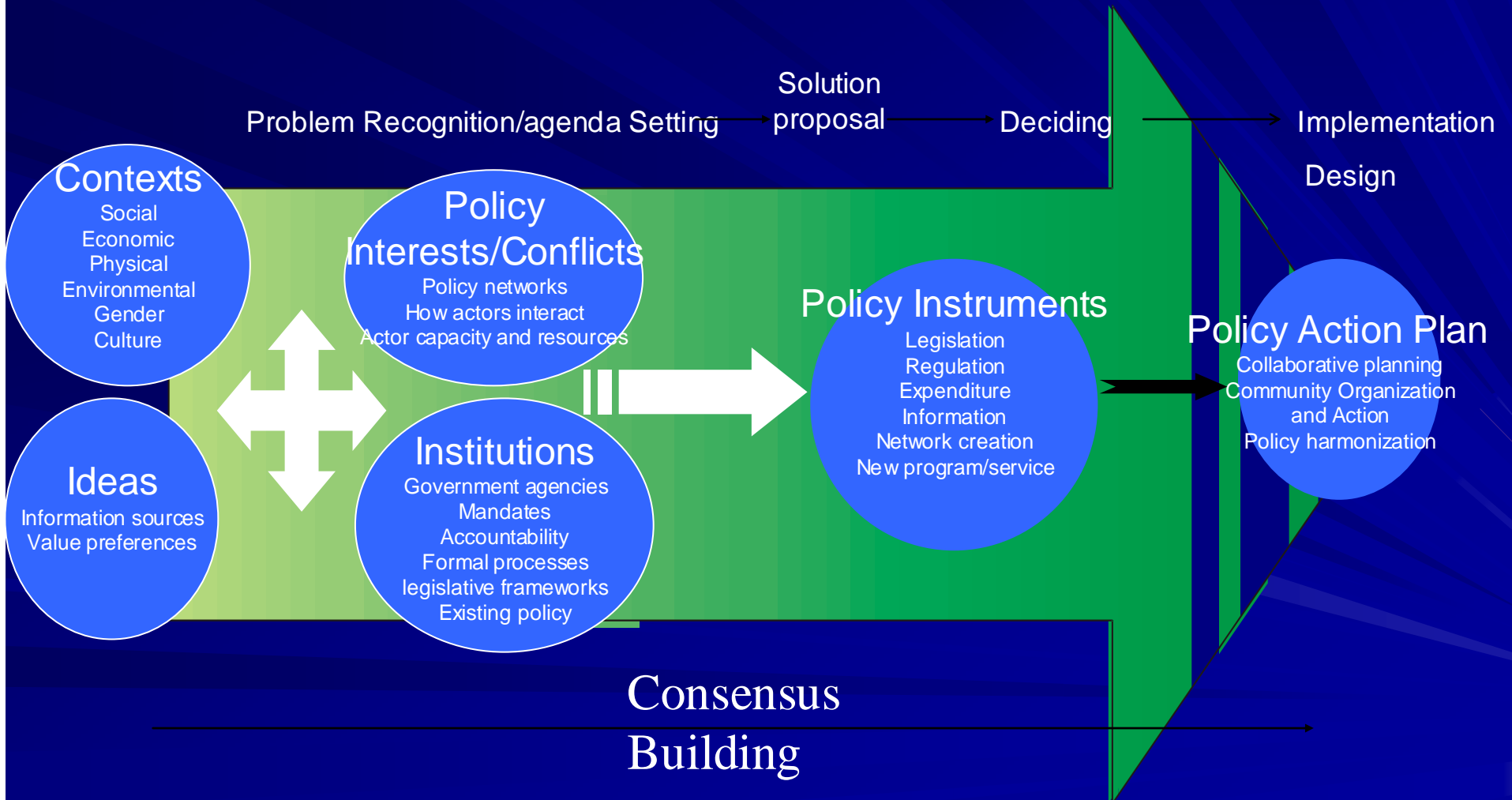
From Case Studies

- Capacity-Building
- Integration
- Partnerships
- Evidence for Policy (Surveillance & Research)
- Investment & Cost-Effectiveness
- Socio-cultural and historical context
- Prevention of specific risk factors (e.g. obesity)
- Reduction of inequities
- Political context

POLICY CYCLE



CARMEN Framework for Policy Analysis (Part 1 – Policy Formulation)

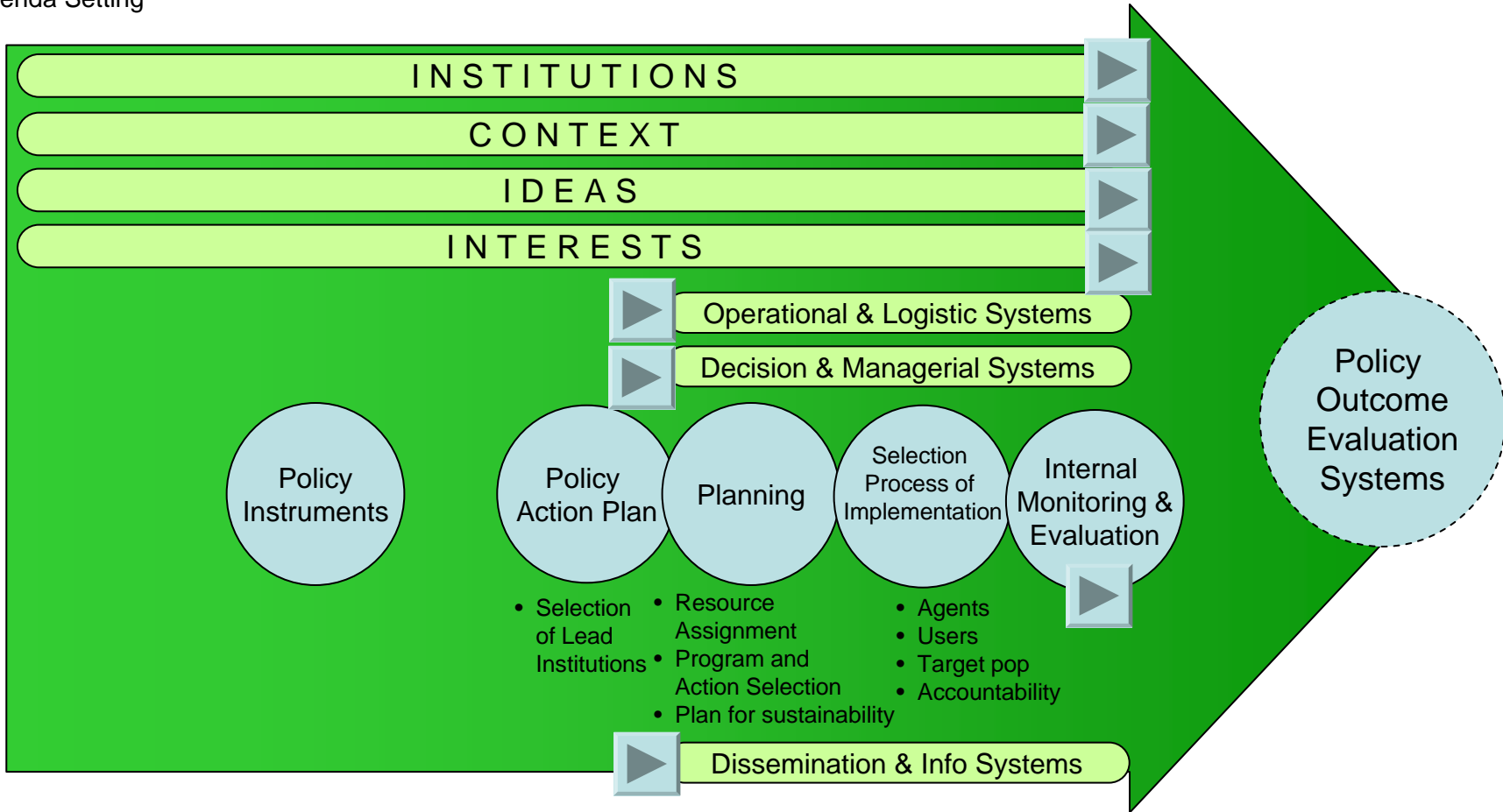


Stage ← **FORMULATION** ————— **IMPLEMENTATION** →

← **Evaluation of Policy Processes** ————— → **Evaluation of Policy Outcomes**

Phase Problem Recognition
Agenda Setting Solution Proposal Decisions Implementation Design Organizations Applications of Policy Instruments

ELEMENTS



- Selection of Lead Institutions
- Resource Assignment
- Program and Action Selection
- Plan for sustainability
- Agents
- Users
- Target pop
- Accountability

Constant Process Actions { Interpretation ————— →

Consensus Building ————— →

Operationally the Observatory will support and promote a number of functions, at both regional and country level:

