

CER Data Exchange Industry Co-design

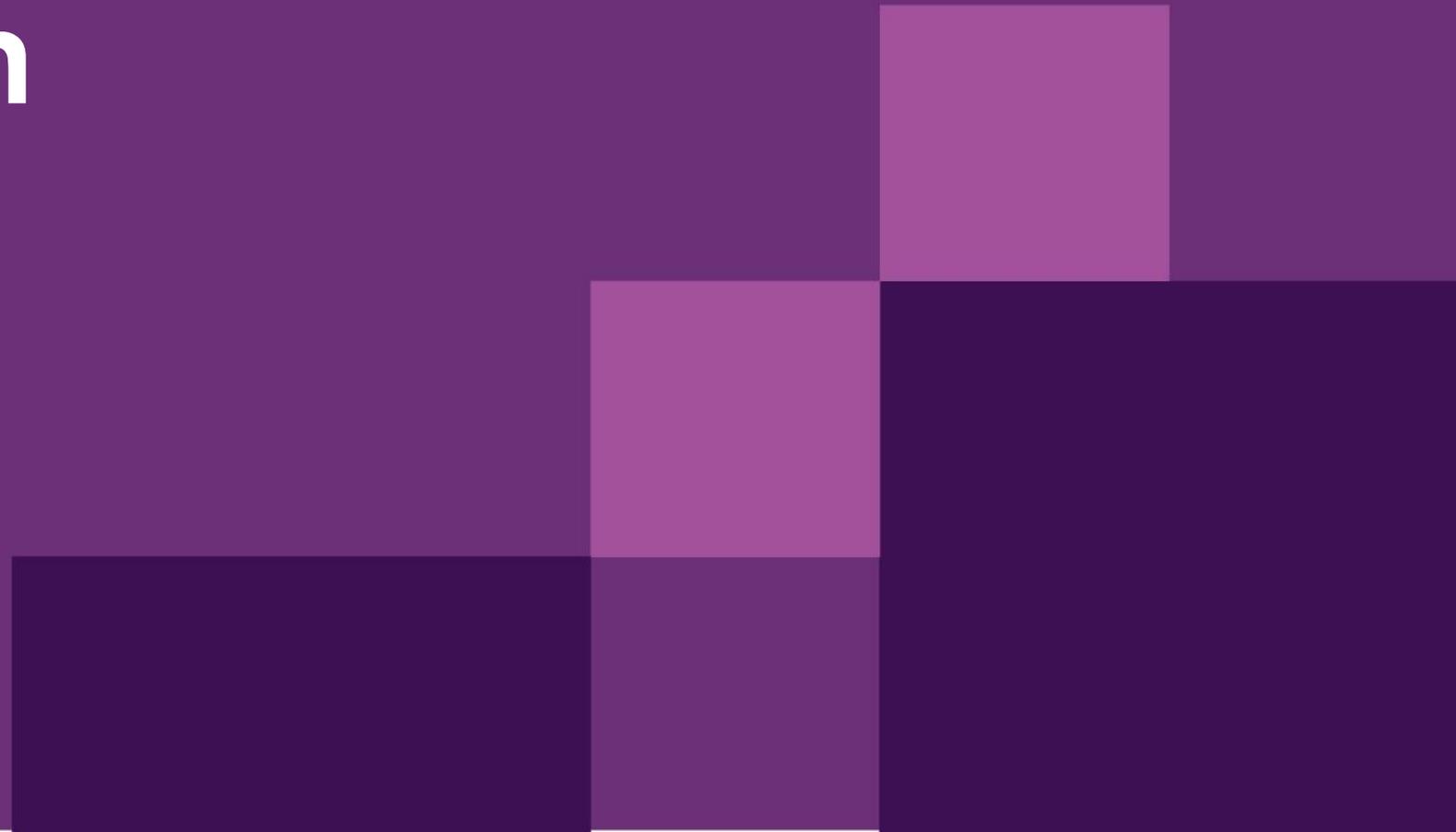
Workshop 3

6 March 2025





Welcome & Introduction



Housekeeping, venue safety and meeting logistics



Housekeeping and venue safety



Emergency Exits

A few requests from the project team



Be open to
different
perspectives



Outcome focused
– focus on the
problem we are
trying to solve, but
we can't solve
everything



Welcome
constructive
questions



Please stay at
your allocated
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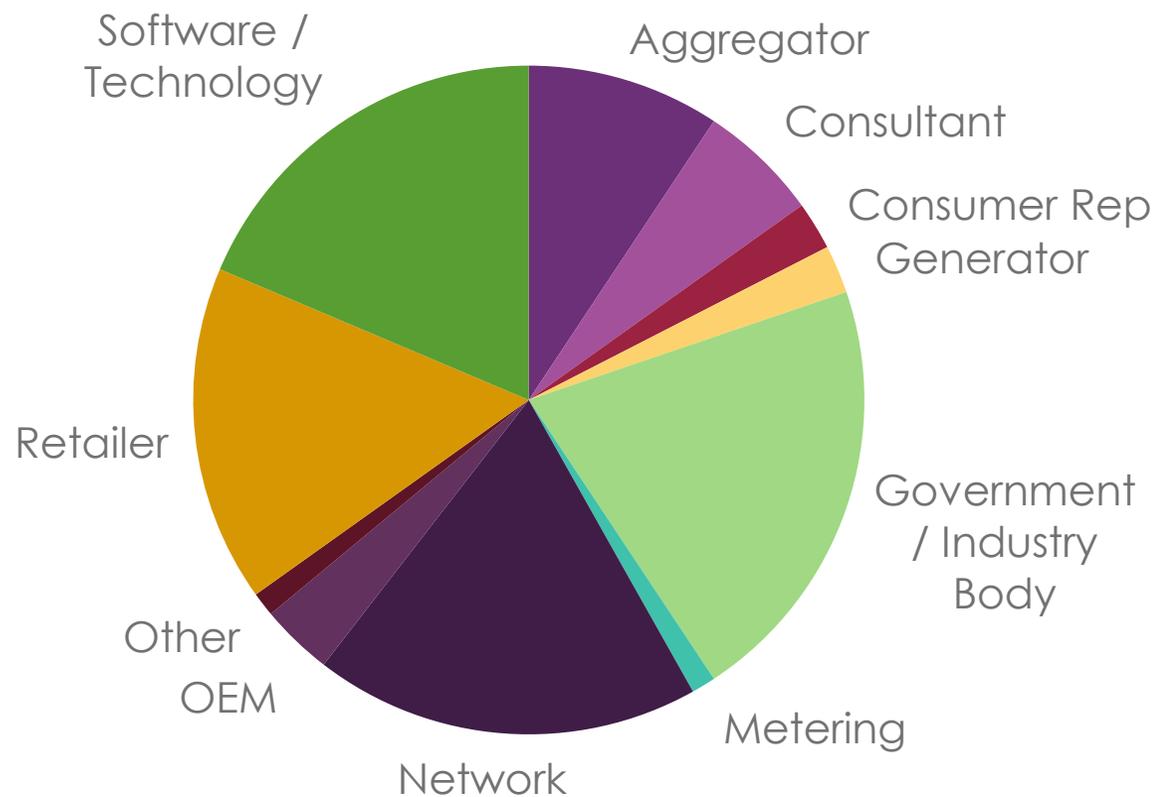


Today's workshop



Who is here today?

100+
Stakeholders



Workshop #3 Agenda

Morning Sessions

Registration

Welcome & Introductions

Part 1: Context

Presentations

- CER National Roadmap
- CER Reform Landscape
- Project Update

Activity 1a: Implementation Future Think

Morning Tea Break

Part 2: MVP of Priority Use Cases

Presentation

Activity 2: MVP In / Out

- Technical – MVP vs Future Evolution
- Use Cases 1, 2 & 3

Lunch

Afternoon Sessions

Panel Discussion

Part 2 (cont.): Governance and Accountability

Activity 3: Governance, Roles & Responsibilities

Part 3: Cost Assessment

Presentation

Afternoon Tea Break

Part 3 (cont.): Cost Assessment

Activity 4: Cost Assessment

Part 4: Implementation Considerations

Presentation

Activity 1b: Industry input on implementation considerations

Next Steps & Closing Remarks

Part 1: Context

Presentations by:

- Phil Poon – DCCEEW
- Violette Mouchaileh – AEMO
- Anna Collyer – AEMC
- Ed Chan – Mott MacDonald

Mini-Panel



CER Roadmap Update

Phil Poon

Department of Climate Change, the Environment,
Energy and Water (DCCEEW)



Australian Government

Department of Climate Change, Energy,
the Environment and Water

National CER Roadmap

Presentation to the
CER Data Exchange Workshop #3

Phil Poon
6 March 2025



Background

Australia's energy system is changing

- CER is being increasingly being acquired and deployed by Australians
- Australia has set a target of 82% on-grid electricity supplied from renewables nationally.
- CER is transforming the energy system from a centralised, one-directional system to a decentralised, bidirectional system

National cooperation is needed

- Jurisdictional roadmaps identify different processes, priorities and timelines for CER integration
- The Roadmap provides a pathway for national CER integration
- The Roadmap sets out a national vision, a series of outcomes and projects required for CER integration

National Consumer Energy Resources Roadmap

- Aims to put downward pressure on bills and overall system costs, reduce emissions & broaden access to CER across consumers
- Includes:
 - New consumer protections
 - Network reforms that allow consumers to export more solar power to the grid
 - Nationally consistent standards in key areas, including to enable vehicle to grid technologies

Workstreams & Priorities

National Consumer Energy Resources Roadmap

Vision

Consumer Energy Resources are an integral part of Australia's secure, affordable and sustainable future electricity systems, delivering benefits and equitable outcomes to all consumers through efficient use which smooths the transition, rewards participation and lower emissions.

Outcomes

Benefits for all consumers



Maximise economic opportunities



Reliable and secure systems



Sustainable, future-ready and world-leading



Principles

Ensure equitable access to benefits of new technology

Fair system that prioritises consumer protection, including emerging energy products and services

Reduce household and business bills and emissions, support power system security and reliability

Integration with sectoral action plans

Consistent and contemporary compliance, technical standards and enforcement

Orchestrated management and implementation of CER and enabling infrastructure

Workstreams



1 Consumers

- C.1 Extending consumer protections for CER
- C.2 More equitable access to benefits of CER
- C.3 CER information to empower consumers



2 Technology

- T.1 Nationally consistent standards, including electric vehicle to grid
- T.2 National regulatory framework for CER to enforce standards
- T.3 Establish secure communication systems for CER devices



3 Markets

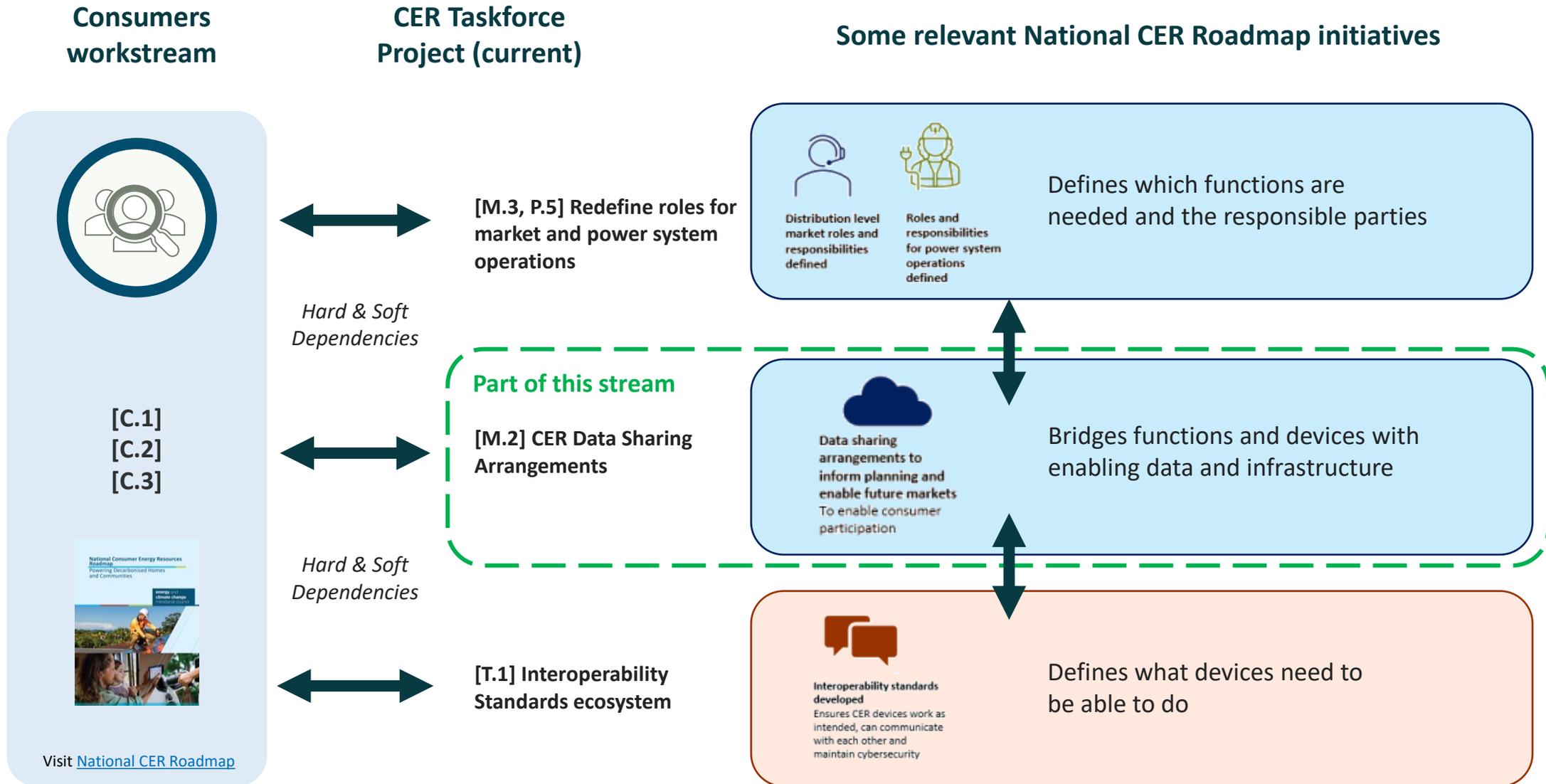
- M.1 Enable new market offers and tariff structures to support CER uptake
- M.2 Data sharing arrangements to inform planning and enable future markets
- M.3 Redefine roles for market operations



4 Power system operations

- P.1 Enable consumers to export and import more power to and from the grid
- P.2 Faster, harmonised CER connection processes, including EV chargers
- P.3 Improve voltage management across distribution networks
- P.4 Incentivising distribution network investment in CER
- P.5 Redefine roles for power system operations

How this project fits into the National CER Roadmap



National CER Roadmap

www.energy.gov.au/energy-and-climate-change-ministerial-council/energy-ministers-publications

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AEMO Landscape and concurrent reforms



Violette Mouchaileh

Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO)



A message from the AEMC

Anna Collyer

Australian Energy Market Commission (AEMC)



Anna Collyer, Australian Energy Market Commission





Presentation: Project Update

Ed Chan

Mott MacDonald

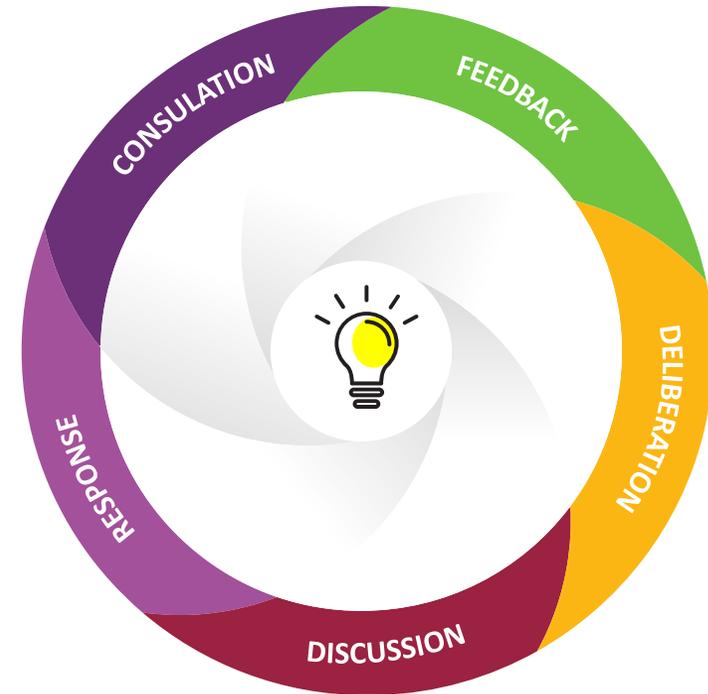


The CER Data Exchange Co-Design project

Alignment on a high-level design preferences



Co-design project with stakeholders

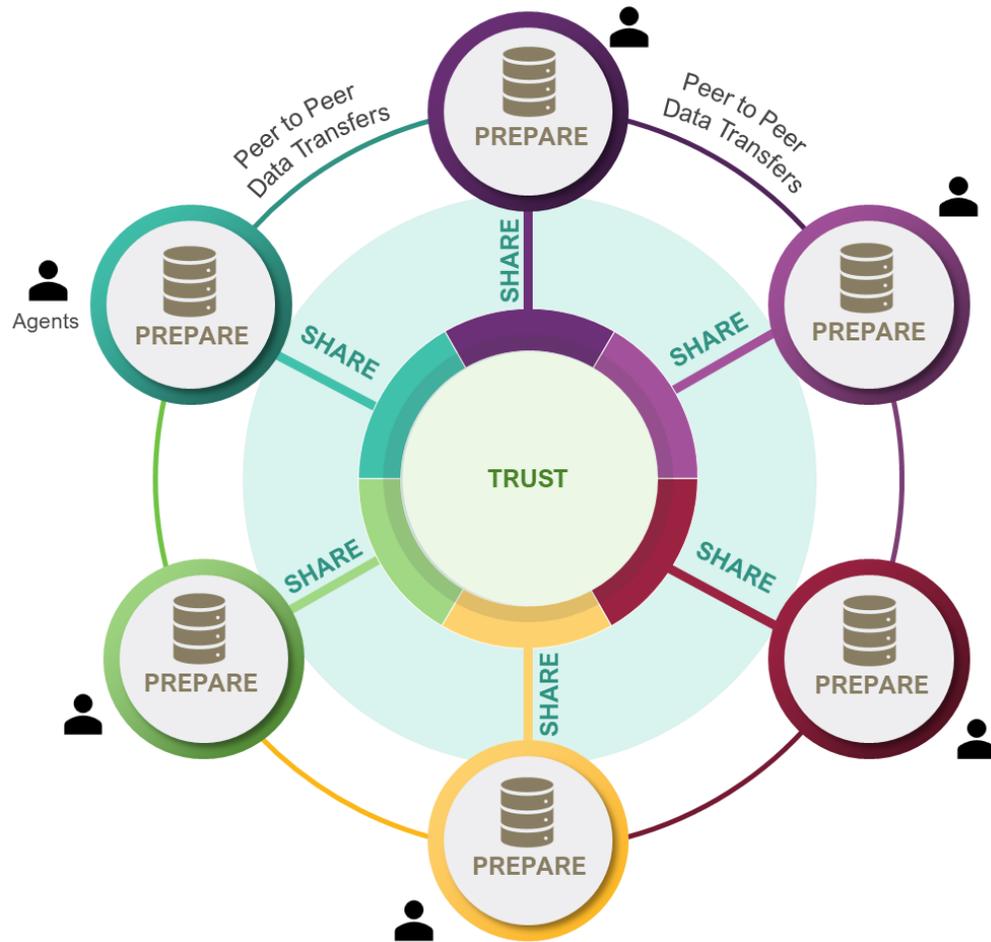


What is the CER Data Exchange?



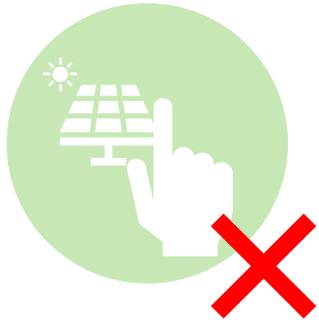
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Nickname: “Stitch”
Origin: Intergalactic Planetary System

What is the CER Data Exchange?



- ✓ Organisation to organisation data and information exchange
- ✓ A streamlined and more efficient way to exchange data
- ✓ Improve information and data accessibility
- ✓ Enables better CER integration and coordination

What the CER Data Exchange is not



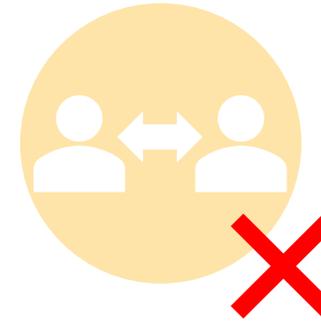
**Directly control
customer
devices**



**Take over
existing market
participant
functions**



**Replace existing
efficient
processes**



**Not the only
way to
exchange data**

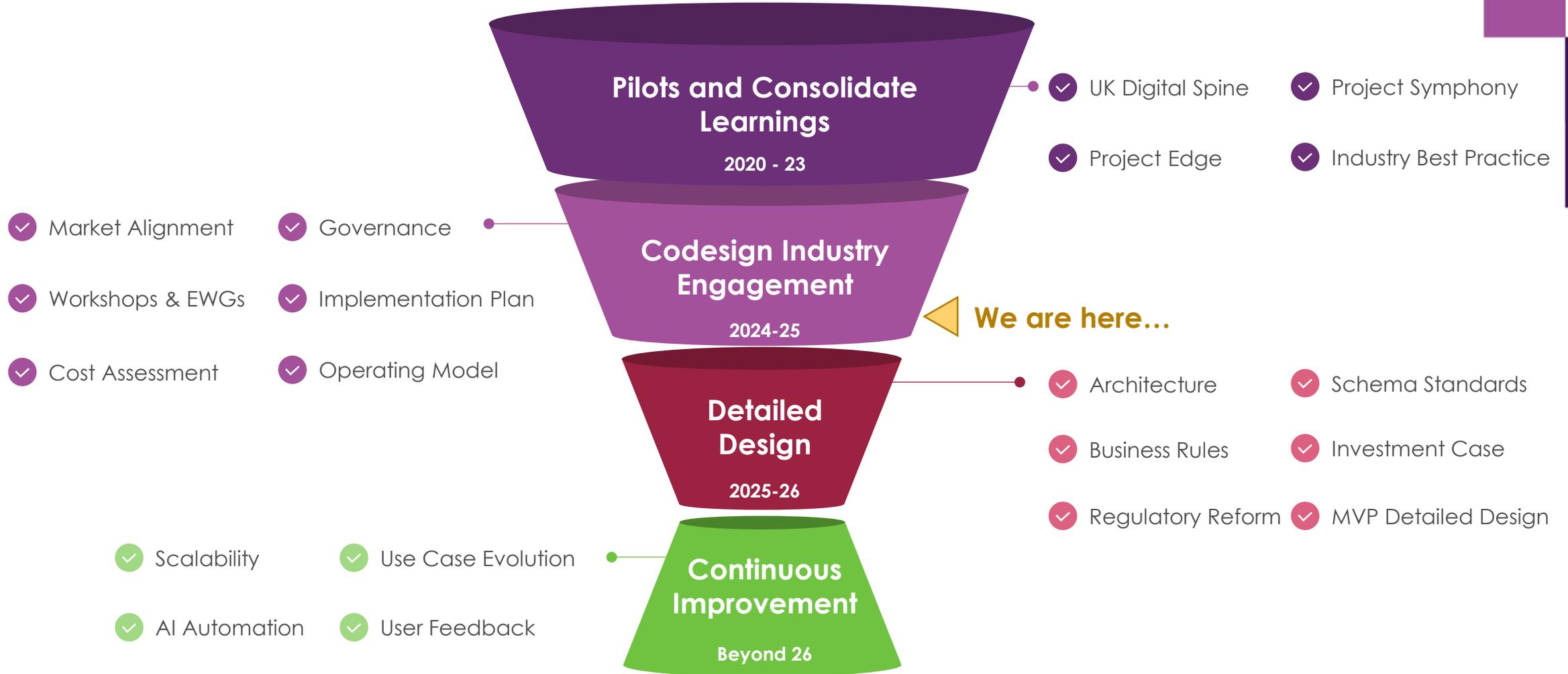


**Experiment 626
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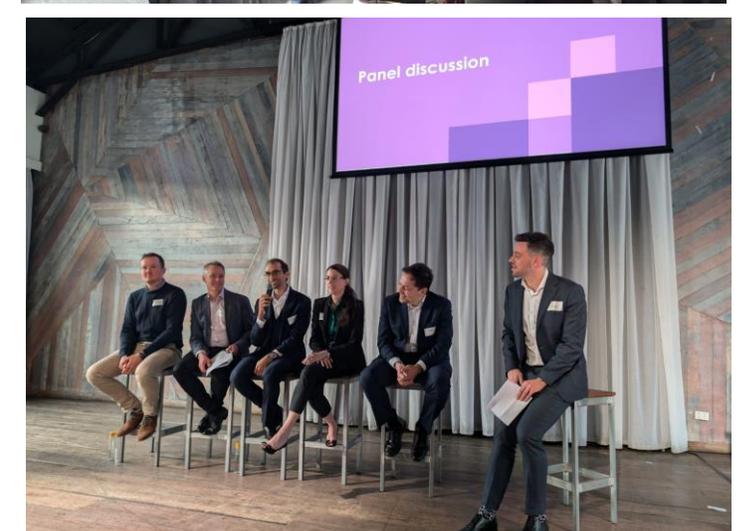
This has been a long journey



But this project isn't the start of the journey



Many of you joined us on this journey

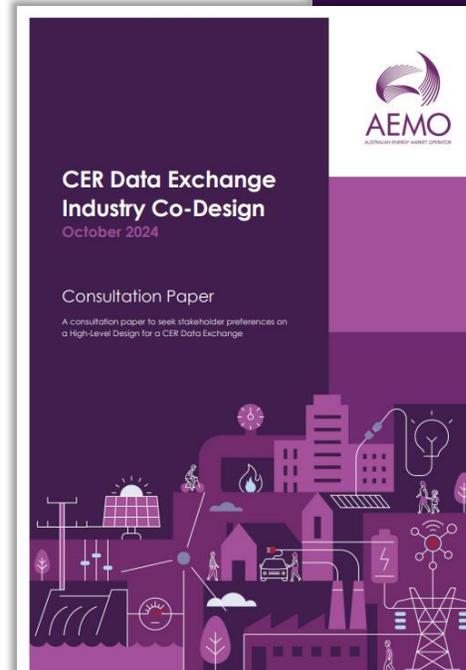


Significant contributions by industry to shape reform

170 People at Industry Workshops

23 Submissions to the Consultation Paper

12 Expert Working Group Meetings



How has stakeholder feedback shaped this process?

AEMO as preferred owner and operator

3 x priority use cases

Leverage existing infrastructure where possible

Start small, then grow



AEMO continue to led co-design process



CER Standing Data, Sharing Network Limits, Network Support + Flexibility Capability Discovery



Leverage the capabilities developed through **MITE**



Focusing on developing 'minimum viable product' for the priority use cases

Market Interface Technology Enhancements (MITE)

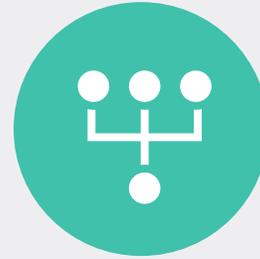
Components of MITE



Identity and Access Management (IDAM)

“right people to get right access”

A unified mechanism to authenticate and authorise external identity and entitlements.



Information Data Exchange (IDX)

“exchange for high volume transactions”

A unified data exchange mechanism to support the secure and efficient exchange of data.



Portal Consolidation (PC)

“one stop shop”

A new web and mobile user portal to provide a unified stakeholder experience.

We have come a long way

June 2024



Now

Broad Stakeholder Support

3 x Priority Use Cases

AEMO Preferred Owner & Operator

Build on MITE infrastructure

Start narrow and scale via phased implementation

Key questions to resolve...

WHAT IS THE MINIMUM VIABLE PRODUCT?
Pre-Lunch & EWG Refinement



WHAT IS THE GOVERNANCE MODEL?
After Lunch

HOW MUCH WILL IT INDICATIVELY COST?
After Lunch

Mini Panel

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ACTIVITY 1: Implementation Future Think



Activity #1 Implementation Future Think



Consider the role and capabilities of the CER Data Exchange in the future.

ACTIVITY A: Future Think Activity

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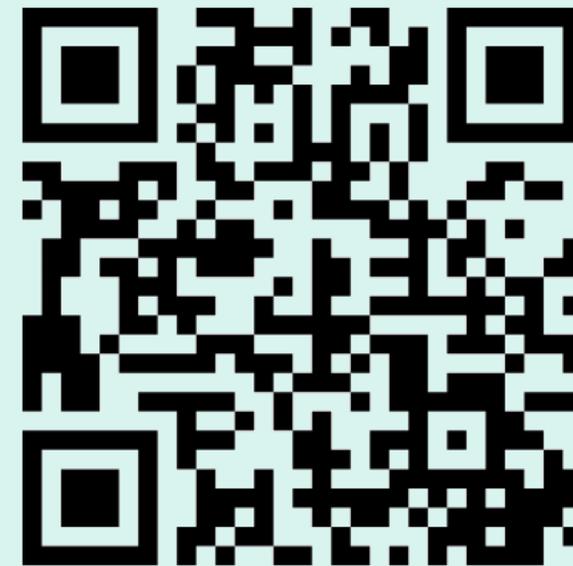
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What are the key risks

What trade-offs should



Morning tea break

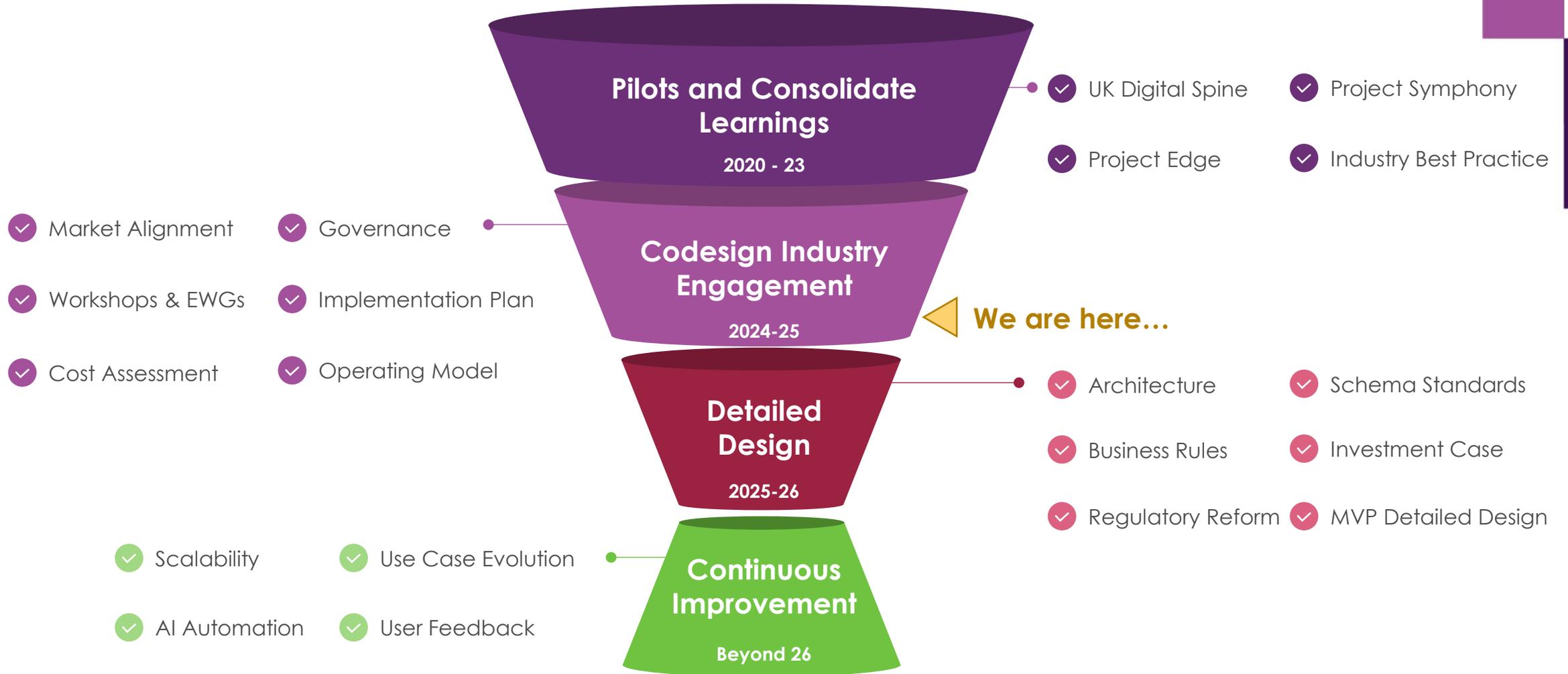




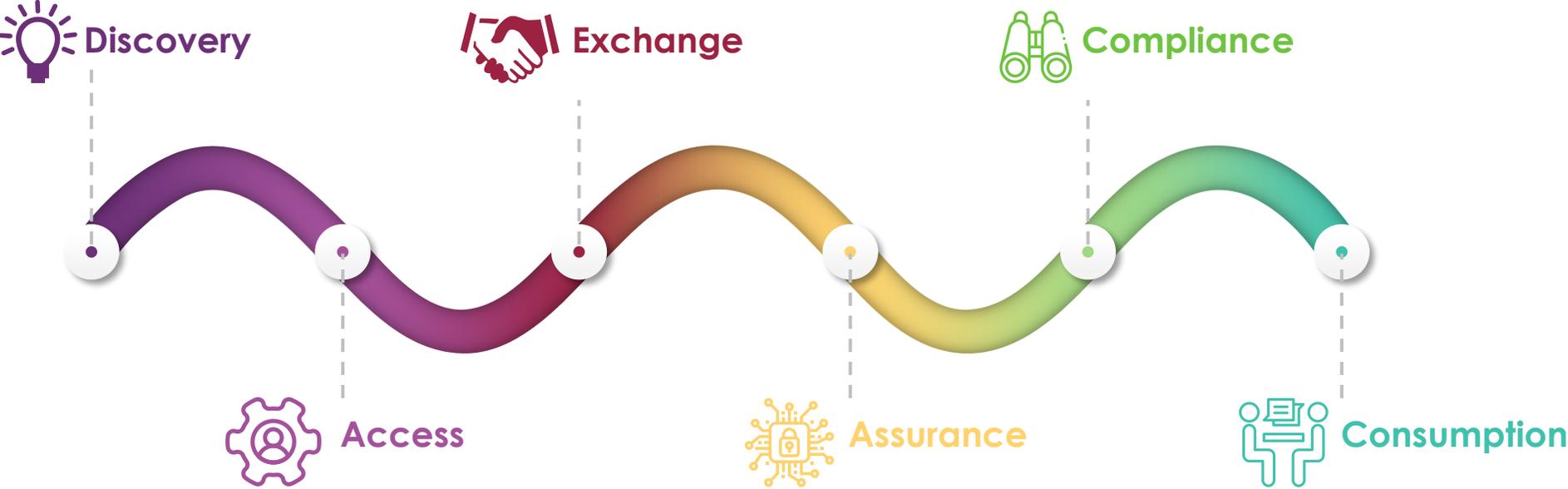
Part 2a: MVP of Priority Use Cases

Craig Chambers

CER Data Exchange Evolution

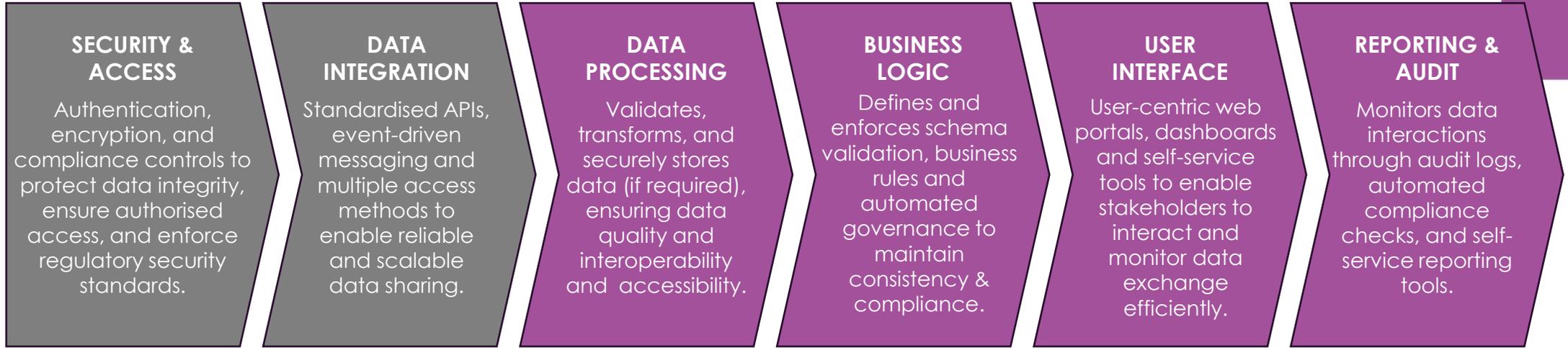


Data Exchange Journey & Services



Data Exchange Services

Functional Services



Operational Services



*MITE provides all this capability for data transmission and access control. Any back-end applications required (e.g. in Use Case #1) will need to be securely built and to leverage the access control services.

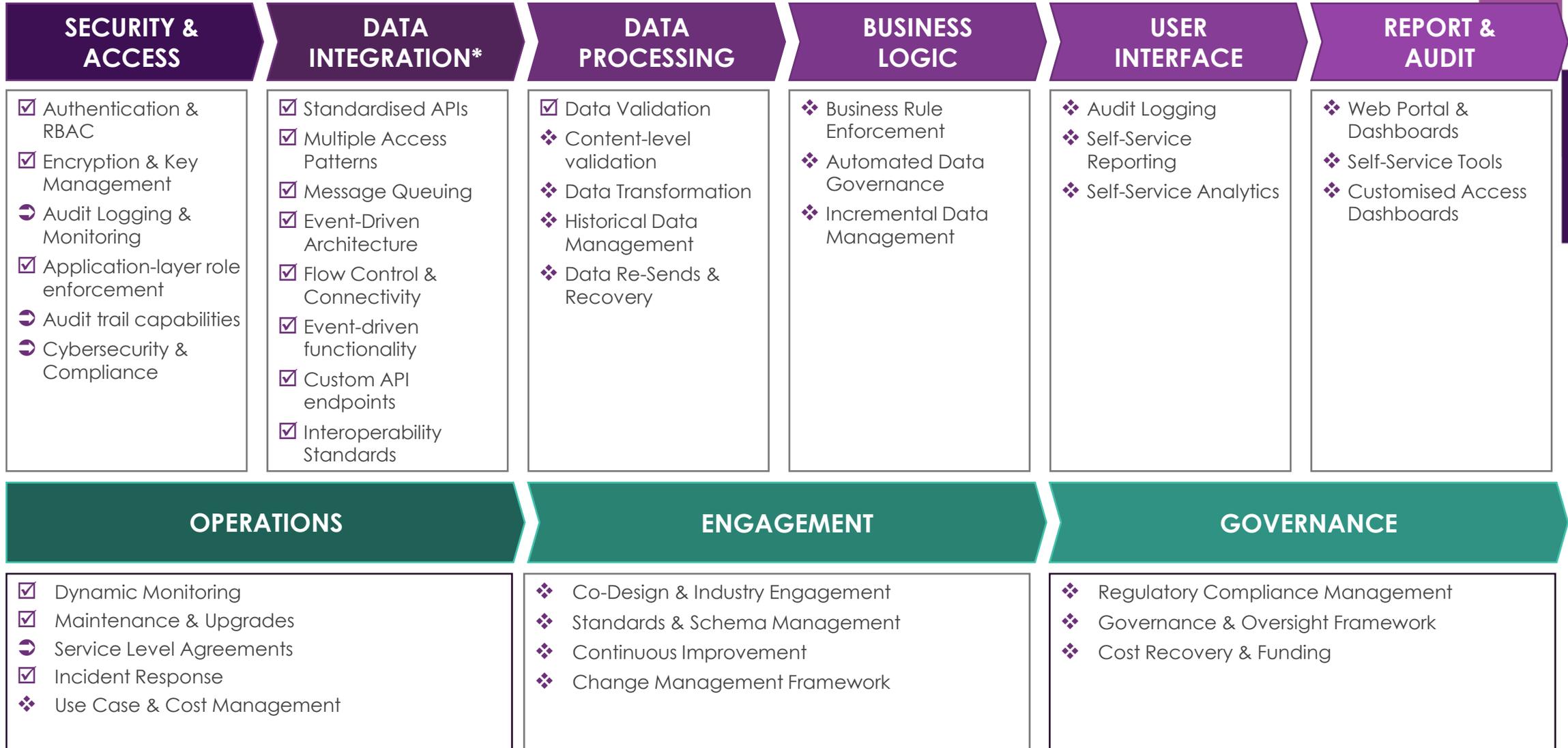
Covered by MITE*, minimal incremental costs

Additional cost
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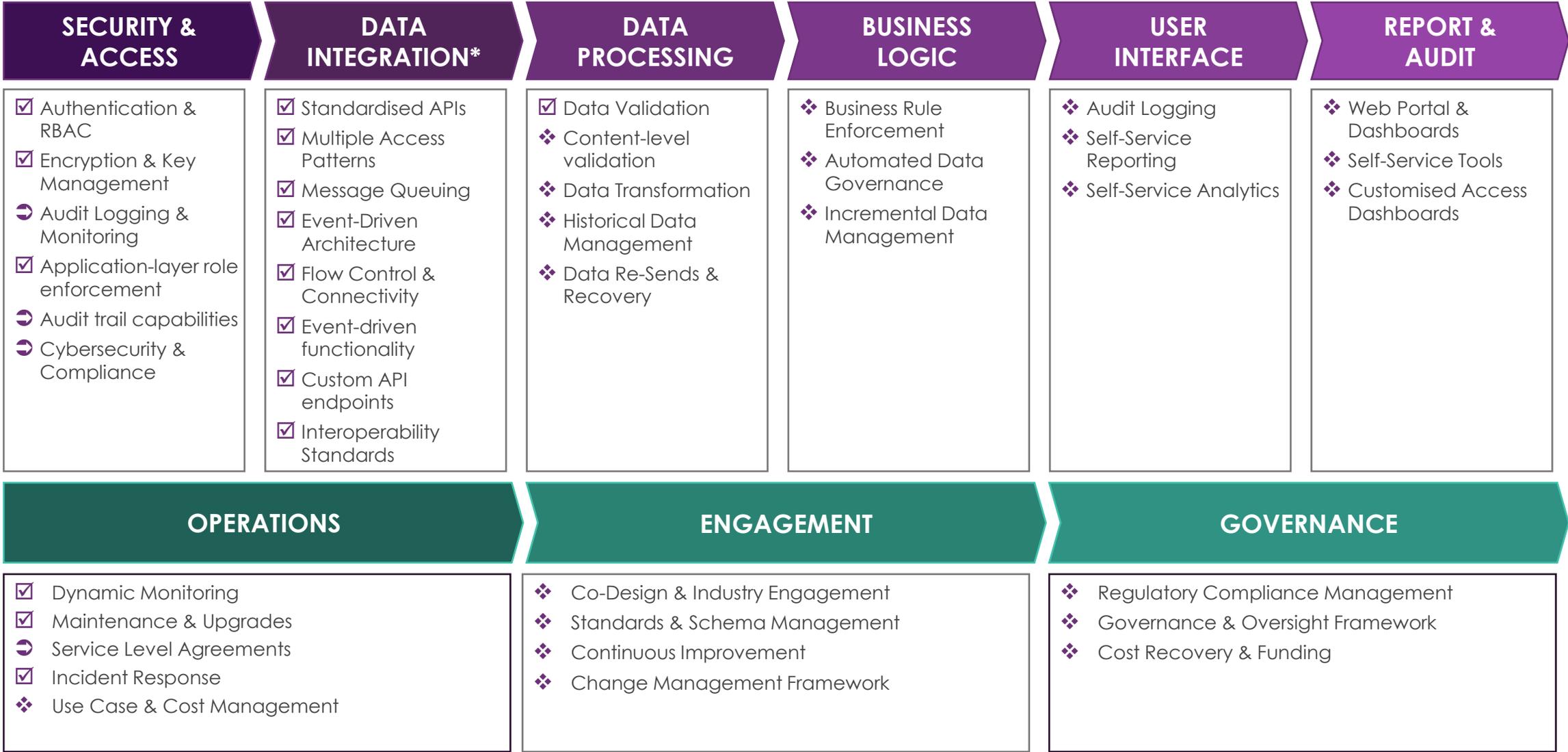
MITE & Exchange Assessment

LEGEND

- ☑ Full Covered by MITE
- ➡ Partially Covered by MITE
- ❖ New Build



* Note: Incremental infrastructure may be required to service data volumes required by CER Data Exchange



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Co-designed Priority Use Case Overview



1 Broader Access to CER Standing Data

Challenge: Lack of accurate, consistent, and accessible CER standing data which hinders grid planning, market participation, and regulatory compliance.

Objective: Establish trusted, standardised, and dynamic access of CER data.

Outcome: Improved CER data accuracy and consistency, reducing administrative burden, supports interoperability and increasing value for customers.



2 Efficient Sharing of Network Limits

Challenge: Access to network limits is typically limited to agents (e.g. OEMs), Aggregators and Retailers.

Objective: Facilitate the sharing of network limits from DNSPs to other actors who need the information.

Outcome: Reduced integration, registration and compliance challenges, improved operational awareness, and grid performance optimisation.



3 Network Support & Flex Capability Discovery

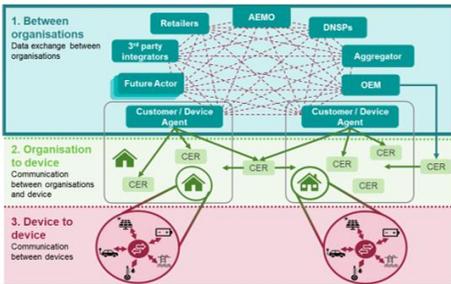
Challenge: Limited visibility into flexibility capability and the value of elevating network constraints restricts efficient CER participation in flexibility markets.

Objective: Enable secure, standardised data exchange between industry and flex service providers.

Outcome: Improved coordination and activation of flexible resources whilst reducing barriers to entry for new market participants

Design Evolution

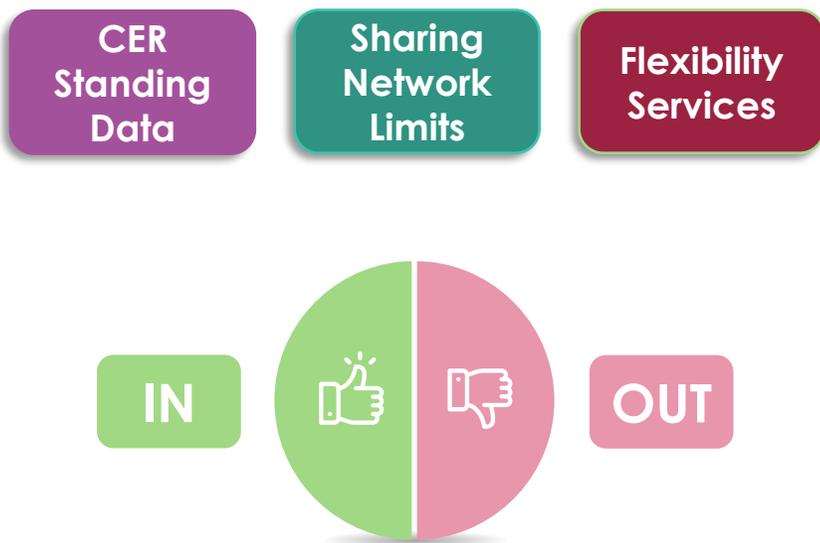
CONCEPT DESIGN



Project Symphony

Digital Spine
Feasibility study

HIGH LEVEL DESIGN MINIMUM VIABLE PRODUCT



High Level Design
Today

DETAILED DESIGN & IMPLIMENTATION

- Ongoing Industry Codesign
- Regulatory Considerations
- Funding Investment
- Detailed Technical Design
- Compliance & Governance
- Agile Staged Implementation

Detailed Design
Post Codesign Process

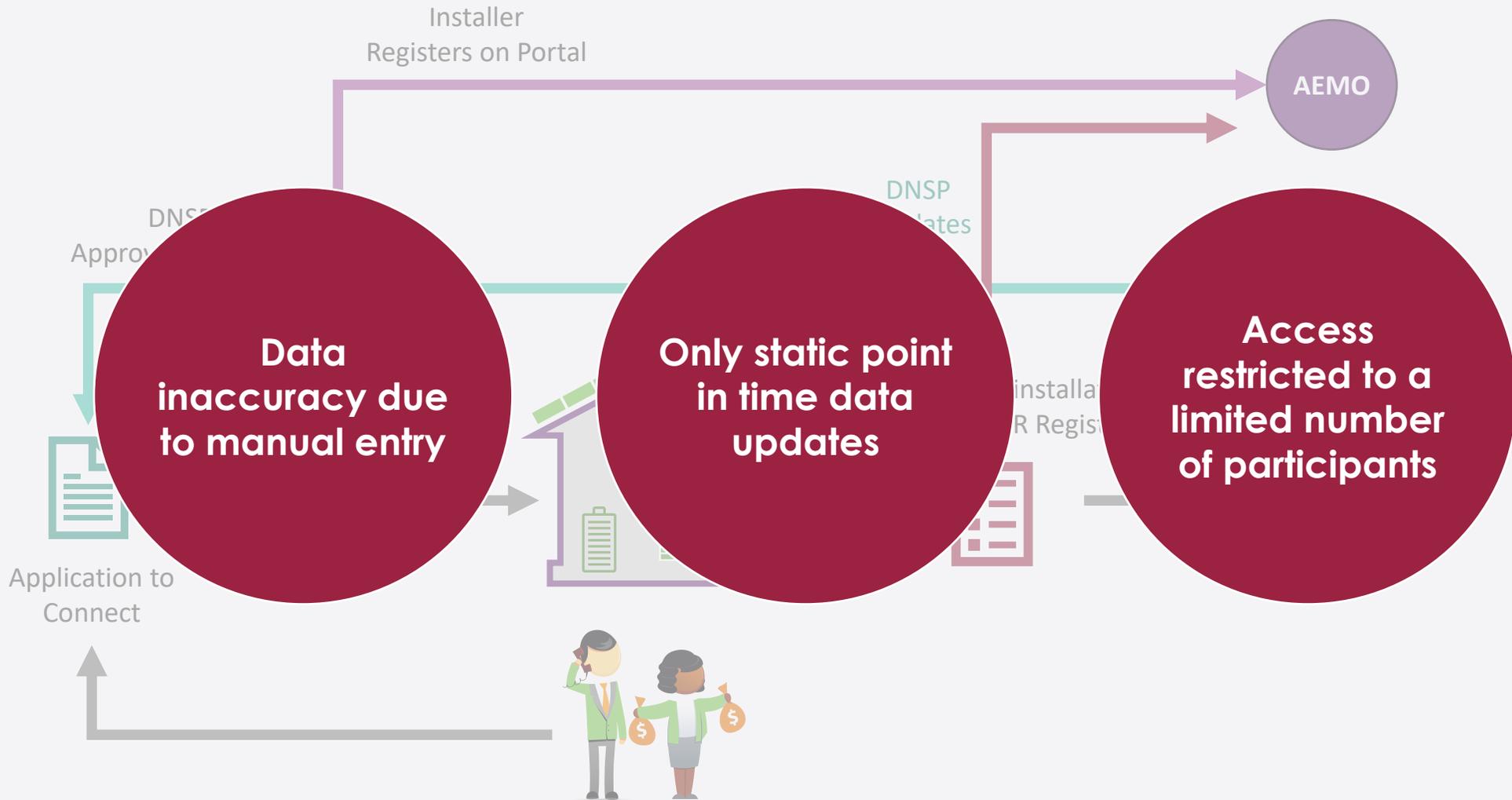
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Data Sharing Challenges

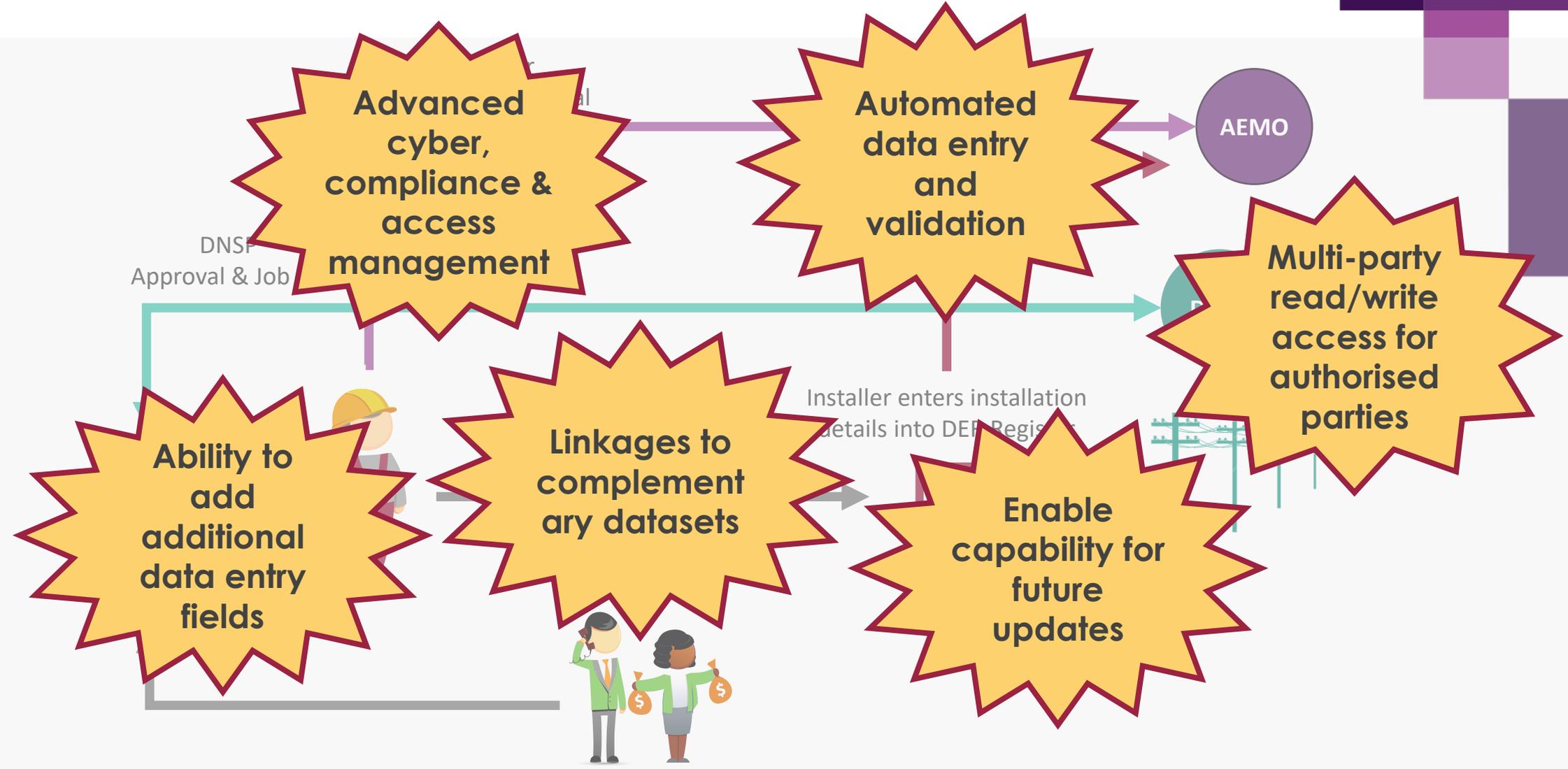
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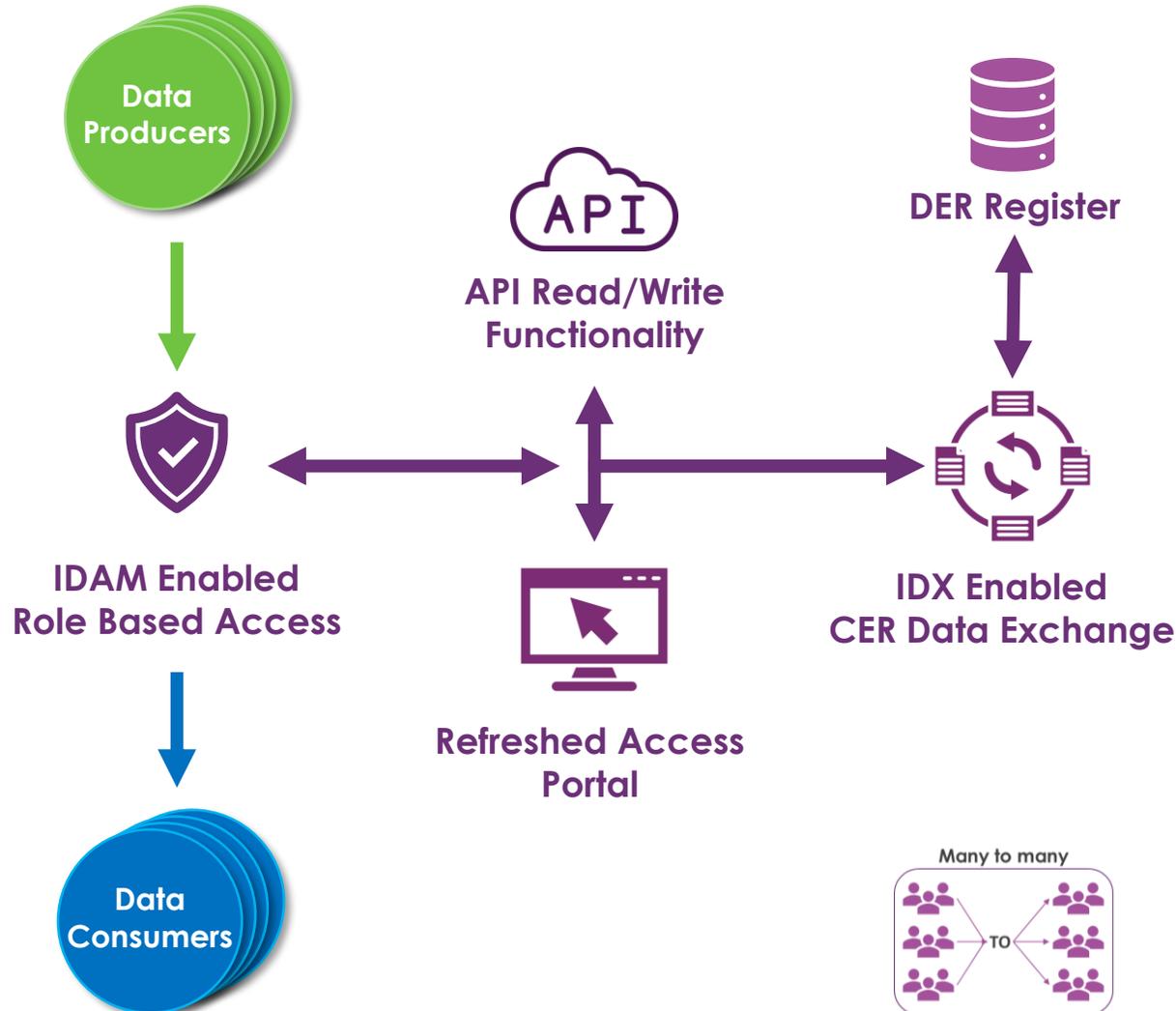
CER Data Exchange Proposed Value Add

Proposed MVP



Use Case: Broader Access to CER Standing Data

Use Case Overview and Co-design Trade-offs



Design Trade-offs	Proposed MVP
Manual vs Automated Data Updates vs Start Small Hybrid	Introduce automated data ingestion and validation mechanisms to reduce reliance on manual data entry while maintaining human oversight where necessary.
Historical Static vs Future Updates vs Start Small Hybrid	MVP would maintain a point in time historical dataset (BAU) while enabling future updates with validation where feasible.
NSPs and AEMO only vs Role Based Access	Enable tiered access control, allowing different levels of access based on role, regulatory/legal requirements, and privacy considerations. This would primarily include customer agents and retailers.
Voluntary vs Mandatory vs Start Small Hybrid	Maintain existing mandatory responsibilities however encourage voluntary participation initially by customer agents/retailers, with a pathway to mandatory integration supported by incentives.
Standardisation vs Customisation vs Start Small Hybrid	Develop standardised data formats while allowing flexibility for stakeholder-specific extensions.

Use Case: Broader Access to CER Standing Data

Proposed High Level Design

OBJECTIVE

Establishes a common access point for agents to share/update verified CER asset data, ensuring consistency, enabling confident data accuracy, reducing inefficiencies, enabling innovation and supporting improved customer outcomes.

Current State Limitations

Data Accuracy and Completeness

Reliance on manual data entry results in discrepancies and reduced confidence in an up-to-date, accurate CER registry for operational and market use.

Only static point in time data updates

Most Standing Data sets function primarily as a static repository, with updates occurring only when new installations or modifications are made.

Limited Stakeholder Access

Access to most CER Standing Data sets is restricted, preventing key stakeholders from fully leveraging the data. New CER owners cannot access history for their acquired assets.

Proposed MVP (Activity)

	Coordination & Engagement	AEMO to facilitate policy and technical working groups to refine, iterate and implement use cases.
	Exchange Operations	Infrastructure builds on MITE (IDX & IDAM) including ongoing reliability, redundancy & security mgmt
	Governance & Oversight	Multiple access patterns, Interoperability Standards, Flow Control & Connectivity
	Security & Role Based Access	Implement IDAM authentication and multi-tiered RBAC permissions for differentiated data access
	Data Integration	DER Register, Backstop compliance registers, network limits, PKI, MSATs NMI visibility, regional data portals (e.g. NSW)
	Data Processing	Create read and write capability for all parties within quality controls limitation and role definitions.
	Business Logic	Schema & interoperability standardisation, within privacy, cyber and CDR limitations
	User Interface	Not included in MVP; access is provided through APIs and integrated platforms.
	Report & Audit	Encryption management, role enforcement, Compliance Regime to be established.

MVP Outcomes

- Expanded role-based access to additional authorised parties
- Improved security, standardisation and authentication
- Additional complementary dataset access linkages

Future Evolution

- Automated event-based updates and quality control
- Capturing aggregator linkages to CER asset types
- CER Firmware updates via OEMs
- Expand accountability to include installers, OEMs and customer agents to maintain the data accuracy.
- Expand compliance, assurance validation, business logic and monitoring & reporting
- NMI level visibility & historical log
- Improve data quality standards, compliance obligations and uniform schemas
- Establish a self-service UI

Use Case: Broader Access to CER Standing Data

WORKSHOP ACTIVITY

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Functional & Operational Exchange Services

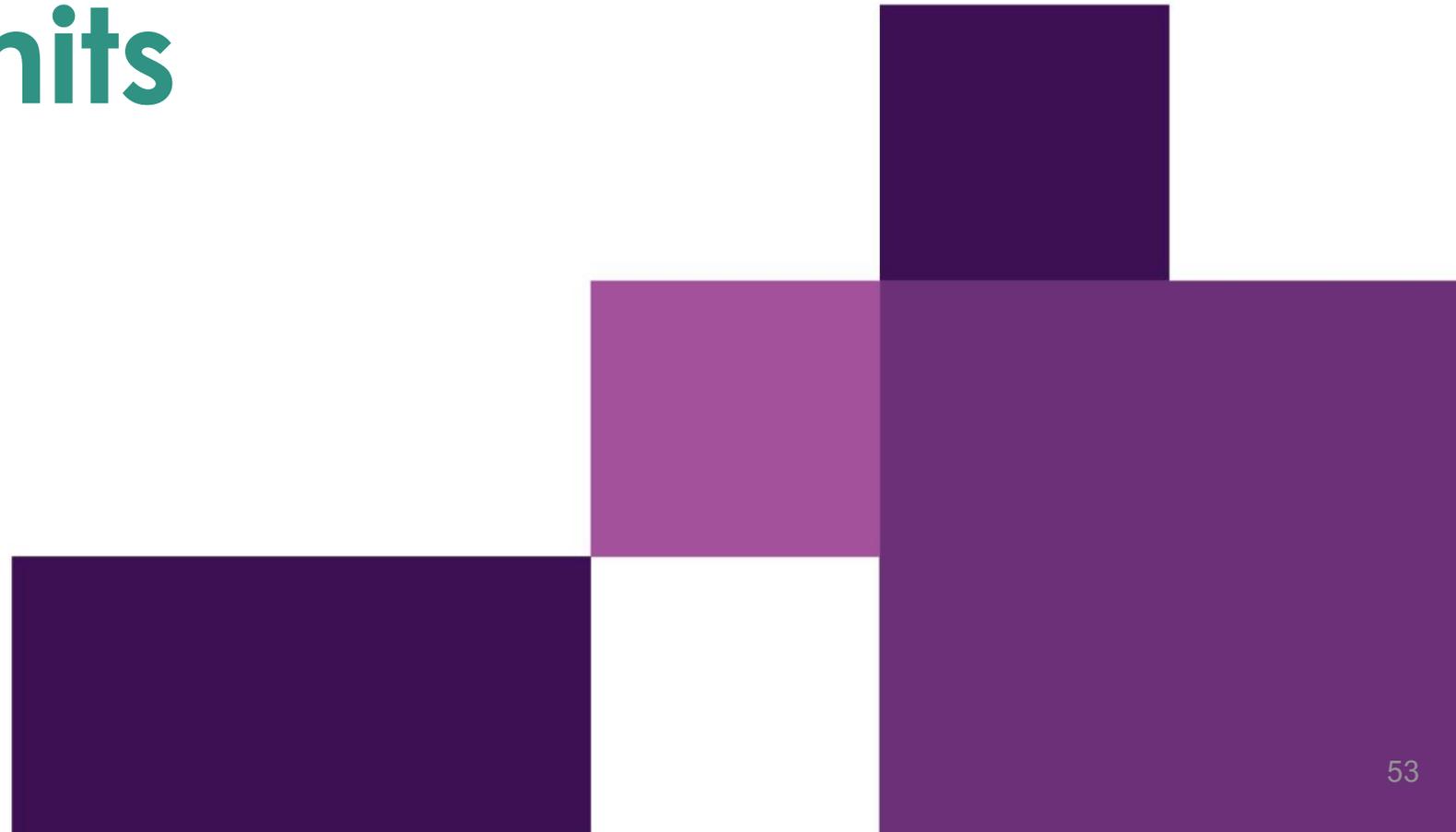
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ACTIVITY B1: USE CASE – CER Standing Data

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Proposed MVP Feedback		Trade-Off Feedback		
Provide a list of what you would change in the proposed MVP		Provide feedback on the proposed trade-off decisions in the MVP		
Change	Why	Tradeoff	Y / N / Maybe	Why
		Manual vs Automated Data Updates vs Start Small Hybrid		
		Historical Static vs Future Updates vs Start Small Hybrid		
		Role Based Access vs only DNSPs and AEMO		
		Voluntary vs Mandatory vs Start Small Hybrid		
		Standardisation vs Customisation vs Start Small Hybrid		
Timing				
2026	2027	Beyond 2028		
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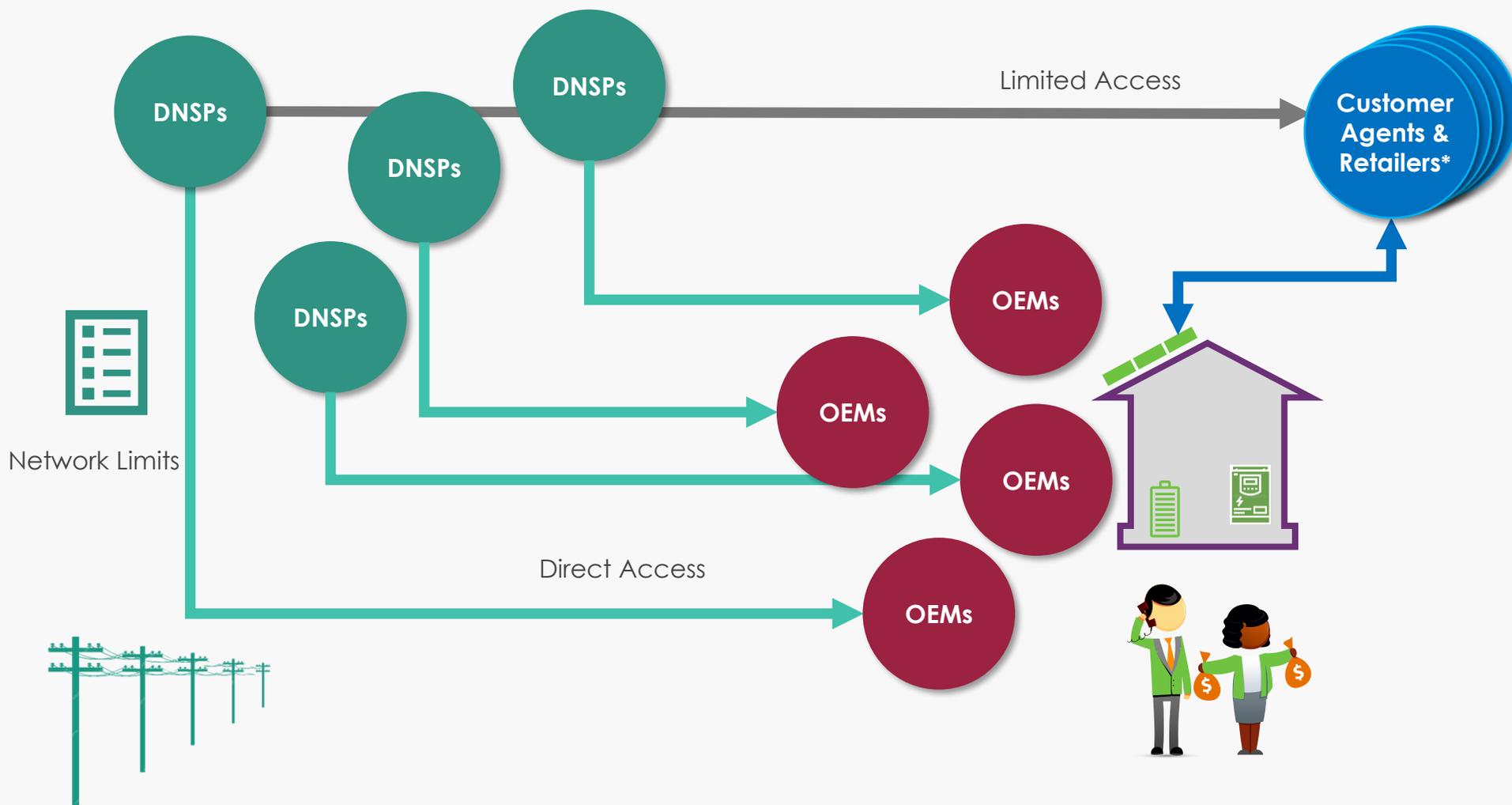
Use Case: Efficient Sharing of Network Limits



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Current Data Sharing Process

Sharing Network Limits Today

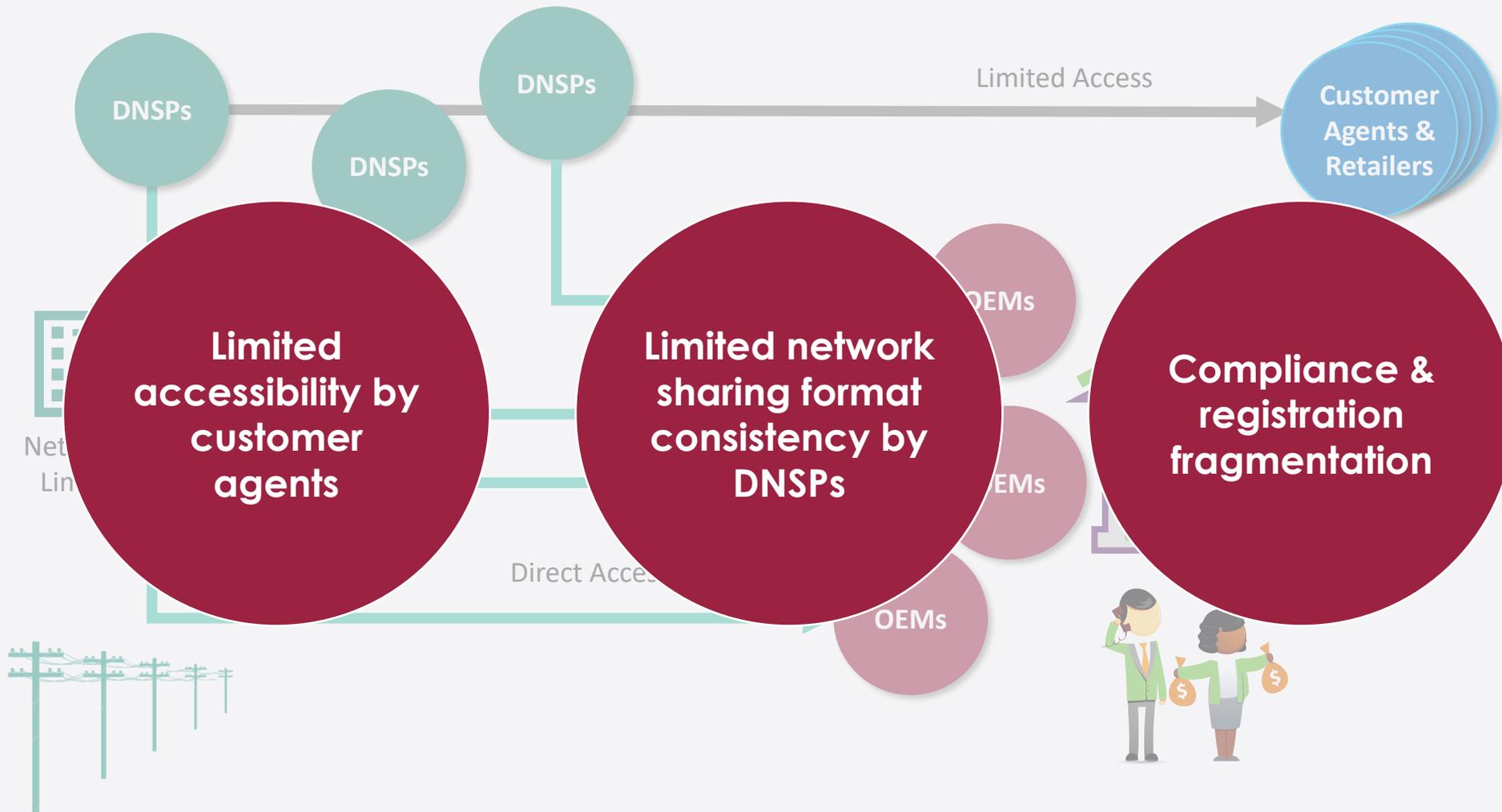


* Note: Customer agents are assumed to include site controllers (i.e. HEMs), aggregators, embedded network operators etc and may include some OEMs.

Use Case: Efficient Sharing of Network Limits

Data Sharing Challenges

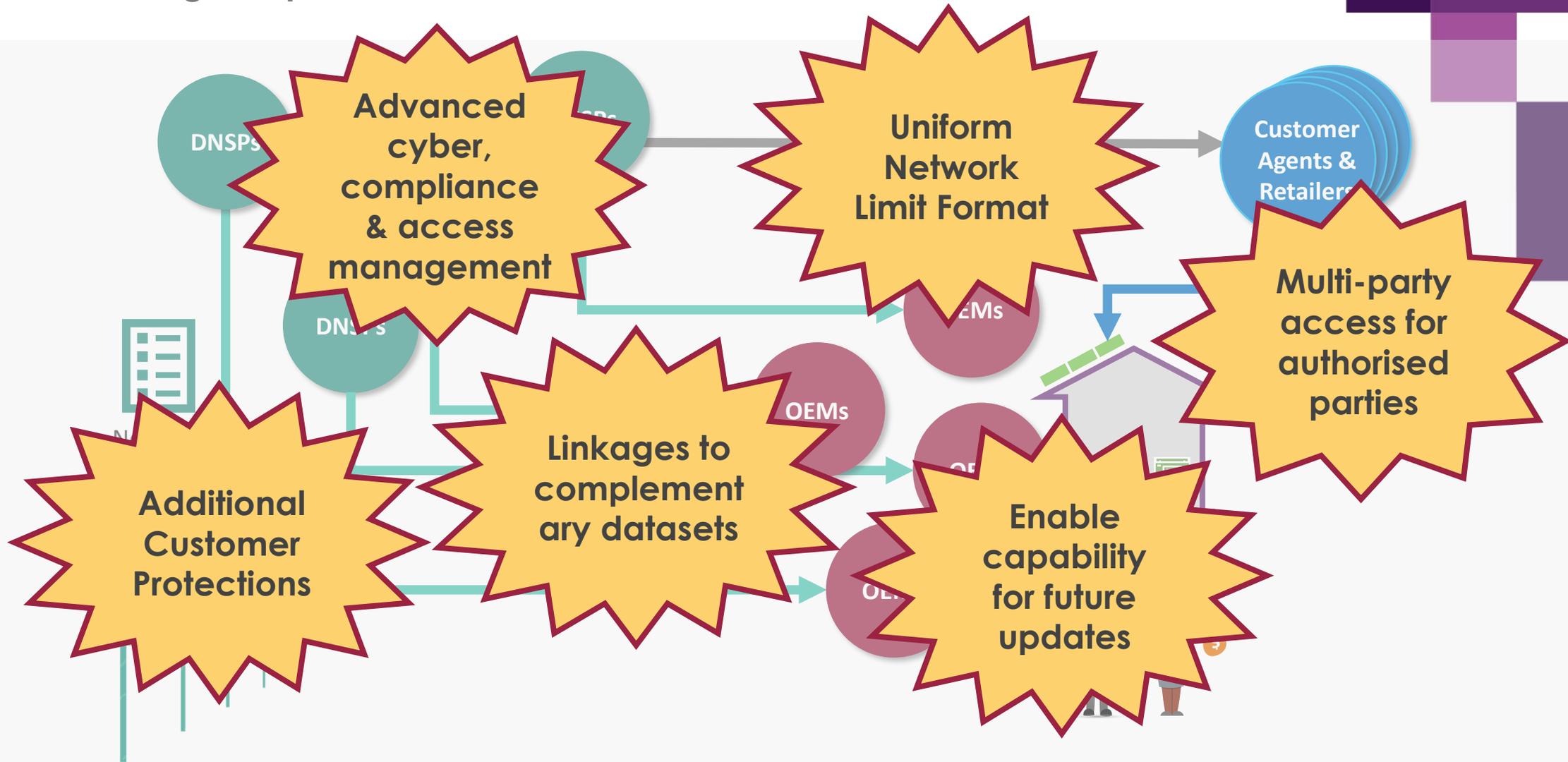
Challenges



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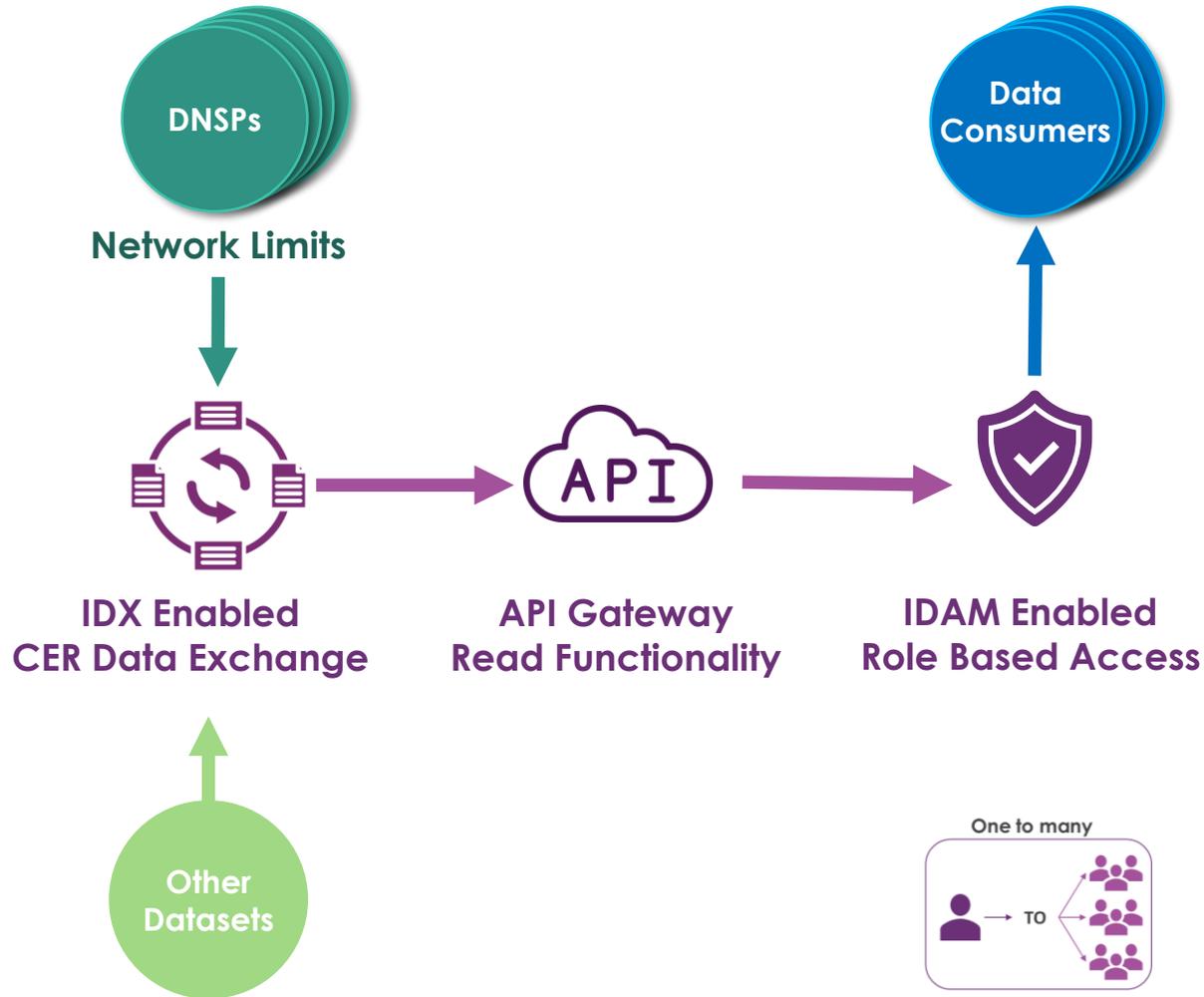
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Proposed MVP



Use Case: Efficient Sharing of Network Limits

Use Case Overview and Codesign Trade-offs



Design Trade-offs	Proposed MVP
Real-time vs Batch vs Start Small Hybrid	Sharing network limits in a batch-based data exchange approach through scheduled updates, with optional real-time updates for critical constraints.
Standardised Format vs Transformation	Codesign with DNSPs to determine the best balance between standardisation and flexibility. Implement automated data transformation where necessary while accommodating existing DNSP systems.
Role Based Access vs Open Data	Implement tiered access control, where authorised stakeholders can receive detailed network limit data, and complementary datasets.
Voluntary vs Mandatory vs Transition	Start with voluntary adoption for DNSPs whilst transitioning to mandatory usage supported by regulatory reform.
Control Signals vs Publish Limits Only	The underlying assumption in the exchange is that it would not be used to provide operational control hence the MVP and future evolution would only include publishing network limits, preserving DNSPs operational independence.

Use Case 2: Efficient Sharing of Network Limits

Proposed High Level Design

OBJECTIVE

Provides authorised agents with visibility of network constraints across jurisdictions, enhancing grid management, operational planning, and market decisions while addressing inefficiencies from limited grid constraint access.

Current State Limitations

Limited Accessibility

Network limit data is not widely accessible, hindering integration and optimised response by stakeholders.

Variable Interpretation

Differences in definitions, measurement units, and validation methods create interoperability challenges.

Compliance & Registration Fragmentation

Inconsistent network limit implementation has led to fragmented compliance tracking across the NEM.

Proposed MVP (Activity)



Coordination & Engagement

AEMO facilitates working groups align data-sharing practices and establish schema standardisation.



Exchange Operations

Leverage IDX and IDAM infrastructure, API-based data exchange of network limits.



Governance & Oversight

Interoperability data sharing standards and establish a common compliance framework.



Security & Role Based Access

IDAM RBAC authentication and multi-tiered permissions for differentiated data access



Data Integration

Enable integration with network limits & CER compliance registers via a uniform data schema.



Data Processing

Data validation or normalisation reprocessing to ensure consistent formatting.



Business Logic

Protocols to ensure consistent formatting, interpretation, and integration.



User Interface

Not included in MVP; access is provided through APIs and integrated platforms.



Report & Audit

Implement compliance tracking, encryption, and audit logging for compliance alignment.

MVP Outcomes

- Expanded network limits sharing to additional authorised parties while preserving DNSP operational independence
- Dataset access linkages (e.g. CER Standing Data, compliance register MSATs NMIs)

Future Evolution

- Develop a uniform schema and validation model to improve interoperability across DNSPs while allowing flexibility for regional variations.
- Maintain historical aggregate network limits with authorised access for analysis and auditing.
- Define data quality standards, compliance obligations and uniform schemas
- Development of business logic and assurance frameworks
- Support DOE compliance through connections to additional datasets, including metering data.

Use Case 2: Efficient Sharing of Network Limits

WORKSHOP ACTIVITY

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Proposed High Level Design

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Functional & Operational Exchange Services					
Design Trade-offs	Real-time vs Batch vs Start Small Hybrid	Standardised Format vs Transformation	Role Based Access vs Open Data	Voluntary vs Mandatory vs Transition	Control Signals vs Publish Limits Only
Proposed MVP	Sharing network limits in a batch-based data exchange approach through scheduled updates, with optional real-time updates for critical constraints.	Codesign with DNSPs to determine the best balance between standardisation and flexibility. Implement automated data transformation where necessary while accommodating existing DNSP systems.	Implement tiered access control, where authorised stakeholders can receive detailed network limit data, and complementary datasets.	Start with voluntary adoption for DNSPs whilst transitioning to mandatory usage supported by regulatory reform.	The underlying assumption in the exchange is that it would not be used to provide operational control hence the MVP and future evolution would only include publishing network limits, preserving DNSPs operational independence.

ACTIVITY B2: USE CASE – Sharing Network Limits

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Proposed MVP Feedback

Provide a list of what you would change in the proposed MVP

Change	Why

Trade-Off Feedback

Provide feedback on the proposed trade-off decisions in the MVP

Tradeoff	Y/N/Maybe	Why
Real-time vs Batch vs Start Small Hybrid		
Standardised Format vs Transformation		
Role Based Access vs Open Data		
Voluntary vs Mandatory vs Transition		
Control Signals vs Publish Limits Only		

Timing

2026	2027	Beyond 2028
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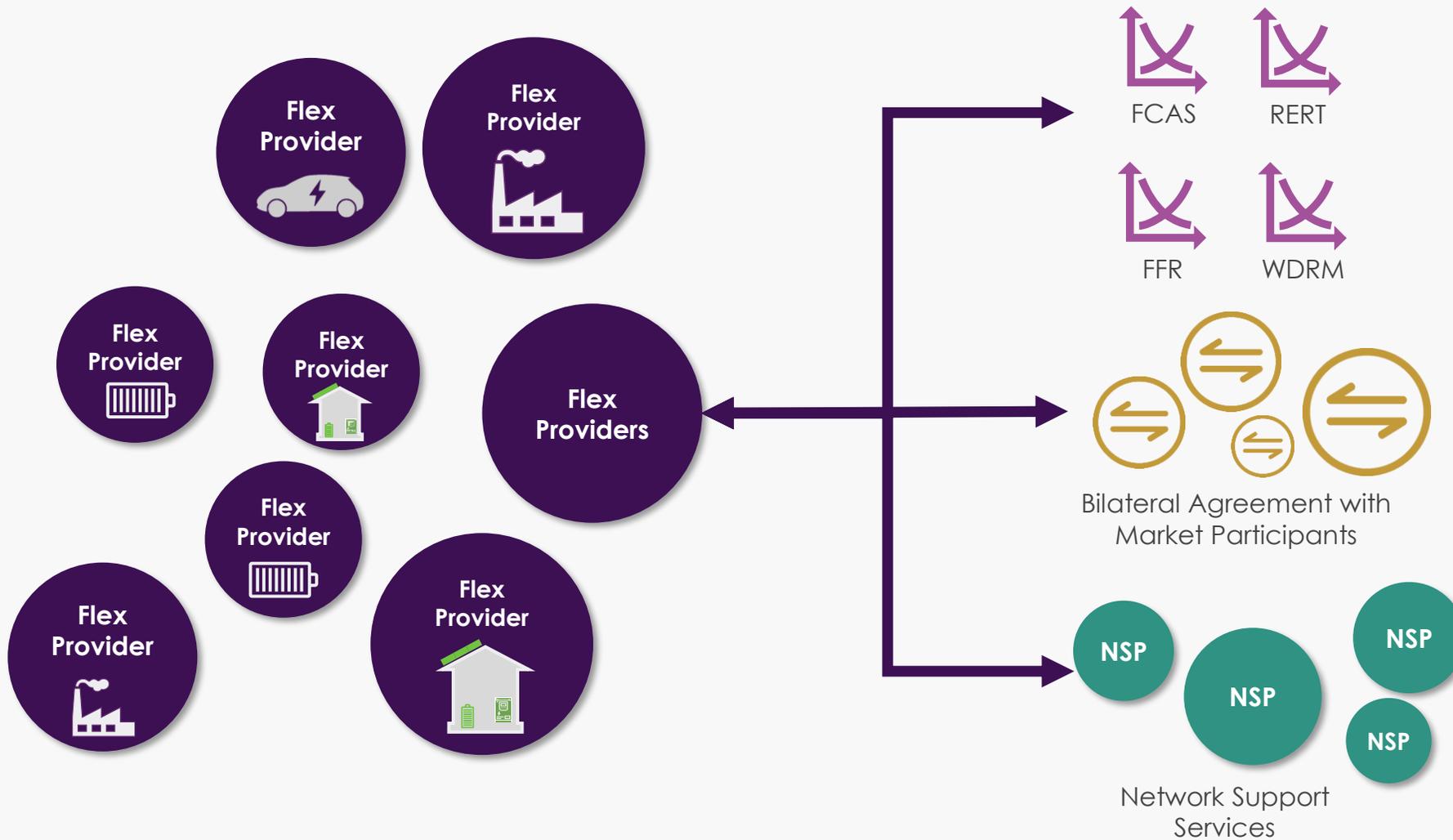
Use Case: Network Support & Flex Capability Discovery



Network Support & Flex Capability Discovery

Current Data Sharing Process

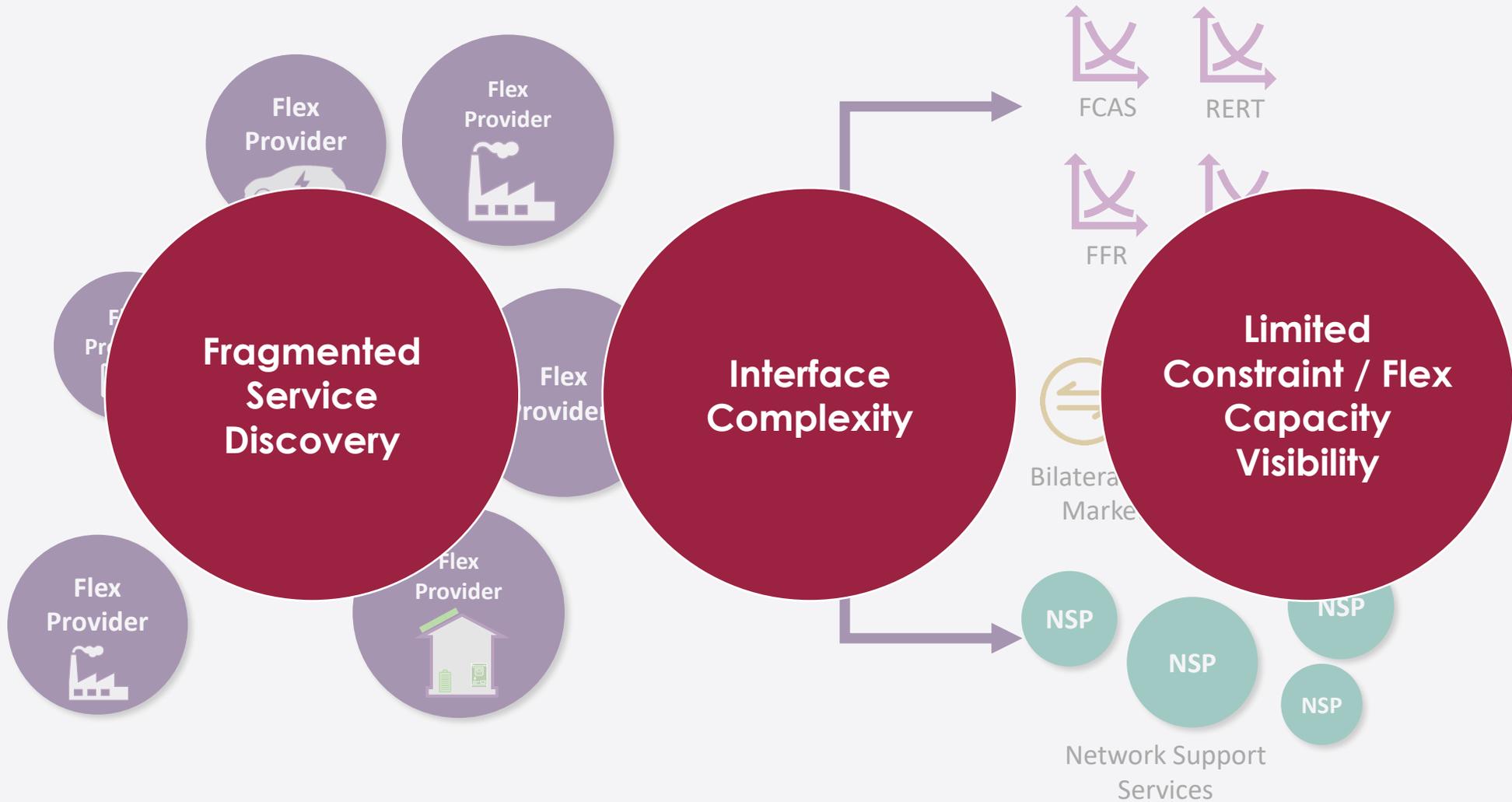
Flex Discovery Today



Network Support & Flex Capability Discovery

Data Sharing Challenges

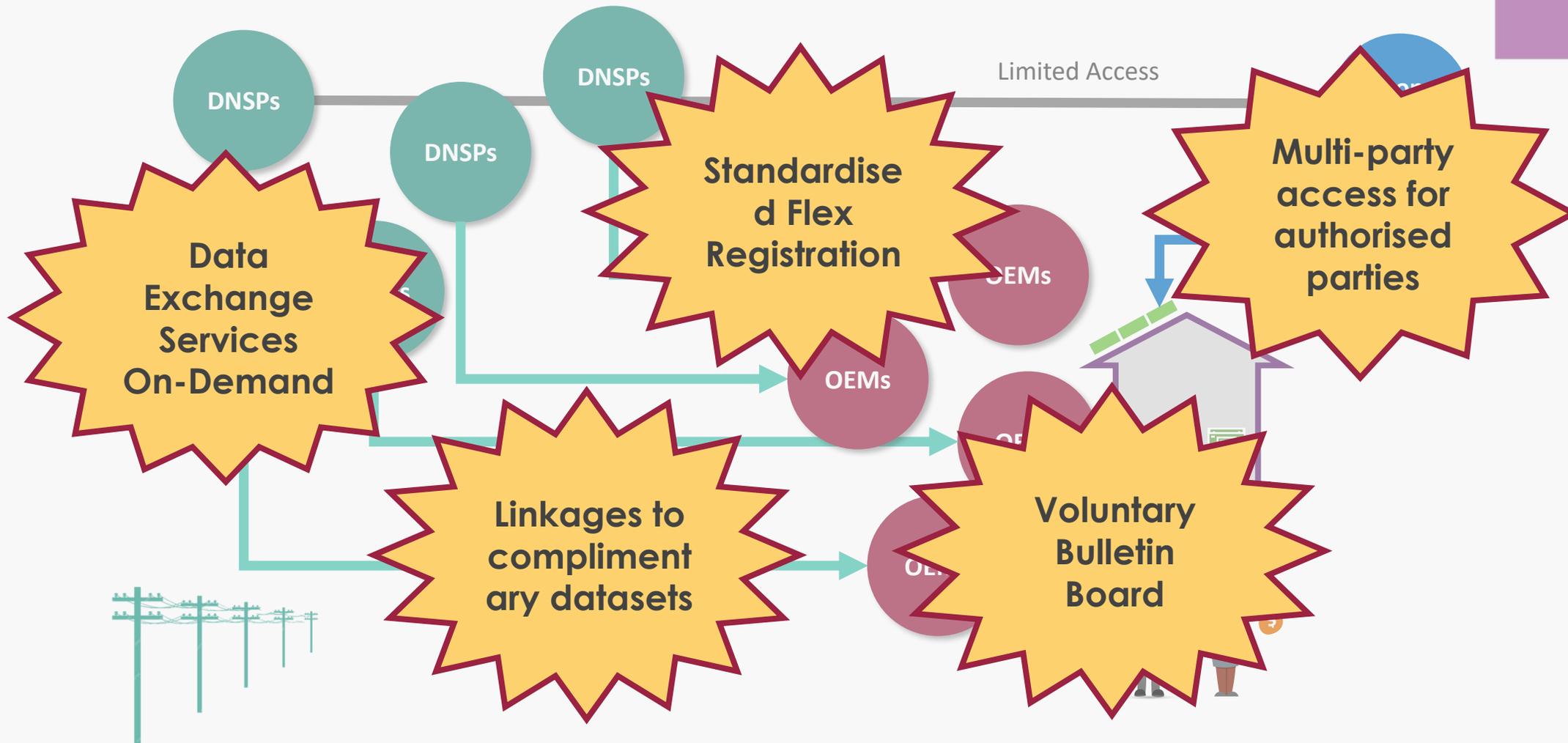
Challenges



Network Support & Flex Capability Discovery

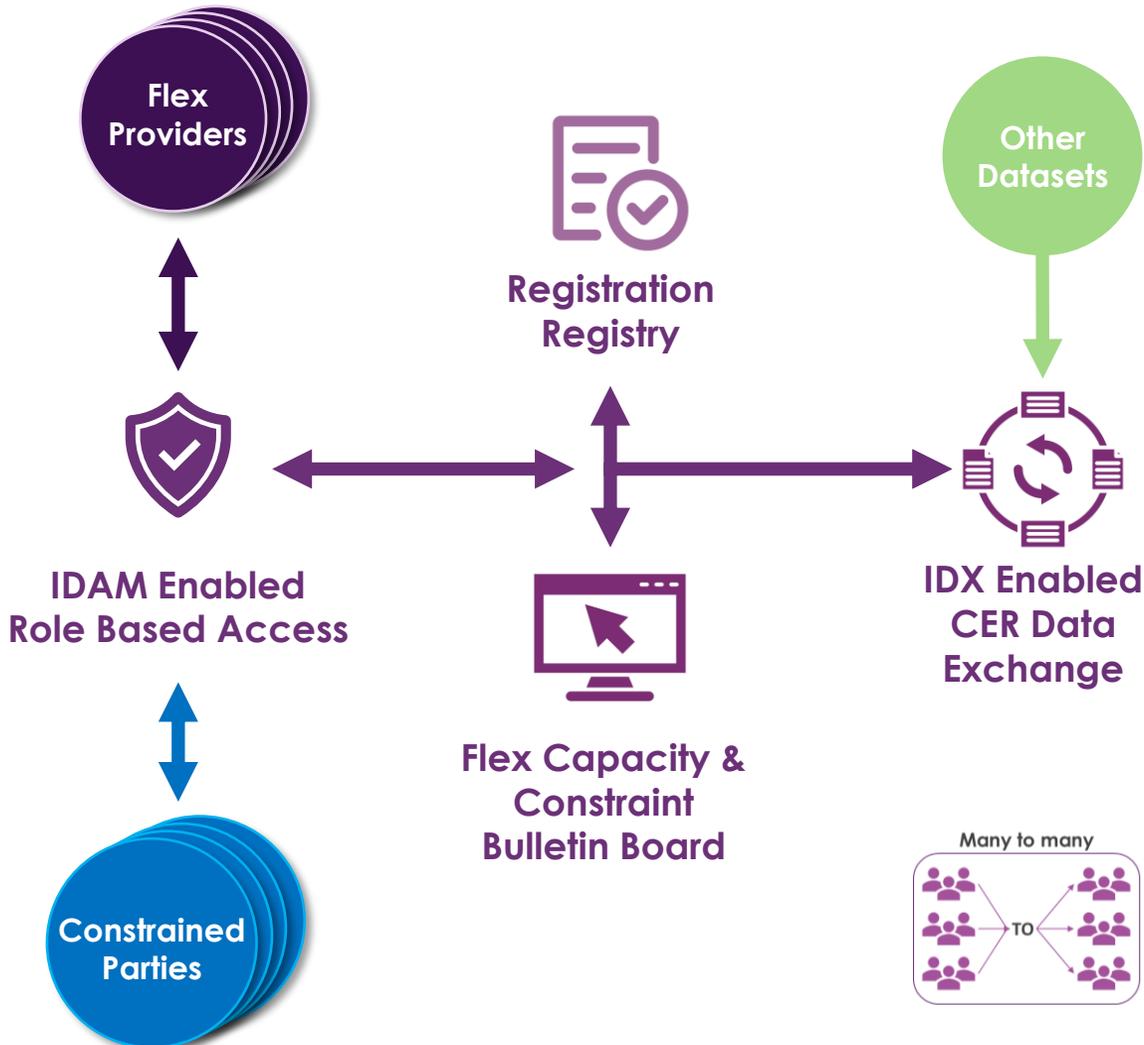
CER Data Exchange Proposed Value Add

Proposed MVP



Network Support & Flex Capability Discovery

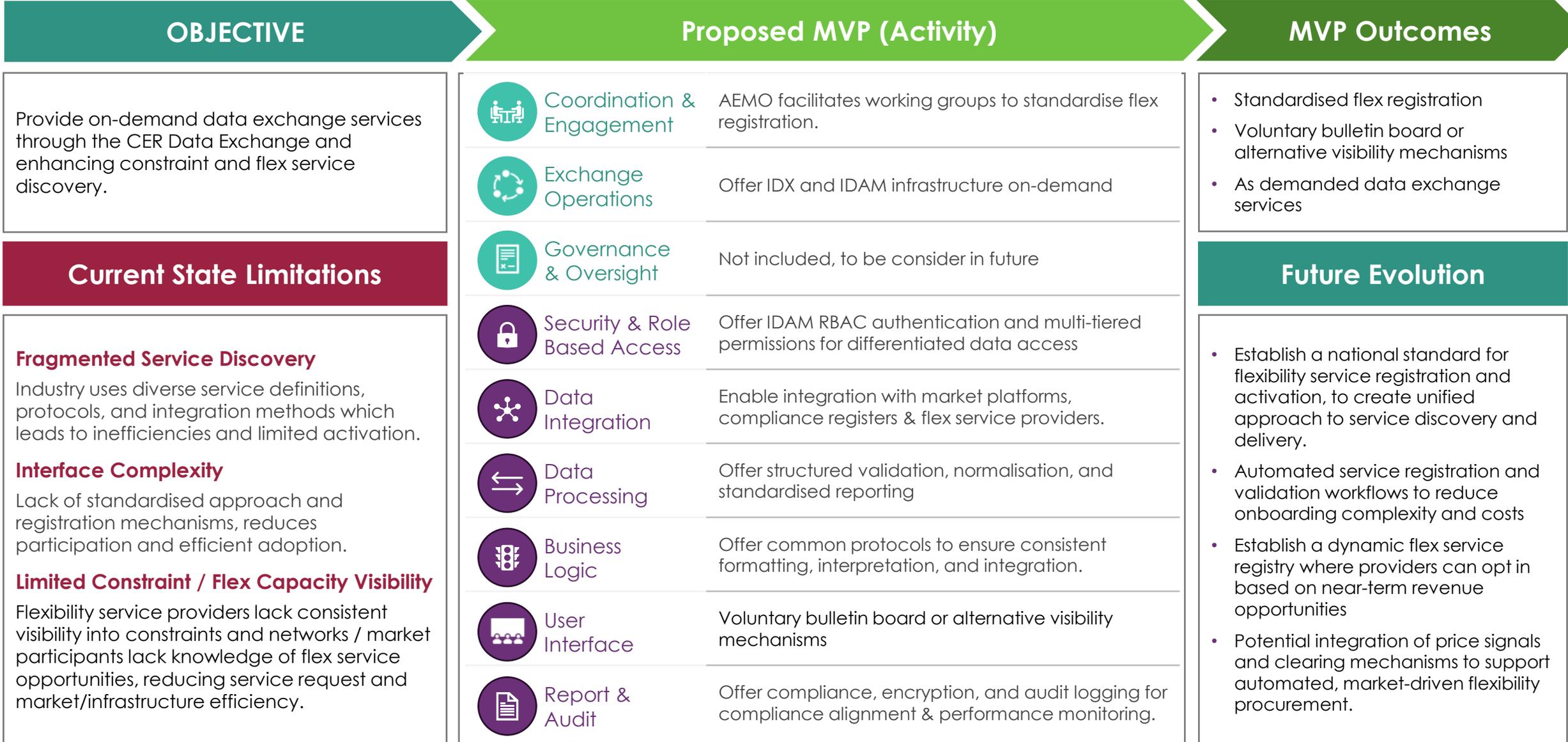
Use Case Overview and Codesign Trade-offs



Design Trade-offs	Proposed MVP
Static Only vs Operational Data Sharing	Enable both static with event-driven data updates for different use cases. The MVP is not proposed to include operational data sharing.
Standardised Registration vs Adaptable	Codesign with DNSPs, market participants and flex providers to establish a common registration service discovery framework while allowing flexible implementation.
Role Based Access vs Open Data	Implement tiered access control, where authorised stakeholders receive detailed flexibility service availability/capacity and constraint data.
Voluntary vs Mandatory	Begin with voluntary adoption, for early participants, and assess pathways for alignment as the market matures.
Discovery Only vs Transaction Service	Support bilateral and multilateral data-sharing models to accommodate various flexibility market structures. MVP will not support transaction services.

Use Case: Network Support & Flex Data Sharing Discovery

Proposed High Level Design



Use Case: Network Support & Flex Data Sharing Discovery

WORKSHOP ACTIVITY

Use Case: Network Support & Flex Data Sharing Discovery

Proposed High Level Design

OBJECTIVE	Proposed MVP (Activity)		MVP Outcomes
Provide ondemand data exchange services through the CER Data Exchange and enhancing constraint and flex service discovery.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordination & Engagement: AEMO facilitates working groups to standardise flex registration. Exchange Operations: Offer IDX and IDAM infrastructure ondemand. Governance & Oversight: Not included, to be consider in future. Security & Role Based Access: Offer IDAM RBAC, authentication and multitered permissions for differentiated data access. Data Integration: Enable integration with market platforms, compliance registers & flex service providers. Data Processing: Offer structured validation, normalisation, and standardised reporting. Business Logic: Offer common protocols to ensure consistent formatting, interpretation, and integration. User Interface: Voluntary bulletin board or alternative visibility mechanisms. Report & Audit: Offer compliance, encryption, and audit logging for compliance alignment & performance monitoring. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standardised flex registration Voluntary bulletin board or alternative visibility mechanisms As demanded data exchange services 	
Current State Limitations			Future Evolution
<p>Fragmented Service Discovery Industry uses diverse service definitions, protocols, and integration methods which leads to inefficiencies and limited activation.</p> <p>Interface Complexity Lack of standardised approach and registration mechanisms, reduces participation and efficient adoption.</p> <p>Limited Constraint / Flex Capacity Visibility Flexibility service providers lack consistent visibility into constraints and networks / market participants lack knowledge of flex service opportunities, reducing service request and market/infrastructure efficiency.</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish a national standard for flexibility service registration and activation, to create unified approach to service discovery and delivery. Automated service registration and validation workflows to reduce onboarding complexity and costs Establish a dynamic flex service registry where providers can opt in based on near-term revenue opportunities Potential integration of price signals and clearing mechanisms to support automated, market-driven flexibility procurement.

Functional & Operational Exchange Services

Design Trade-offs	Static Only vs Operational Data Sharing	Standardised Registration vs Adaptable	Role Based Access vs Open Data	Voluntary vs Mandatory	Discovery Only vs Transaction Service
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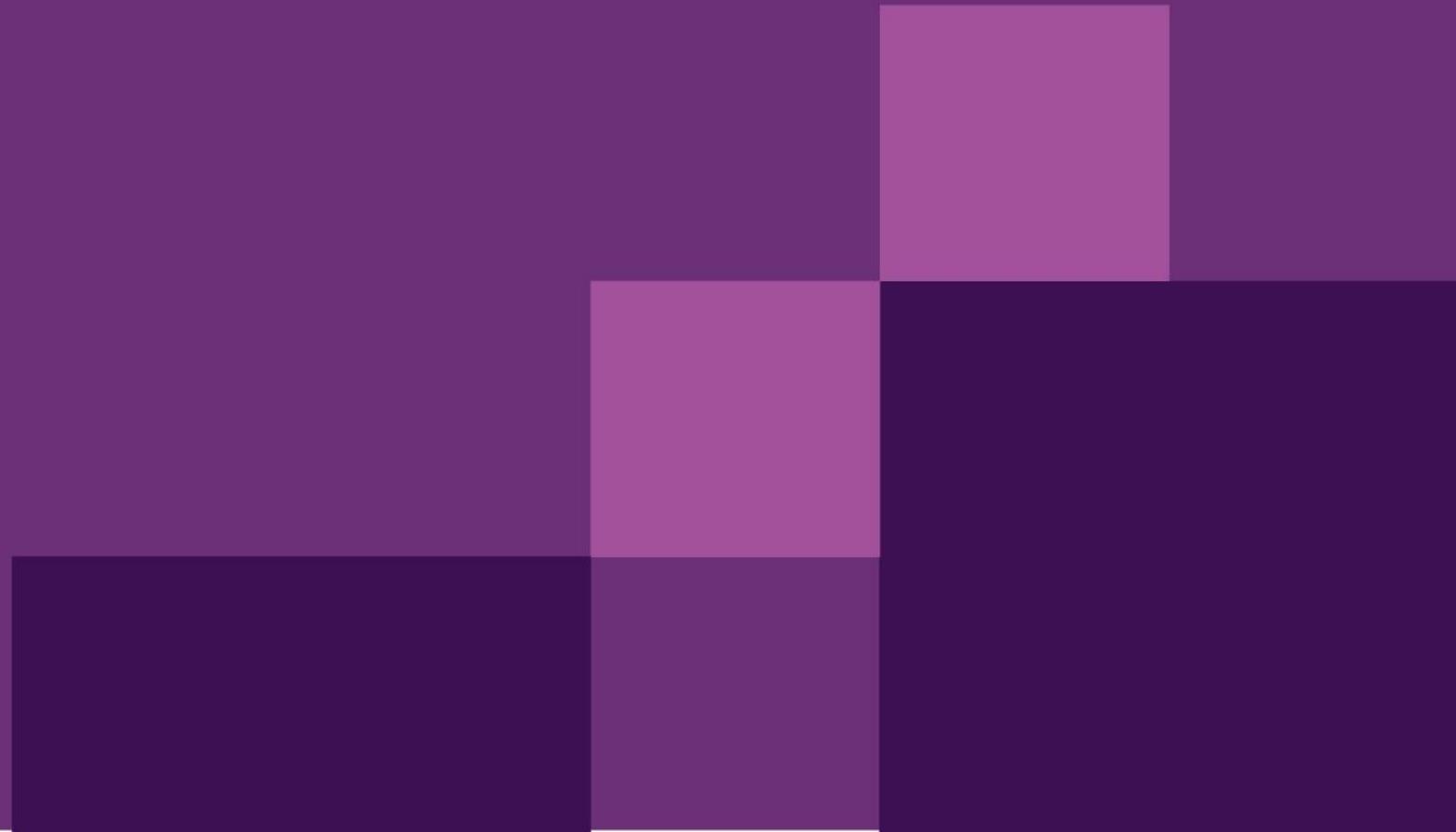
ACTIVITY B3: USE CASE – NETWORK SUPPORT & FLEX CAPABILITY DISCOVERY

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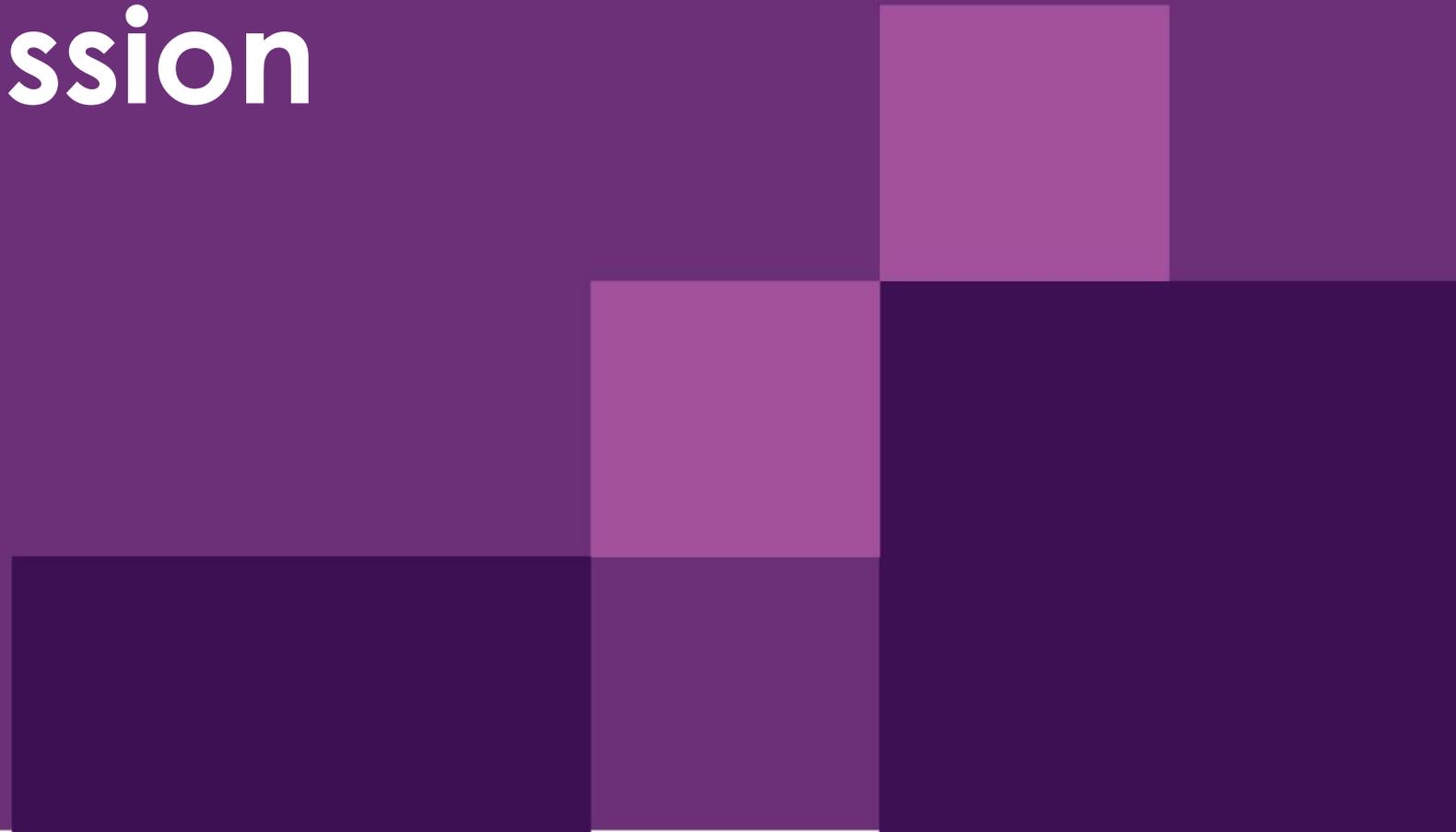
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Lunch



Panel Discussion



Panel Discussion

Facilitated by Ed Chan

“What does a high CER utopia look like from your perspective? What does industry need to do to arrive at that utopia?”



Joo Ean Prasad
Ausgrid



Maxime Di Petta
Clean Energy Council



Saeideh Farzaneh
ENGIE



Luke Barlow
AEMO

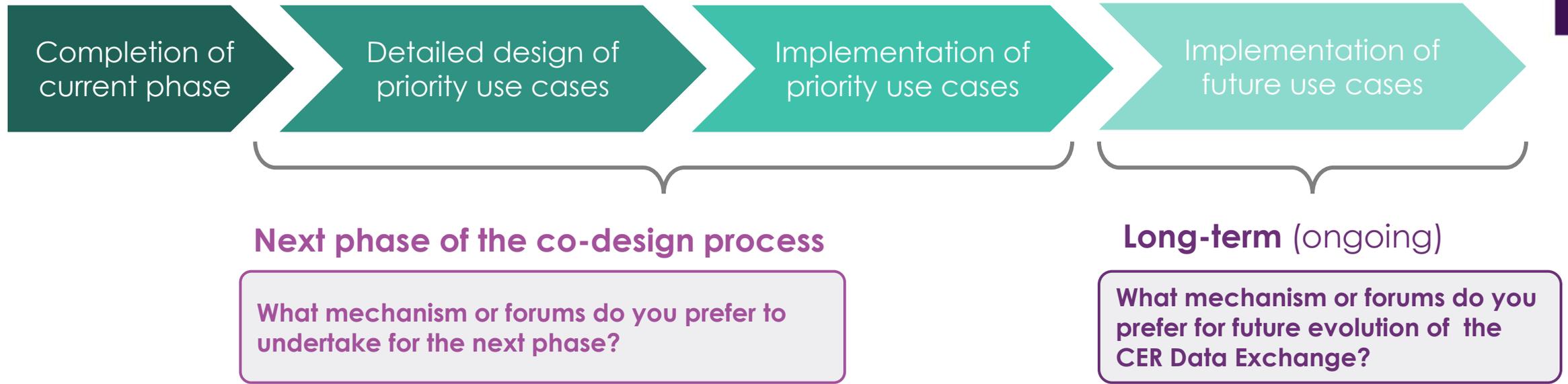
Part 2b: Mechanisms to implement the CER Data Exchange



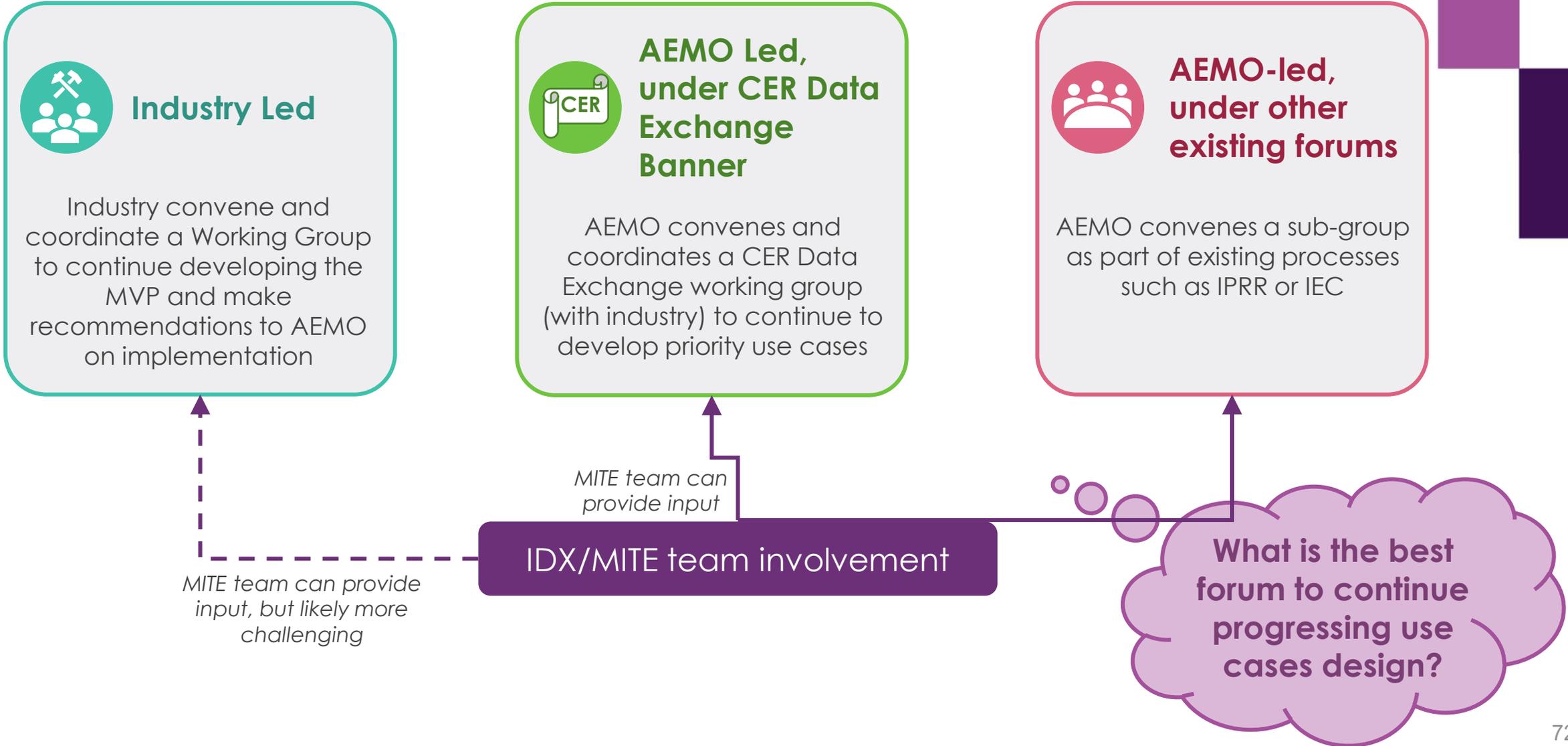
Ed Chan & Rachel Rodrigues McGown

Session Overview: Governance and Accountability

High-level roadmap to implement the CER Data Exchange:



Next phase of the co-design process



Longer term governance

We need an enduring mechanism to manage how the CER Data Exchange will evolve

Two key aspects of any working groups

“Heads of power”



Formal

vs



Informal

Composition



Functional

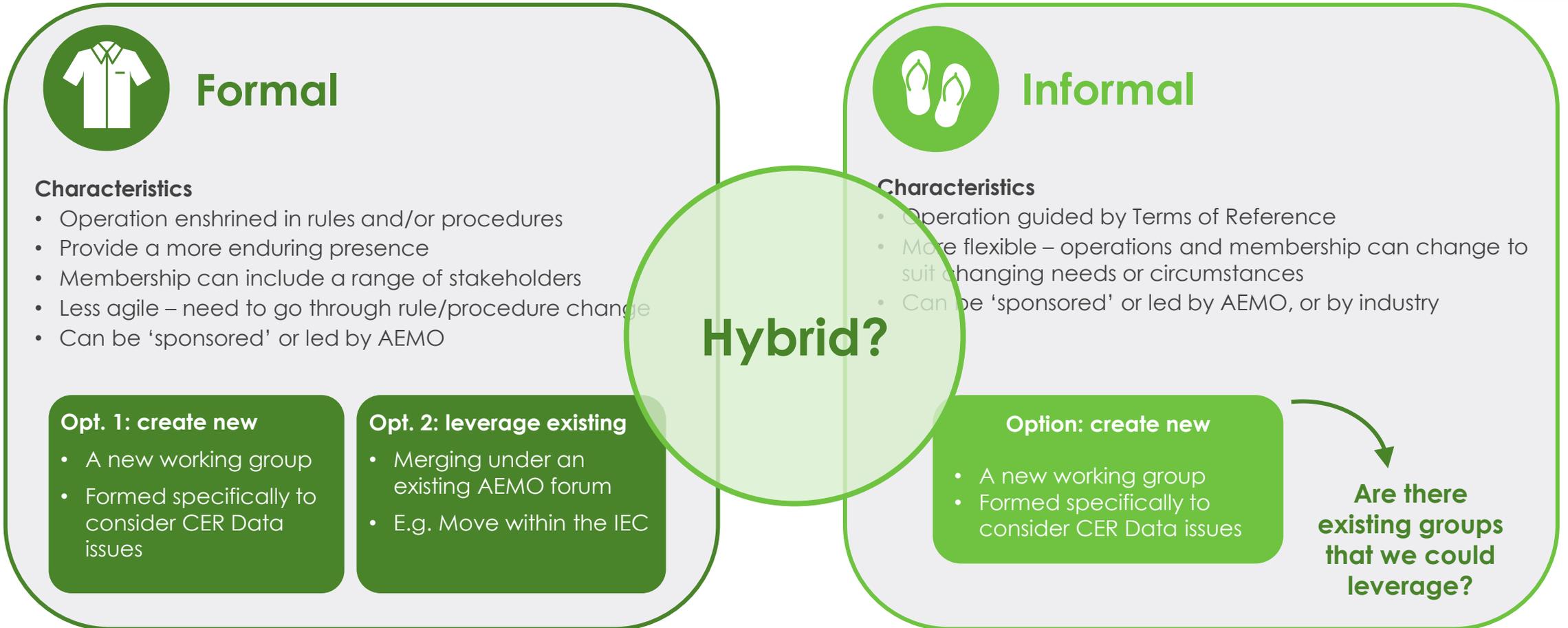
vs



Technical

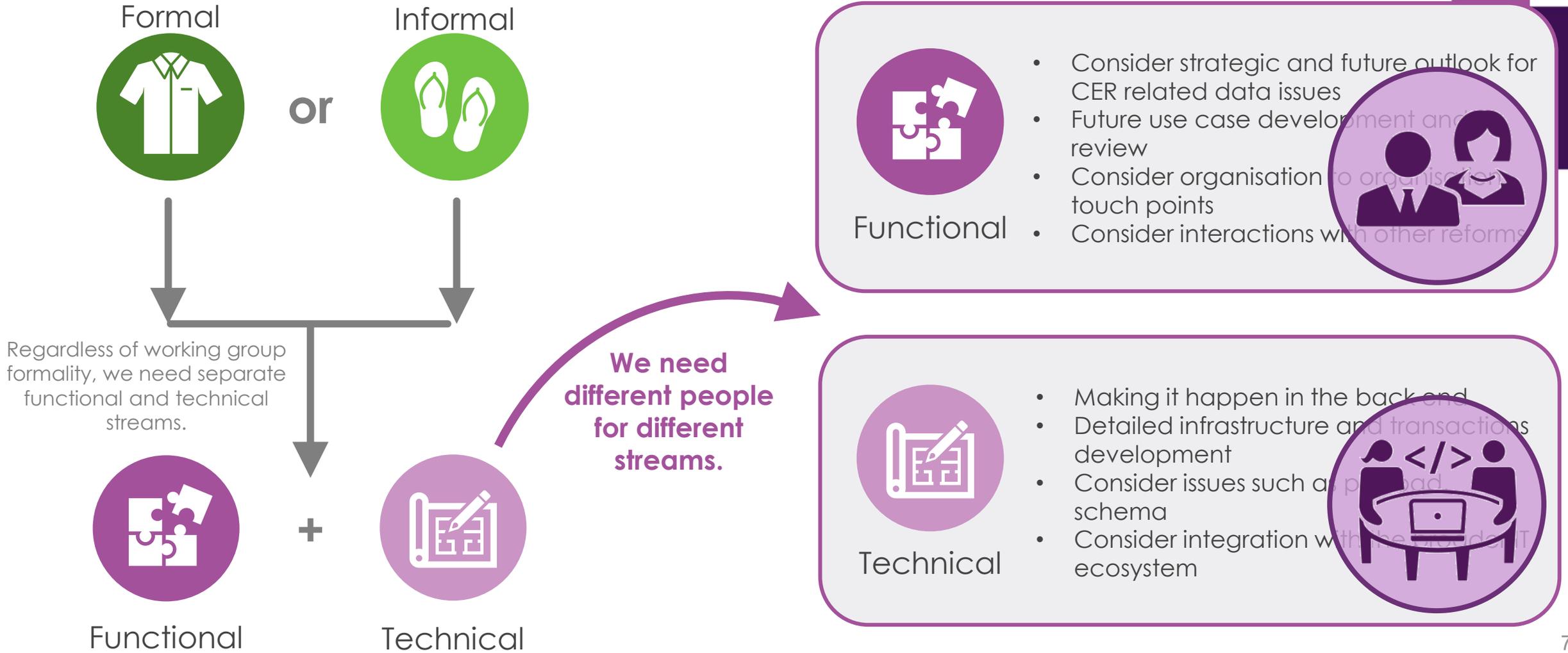
Longer term governance

There are different avenues to establish a working group



Longer term governance

Both functional and technical aspects need to be considered



Longer term governance

How do we incorporate the consumer and customer perspective?



Designated membership in (functional) working group (e.g. 2 x consumer representatives)

VS



Create an industry wide CER or CER Data specific consultation panel

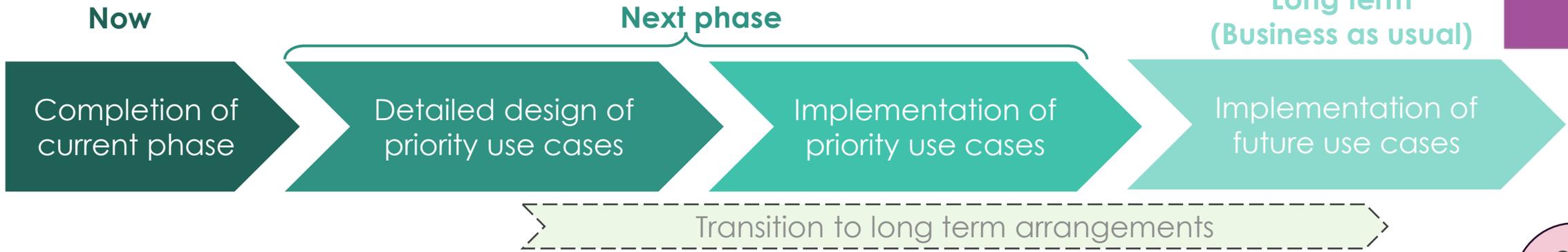
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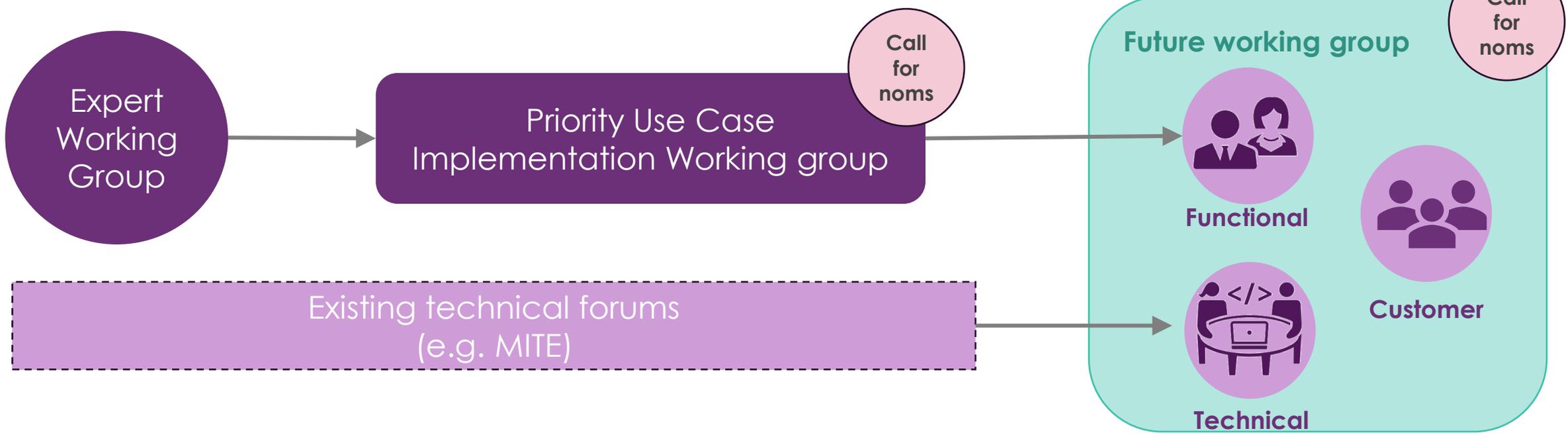
Consult with existing consumer panels or forum (e.g. AEMO's Consumer and Community Reference Group)

Longer term governance

Transitioning from short-term to long-term arrangements



Transition of working groups





ACTIVITY 3: Implementation preference setting



NEXT PHASE
Detailed Design of priority use cases

What is your preferred way of progressing the implementation of priority use cases in the short term?

Option 1:

Industry continue to develop use cases to be provided to AEMO

Option 2:

AEMO coordinate industry to develop MVP under CER Data Exchange Banner

Option 3:

AEMO coordinates utilise existing forums (e.g. IPRR)

Please suggest other options and why they might more suitable?

LONG TERM
Business-as-usual arrangements

What is your preferred mechanism way for the long-term ongoing governance of the CER Data Exchange?

Option 1: Formal/new – create a new working group through the rules or procedures

Option 2: Formal/existing – create a new working group under an existing forum (e.g. move under the IEC)

Option 3: Informal/new – create a new working group through an industry agreed Terms of Reference

Please suggest other options and why they might more suitable?
What could a hybrid formal/informal option look like?

Consumer and customer input

What is your preferred mechanism way for the long-term ongoing governance of the CER Data Exchange?

Option 1: Designated membership in a work group

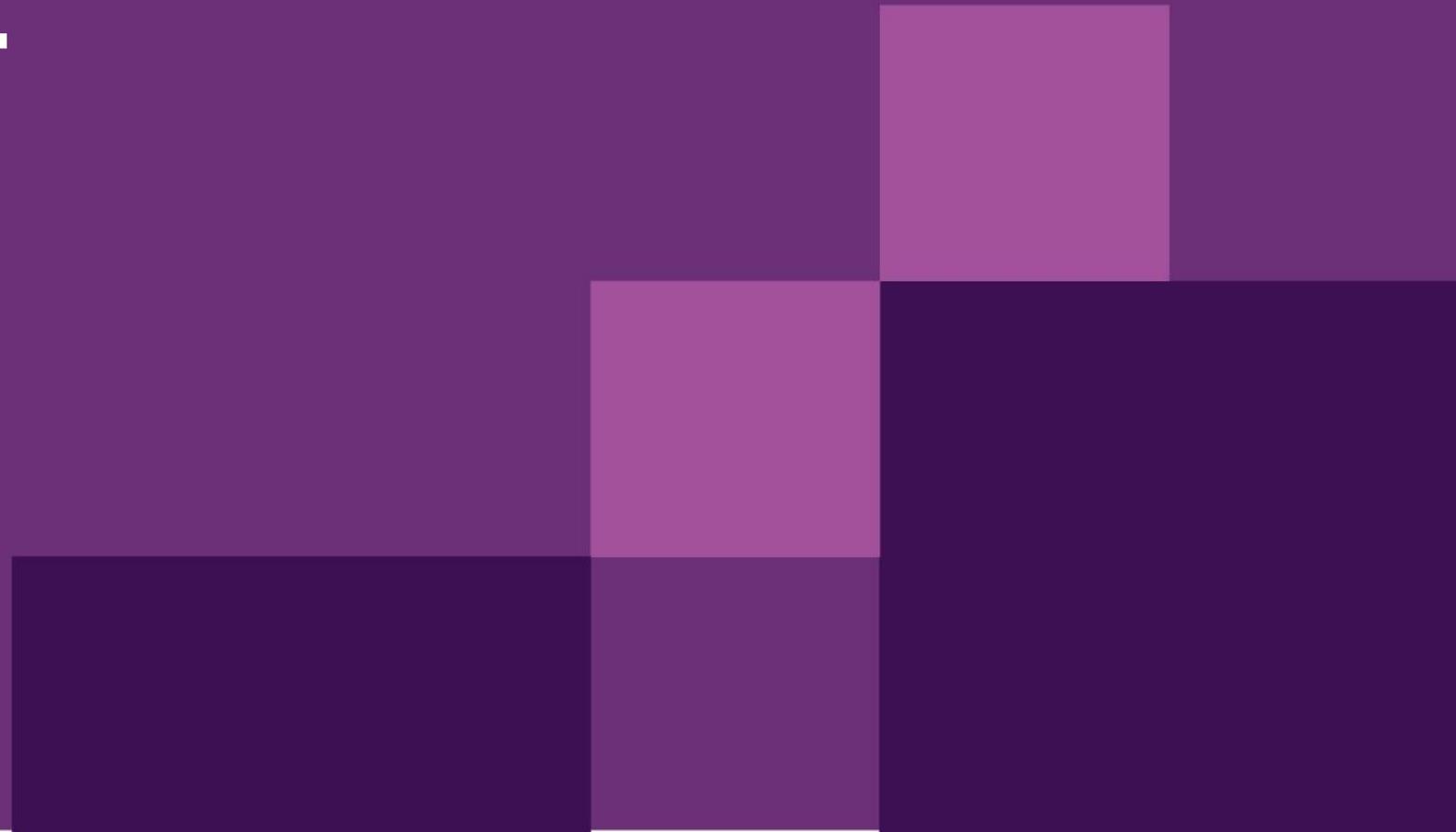
Option 2: Create and industry wide CER or CER Data specific panel

Option 3: Consult with existing forum (AEMO Consumer and Community Reference Group)

Please suggest other options and why they might more suitable?

Part 3: Cost Assessment

Cara Graham



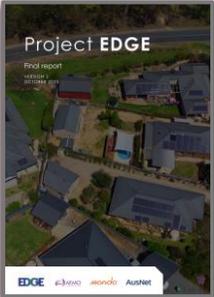
Agenda

1. Recap on the value of co-ordinated CER
2. Purpose and scope of the CER Data Exchange cost assessment
3. Key inputs and costing methodology
4. Cost recovery options
5. Activity

1. Recap on the value of co-ordinated CER

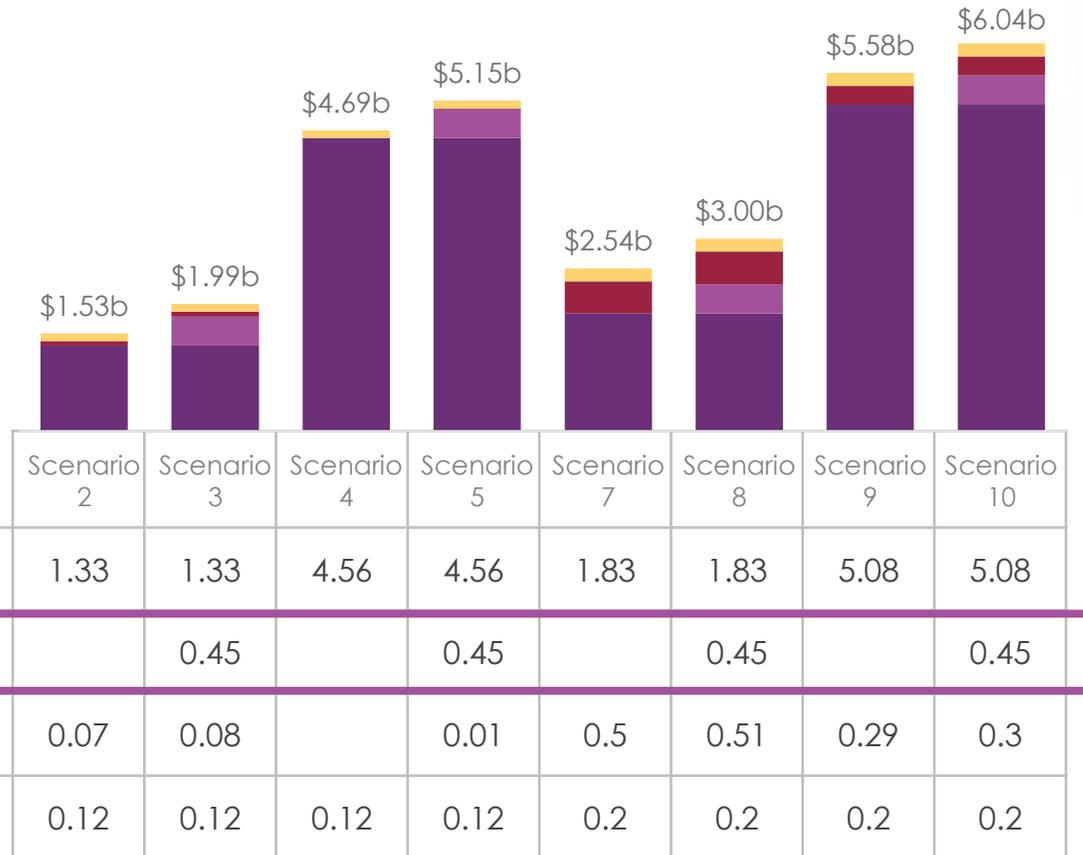


Project Edge



Greater coordination of active DER in the NEM can result in **up to \$6b benefits over 20 years**

Benefits for incremental vs base case



Benefits are driven by:

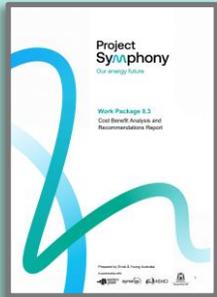
DOE configurations that target maximum utilisation of the distribution network

Data hub approach allows access to a greater scope of service opportunities

LSE providing a scalable and standardised market configuration for DNSPs

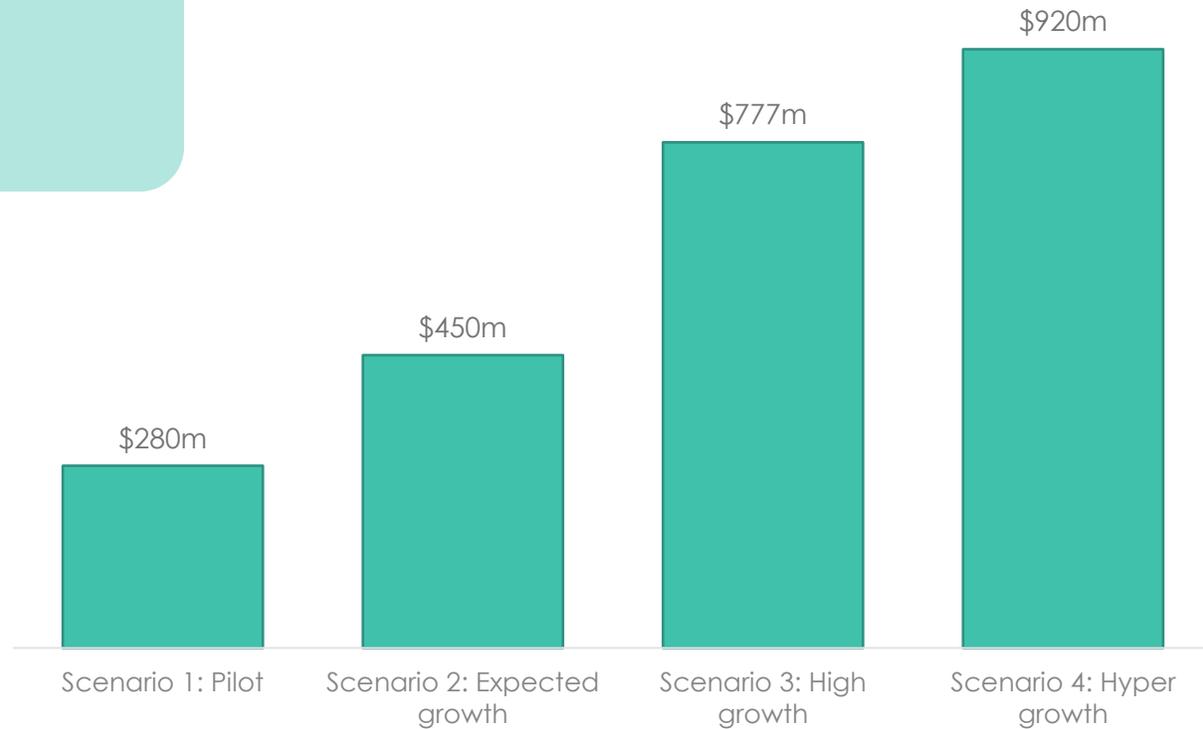
Visibility of DER to enable more accurate and less conservative operations across the network

Project Symphony



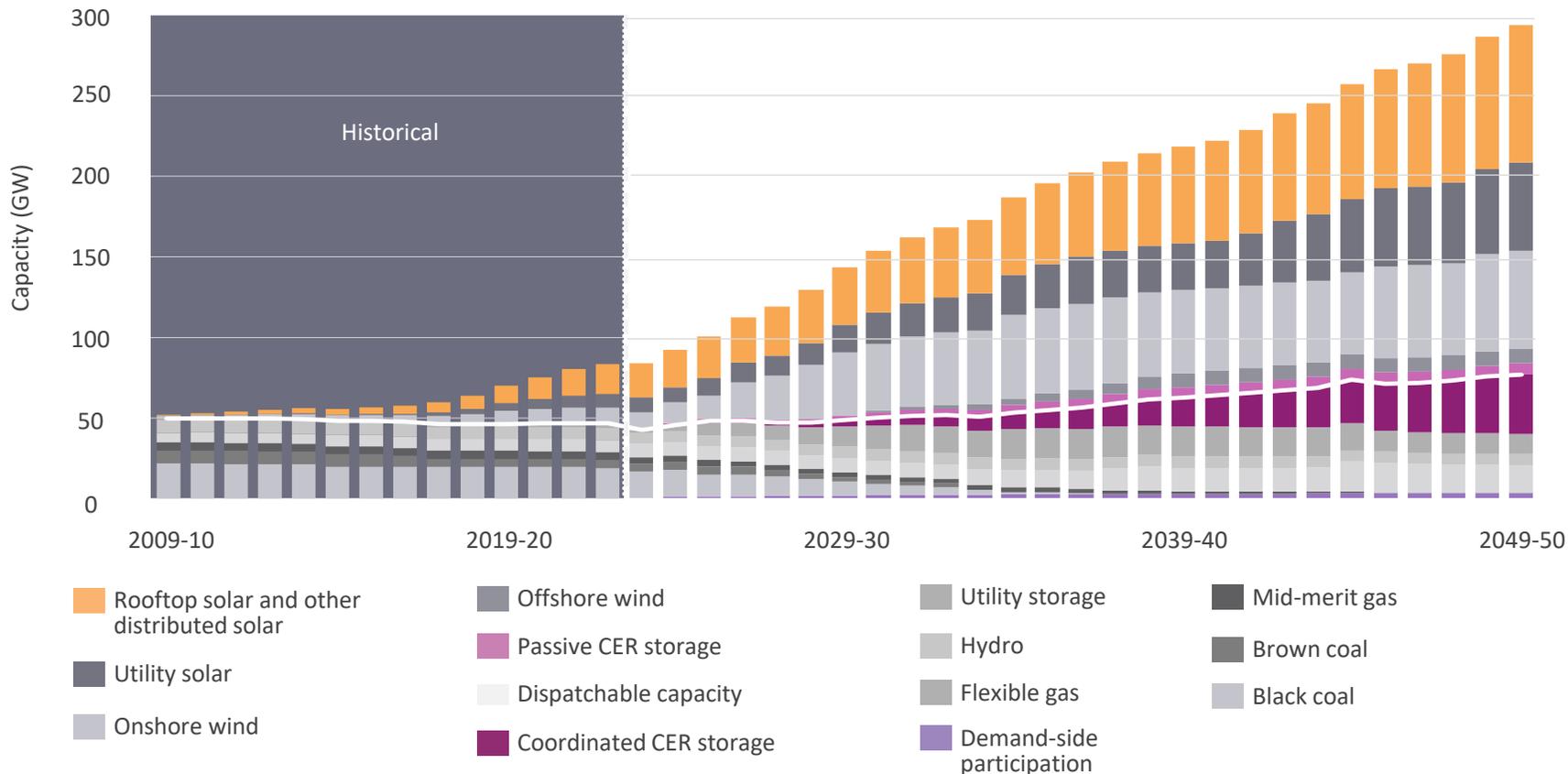
Orchestrating of DER can result in **up to \$920m benefits over 10 years**

- ✓ Positive value across all participants when value stacking network and market services in an orchestrated scenario
- ✓ Greater levels of participation = greater value



CER – and co-ordinated CER in particular – has a critical role to play in Australia’s energy system

Capacity, NEM (GW 2009-10 to 2049-50, Step Change)



Based on AEMO 2024 ISP, by 2050:

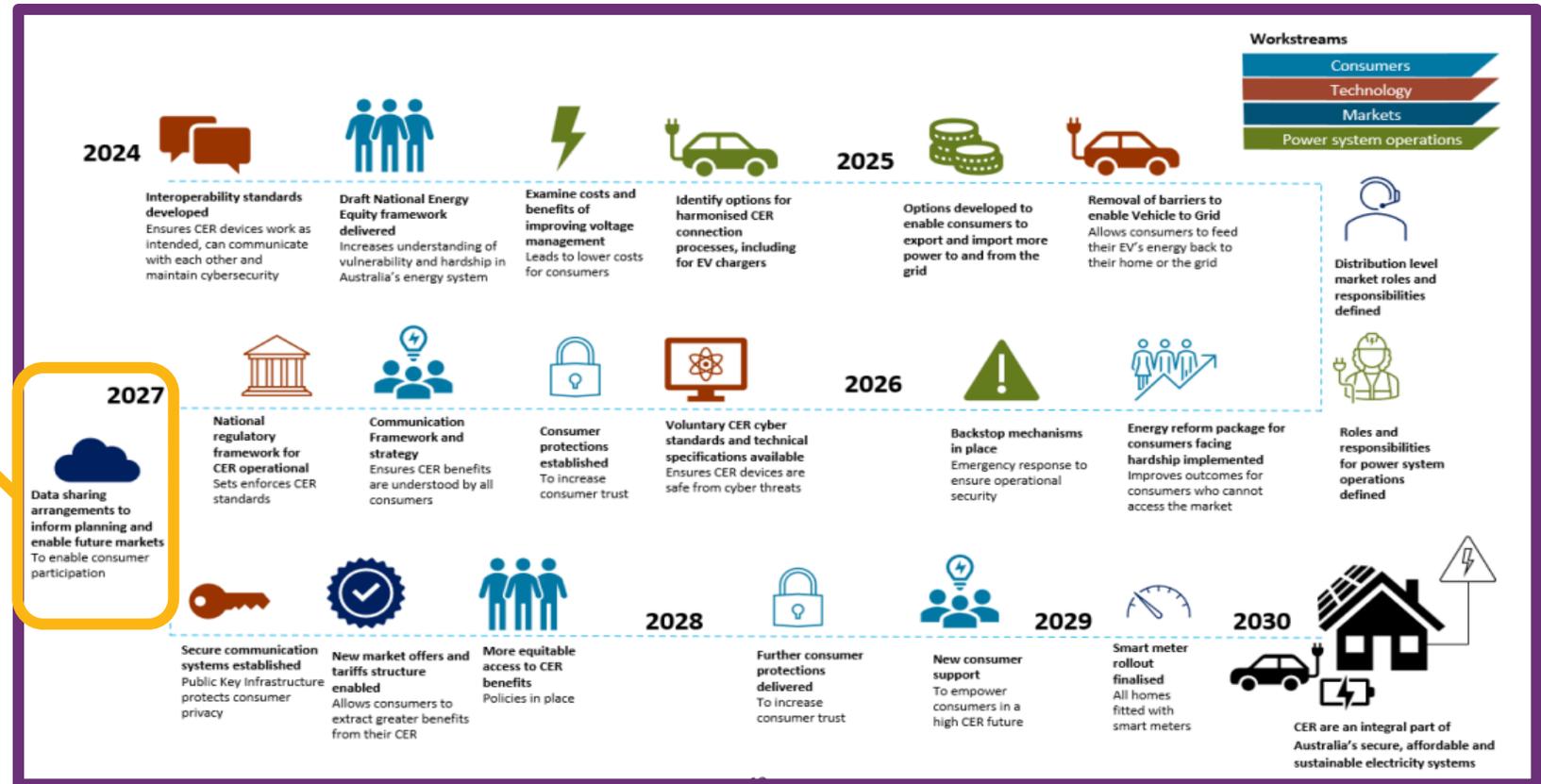
- CER will be the single largest source of electricity capacity in the NEM
- Co-ordinated CER will be the single largest source of dispatchable electricity
- If consumer batteries are well coordinated, it would **avoid up to \$4.1 billion being spent on additional utility-scale storage in the NEM.**

The National CER Roadmap outlines a series of actions to unlock CER benefits

National CER Roadmap

National Reform Priority: M.2 Data sharing arrangements to inform planning and enable future markets

- 1) Establish data access rights, metrics and processes for collection and sharing of CER and relevant network data
- 2) This includes defining and implementing a CER data exchange to enable markets and services that incentivise consumer participation in CER coordination.



Australia is not alone in thinking about how to unlock CER benefits



UK's Digital Spine Feasibility study

Data sharing infrastructure creates the potential to:

Reduce costs to consumers and businesses

Support decarbonisation

Improve energy system efficiency

Improve energy system reliability

2. Purpose and scope of cost assessment



Purpose of cost assessment

The current Co-design and collaboration phase has a number of deliverables:

1. High level design



2. Implementation Roadmap



3. Cost assessment



Purpose of the cost assessment is to estimate the costs to industry of implementing the CER Data Exchange based on the high level design



This is not a business case

Scope of cost assessment

Core assumption:

There will be a need to exchange high volumes of DER data in a secure, timely manner: there is no 'do nothing' option.

Participants use the CER Data Exchange as the means of data exchange.

Option 1: Point to Point

P2P cost

Option 2: DER Data Exchange

DER Data Exchange cost

MITE

CER Data Exchange

Business Case Industry endorsed (\$145m), implementation in progress

Incremental cost to deliver CER Data Exchange

\$440m incremental benefit (cost saving) over 20 years*

* Project EDGE estimate

Scope of cost assessment (cont)

In scope:

1. **Incremental costs** of CER Data Exchange

- Incremental costs are costs incurred as a result of the CER Data Exchange being the means by which data is exchanged
- Costs that would be incurred regardless of how CER data is exchanged are not incremental
 - Eg, DNSPs will need to calculate DOEs regardless of how they are exchanged, so costs associated with calculating DOEs are not incremental. Costs associated with interfacing with the CER Data Exchange to exchange DOEs are incremental.

2. **Minimum Viable Product** (MVP) version of CER Data Exchange for the three priority use cases

3. **Implementation and ongoing support** of MVP use cases

4. **Whole of industry costs** to implement and support MVP use cases

3. Key inputs and costing methodology



Key inputs



To determine incremental functionality required by CER Data Exchange

High level design

1

Outputs of high-level design
(to understand
functionality required)



Phased implementation starting with priority use cases:

- Broader Access to CER Standing Data
- Efficient Sharing of Network Limits
- Network Support & Flex Capability Discovery

Leverage existing infrastructure
(through MITE)

Ownership: AEMO

Operation: AEMO

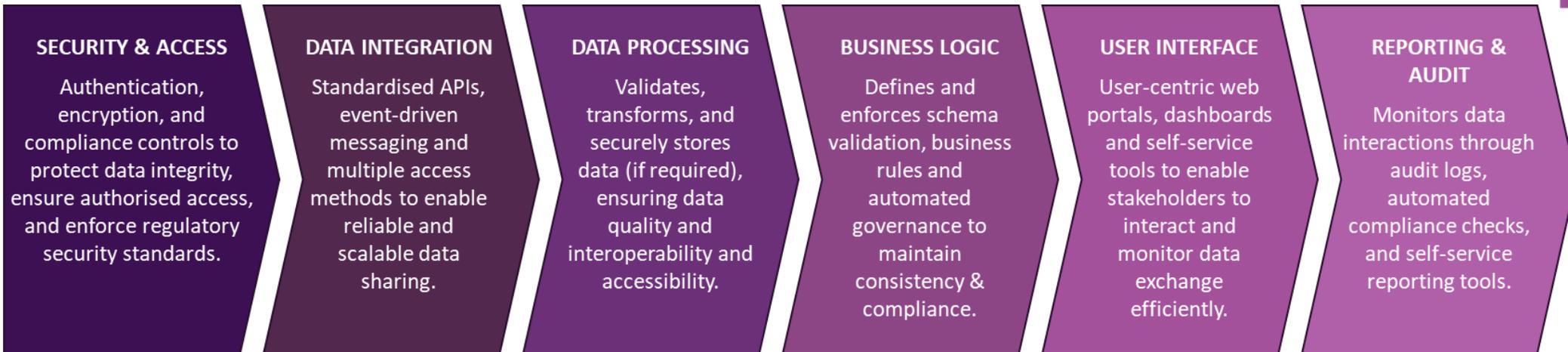
Oversight: Balanced/AER or existing body

Data governance: Industry collaboration with oversight from an established regulator

CER Data Exchange functionality

1
Outputs of high-level design
(to understand functionality required)

Functional Services



Operational Services



MITE business case recap

- MITE is designed to address a number of deficiencies and pain points experienced by participants accessing and using current AEMO technology
- MITE is not CER specific, but will provide foundational capability on which new business services/use cases (such as CER-related use cases) can be built
- MITE has three components - IDAM, IDX, PC – summarised below.

	Pain Point	MITE functionality
Identity and Access Management (IDAM)	AEMO's current IDAM services: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are disparate • Do not meet best practices in cyber security controls • Do not meet new industry obligations 	Allows the right people to have access to the right information at the right time
Industry Data Exchange (IDX)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AEMO's existing data exchange systems use inconsistent standards, protocols and formats across systems, fuels and jurisdictions • AEMO's markets have new data exchange needs 	Allows high volume secure data flow
(Portal Consolidation) PC	AEMO browser services require multiple sets of credentials, causing poor user experience	Provide one access point for the data

None of this functionality is CER specific

MITE business case recap (cont)

- Through the HLD process, industry agreed that building on the functionality that will be delivered through MITE was the preferred option
- MITE business case has been approved (Foundation element), with an estimate of \$145m for industry to implement
- Therefore, this cost assessment is about costing the incremental cost to deliver the 3 priority use cases using the MITE capability.

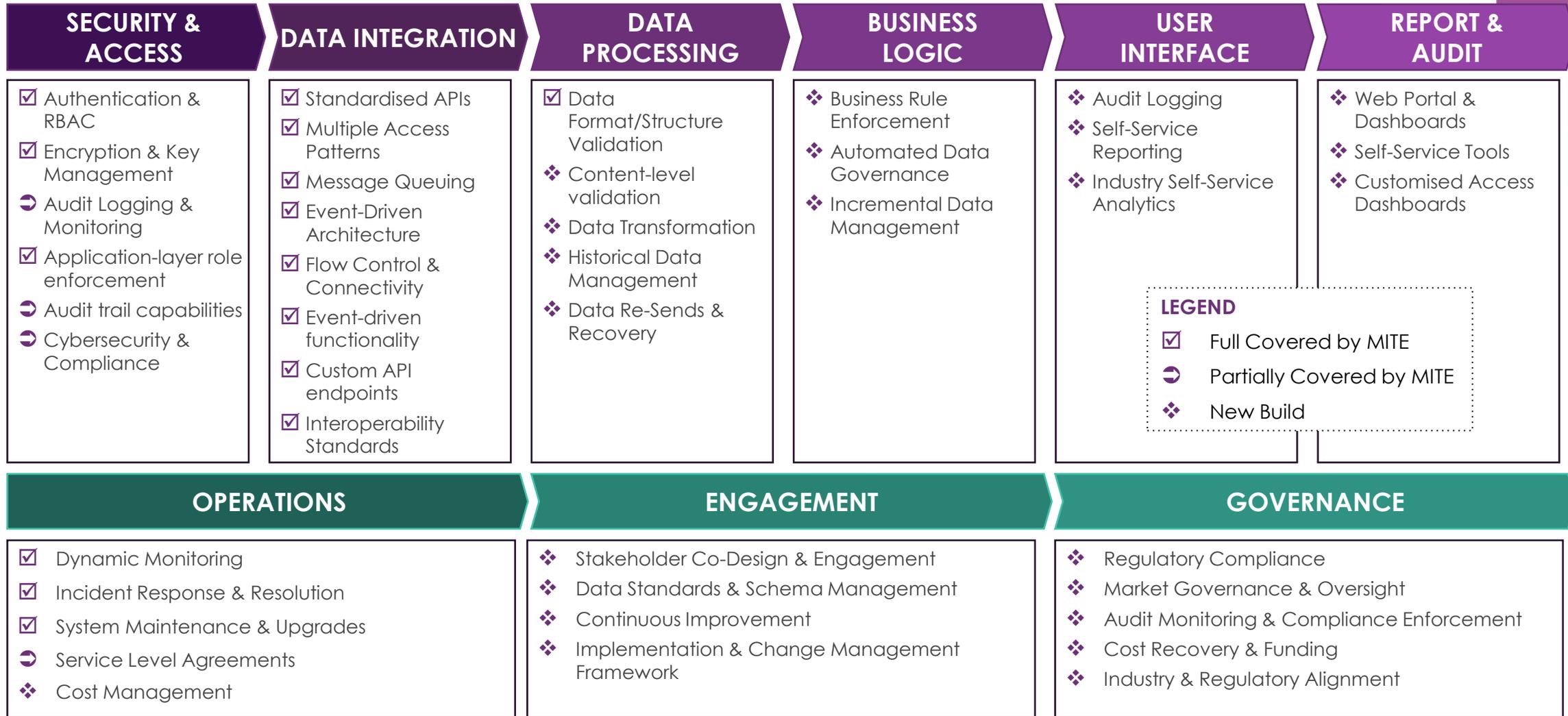
Total cost of MITE (Foundation): \$154m

	AEMO	Industry	Total
Implementation	\$47m	\$98m	\$145m
Ongoing	\$9m	\$0m	\$9m
Total	\$56m	\$98m	\$154m

CER Data Exchange incremental functionality

1
Outputs of high-level design
(to understand functionality required)

2
MITE business case



LEGEND

- ✓ Full Covered by MITE
- ➔ Partially Covered by MITE
- ❖ New Build

Implementation timeline

How does the CER Data Exchange fit into the timeframes of related reforms?

Completion of
current stage

Dependency
CER Taskforce
★ Key deadline
Jurisdictions
AEMO
Interlinked

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DMSO Roles & Responsibilities			CER National Roadmap (M3/P5)																								Unlocks barriers to entry & planning for future state				
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Related Initiatives

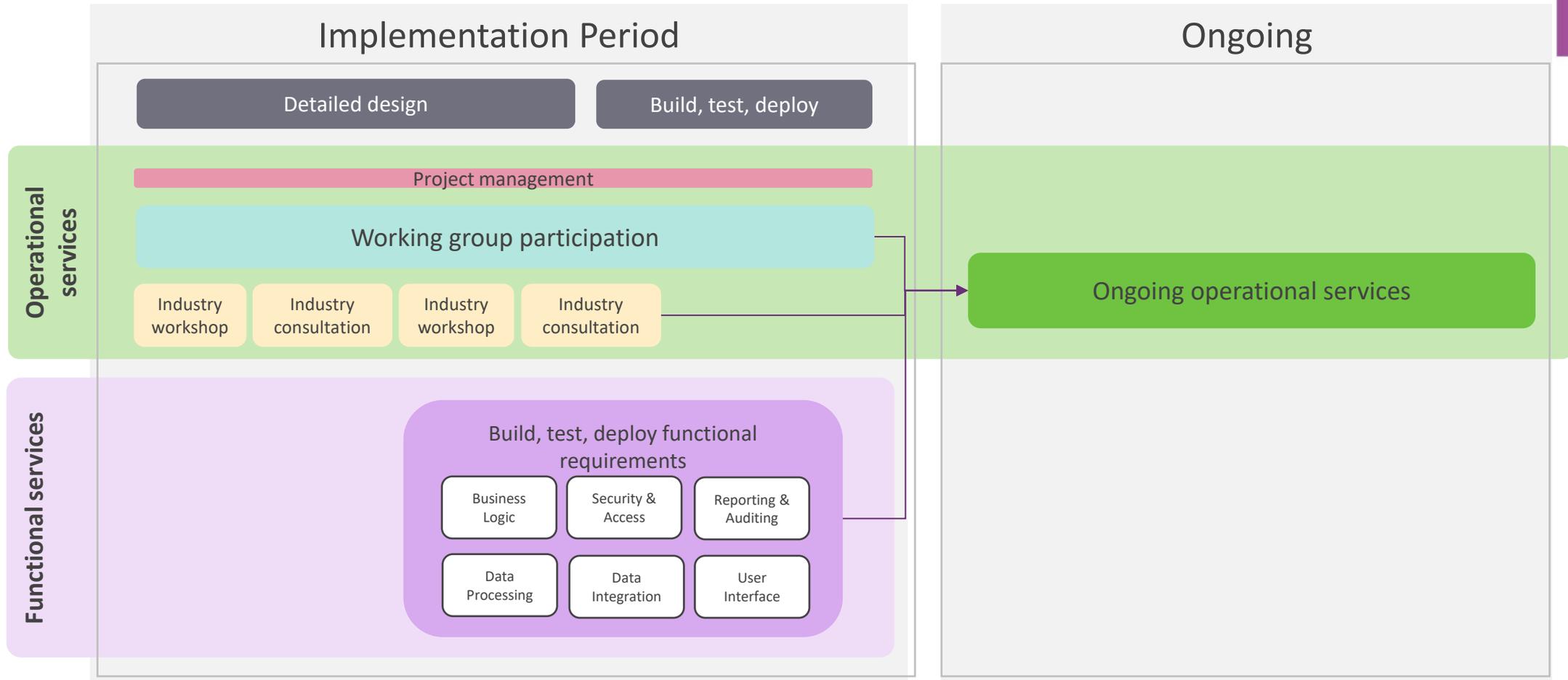
CER Data Exchange

Detailed design

Build, test, deploy

How does the CER Data Exchange fit in?

Costing methodology



Costing methodology (cont)

Operational Services

- Effort-based estimates
- Effort aligned with:
 - **Project management** (AEMO)
 - **Working group** participation (based on estimated number of participants by category)
 - All **industry workshops** and consultation (all industry)
- Split by participant category
- Standard labour rate applied

Functional Services

- Estimate of t-shirt sized costs for functional build, test and deploy
- Plus other costs such as hosting, storage, licence fees

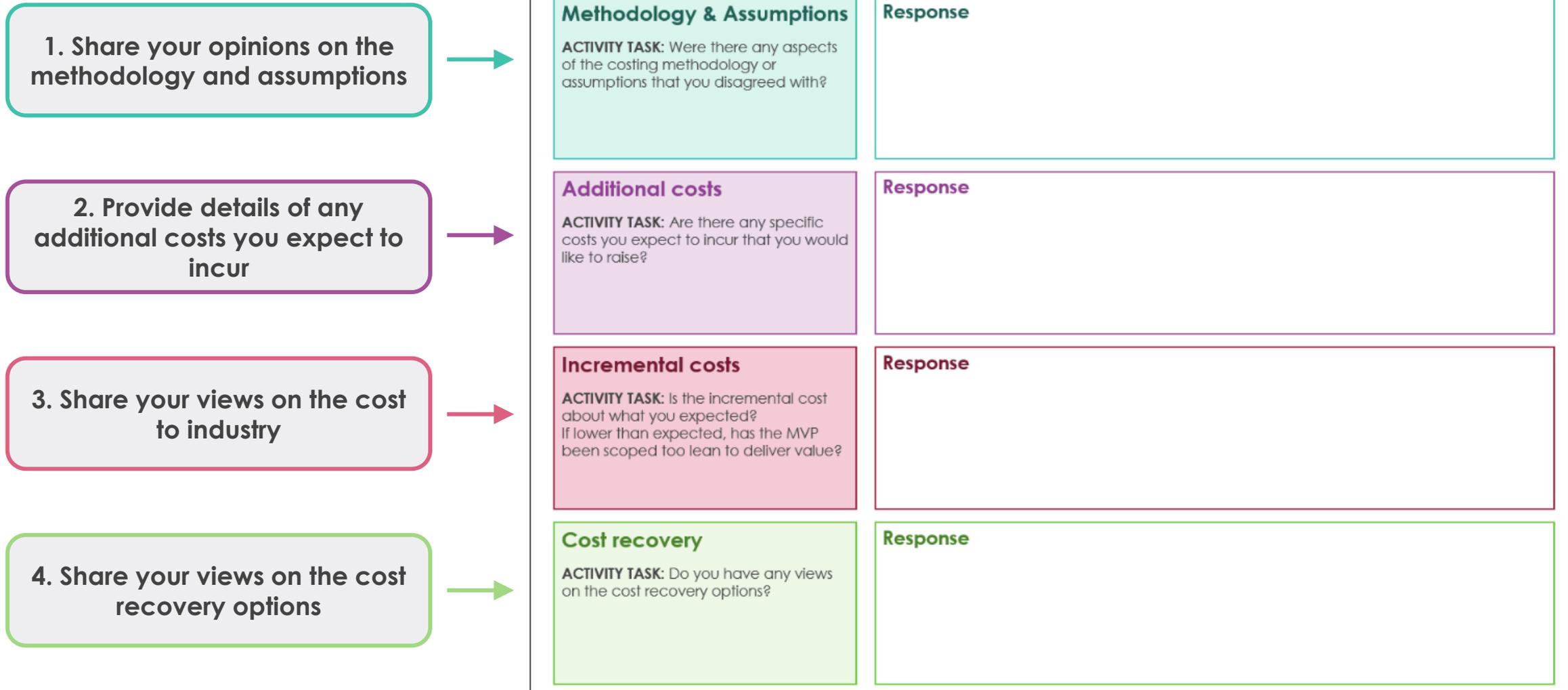


ACTIVITY 4: Cost Assessment



Activity #4 Placemat overview

Break into groups (based on your participant type, i.e. DNSPs, retailers/aggregators, other)



Afternoon tea break





End-of-Workshop Survey

At the end of the workshop, we will conduct a survey on MS Forms. Please start thinking about:

Was this a genuine consultation process? | The Project team sought to apply co-design tools, including through EWG meetings and workshop sessions using preference setting exercises. Did you find this a genuine way to draw out stakeholder views and preferences? Did we accurately reflect these results in the slides / summary material?

Is co-design a better way? | AEMO and Project team invested a significant amount of time to undertake this co-design journey. Do you think it was worth it? Do you believe that a co-design process helps to align industry to deliver the best outcome for consumers?

Communication | What issues could have been better communicated (eg, benefits to end consumers, links to IDX)? Was there too much assumed knowledge at the start of the process?

AEMO arm's length? | AEMO adopted a co-design process supported by an independent third-party facilitator, which allowed AEMO to take a step back. Was this helpful? Did you have greater confidence and trust in the outcome?

Part 4: Implementation Considerations

Craig Chambers



What needs to be implemented? And when?

Of the implementation considerations, what you think are the highest priorities to be addressed.



Technical (e.g. data exchange systems, schemas, regulatory barriers, enabling reforms)



Engagement (e.g. forums, industry workshops, communication methods)



Governance (e.g. regulatory barriers, regulations & compliance)



Operational (e.g. risk, business rules, roles and responsibilities)



What needs to be resolved sooner rather than later?
Where would you like immediate focus / resources dedicated to?

Timeline of related reforms

CER Taskforce ★ Key deadline
AEMO ⋯ Interlinked
Jurisdictions ⬤ Dependency

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How does the CER Data Exchange fit in?

Activity #5 Placemat Overview

ACTIVITY E: Implementation Planning

CER Taskforce
AEMO
Jurisdictions
★ Key deadline (i.e. go-live dates)

Interlinked
Dependency

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Priority Use Case Implementation & sequencing

Use Case 1:
Tech. Development
AEMO Internal testing
Industry readiness / transition
Industry integration / testing
Deployment / Go-live
Use Case 2:
Tech. Development
AEMO Internal testing
Industry readiness / transition
Industry integration / testing
Deployment / Go-live
Use Case 3:
Tech. Development
AEMO Internal testing
Industry readiness / transition
Industry integration / testing
Deployment / Go-live

Key implementation issues which need to be prioritised:

Issue	Top Priority	Rank	Why
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1. Insert what you believe to be highest priority.

2. Facilitators will work with tables to rank the key focus areas.

3. Justify why the issue is a priority. Identify key concerns.



Next Steps & Closing Remarks

We have come a long way

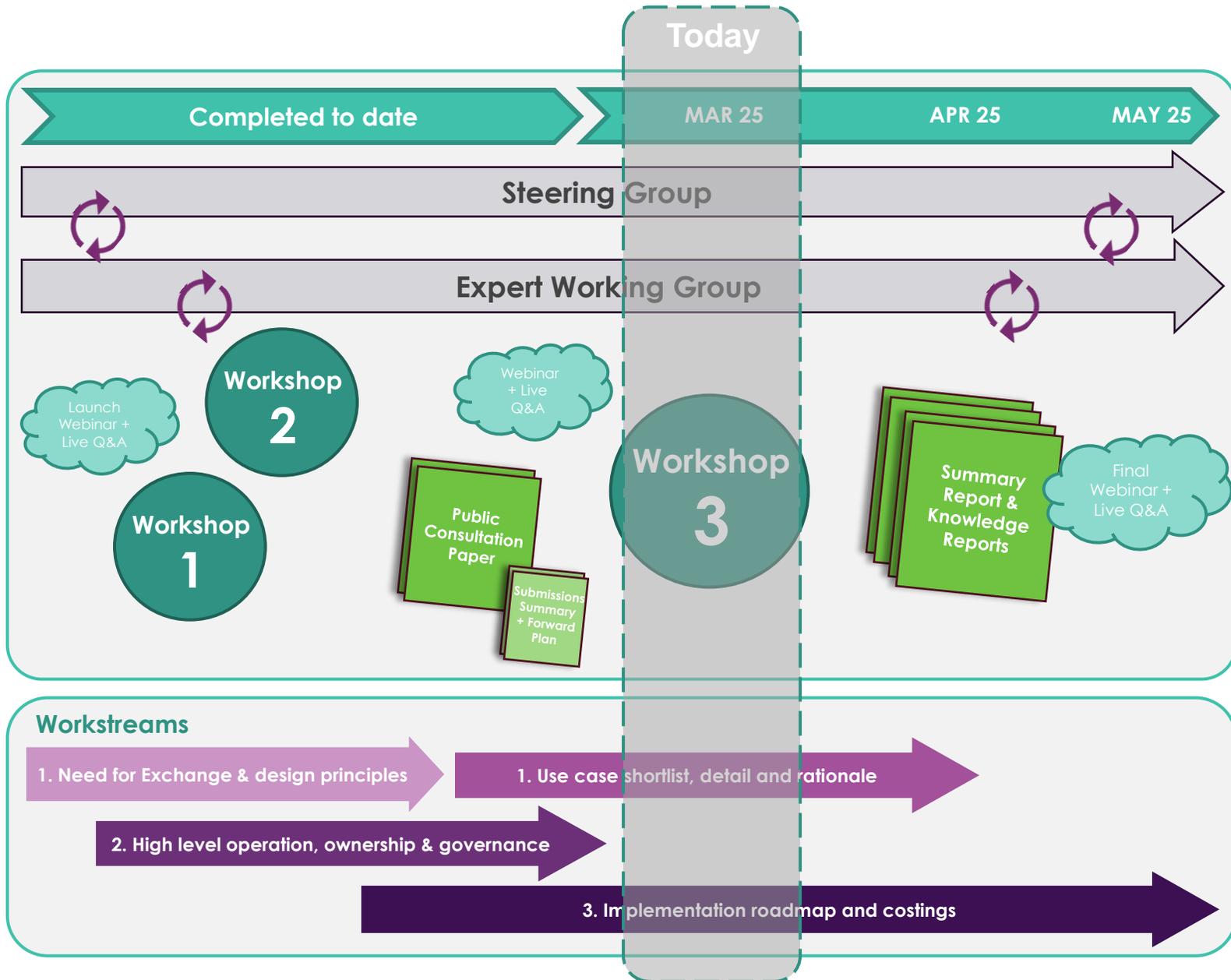
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Now

Broad Stakeholder Support
3 x Priority Use Cases
AEMO Preferred Owner & Operator
Build on MITE infrastructure
Start narrow and scale via phased implementation

Where to next?



Remainder of 2025

1. AEMO to move to detail design with industry
2. Build out the three priority use cases
3. Leverage MITE capabilities
4. Implementation from 2026

Rounding out this phase of the CER Data Exchange project

Final deliverables



Outcomes Report



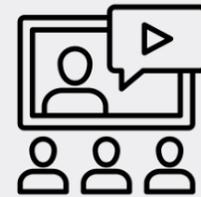
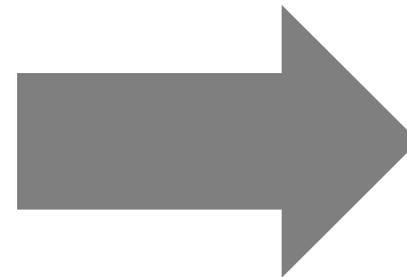
Attachment: Cost Assessment Report



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Knowledge Sharing Report



Final Public Webinar

Date: Early May



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