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# Project prioritisation framework

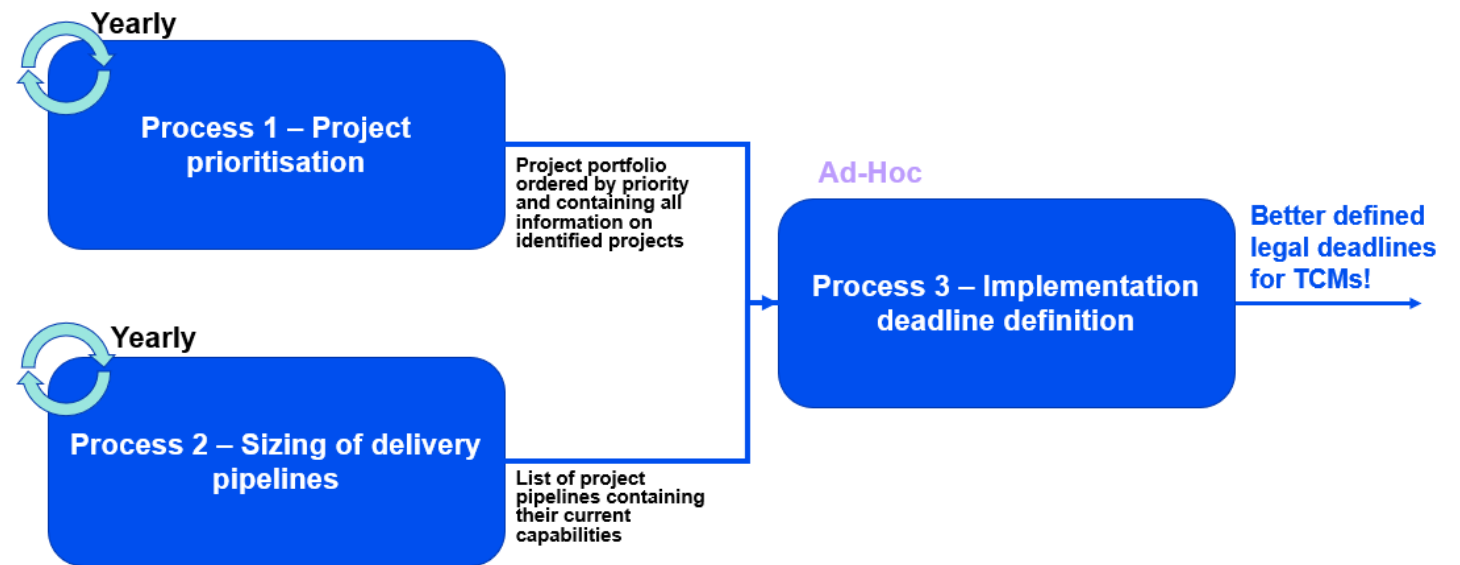
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# Context and guidance on project prioritisation process

- On 12 May, an ad-hoc MESC meeting was organised to define the way forward on the project prioritisation.
- During this meeting, all parties generally appreciated the work done overall on this topic.
- The proposed way forward was to formalize the process to be followed in the future in a guidance note that would be endorsed by the MESC.
- A draft of the guidance note was prepared, based on the document approved in AEWG earlier this year.
- The document has been shared with the CACM TF on the 31/05, aims at being approved in the 5 July MESC meeting after a round of comments and a discussion in the AEWG.



- **Regional exercises**

- In the note, it is proposed that regional project pipelines (e.g. Core TSO-only) could have to perform a prioritisation exercise, following the same process, in case the TF decides that it faces congestion.
- This would allow to harmonise the prioritisation process across the AEWG project pipelines.

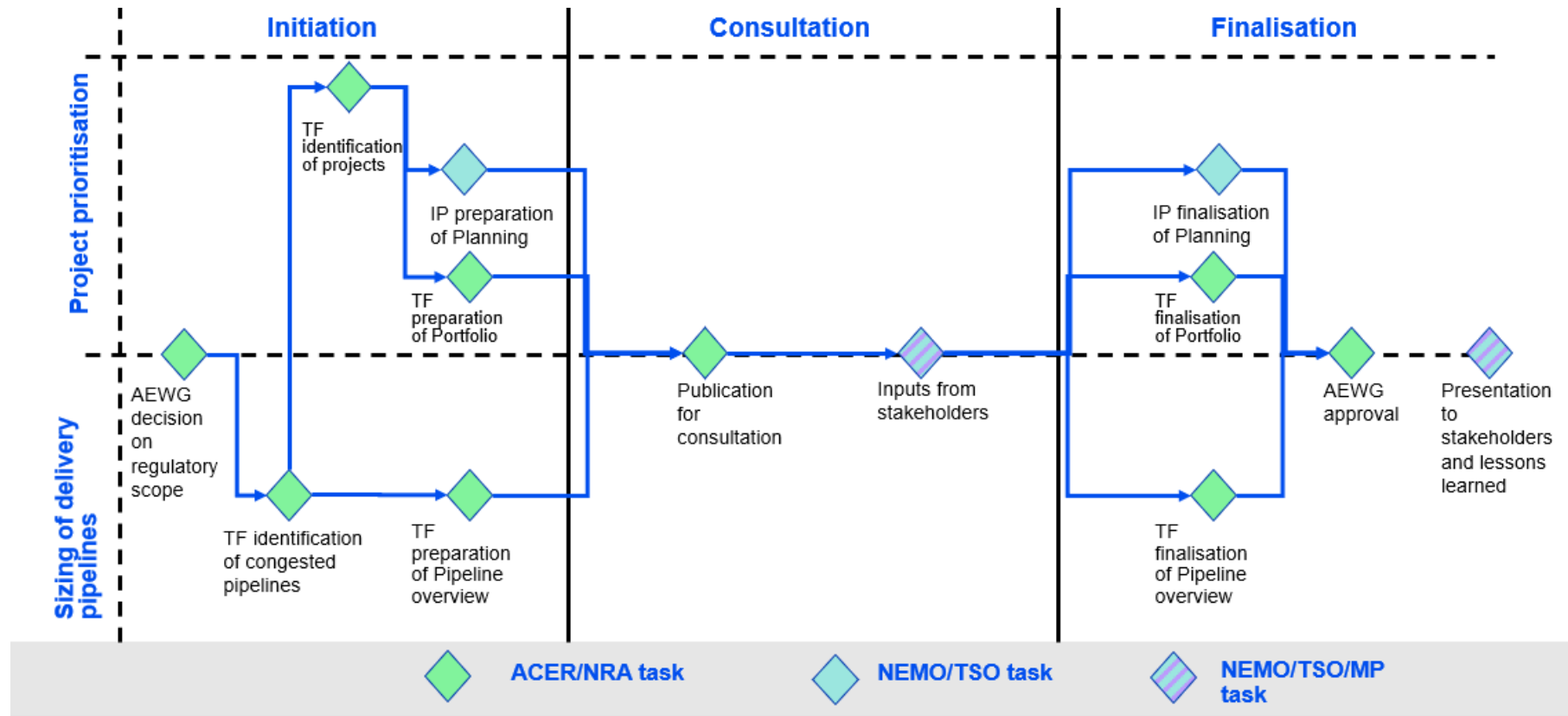
- **Project estimation**

- It is now proposed to only work on the estimation of the project implementation time as part of the decision-making process related to the definition of the implementation date of a TCM/Regulation.
- This would allow to rely on the inputs from the TSOs/NEMOs and on the public consultations foreseen in the TCMs/Regulation decision-making process.

# Proposed changes to the process compared to previous discussions (2)

- **Revision of the timeline**

- The process is now repeated every year. The indicative duration of the process is 6 months.



# Main feedback received on the draft note

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The draft note was shared with the MESC distribution list between the 10/06 and the 19/06, allowing stakeholders to provide comments. Only NEMOs formally provided comments by the deadline. TSOs have provided their comments during the 20/06 PCG.

- **NEMOs:** generally agree with the proposed draft but suggest changes regarding to the prioritisation criteria
- **TSOs:** expressed the need to be able to:
  - Re-open methodologies to change implementation deadlines
  - Have an EU-wide discussion on resources for market coupling implementation
  - Revise the target date for alignment (there is no rush to align by the 5 July MESC)

**ACER and NRAs are open to:**

- **Revise the proposed criteria**
- **Widen the objectives of the consultation phase to better involve stakeholders**

## Remaining open points to complete the exercise:

1. **Align on the guidance note with MESC → Target September MESC**
2. **Organize the project estimation → ACER task**
3. **Assess the current capabilities of the different delivery pipelines that have been identified → Ongoing**

# Thank you. Any questions?



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