Using Climate Information for Adaptation and Policy Development

Overview - CSAG Winter School 2009

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Housekeeping

- Mobile phones and Internet
- Bags and materials – room safety
- Breaks
- Room schedule and access

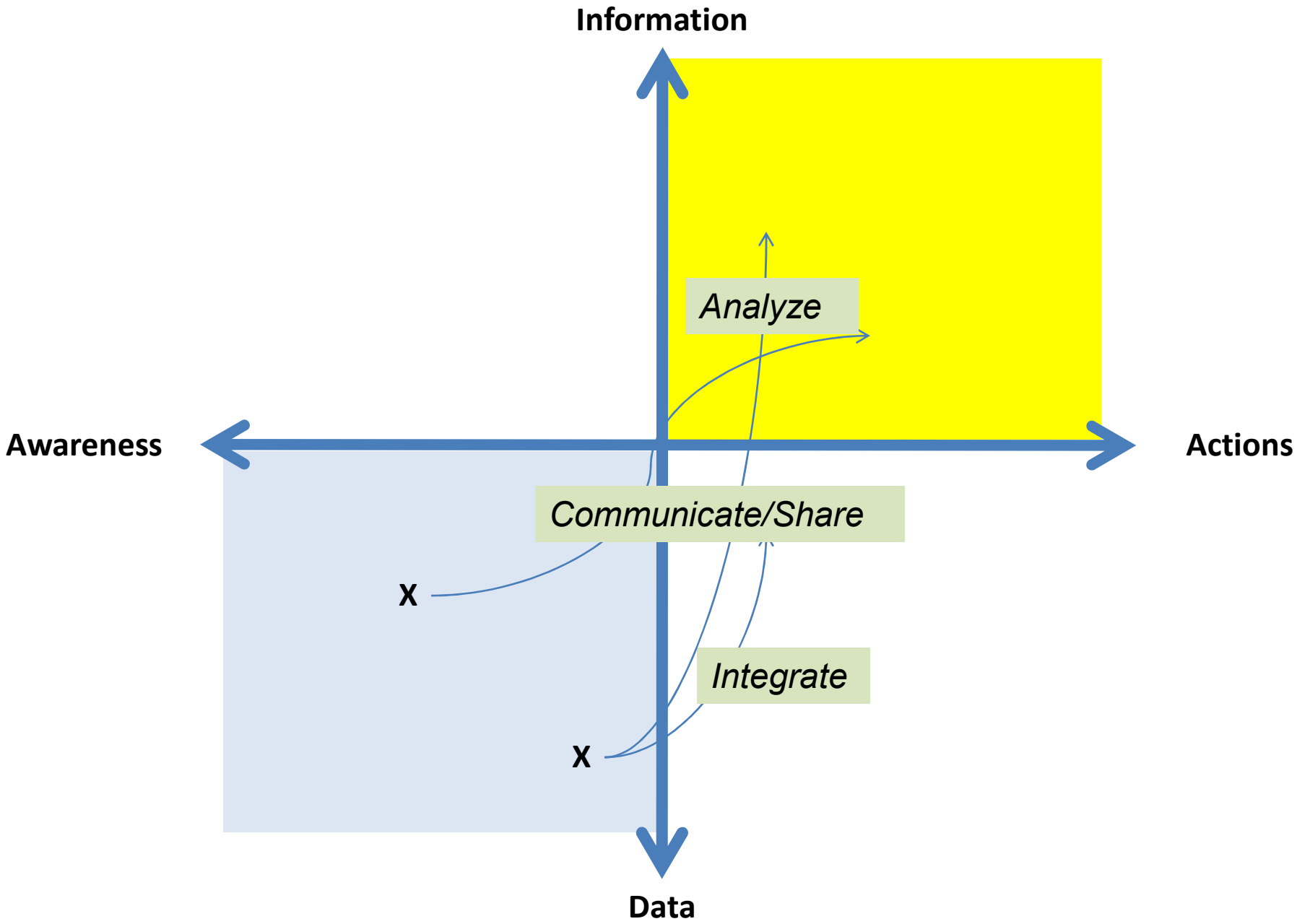
Housekeeping II

- Wiki
  - Resources
  - Overview
  - Editing?
- Printing

- Engagement and Participation
  - Case studies
  - Grill the climatologist
  - 30 second games
  - Queries and questions

Context

- Adaptation is a process, not a tangible outcome → all the parameters are constantly changing
- The rate of climate change is uncertain.
- The way climate change will affect natural, industrial and social systems is even more uncertain. → other components of the future are the most uncertain of the lot!
- Uncertainty requires decision-makers to ask:
  - Is adaptation needed?
  - How much adaptation?
  - Which adaptation measures to implement?
  - When to adapt?


Information
Awareness
Actions
Data
Analyze
Communicate/Share
Integrate
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- Where does climate science and adaptation knowledge fit in?
  - How can we move from identifying to doing – what does it take?
  - How can we improve access to and analysis of relevant, useful, defensible
  - How can we support the sharing of knowledge among disciplines?
  - How can we translate synthetic information to people making decisions and plans on the ground more effectively.

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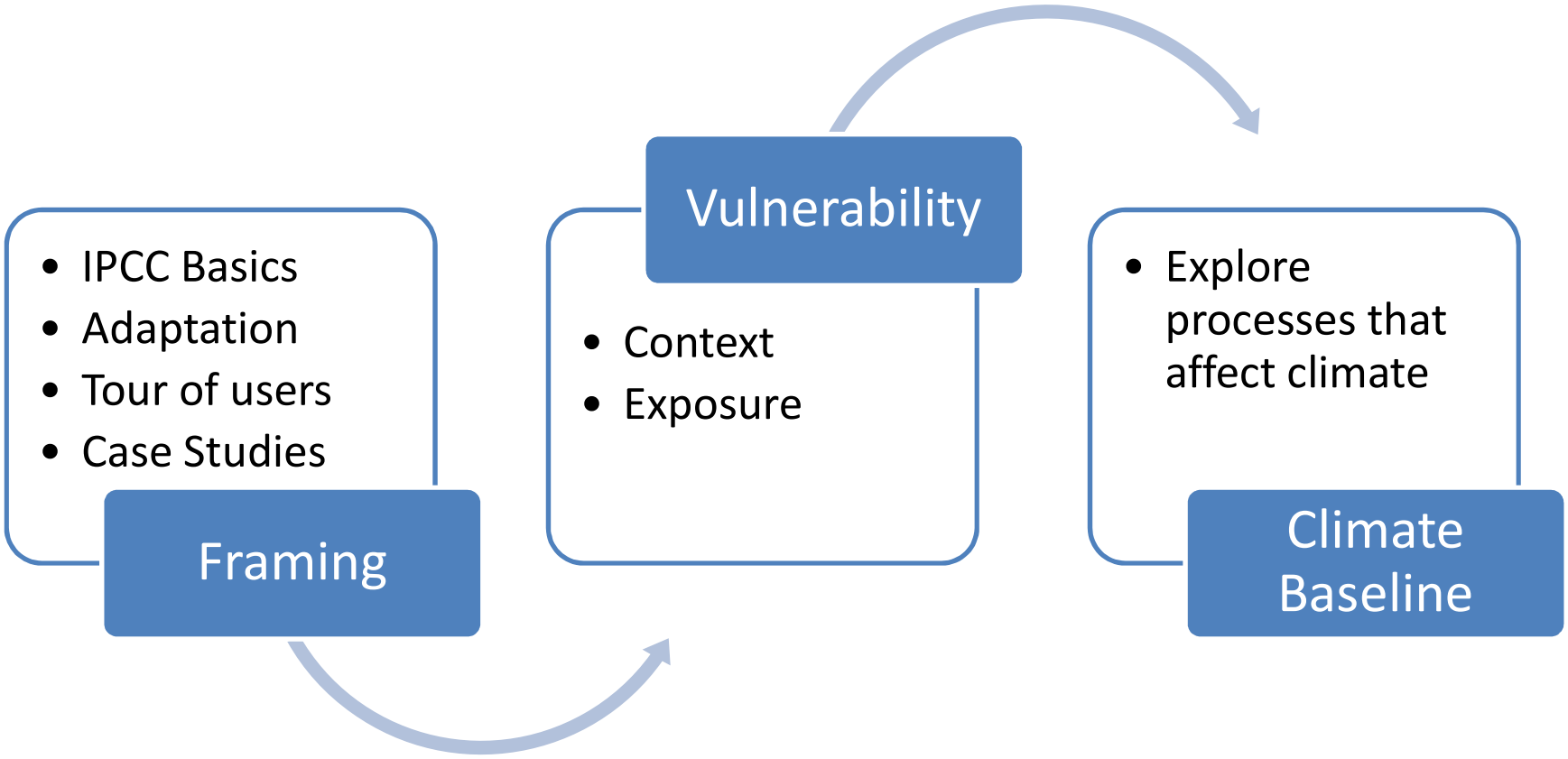

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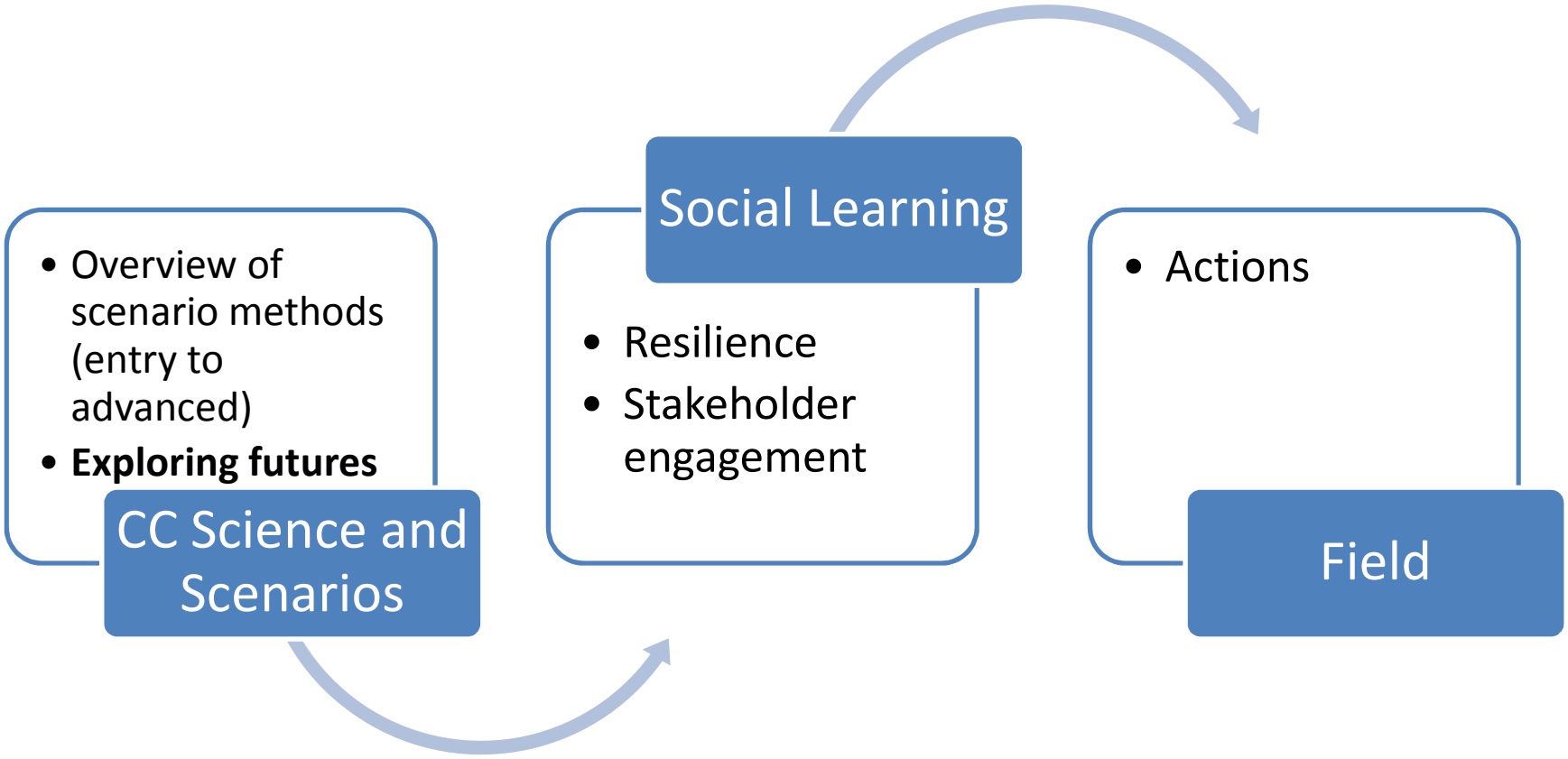

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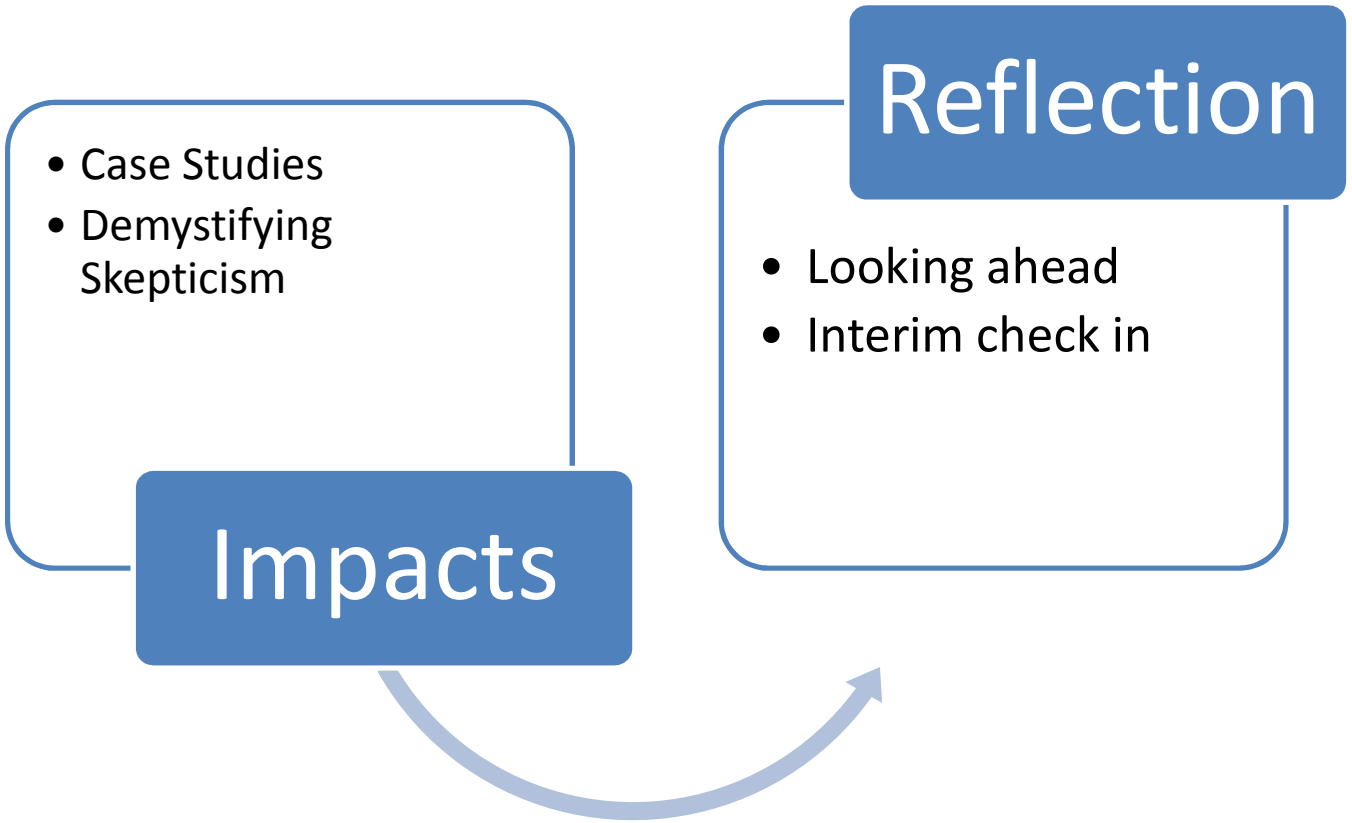

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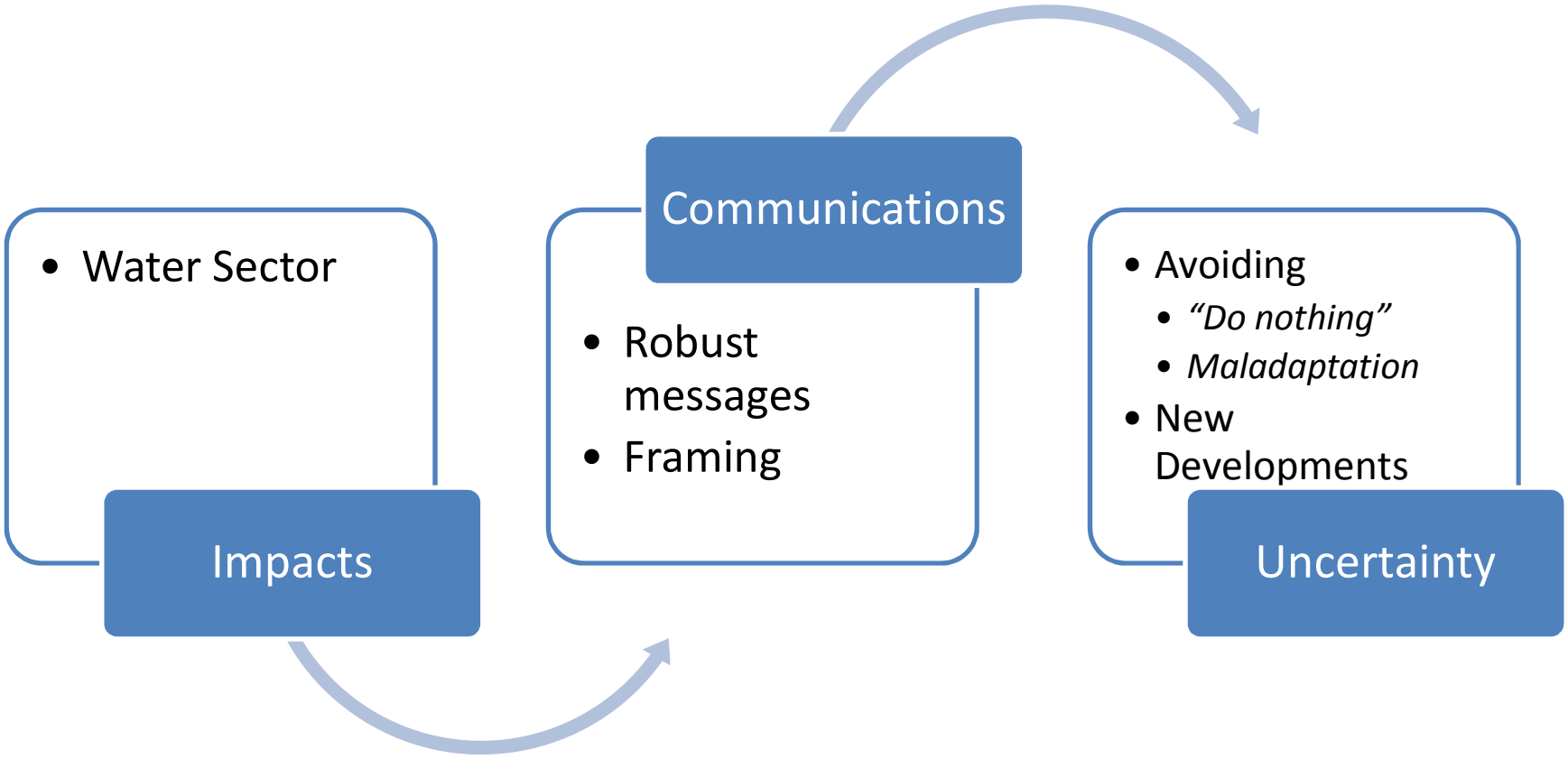

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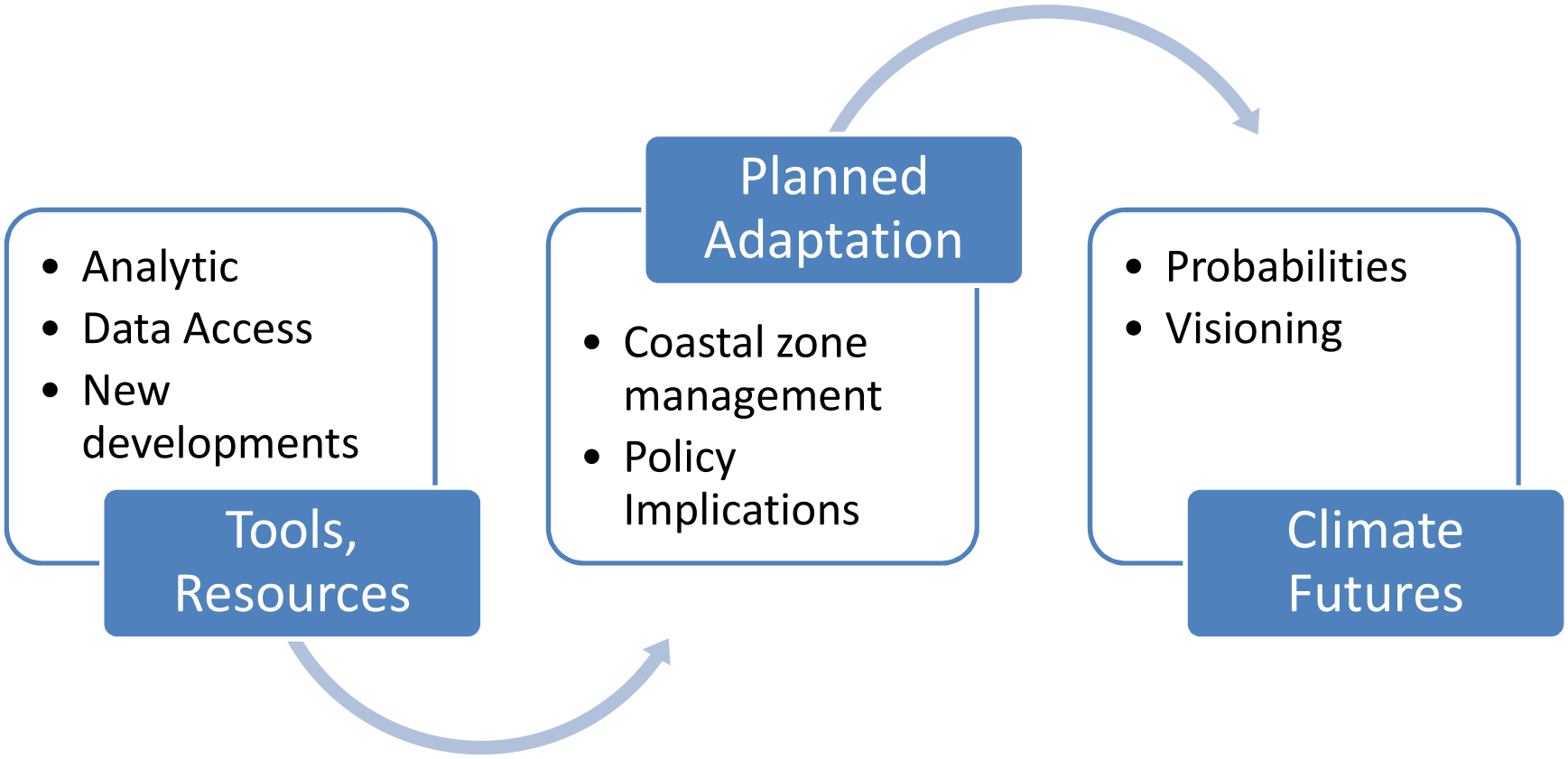

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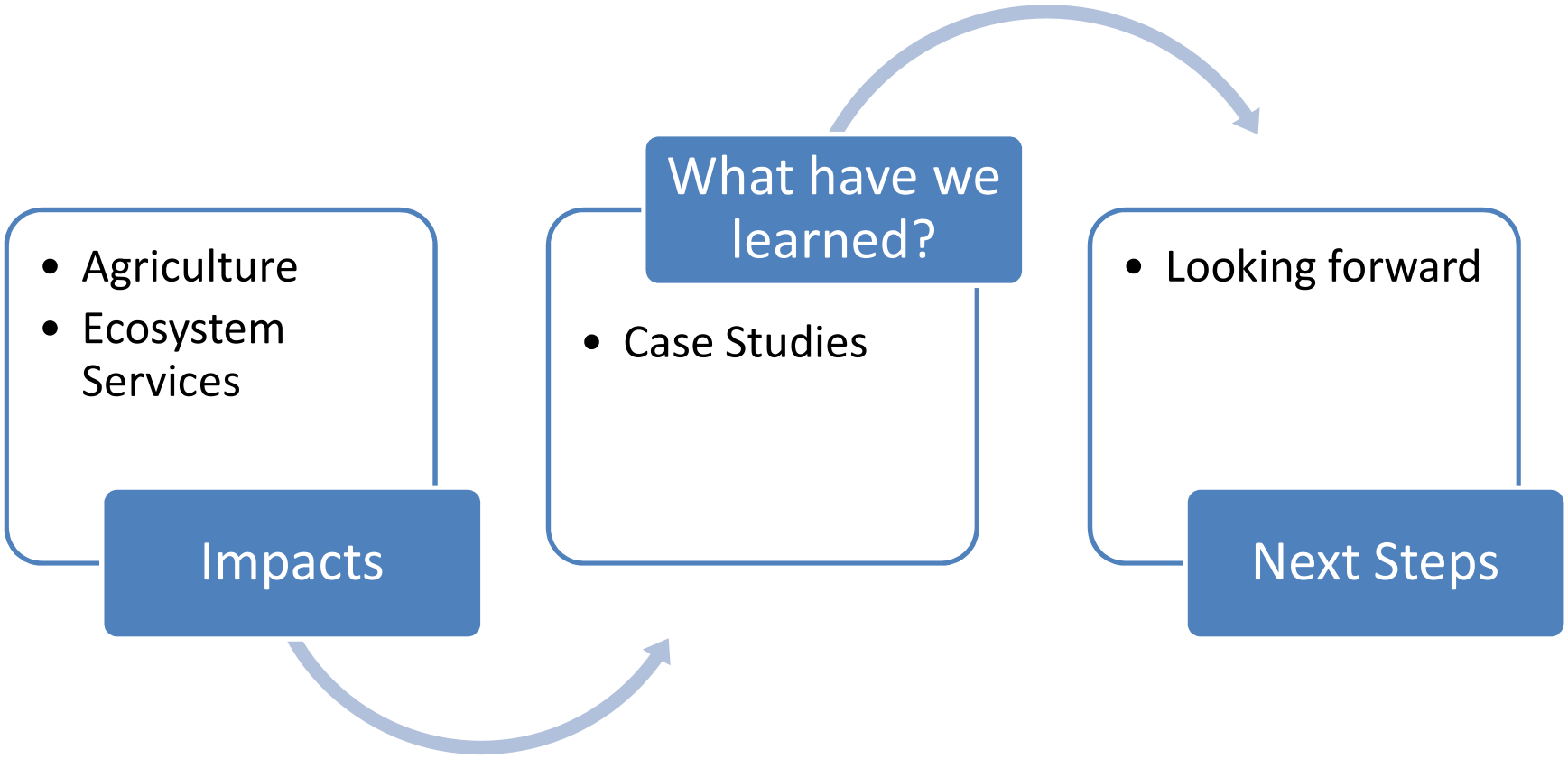

- Any others?
- What we would ask of you…