

# Workshop at EGI2022

## Disruptive technologies accelerating data- driven policymaking in the public sector

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**Data Driven  
Policy Cluster**

Co-creating digital tools for better governance



**Decido**

**intelcomp**



**Policy Cloud**  
Cloud for Data-Driven Policy Management



**Project<sup>1</sup> Number:** 101004480

**Project Acronym:** AI4PublicPolicy

**Project title:** Automated, Transparent Citizen-Centric Public Policy Making based on  
Trusted Artificial Intelligence

# The Consortium

## Large Industries



netcompany

intrasoft

## RTOs



POLITÉCNICA

## SME



novoville



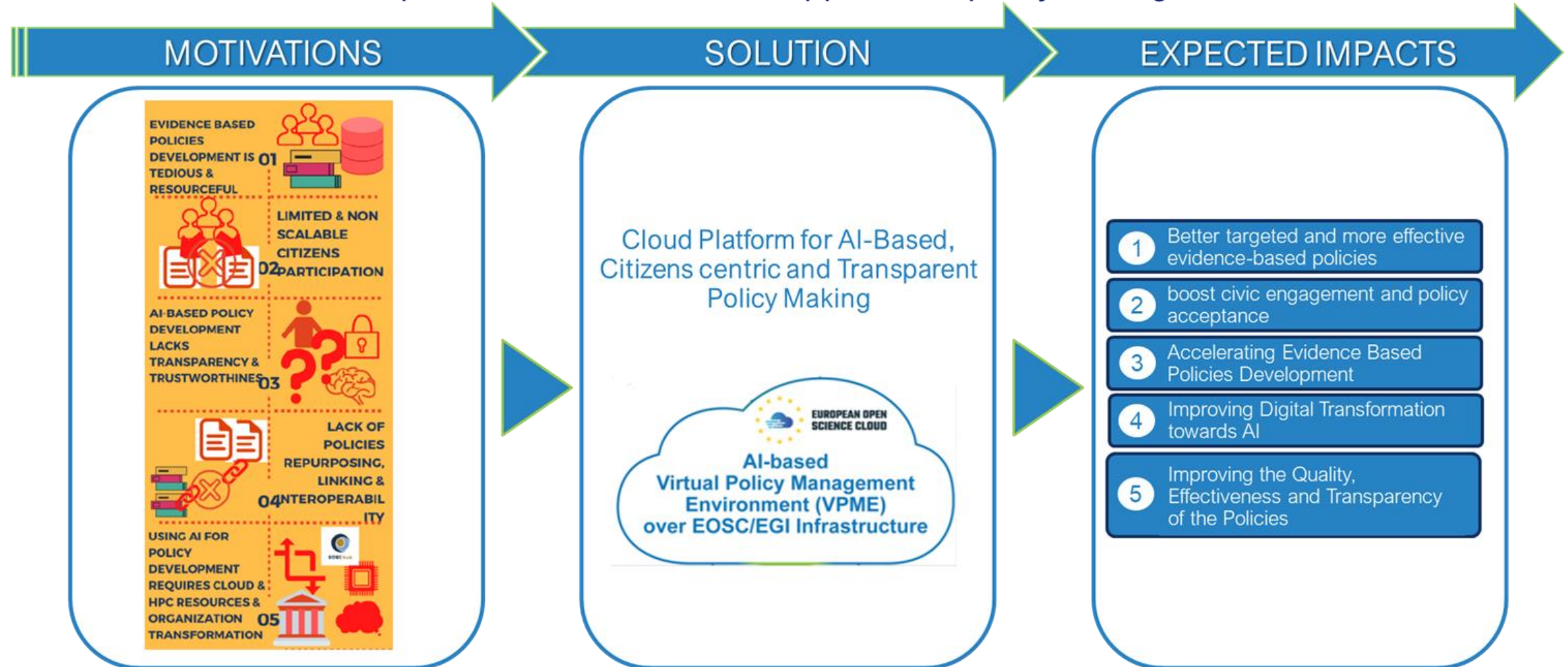
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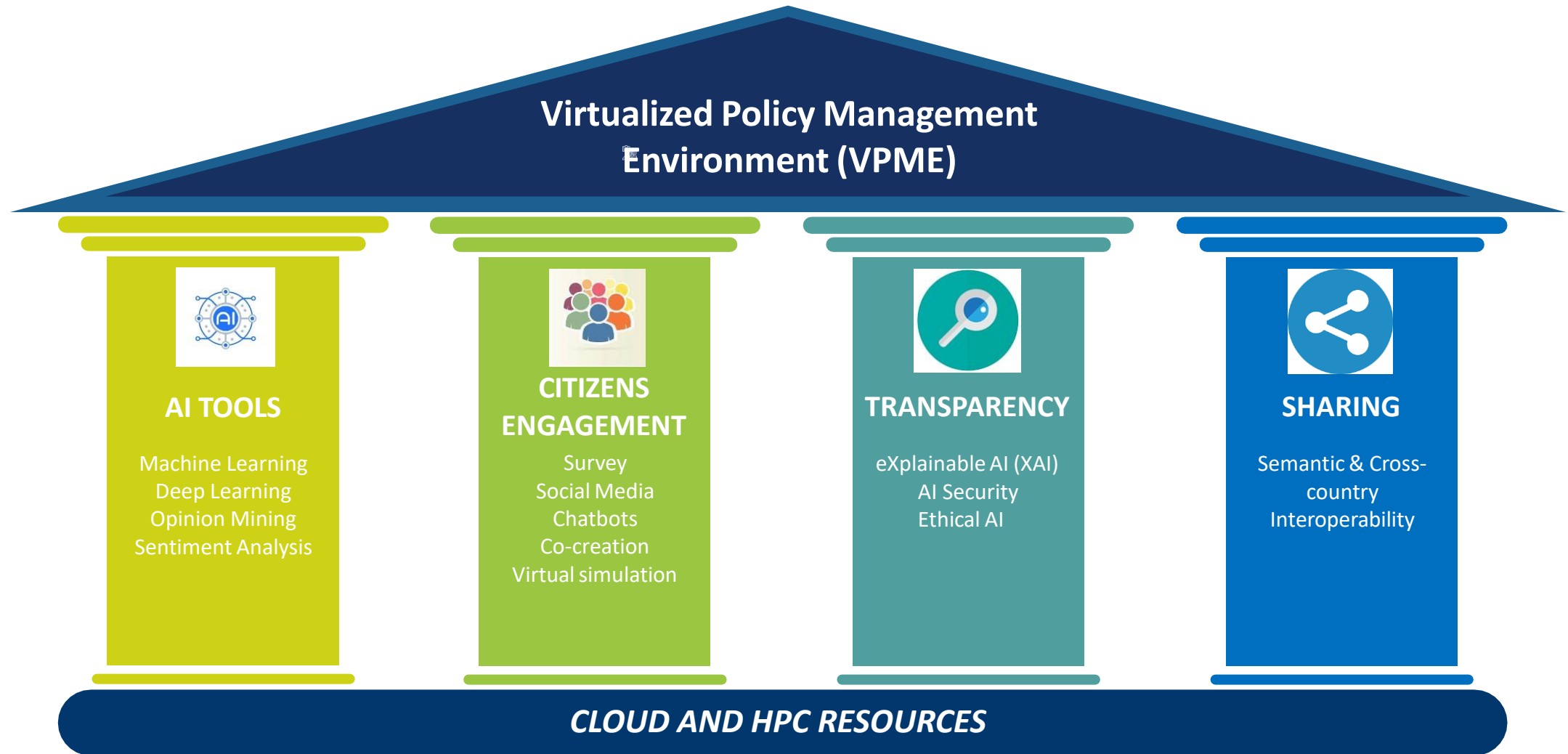


# The Scope

Improve the evidence-based approach in policy making

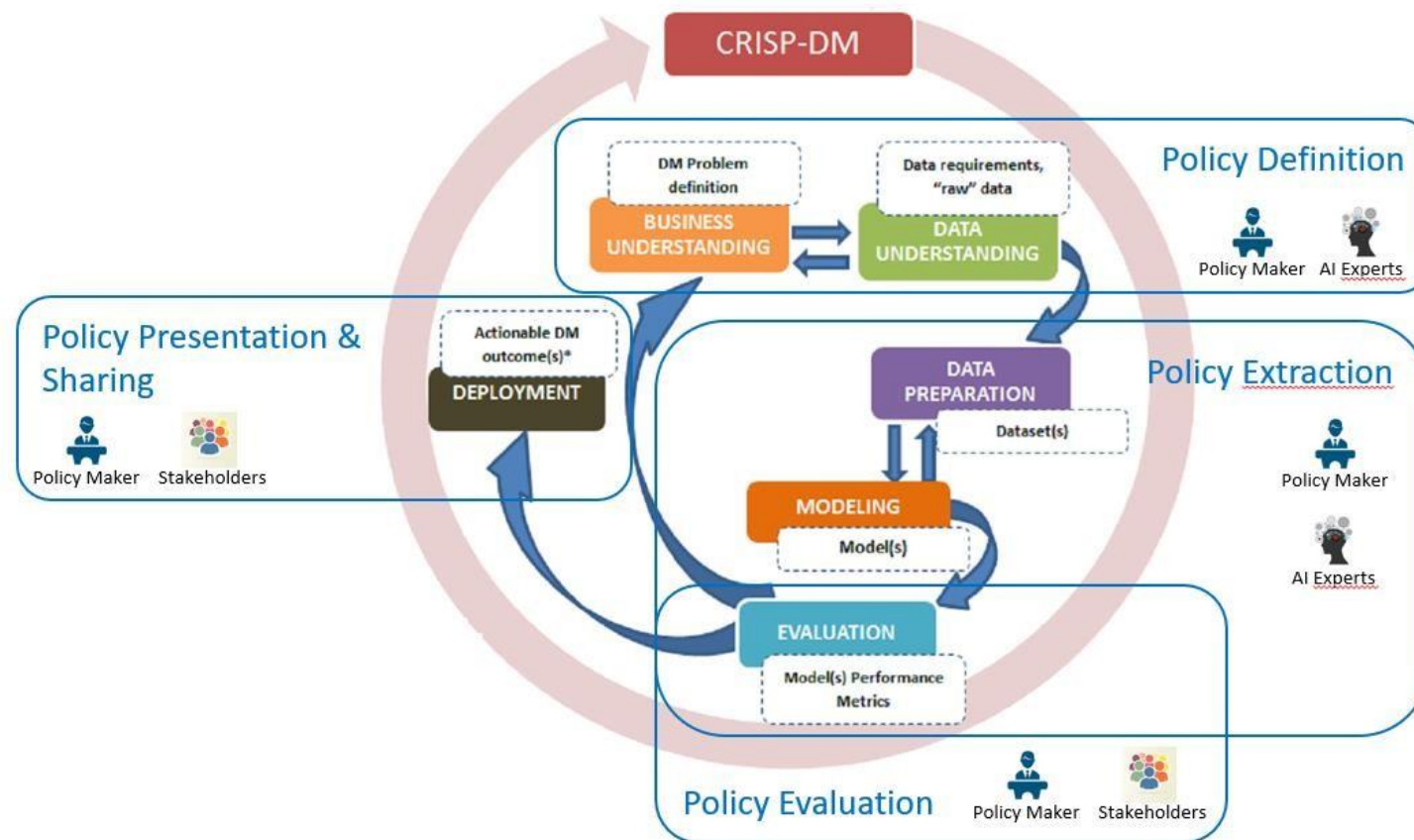


# The Pillars



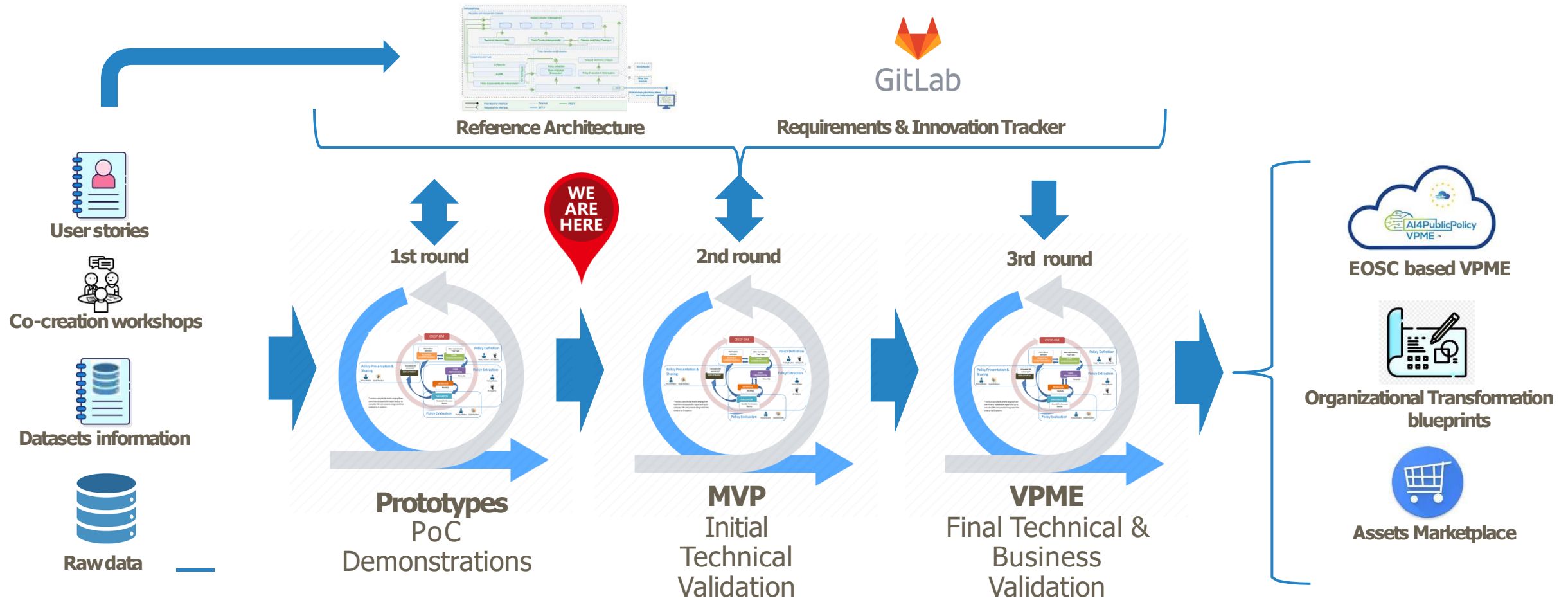
# The Concept

The project **considered the AI-based Policy Making as a Data Mining problem** and adopted the **CRISP-DM** (Cross Industry Standard process for Data Mining) process as a reference for the **Conceptual Model**.

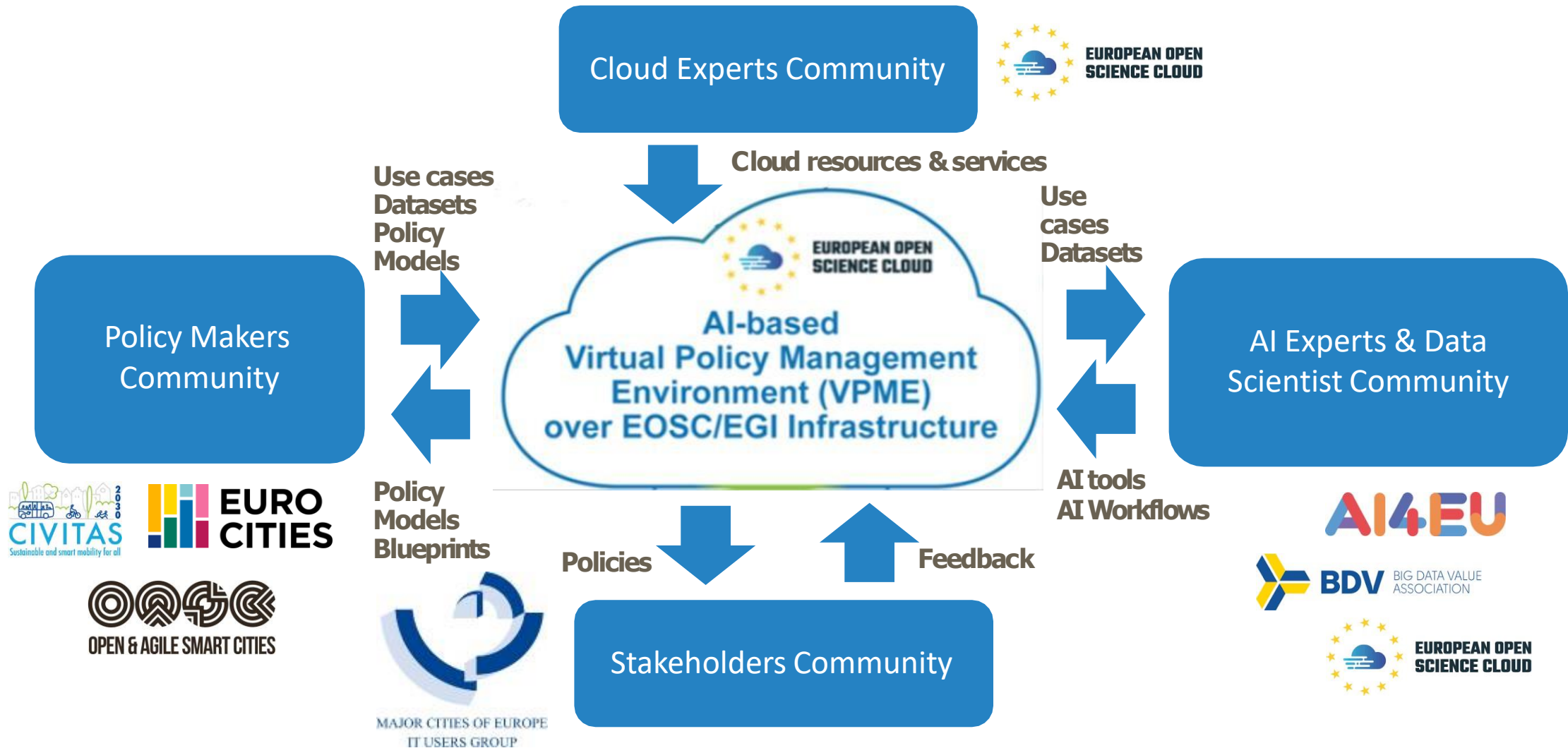


# The Methodology

The **CRISP-DM** process was adopted not only as a reference for the Conceptual Model, but also **as a methodology** for development and validation.



# The Impact creation





# Thanks for your attention



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# DECIDO PROJECT OVERVIEW

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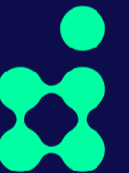
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# Decido

evidence and Cloud for more Informed and effective policies



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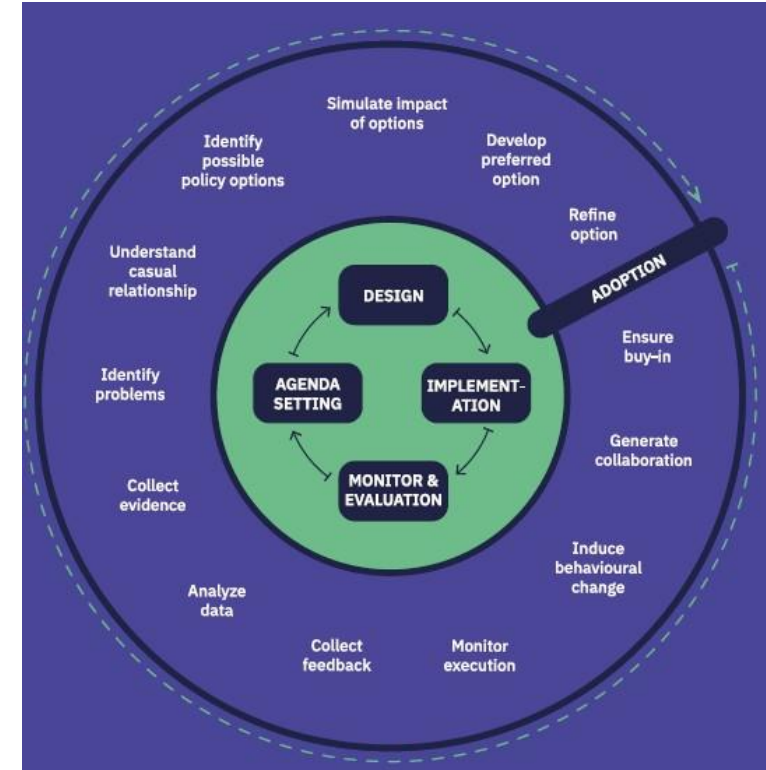
## PROJECT PARTNERS:

101004605 — DECIDO — H2020 - SC6 - GOVERNANCE - 2018 - 2019 - 2020 / H2020 - SC6 - GOVERNANCE-2020



# Background

**Policy making** is the process of creating and monitoring policies to solve societal challenges. In this respect, it is often conceptualized as a **policy cycle**, consisting of several different phases, such as agenda setting, policy formulation, policy implementation & monitor and policy evaluation.





# Scope of the project



The mission of DECIDO is to demonstrate the groundbreaking impact of the adoption of innovative methodologies, tools and data enabling the effective development of better **evidence-based policies** by public authorities.

DECIDO will serve as an intermediary between the **public sector, the citizen science world** and the European Cloud Infrastructure (ECI) through the direct collaboration with **EOSC** and will provide storage capacity and processing power through **EGI infrastructure**.



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# Outputs of DECIDO



## SCOPE

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## Out 1: WEB PORTAL

An easy to use portal will be released to **define, manage** and **evaluate PA policies** in a collaborative manner leveraging services offered by EOSC (Catalogue and Marketplace), external services/tools to EOSC, data made available by EOSC (mainly through services B2Find and EGI DataHUB) and by other data providers (e.g. European Data Portal), including Public Administrations themselves.



## Out 3: Co-Creation Methodology

A **methodology** on how to improve the collaboration among all stakeholders involved in the Policy Life Cycle, using the idea of **Hackathons**. This enables **bottom-up** and externally collaborative ideation of innovative policies.



## Out 2: CITIZEN ENGAGEMENT

The focus for the **involvement of local actors** will be on: (1) the **methodological** side (e.g. co-creation of indicators), (2) the identification of **needs** and priorities, and (3) the **data generation** (e.g. through citizen science experiments where applicable).



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# Policy-making expected impact



**Policy makers** will be able to reduce the time needed to generate good quality services as well as improve policy making services

**Citizens** will actively participate and contribute to public policy making, have higher data access for better and informed decisions



**Businesses** will accelerate innovation and business development and reduce costs related to innovation generation

**Research centres** and scientists will access a large volume of data for scientific purposes



# Pilots in a nutshell



**Kajaani**  
Finland

*Forest fire*

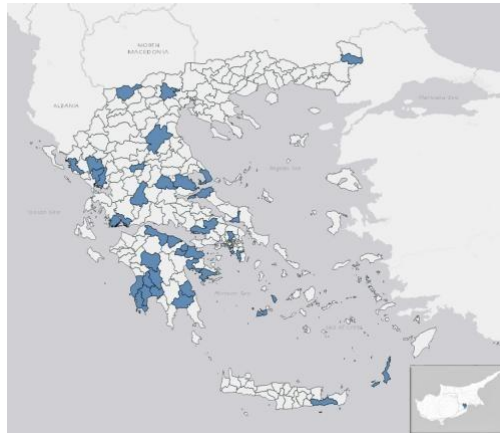
**Meisino Park**  
Italy

*Flood*



**Greek**  
**Municipalities**

*Power Outage*



**Aragon Region**  
Spain

*Wildfires*



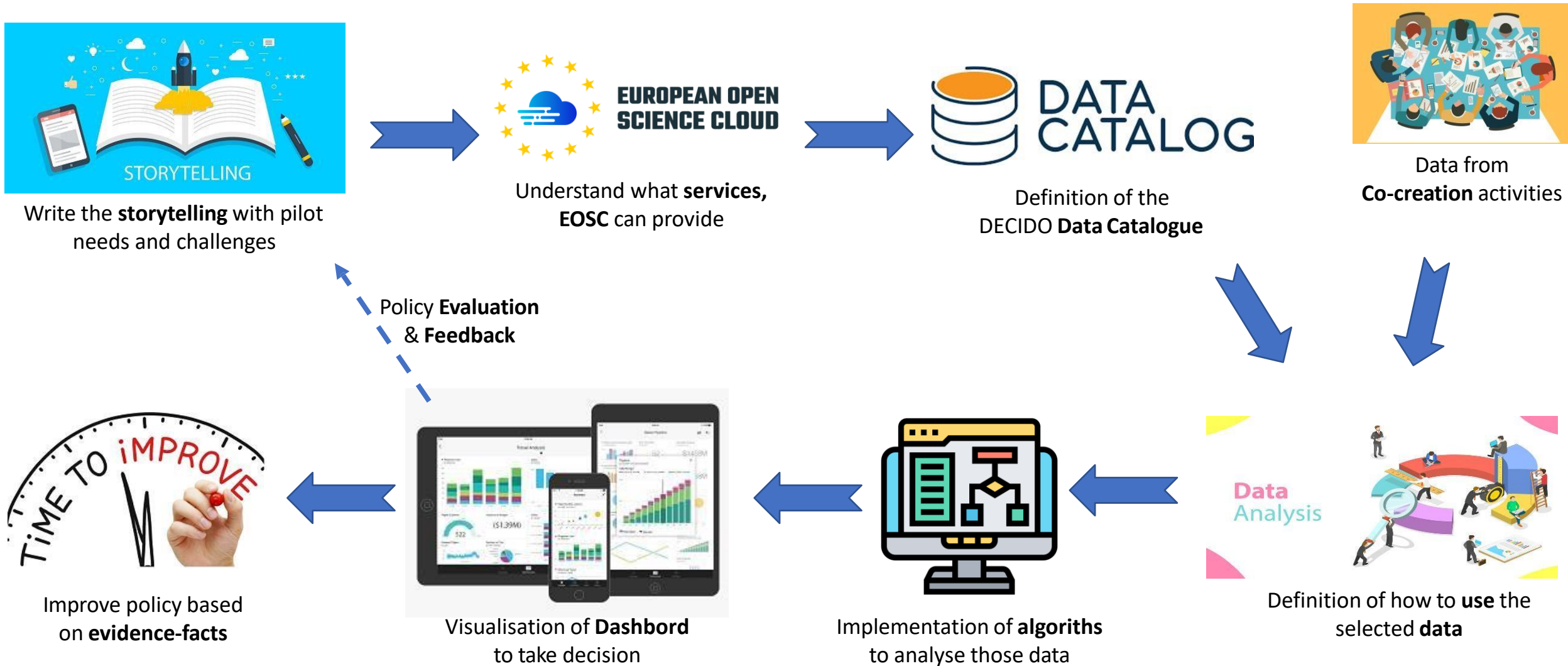
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DECIDO - Kick-off meeting - 02 February 2021





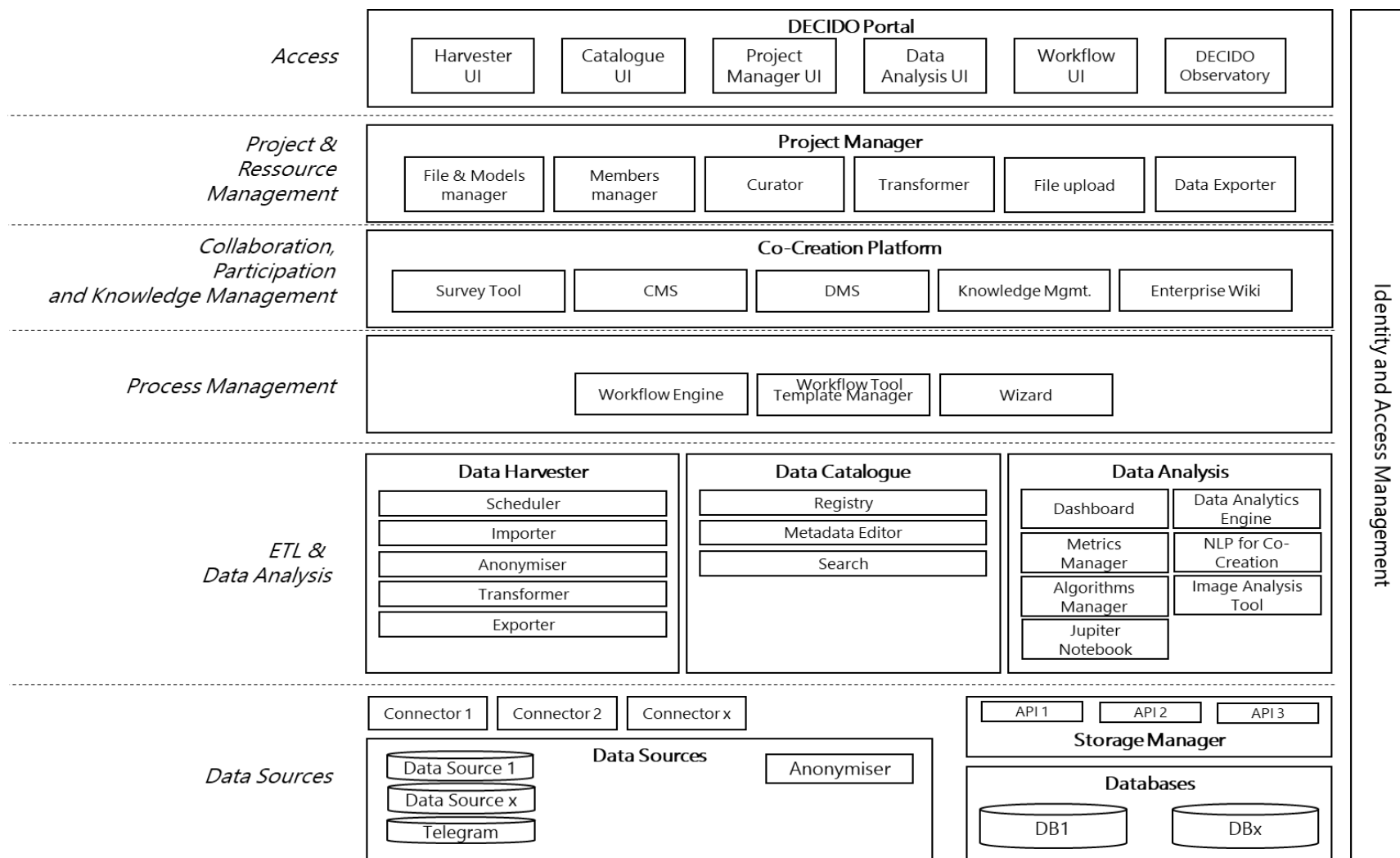
# From Data to Decision-making: DECIDO methodology



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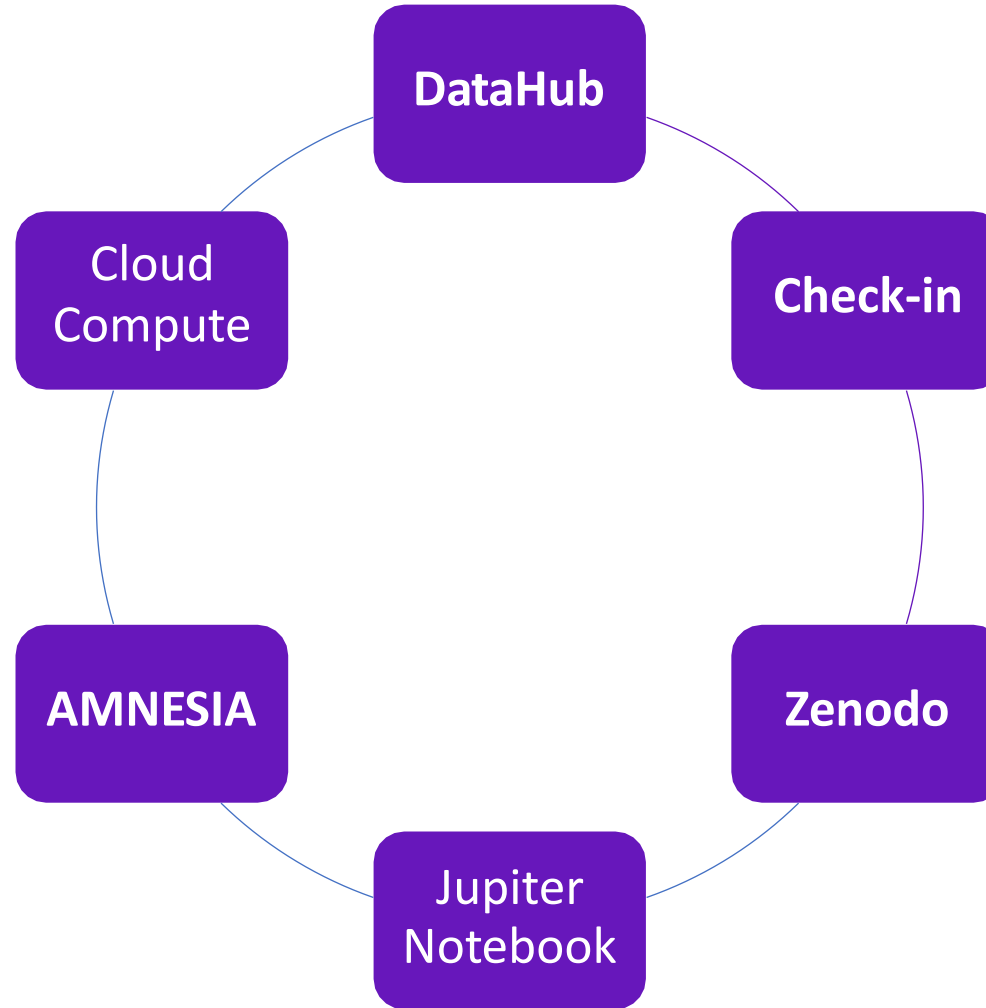
# DECIDO Architecture



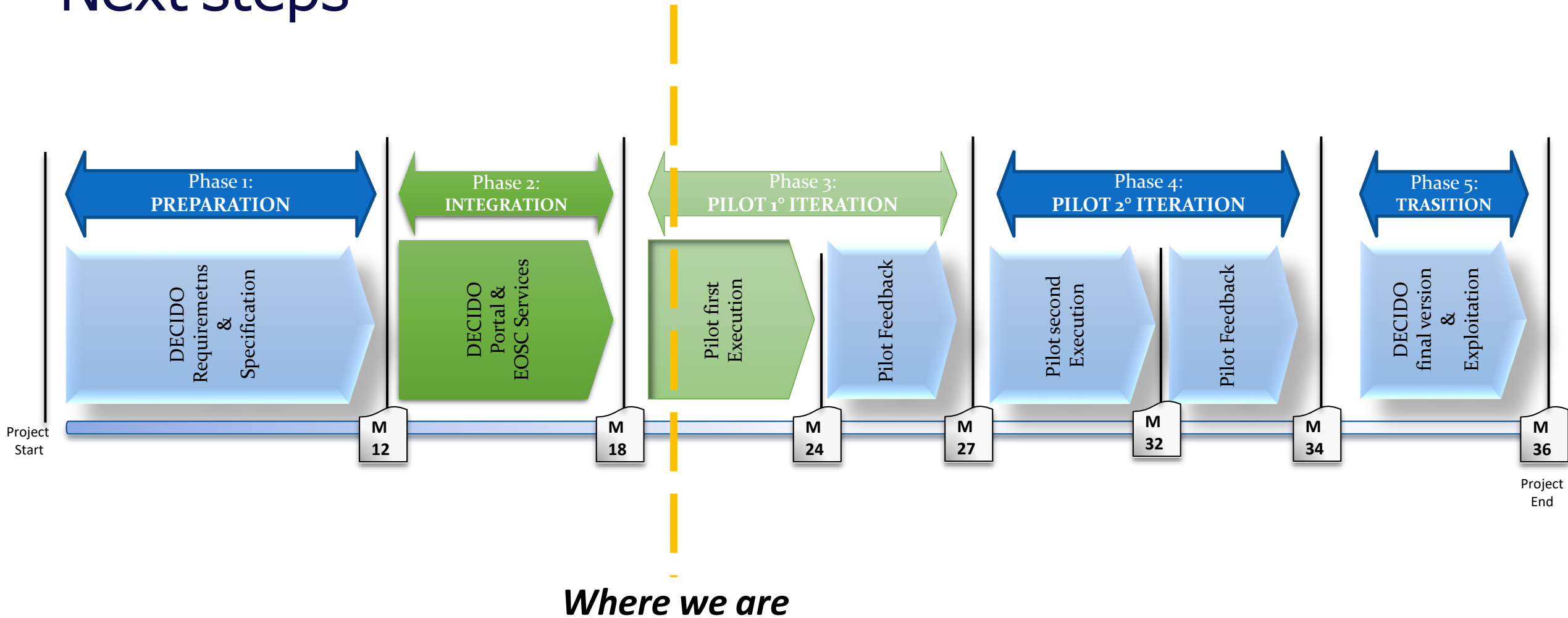
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# EOSC services to be used in DECIDO



# Next steps



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Kajaani kaupunki

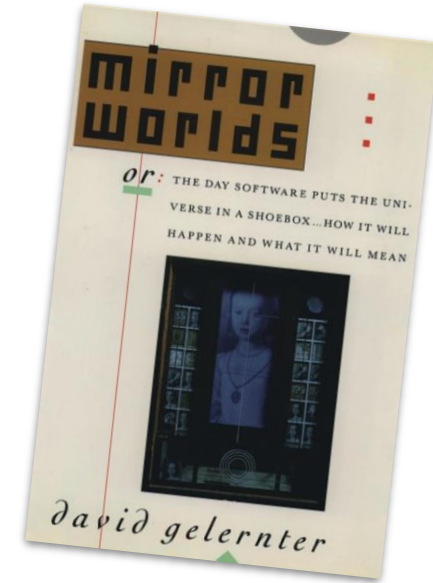


# The concept of Digital Urban European Twin

*Karel Jedlička & the whole DUET team*

# Digital Twin

- David Gelernter: Mirror Worlds (1991)

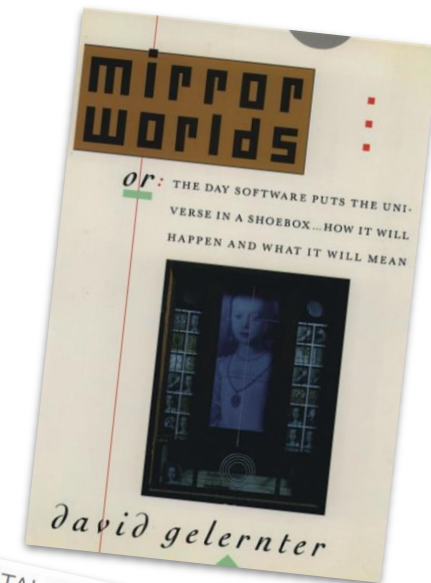


# Digital Twin

- David Gelernter: Mirror Worlds (1991)
- Michael Grieves ~ manufacturing (2002)
- IBM: Digital Earth ~ Earth sciences (2005-6?)

Connections between the physical and the digital world by flows of:

- data from the physical product to the digital product
- information available from the digital product to the physical environment





# Digital Urban Twin

- A dynamic real-time model of what's happening in the physical world



# Digital Urban Twin

- A digital representation of an urban area
  - analyze history
  - react to presence
  - predict the future



# Digital Urban Twin

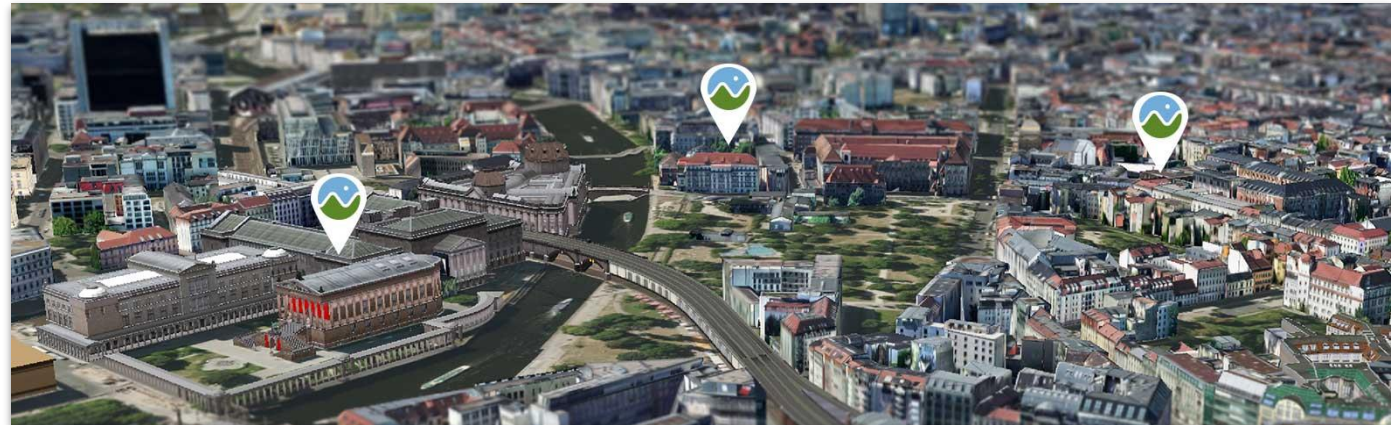
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- interactive platform
  - hosting a time aware 3D spatial model
  - capturing, processing & portraying real-time data
  - allowing to model future / what-if scenarios





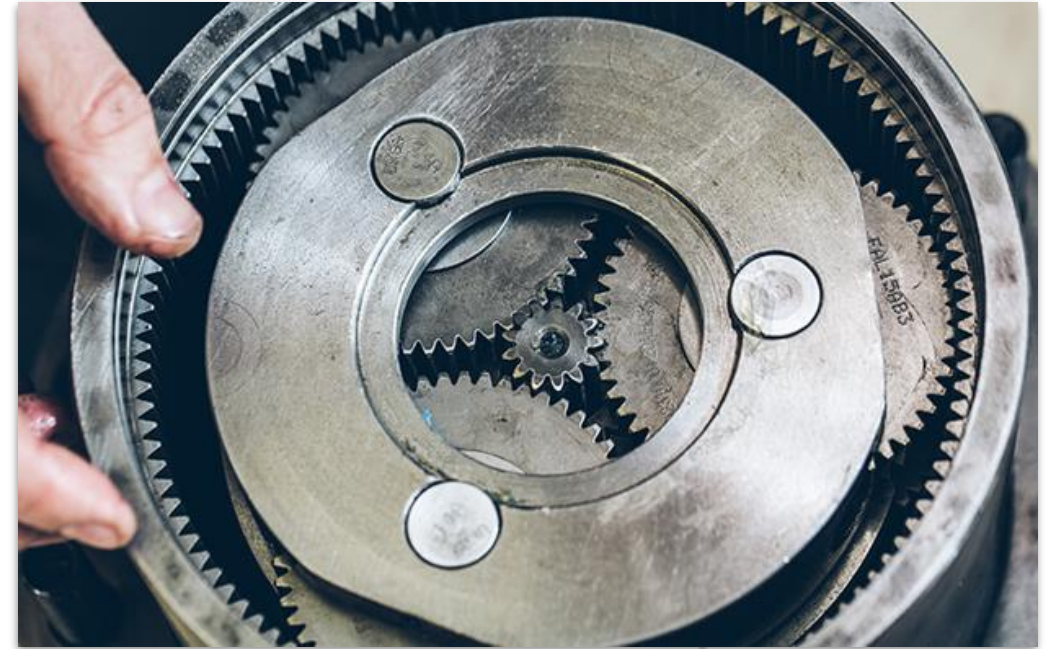
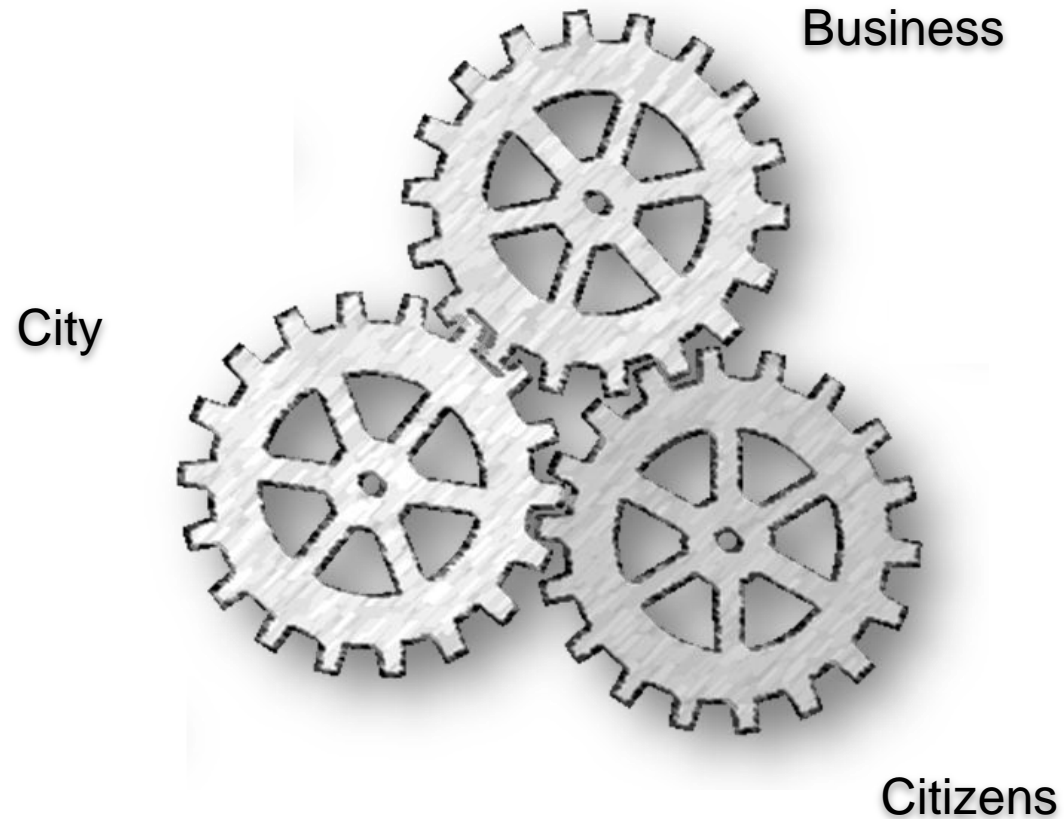
# Digital Urban Twin

- Provides integrated view of the city infrastructure
- Allows
  - easy interpretation
  - evidence based policy making
  - collaborative policy making



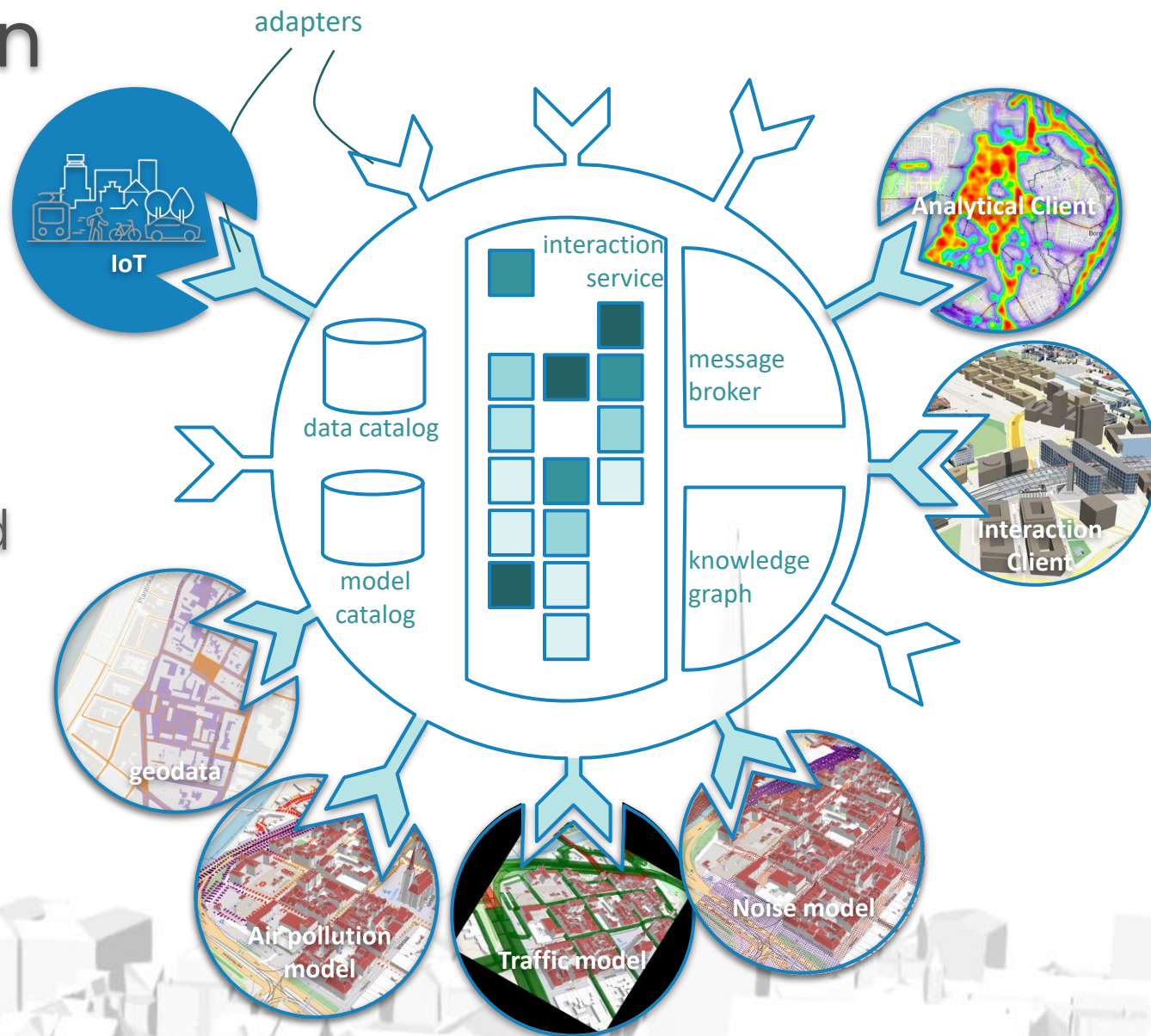


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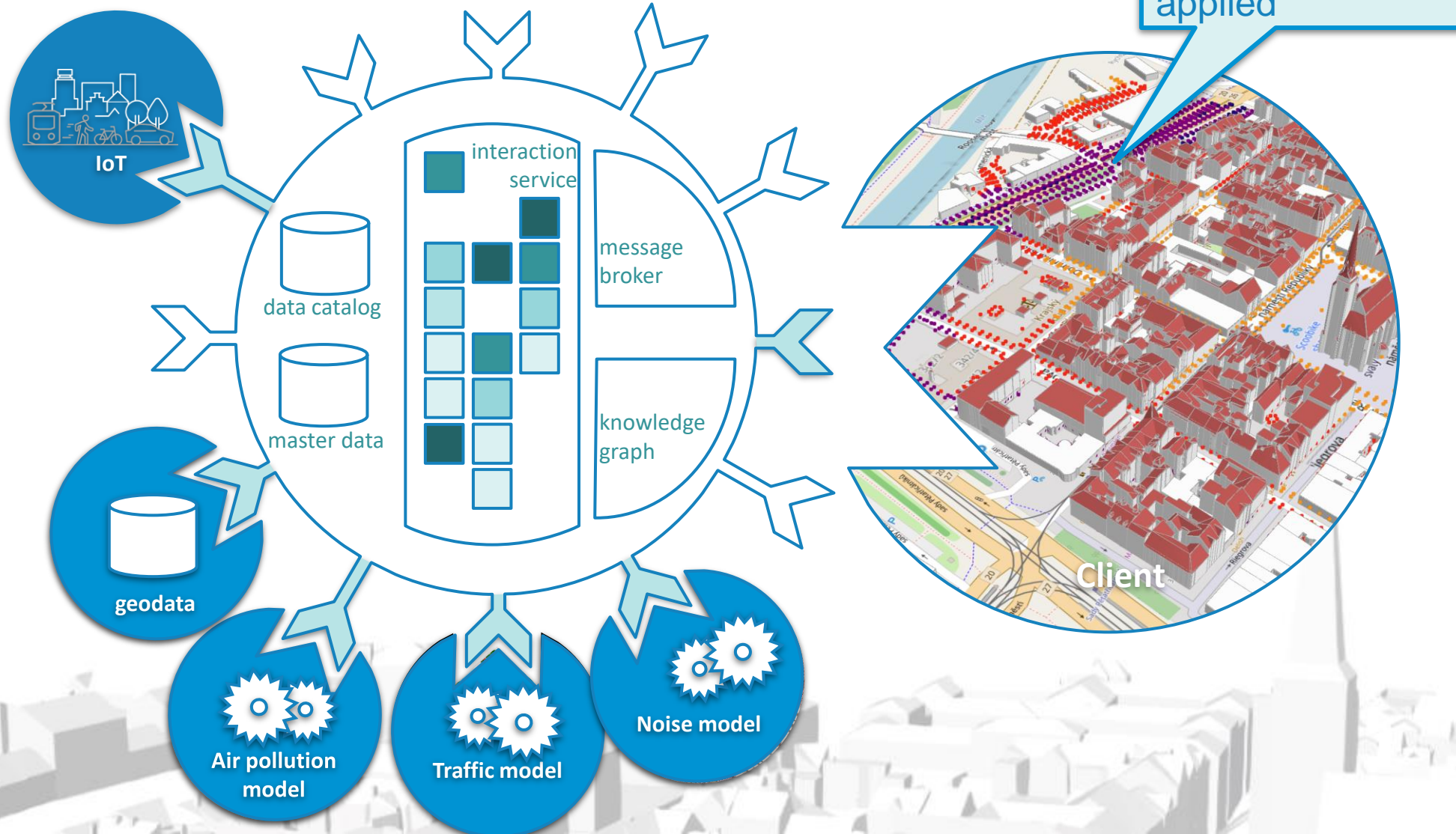
# DUET – Digital Urban Twin

- Allows connecting
  - data sources
  - simulation models
  - interactive clients
- Acts as a message broker and interaction service





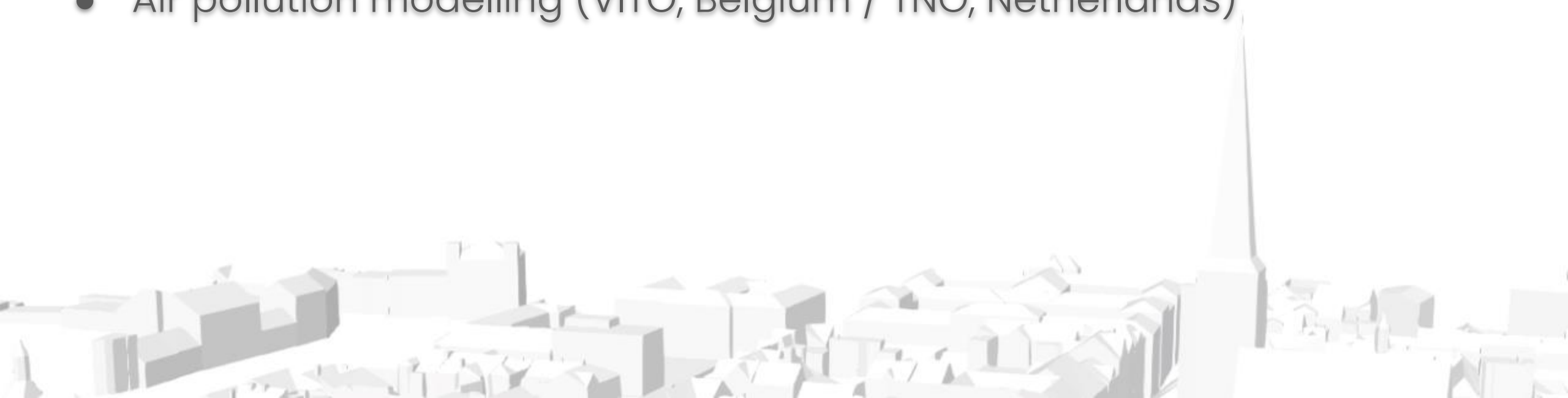
# DUET – Digital Urban Twin



# DUET – model interaction

Focus on traffic related analysis

- Virtual City System Client (VCS, Germany)
- Traffic modelling (UWB, Plan4all, Czechia)
- Noise modelling (CNRS & Université Gustave Eiffel, France)
- Air pollution modelling (VITO, Belgium / TNO, Netherlands)



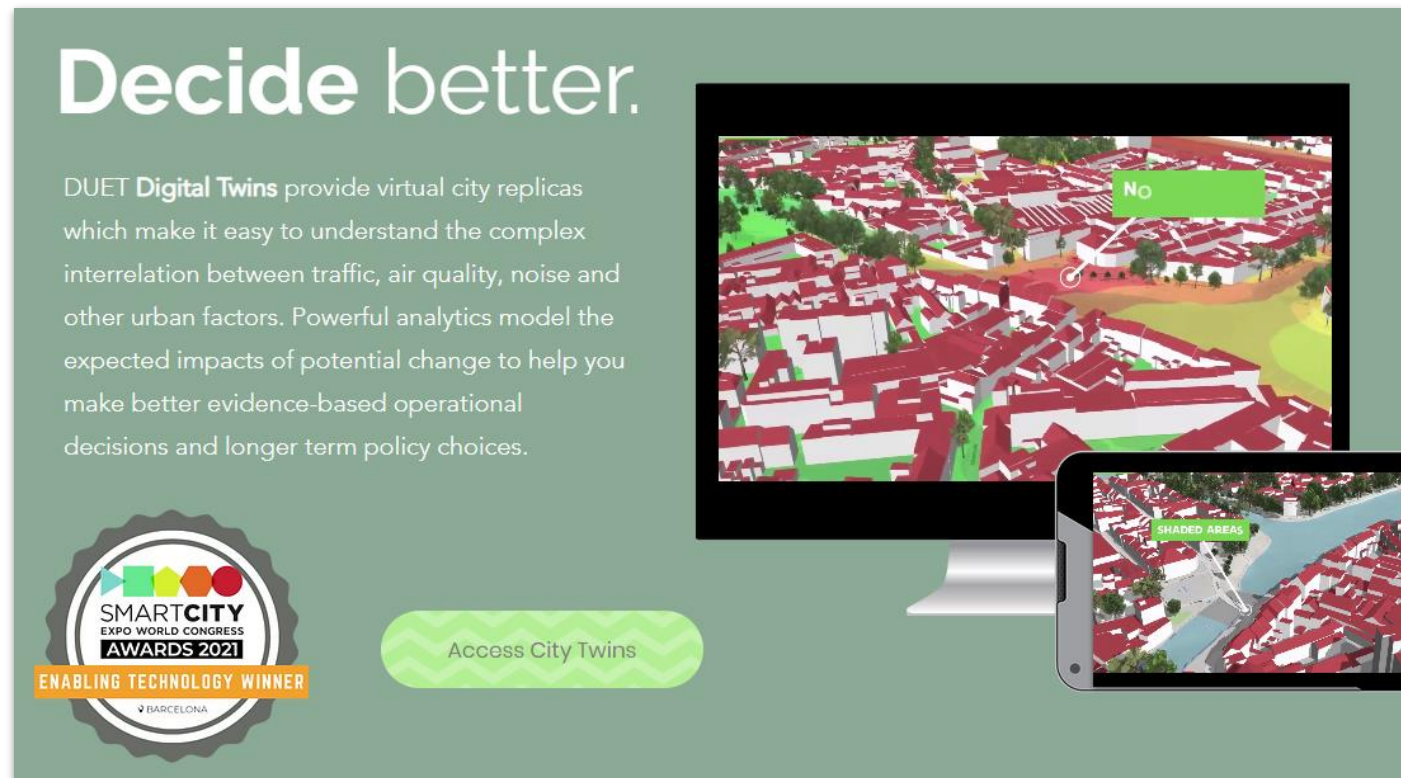
# Conclusion

- Components from various providers
- Component interaction challenges
  - Technical
  - Communication
- Further reading

[digitalurbantwins.com](https://digitalurbantwins.com)


[citytwin.eu](https://citytwin.eu)

[platform.citytwin.eu/app/map](https://platform.citytwin.eu/app/map)



**Decide better.**

DUET **Digital Twins** provide virtual city replicas which make it easy to understand the complex interrelation between traffic, air quality, noise and other urban factors. Powerful analytics model the expected impacts of potential change to help you make better evidence-based operational decisions and longer term policy choices.

 **Access City Twins**

The graphic shows a computer monitor and a tablet displaying 3D city models. The monitor shows a red-roofed city with a green area labeled 'No'. The tablet shows a similar city with a blue area labeled 'SHADED AREAS'.





# A Competitive Intelligence Cloud/PHC Platform for AI -based STI Policy Making.

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# IntelComp's Main Objectives

- Platform for Public Administration
- Tools for evidence-based AI-driven STI policy (all phases)
- Open data
- Innovative analytics services, NLP pipelines and AI workflows
- Deployment in HPC and cloud infrastructure
- Co-creation activities: Artificial Intelligence, Health and Climate Change

# Statistical classification approach limitations

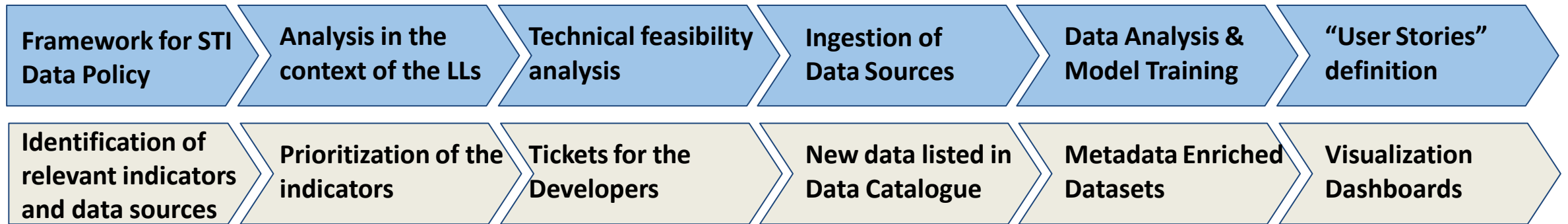
Our target datasets usually include metadata from well-known taxonomies, but

- Taxonomy updates is (normally) a slow process, so emerging technologies may not be well covered by them
- Different datasets use heterogeneous taxonomies, making it difficult a joint analysis
- Documents are usually labelled in a binary manner. Soft assignments would be preferable to measure semantic similarities across documents.

IntelComp provides complementary information based on the **AI-based analysis of documents** (e.g., abstracts of papers, descriptions of companies, etc)



# IntelComp's Workflow



# NLP and AI services

- Scalable multilingual NLP pipelines
- Last-generation neural-based language models for:
  - Domain classification
  - Topic modelling (static, dynamic, hierarchical)
  - Automatic classification
- Information retrieval based on topic similarity and keyword search
- Scalable document graph generation and analysis (GPU implementations)
- Lead-lag detection (thematic lead/lag between corpora)
- Short- and Long-term Impact analysis

# Implementation and Deployment

- Java 1.9 & Python 3 code
- NLP Pipeline: SparkNLP, Spacy
- Topic library: Mallet, Gensim, Pytorch NN implementation (beta)
- Frontend: Bootstrap JS + D3.js + Banana Lucidworks (AngularJS)
- Search Engine SolR 7.X + Banana Lucidworks
- Apache + Tomcat, Postgres
- Prometheus + Graphana
- CD/CI environment GOCD
- Deployment: Ansible + Kubernetes (K8s) + Dockers containers



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# PolicyCLOUD: Using the European cloud infrastructure for public administrations

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# Agenda

- Project goal
- Stakeholders and their benefits
- Added value
- Pilot Cases
- Policymakers involvement and Co-creation
- Key exploitable results
- PolicyCLOUD in EOSC





# Project Goal

- PolicyCLOUD, the cloud-based platform for data-driven policy management, will provide integrated reusable models and analytical tools, turning raw data into valuable and actionable knowledge towards efficient policy making.



**Duration: 36 months**

(Jan 2020 - Dec 2020)



**Budget: € 5.140.590**



**Partners: 15**



# Stakeholders and their benefits



POLICY MAKERS &  
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATIONS

- Policy Makers at European, national and regional level (Public Administrations), Non Governmental Organisations and Standardisation Bodies will be provided with the ability to make efficient and effective policy decisions



CITIZENS

- Citizens resident in range of the pilot use cases or impacted by future PolicyCLOUD adoption will enjoy improved quality of services provided by public administrations

- Academic Institutions, Research Centers, individual Researchers and Big Data Experts will be able to achieve better quality research outcomes
- In industry, Big Data, Cloud and AI solutions providers will experience improved efficiencies and attract new business opportunities



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INNOVATION



INDUSTRY



Policy Cloud  
Cloud for Data-Driven Policy Management



# Added value

- Societal: All society aspects in which public sector has impact through specific policies, at local, regional and national levels. In the case of PolicyCLOUD, pilots tackle the Security, Agri-food, Urban environments and Social issues.
- Economic: Platform can be deployed as a PaaS, thus making it more affordable for PAs, even smaller ones.
- Technological: PolicyCLOUD provides tools to facilitate the data ingestion from different sources and types of data, with data pre-processing.
- Political: Support policymakers during the policy lifecycle stages



# Pilot Cases covering different societal challenges



## URBAN POLICY MAKING

Facilitating urban policy making and monitoring through the analysis of crowdsourced data.

**BULGARIA**



## INTELLIGENT POLICIES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE AGRI-FOOD INDUSTRY

Implementing environmental policies to boost the growth and development of the agri-food industry.

**SPAIN**



## OPEN DATA POLICIES FOR CITIZENS

Predicting unemployment and associated risks to guide social services policy planning.

**UK**



## POLICIES AGAINST RADICALISATION

Collecting and analysing social media data to enable policy makers to address radicalisation effectively.

**ITALY**

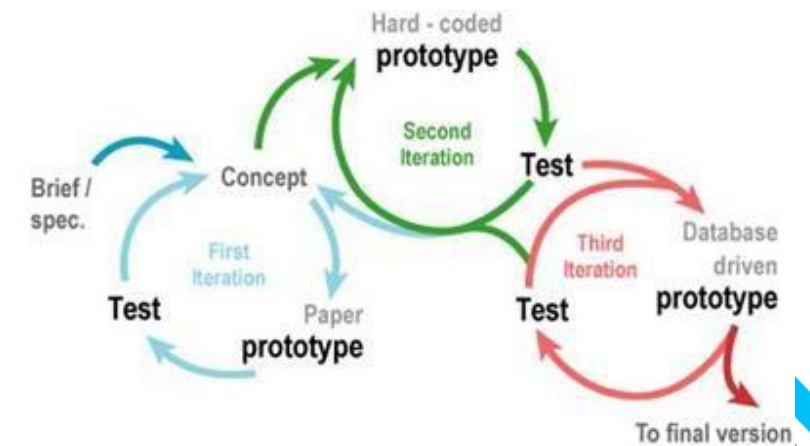
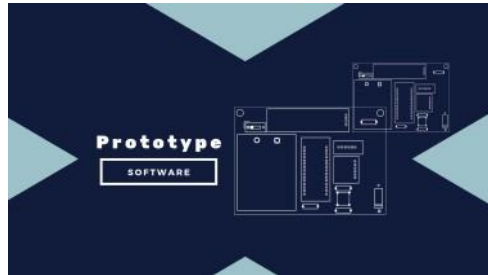
# Policymakers involvement

- Via the four pilots, policymakers participate in the co-design of the different application scenarios and in fitting the PolicyCLOUD tools to their specific needs:
  - Data required
  - KPIs to be calculated
  - Data visualisation tools to be used
- ...in order to get insights of the policy-related indicators during the policy development phase, as well as to analyze the pre- and post-policy implementation status.





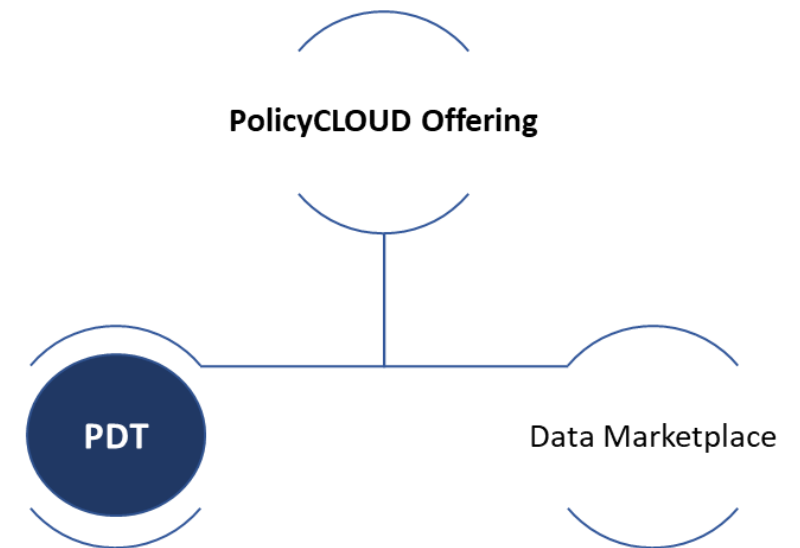
# Polycymakers involvement – Co-creation process



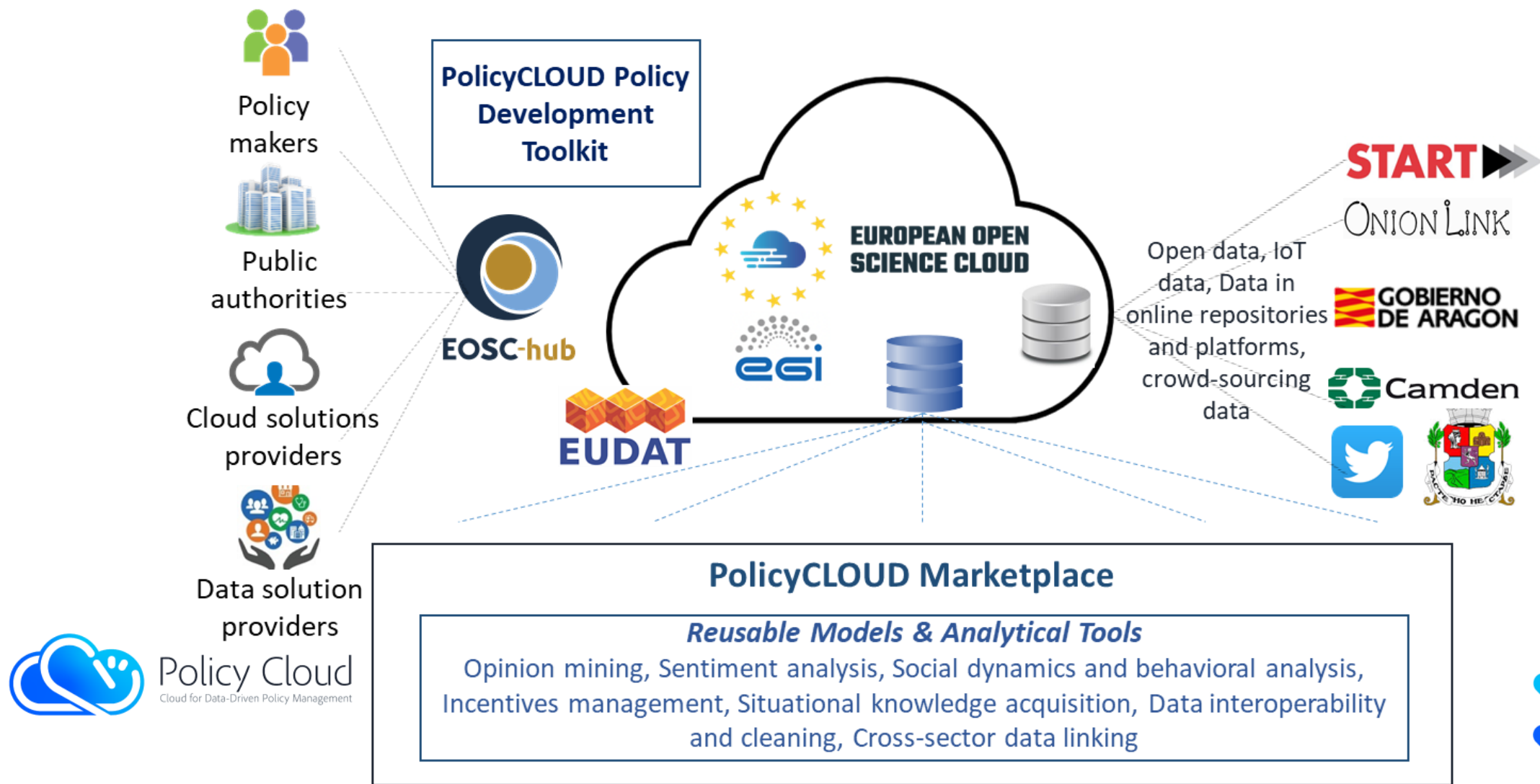


# Key exploitable results

Type of exploitable result	Description
PolicyCLOUD as a service	Solution as a service, including the PDT and the Data Marketplace
PolicyCLOUD standalone or PDT	Includes functionalities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Policy Modelling Editor</li> <li>•Policy Development Toolkit</li> <li>•Visualisation Tools</li> <li>•Backend, including analytical functions</li> </ul>
Plug & Play components and Broad Extensibility	Interchangeable main components (mostly available in the Data Marketplace)
Other components	That may require adaptation and integration



# PolicyCLOUD in EOSC





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