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Global Action Plan for Sustainable Development Data

❖ Developed by the High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity Building for the 2030 Agenda (HLG-PCCB);

❖ 6 Strategic Areas – 13 Objectives – 54 Key Actions;

❖ Global Consultation from 26 October to 13 November 2016;

❖ Presentation at the First UN World Data Forum in Cape Town (January 2017);

❖ Adoption at the 48th UN Statistical Commission in March 2017;

❖ Possible link to a new UN resolution describing the tasks of the UN Statistical Commission pertaining to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

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«Architecture» of the Action Plan and the regional Road Maps

- ❖ Global level:
  - ❖ HLG-PCCB;
  - ❖ Action Plan for Statistics;
- ⟹ General.

- ❖ Regional Level:
  - ❖ For example UNECE Steering Group;
  - ❖ Road Map;
- ⟹ More detailed and respecting the regional circumstances.

- ❖ National Level:
  - ❖ National Statistical Offices;
  - ❖ Road Map or strategies;
- ⟹ Tailored for the national statistical system.

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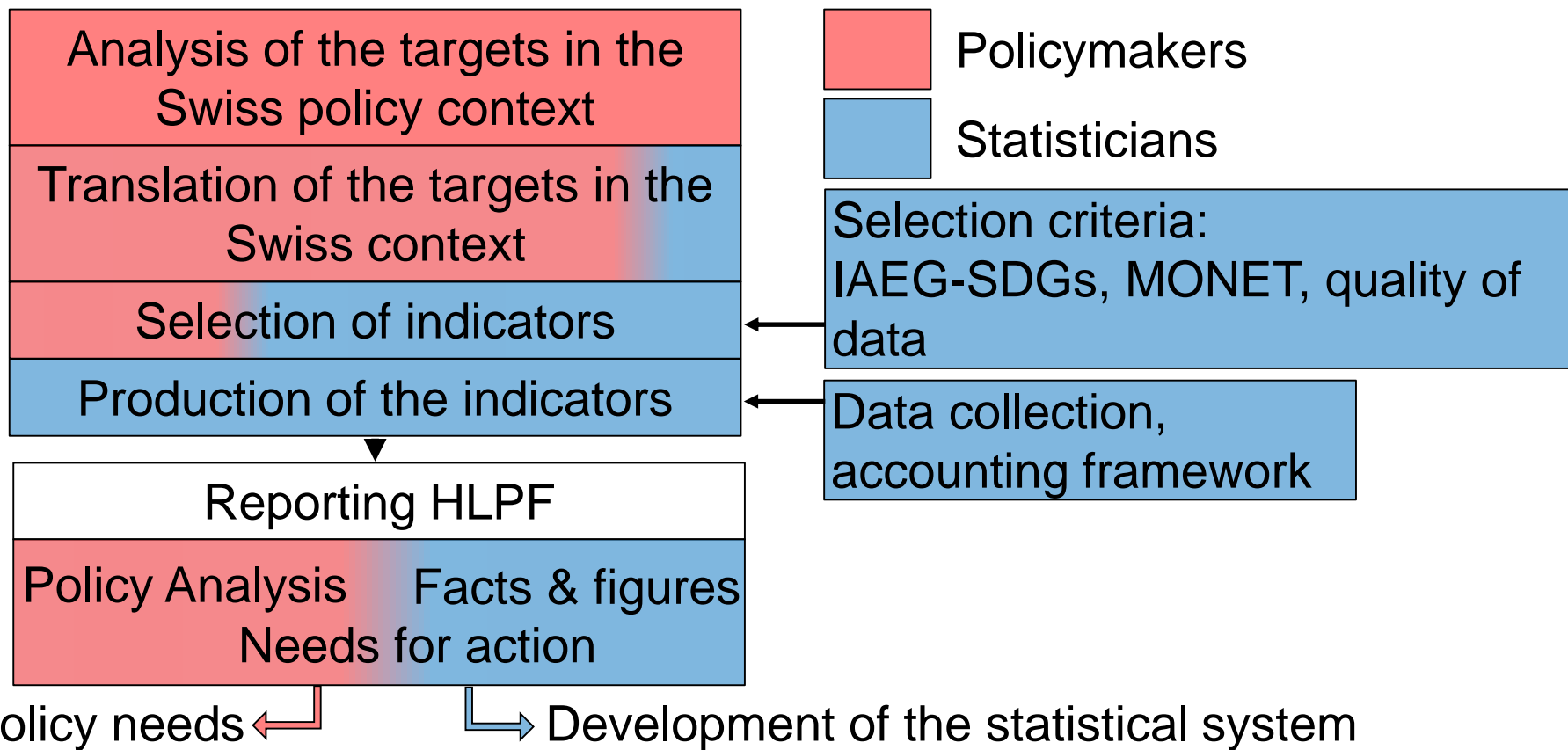# Swiss case: Collaboration between the statisticians and the policy-makers is crucial

❖ Culture of dialogue, cooperation and co-construction;

❖ Pre-defined rules of the game;

❖ Clearly defined processes and well documented decisions;

❖ Respect of the specific role of each actor (in our case the independency and the neutrality of official statistics);

❖ Shared knowledge and skills;

❖ Large and robust statistical basis (surveys, data, accounting frameworks, methods).

→ the toolbox

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Implementation and monitoring of SDGs in Switzerland

	Policymakers
	Statisticians

Analysis of the targets in the Swiss policy context

Translation of the targets in the Swiss context

Selection of indicators

Selection criteria: IAEG-SDGs, MONET, quality of data

Production of the indicators

Data collection, accounting framework

Reporting HLPF

Policy Analysis   Facts & figures
Needs for action

New policy needs   Development of the statistical system

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Summary

❖ The statistical community needs to have an «architecture» that links the global, the regional and the national levels (community building);

❖ NSOs can profit from the experiences made by other countries building up parternships with other data users;

❖ Switzerland has very good experiences with data producers (and users) within the administration;

❖ Still lacking experiences and tools to start partnerships with other data producers.

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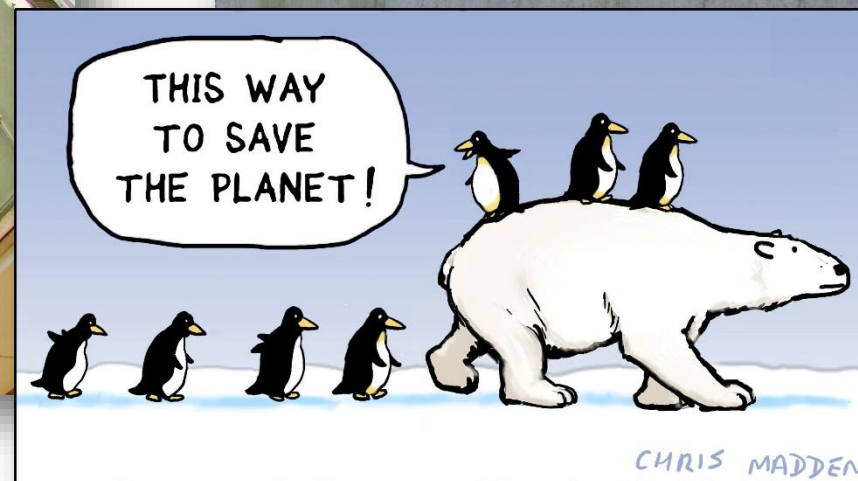Georges-Simon Ulrich

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