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The One Health evaluation framework

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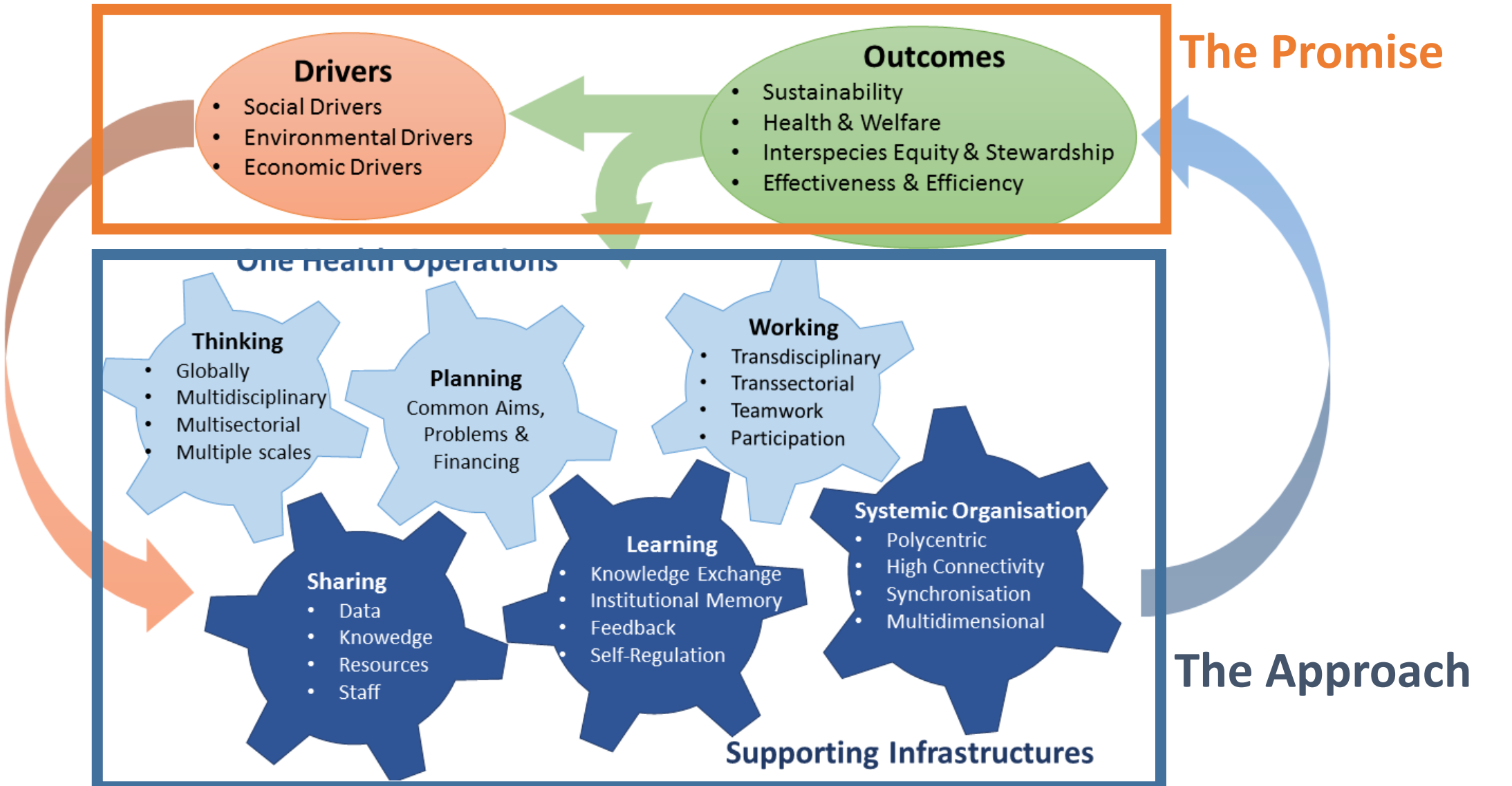
One Health Characteristics



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8 Steps

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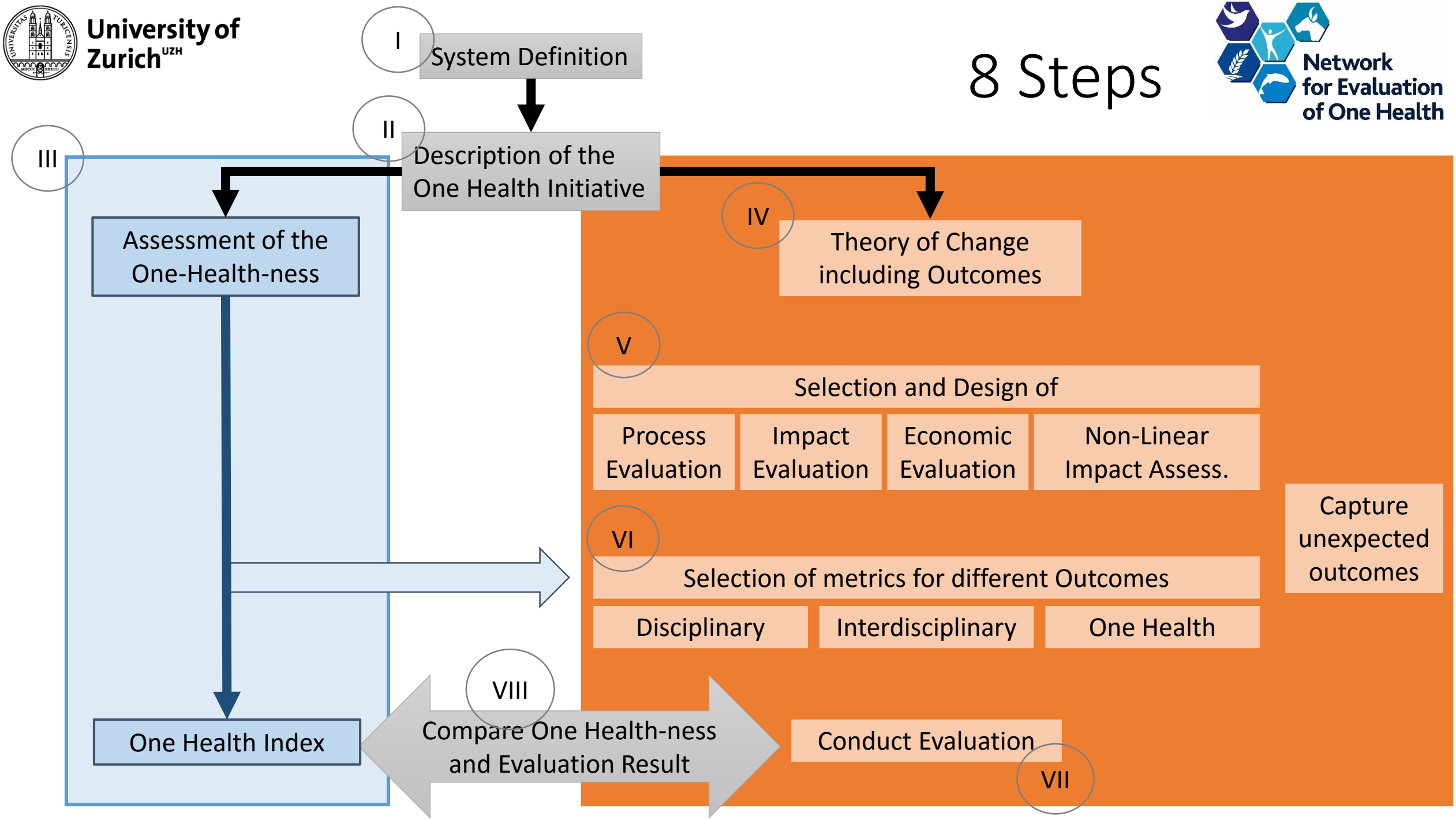

Define System

Step I

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General Overview

- Context
- Objective
- Rationale
- Dimensions affected by the initiative:
  - Dimension of life (cell – tissue – organ – organ system – …)
  - Geographical space
  - Time
  - Law
  - Infrastructure
  - Services
  - Socio-cultural spaces
  - Communication
  - etc. (add your own)

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Definition of system boundaries

Element	Main question	Secondary question	Tertiary question
	Contextualization	Actions	Evolution - Dynamics
Aim	Why am I looking at this system? Which are the questions /problems I want to solve?	May I solve the question in a unique system or I should consider more than one system?	What is the status "zero" of the system, without any evolution or modification?
System dimensions	What are the dimensions of the system I am considering? Geography, political, cultural, linguistic, time, etc.	How are these dimensions connected with my aim?	Are these dimensions changing with the evolution, how?
Actors	What are the main actors/stakeholders?	How can these actors influence / modify the system in order to proceed versus the aim?	Are the actors changing their behaviours / trade off because of the evolution of the system?
Restrictions /conditions	What are the main restrictions /conditions?	How do these conditions influence my system?	Are these restrictions changing or not alongside the system evolution?
Consequences	What are the consequences of my system?	Until when and where do these consequences occur?	Are these consequences changing along the system evolution?
System evolution	What are the dynamics I can describe in my system?	How do these dynamics act in my system?	How are these dynamics evolving in my system?

Describing the One Health Initiative

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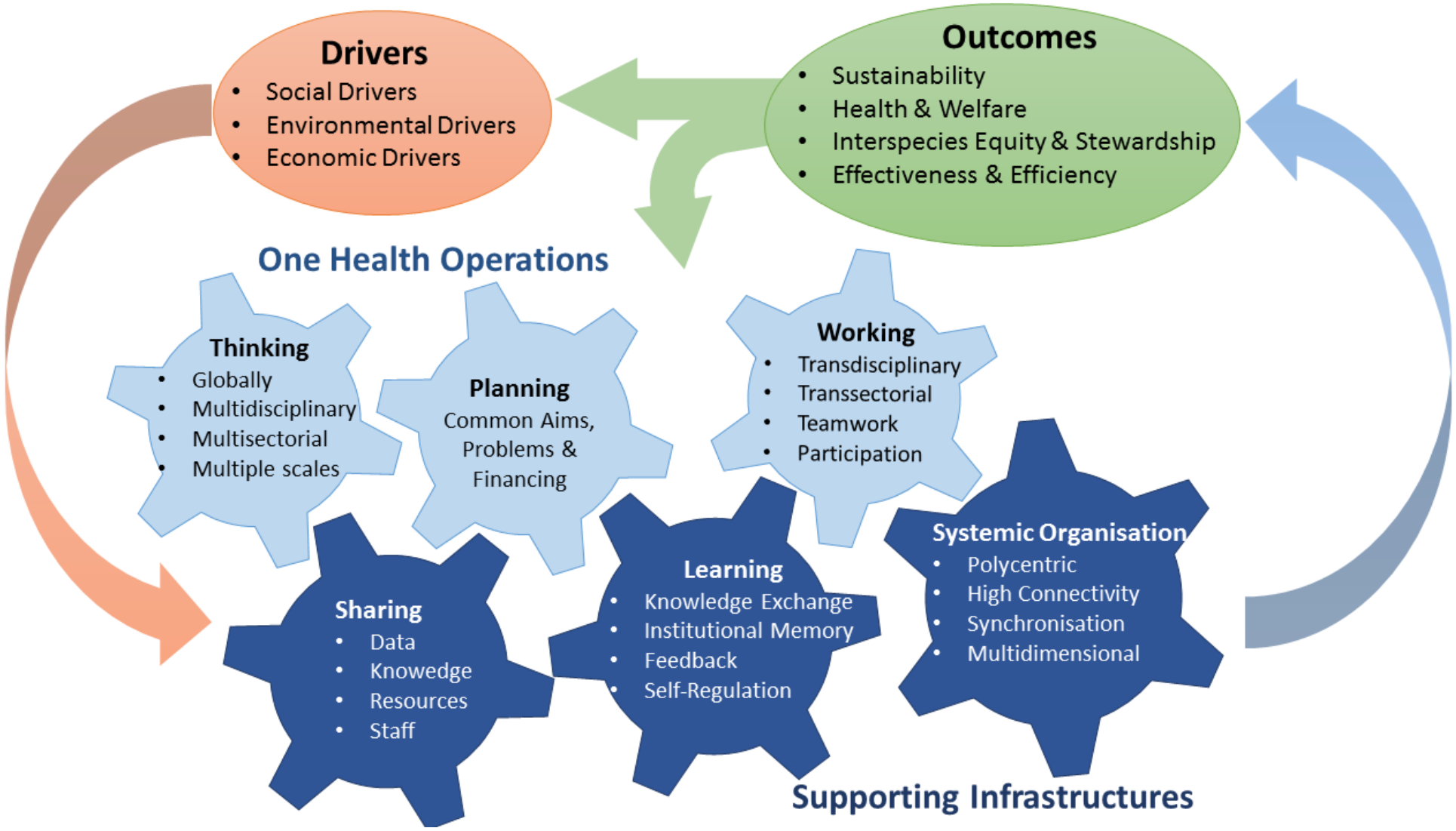
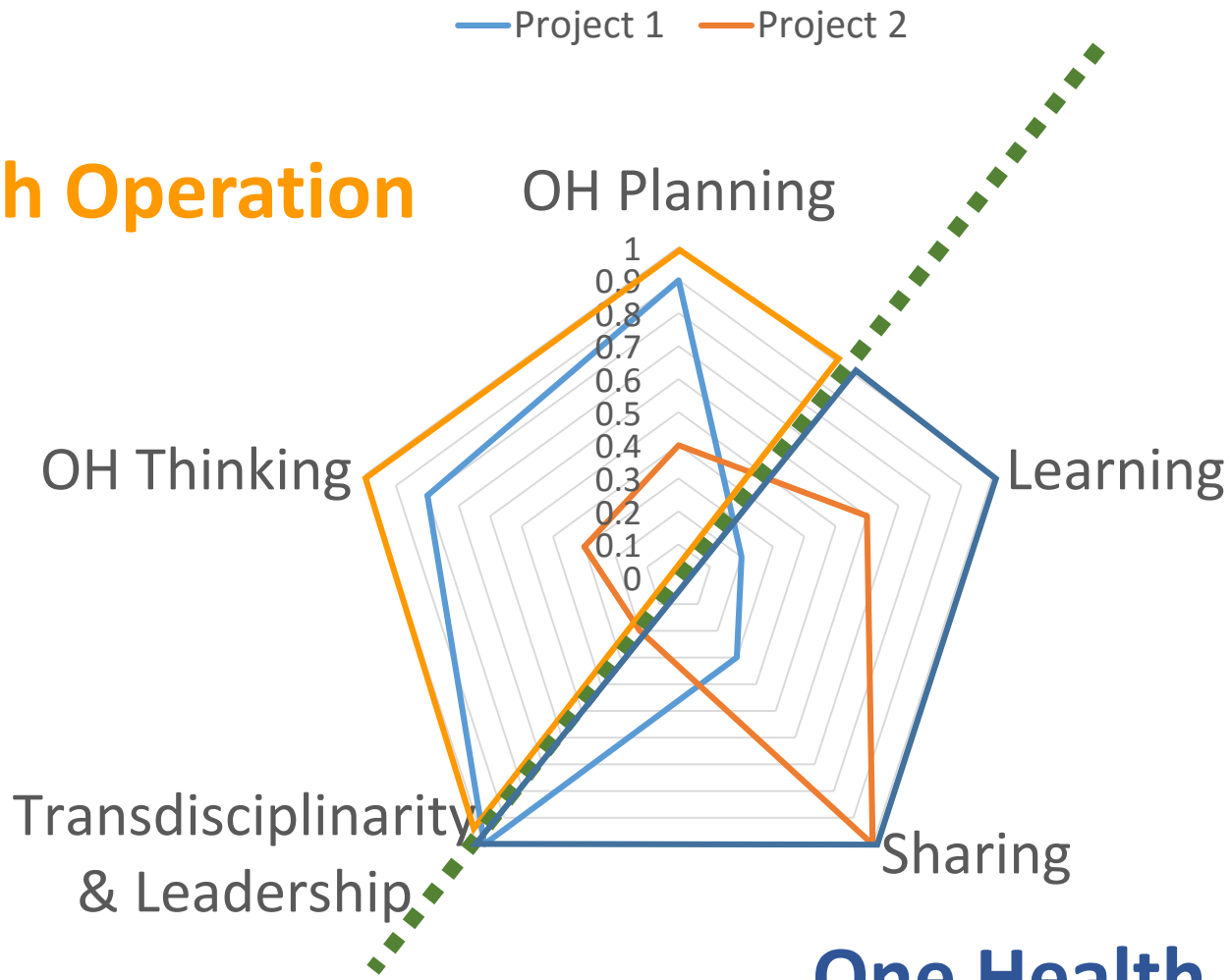


Assess One Health-ness

Step III

One Health Index and Ratio



One Health Operation

One Health Infrastructure

The theory of change and the outcomes

Step IV

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What is a theory of change?

- A theory of change defines all building blocks required to bring about a given long-term goal.

- This set of connected building blocks–interchangeably referred to as outcomes, results, accomplishments, or preconditions is depicted on a map known as a **pathway of change/change framework**, which is a graphic representation of the change process.

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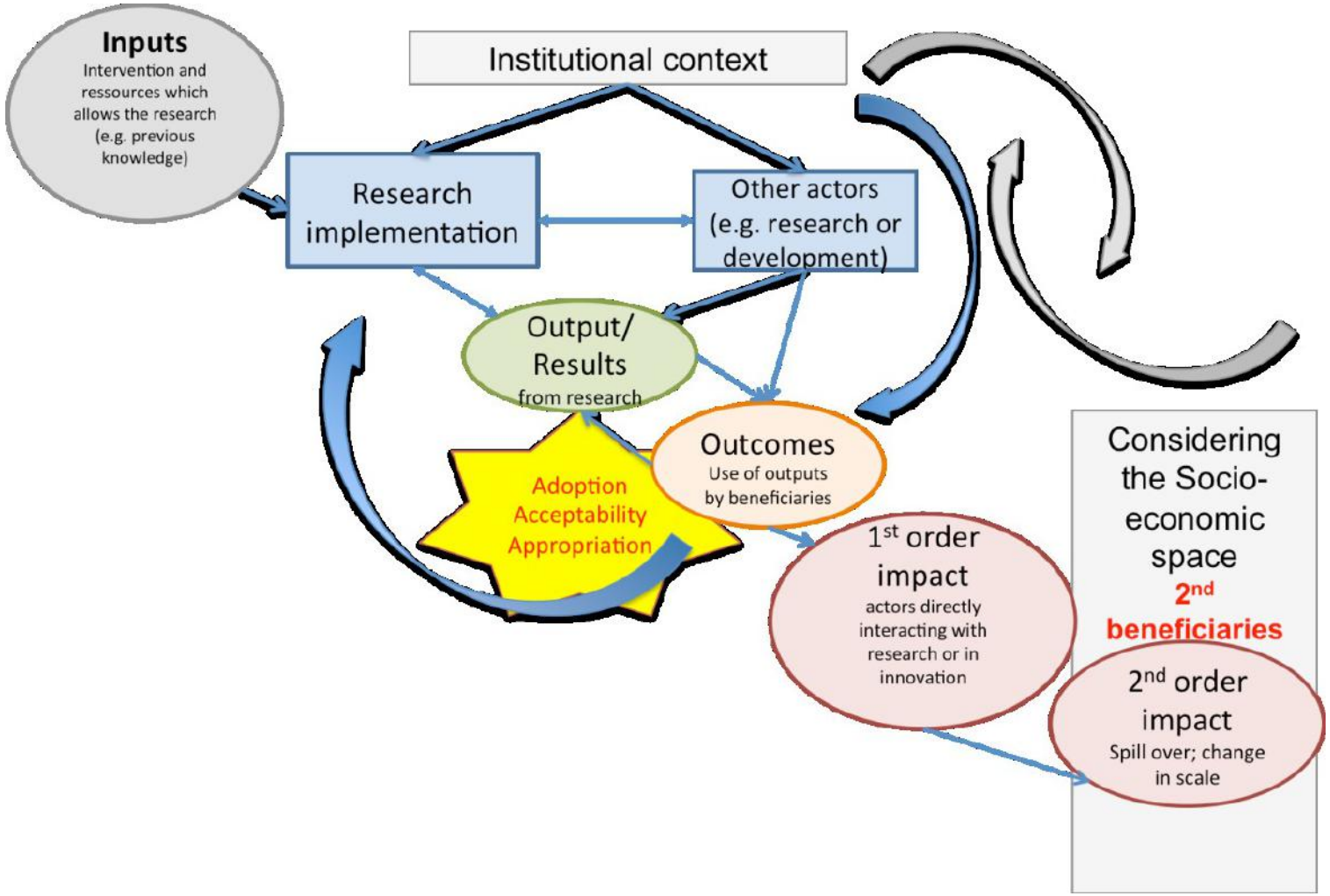
Example of a pathway of change



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6 Steps to build a theory of change

1. Writing a **narrative** to explain the logic of the initiative.
2. Identifying basic assumptions about the **context.**
3. Identifying **long-term goals**
4. Backwards mapping and connecting the **preconditions or requirements** necessary to achieve that goal and explaining why these preconditions are necessary and sufficient.
5. Identifying the **interventions** that the initiative will perform to create the desired change.
6. Identifying and/or developing **indicators to measure outcomes** to assess the performance of the initiative.

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Types of outcomes

- Disciplinary outcomes
  - E.g. human health outcomes (DALY)
- Interdisciplinary outcomes
  - E.g. combined vaccination coverage in humans and animals (%)
  - Metrics applicabale in several disciplines/sectors
- One Health outcomes
  - E.g. stewardship
  - Subset of interdisciplinary outcomes
- Unexpected outcomes
  - E.g. black market
  - Unanticipated, not included in the theory of change

Design the evaluation

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Putting together an evaluation

- Evaluation rationale
  - Why do we evaluate?
- Evaluation question(s)
  - What do we want to know?
- Select evaluation type
  - Process evaluation
  - Impact evaluation
  - Non-linear impact assessment
  - Economic evaluation

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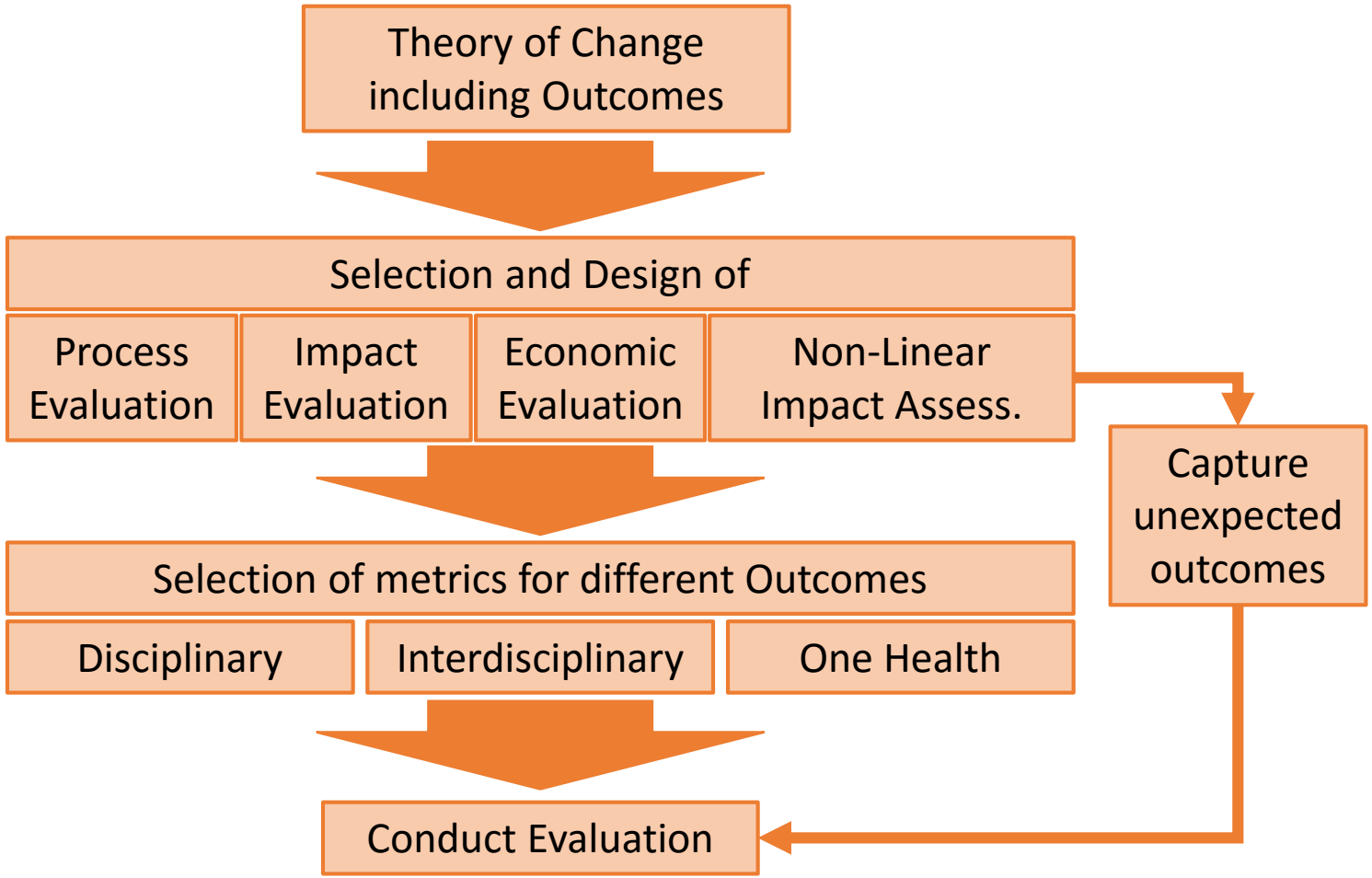
Evaluation Design



Select outcomes and metrics

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Outcomes

- Are identified by the theory of change
- Can be observed from different perspectives
  - Ecology (Chapter 4)
  - Society (Chapter 5)
  - Economy (Chapter 6)
  - Or specific disciplines (disciplinary and interdisciplinary)

- These outcomes may require new metrics

Compare OHX to outcomes

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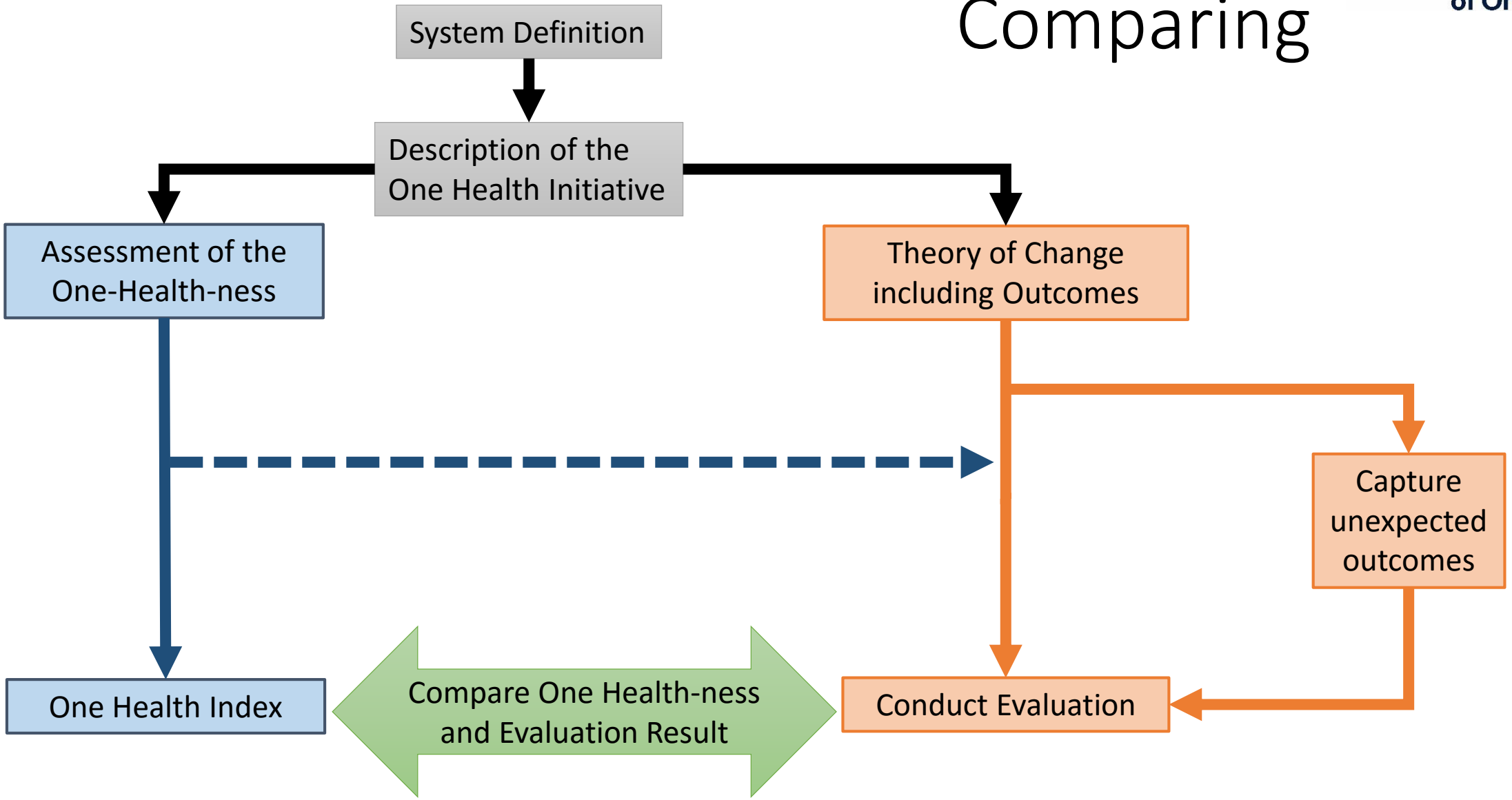
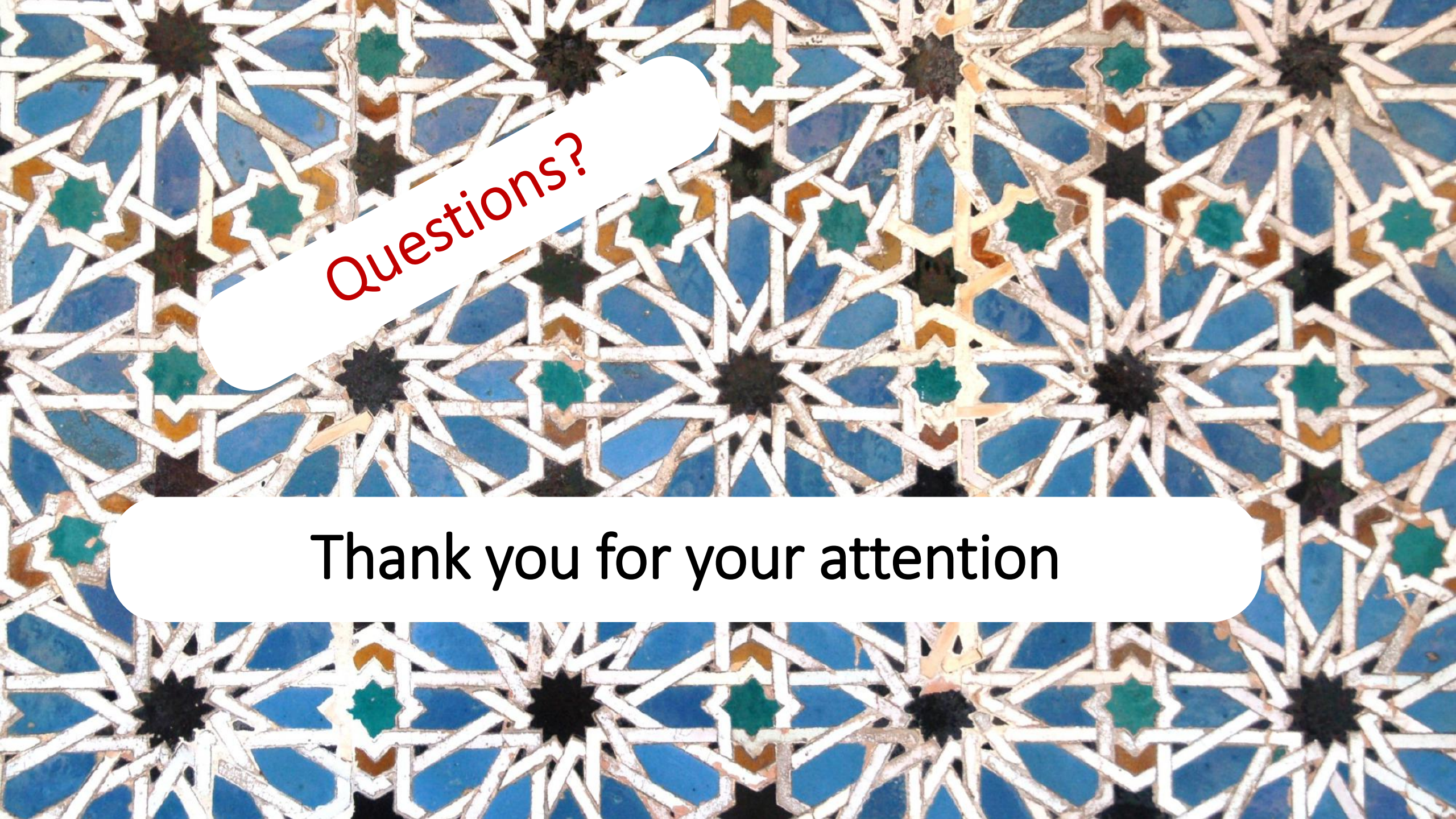
Comparing

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