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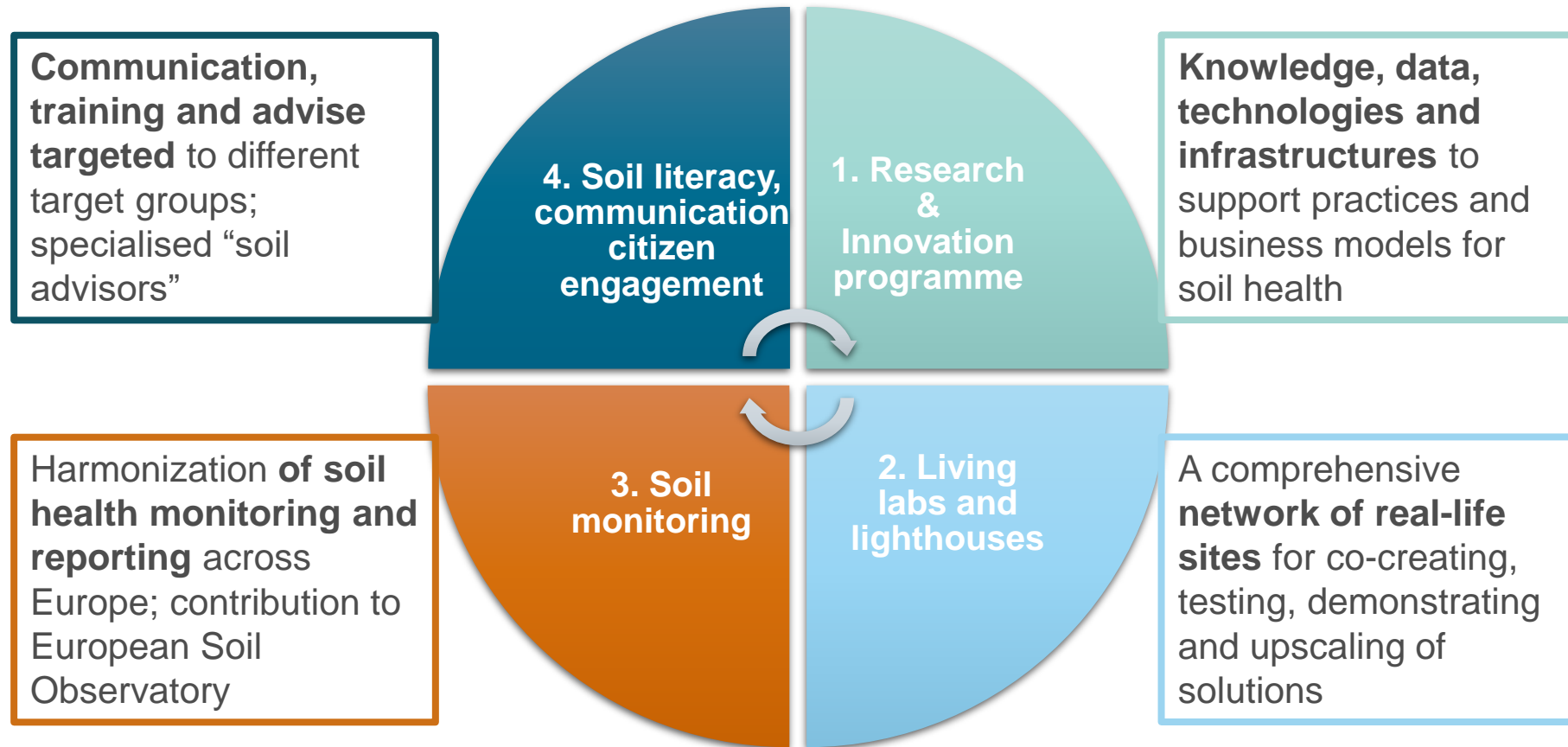
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The Mission implementation » across scales



Living labs are open innovation arrangements » contextualized

3 core principles



User-centred innovation

Activities focus on the users' needs and users are involved throughout the development process



partners and construction adapted to each regional context

final users test solutions and contribute to the solutions to be tested and selected



Working in partnership

Experts from various disciplines and backgrounds tackle a common issue



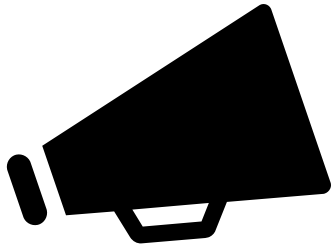
farmers, forest owners, land owners, urban planners, researchers, collaborators



Real-life context

Testing takes place where the users would actually use the technology or practice





SOIL Needs are stakeholder and location specific



PREPSOIL (EJPSOIL): Soil Health National Hub



A forum which brings together relevant **stakeholders** in each of the member states to discuss and deliberate on the topic of soil health

»» and helps making SOIL HEALTH a priority for private and public action

Key tasks:

- To **share and exchange** stakeholder **views** on Soil health challenges and interest in the Soil Mission aiming at reaching a joint interpretation of the Soil Mission Objectives into national/regional challenges
- To define and express a **common national (stakeholder supported) position** towards goals for improved soil management on different land use types,
- Contribute to and learn from ongoing soil research & Reflect on soil needs assessment
- Ensure that **national and regional soil needs are soundly reflected** in the programme of activities and projects in the EU Soil Mission and its objectives.

Soil Mission Mirror Groups in Member States

*composed of two interacting groups x meet a regular basis
commitment to help finding solutions and pathways*



Expectation:

=> Group in a country that translates mission objectives, prepare input to key EU Mission meetings, organize national activities and create awareness

- **Policy Group:** Composed of representatives of entities under the sectorial Ministries and with alignment with the Mission (Agriculture, Environment, Science, et al) + Soil Mission Board members (if there is one from the Member State)
- **Stakeholders Groups (4):** includes sectoral organizations, researchers, and representatives of key groups in the community; the Policy Group defines the specific scope of the stakeholder group and makes the invitations

= PREPSoil Hubs



All soils: agriculture, forest, nature, urban, industrial

- » much different stakeholders and different public sectors
- »» soil not yet in the agenda as a priority for securing our future

Need for *(a Soil Mission Mirror Group that is)*

a transversal, cross-sector platform and dialogue

produces evidence-based and consensualized objectives

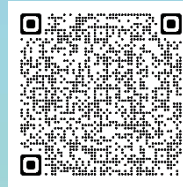
identifies context based targets and pathways

is operational



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