

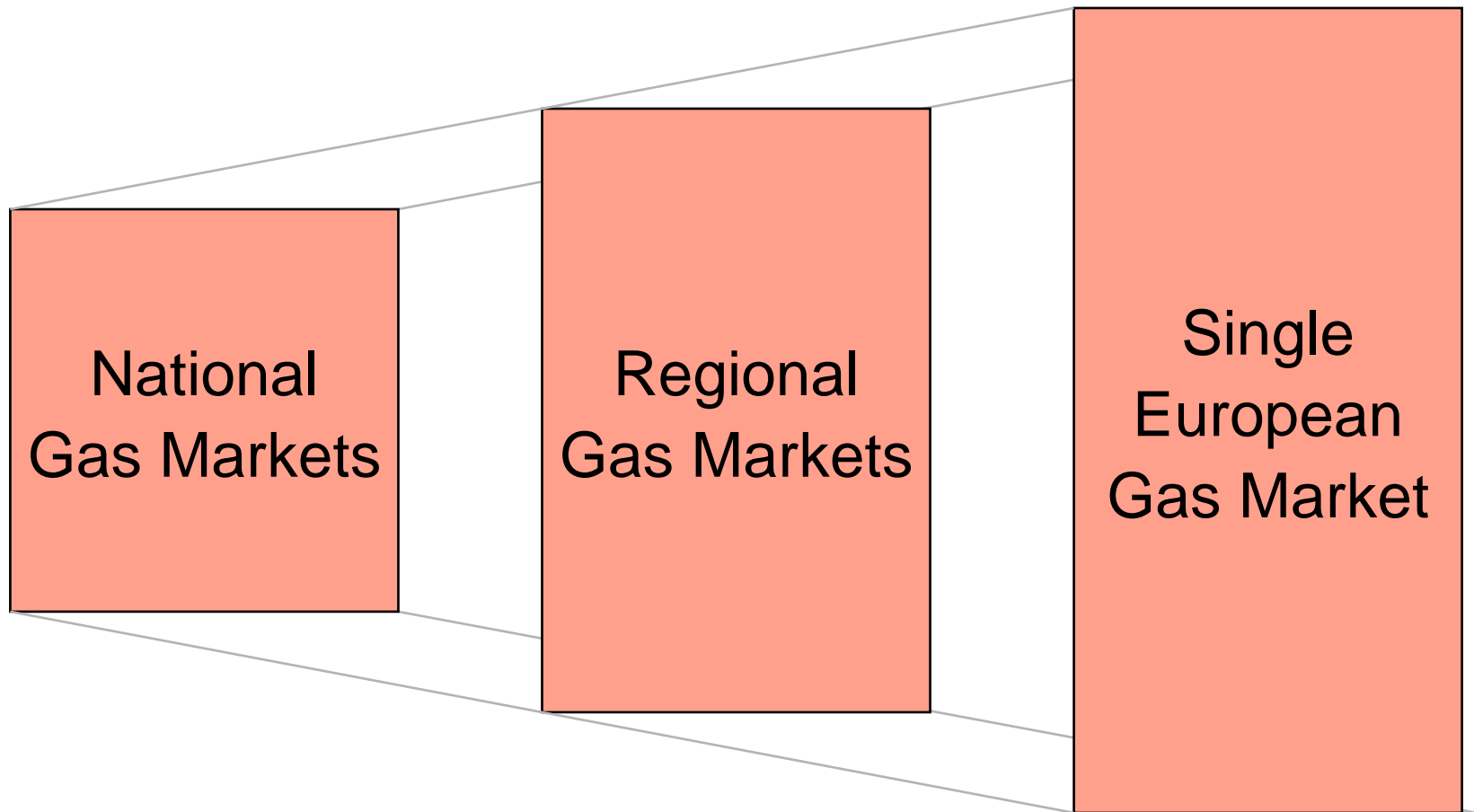


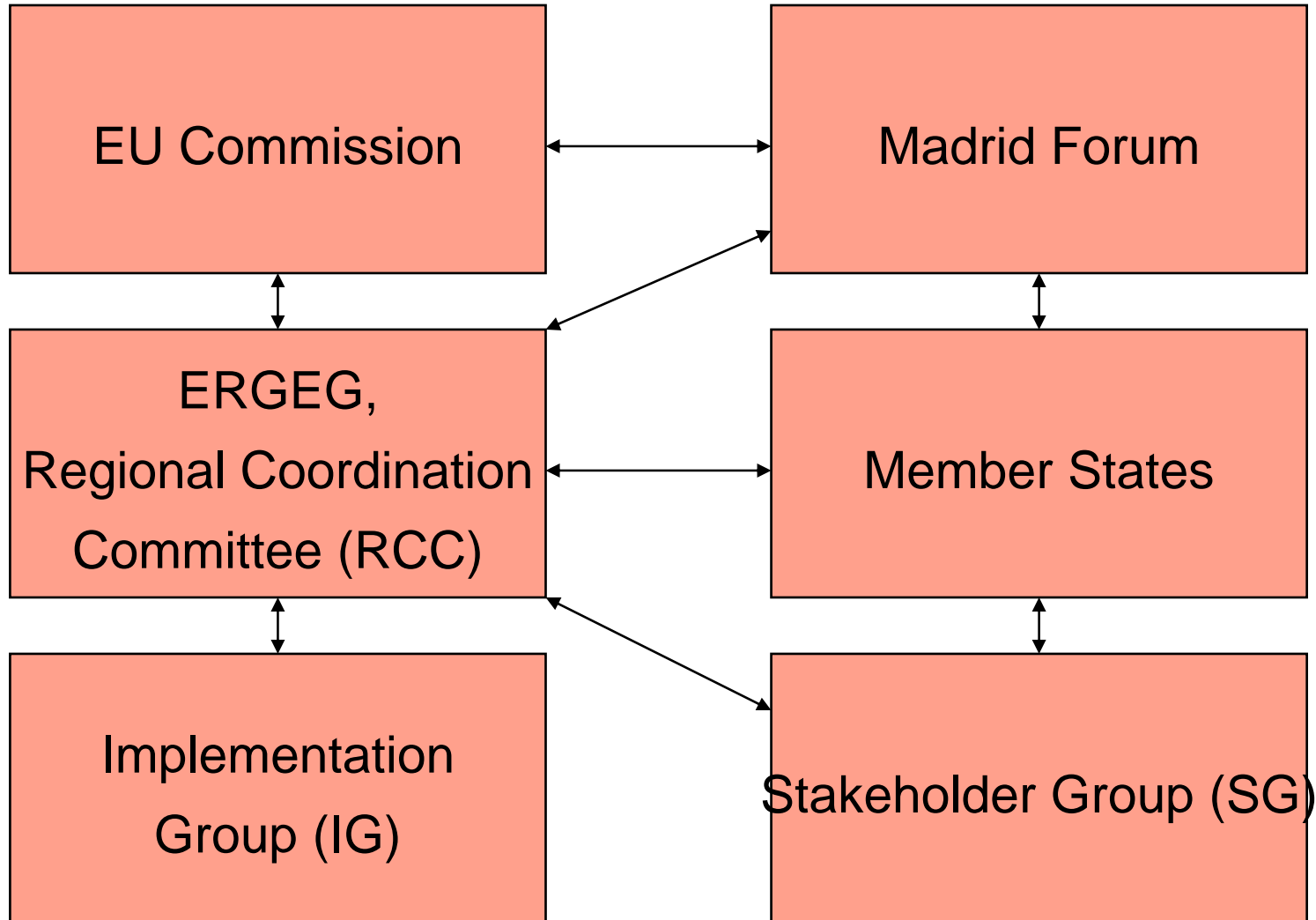
Reaction on the Initiative and Possible Outcomes

Stakeholder Group Meeting, 9 October 2006
ERGEG Regional Gas Market North/North-West

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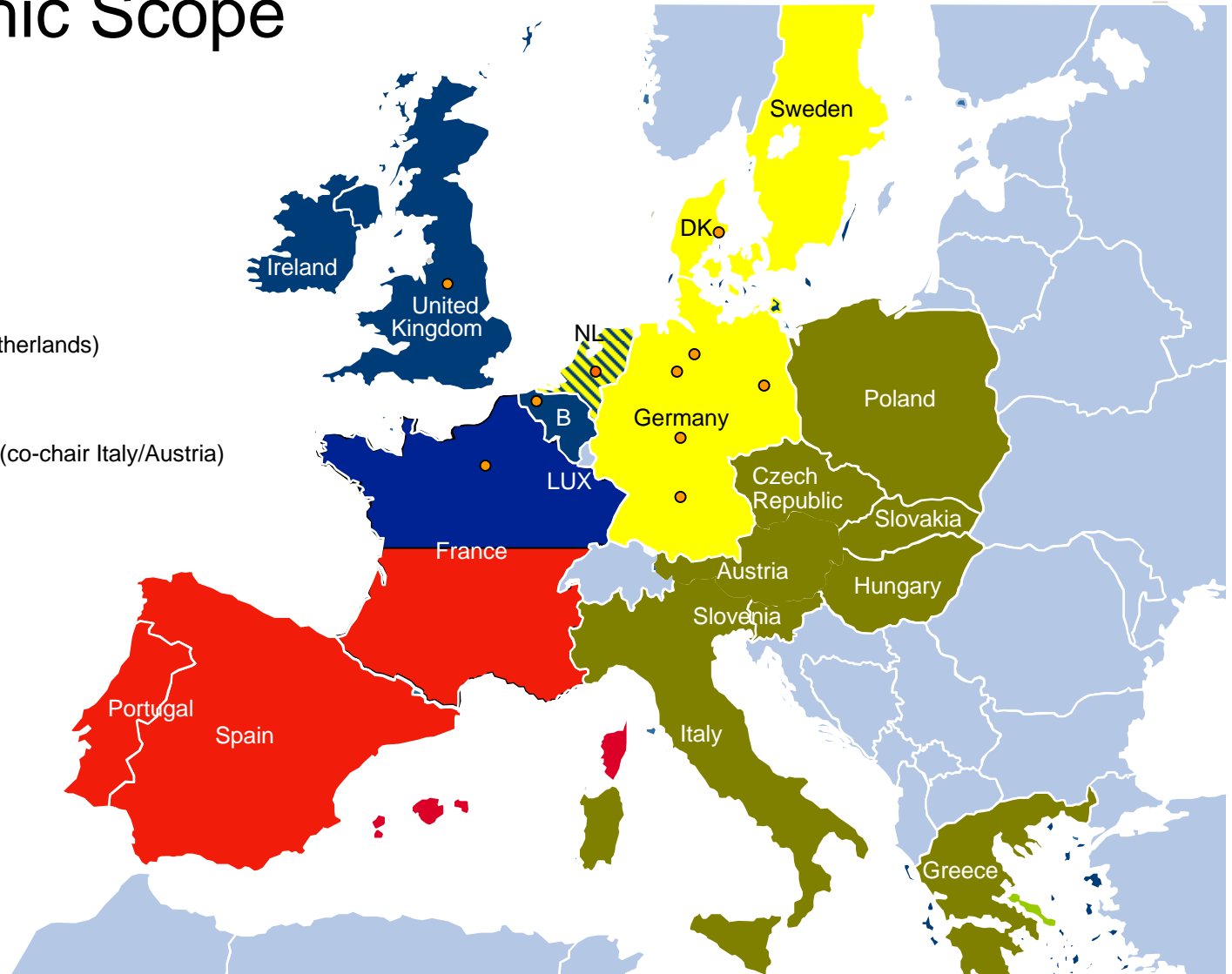
Process, Goal





Geographic Scope

-  North-West (chair Netherlands)
-  North (chair Germany)
-  South-South East (co-chair Italy/Austria)
-  South (chair Spain)



Regional Gas Market North/North-West

- More than 60% of EU25 Gas consumption
(50% French consumption included, transit not included)
 - Stakeholders involved also have a big stake in Madrid Process
 - Heterogeneity -> Homogeneity
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- Work on practical issues specific for the region
 - Avoid duplicating Madrid discussions
 - Improve regulatory consistency within the region
 - Develop a positive example for the single European gas market

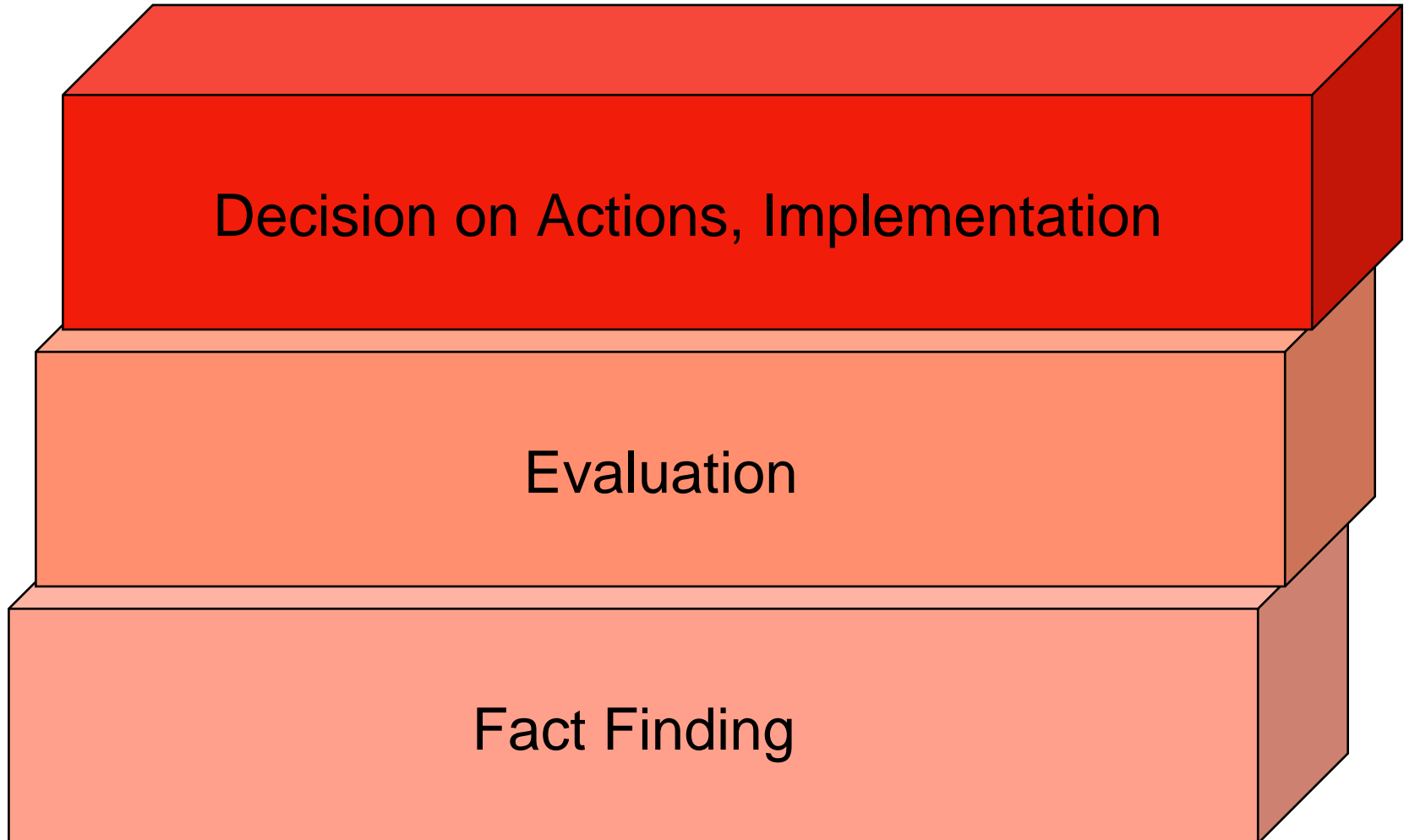
Operator Involvement

- GIE contribution to ERGEG Gas Roadmap consultation 2005/2006
- Successful Implementation Group meeting 18 July 2006
- Operator comments on outline papers 8 Sep 2006



- Positive and constructive working atmosphere
- Demanding working plans developed
- Detail of planned work should match timing

Well Founded Work as Basis for Success



Targets, Way Forward

- Integrated Regional Gas Market
 - Harmonized and easy network access
 - Liquid Hubs
- Stable and reliable investment environment, regulatory coordination
- Diversification of supply sources
 - Competition
 - Security of supply
- Social responsibility