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## **Gender-responsive NAP processes: Introduction**

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# Why focus on gender in NAPs?

- Gender equality is a **universal human right**
- Adaptation efforts will not be **effective** or **sustainable** if they do not take gender into account
- NAP process is an **opportunity** to **address gender inequalities**
- UNFCCC establishes a **mandate** to integrate gender considerations:
  - NAP decision
  - Paris Agreement
  - Gender Action Plan adopted at COP23
- Links to **sustainable development objectives**, including SDG5





# What do we mean by gender-responsive?

- Gender responsive-approaches go **beyond sensitivity**
- They actively seek to promote **gender equality**
  - Gender equality refers to the equal rights, responsibilities and opportunities of women and men and girls and boys
- Often involve specific actions to **empower women**
  - In households and communities
  - In policy and planning processes
- Requires attention to gender issues throughout **all dimensions of the NAP process**



# Key elements of a gender-responsive NAP process



Recognition of gender **differences in adaptation needs, opportunities and capacities**



Equitable **participation and influence** by women and men in adaptation decision-making processes



Equitable **access to financial resources and other benefits** resulting from investments in adaptation between women and men

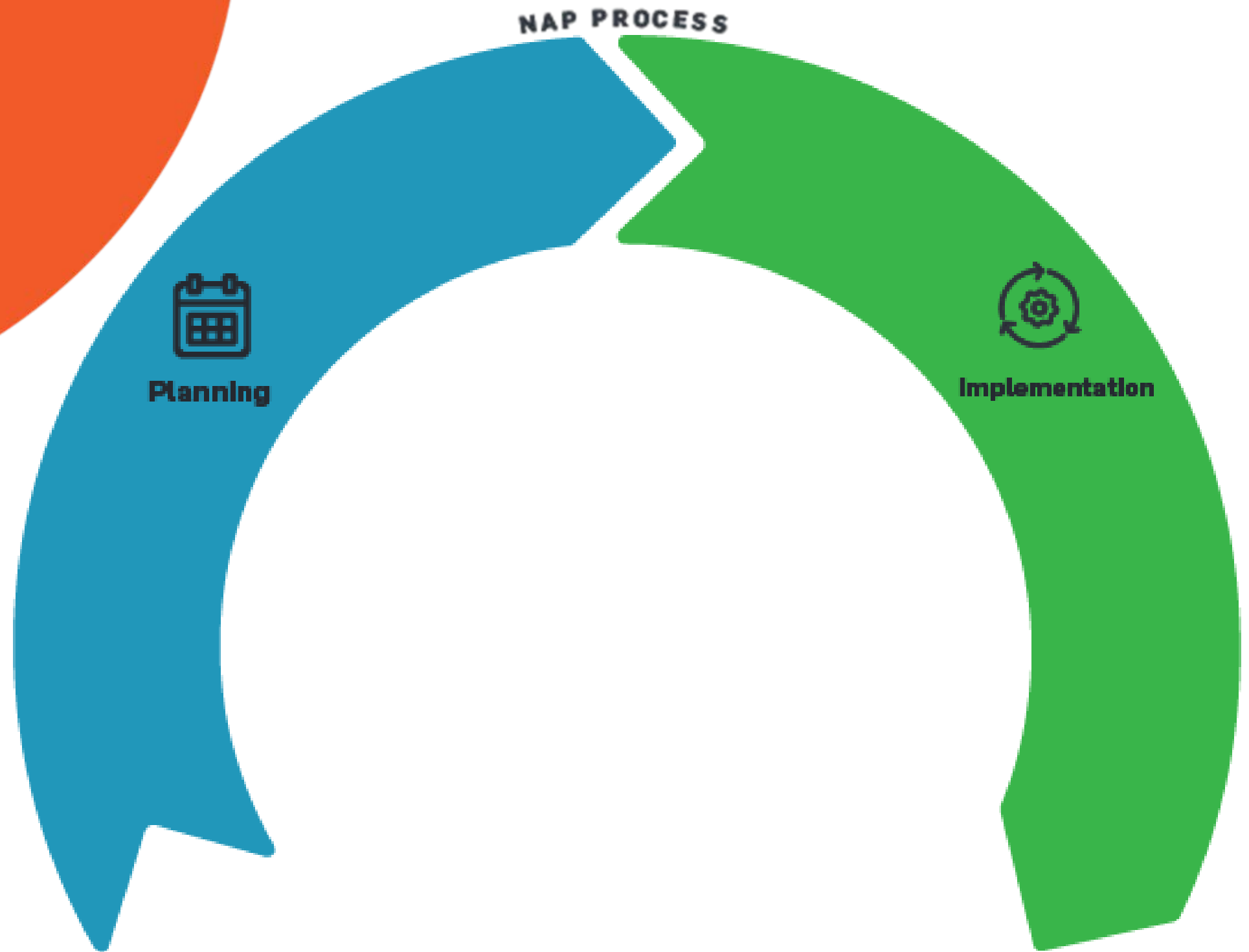
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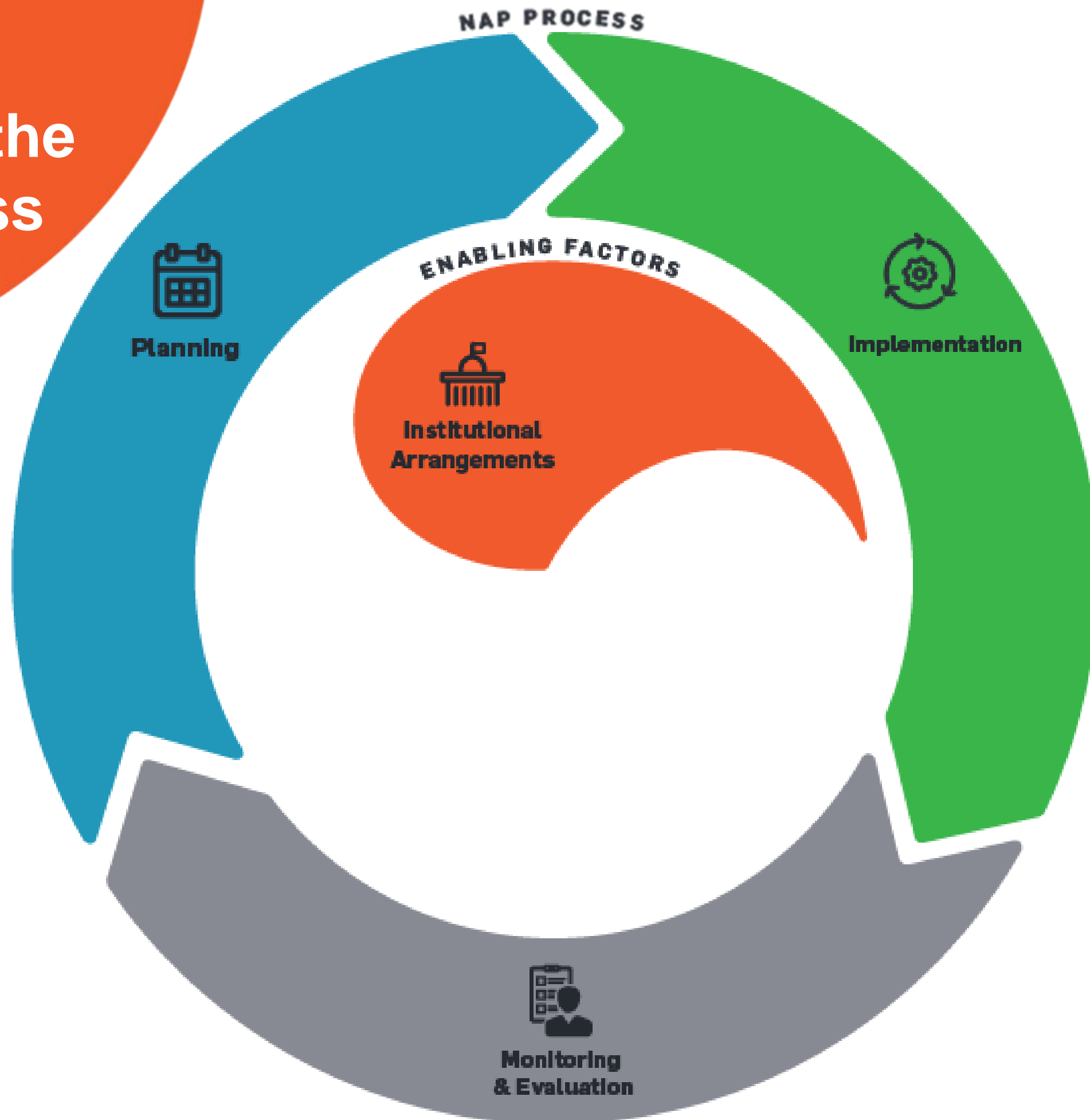


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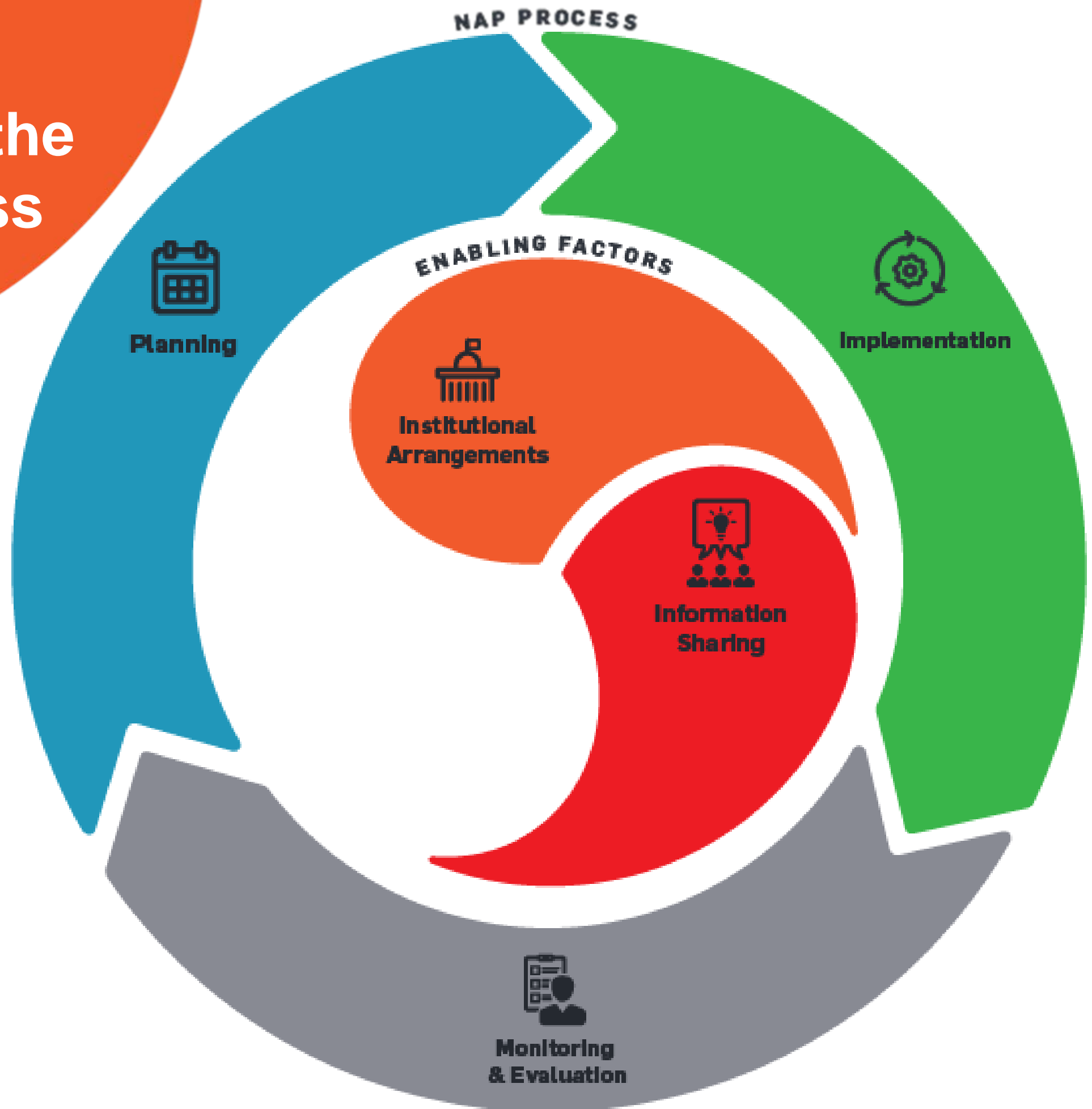


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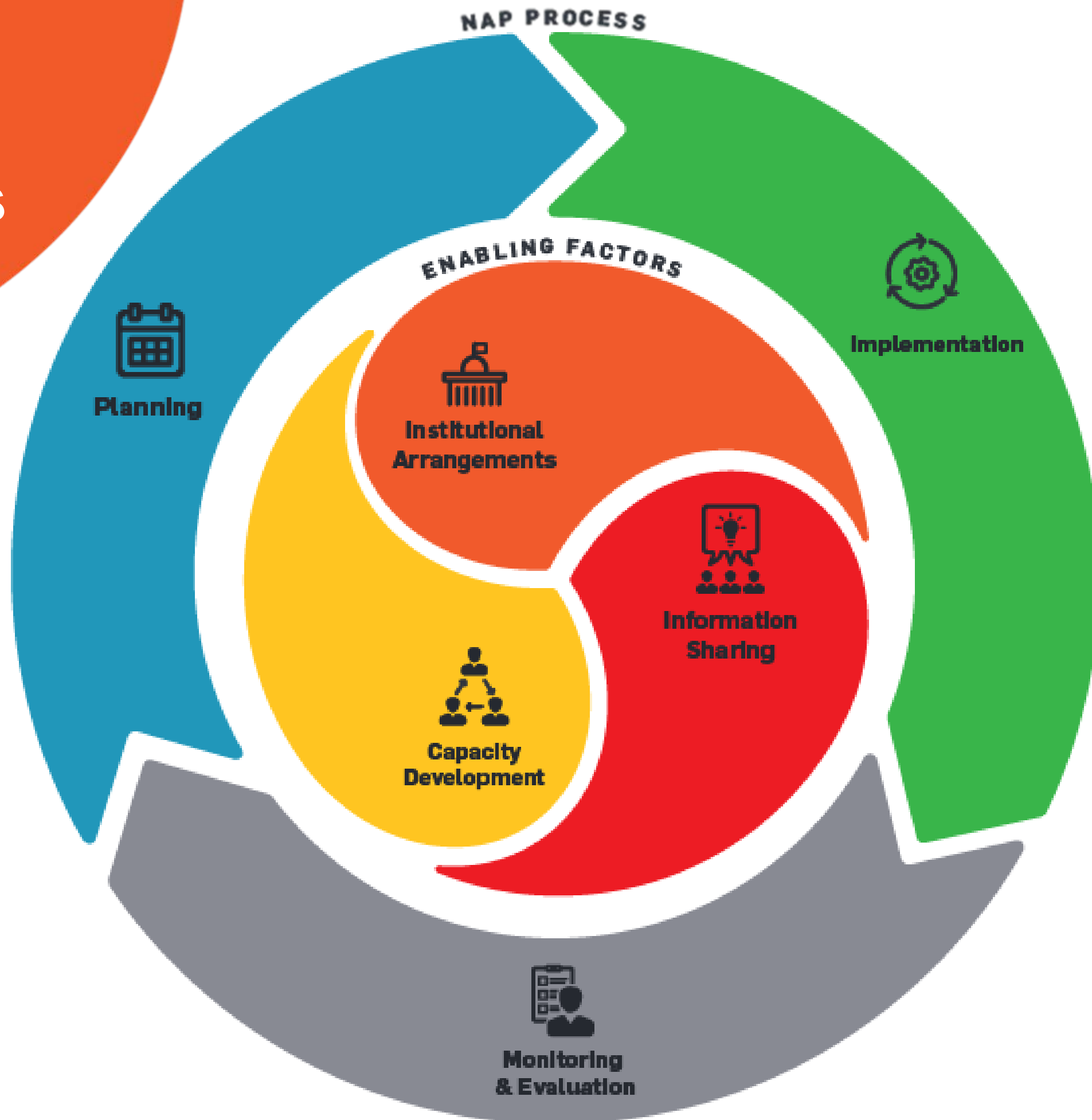
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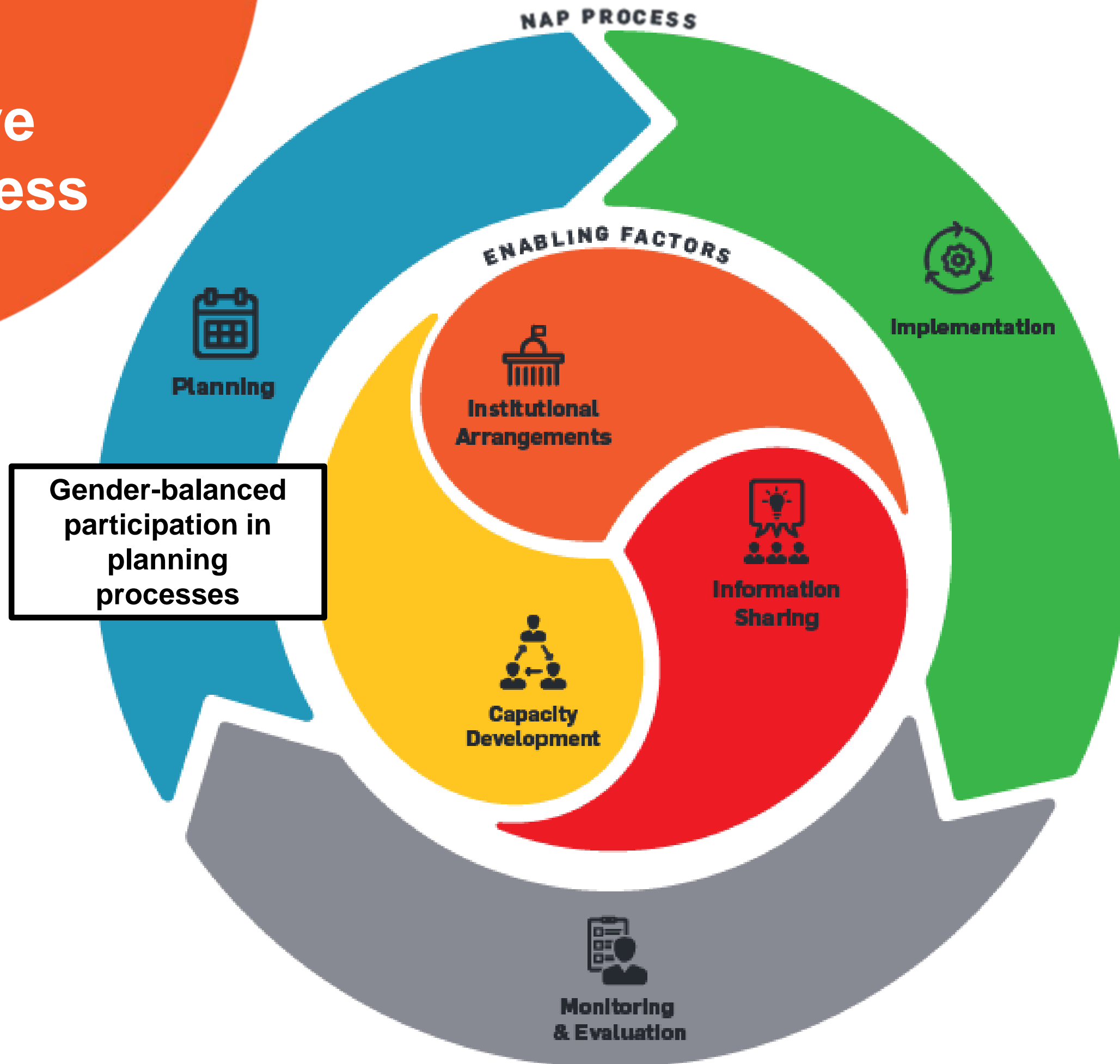


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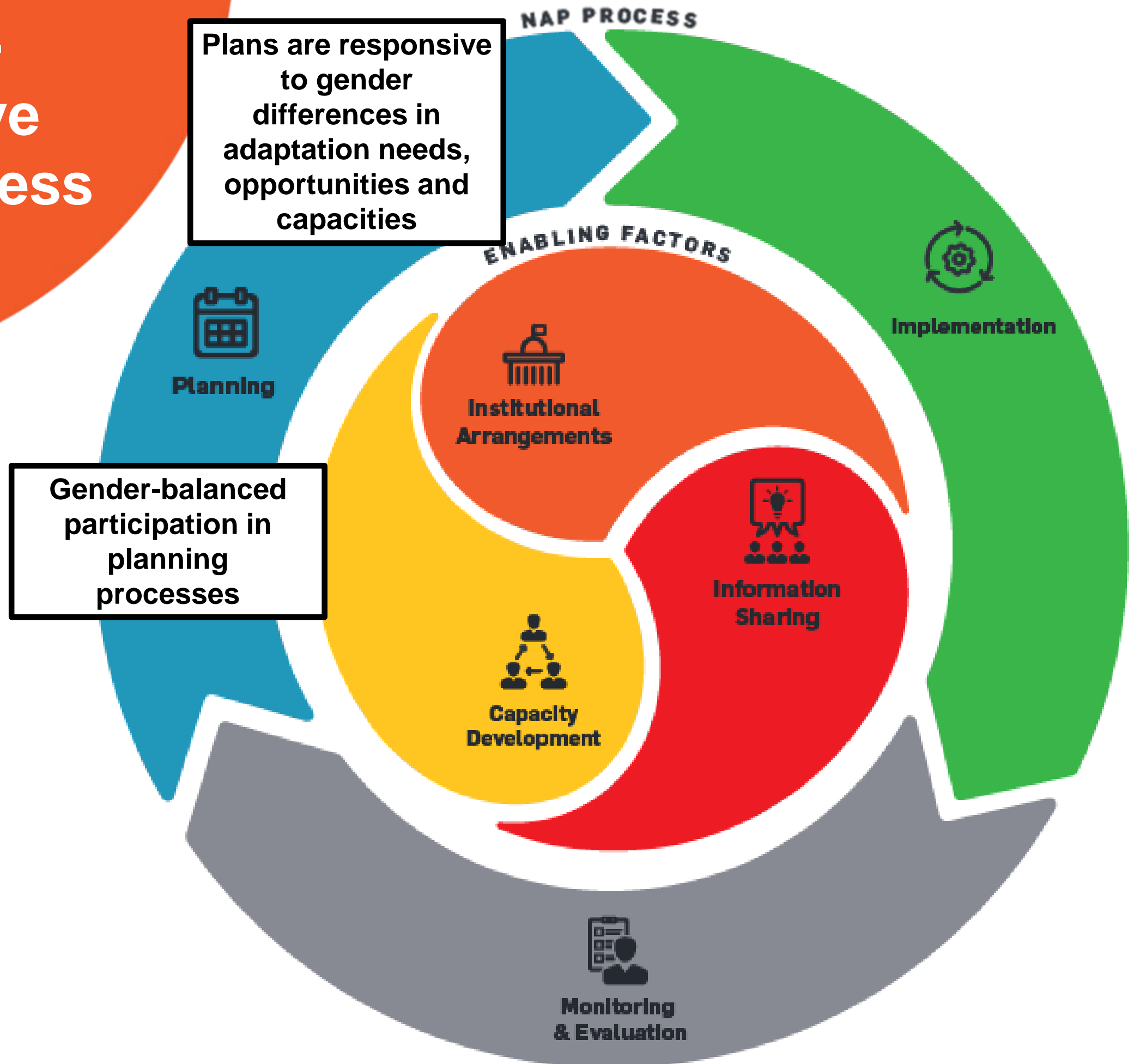




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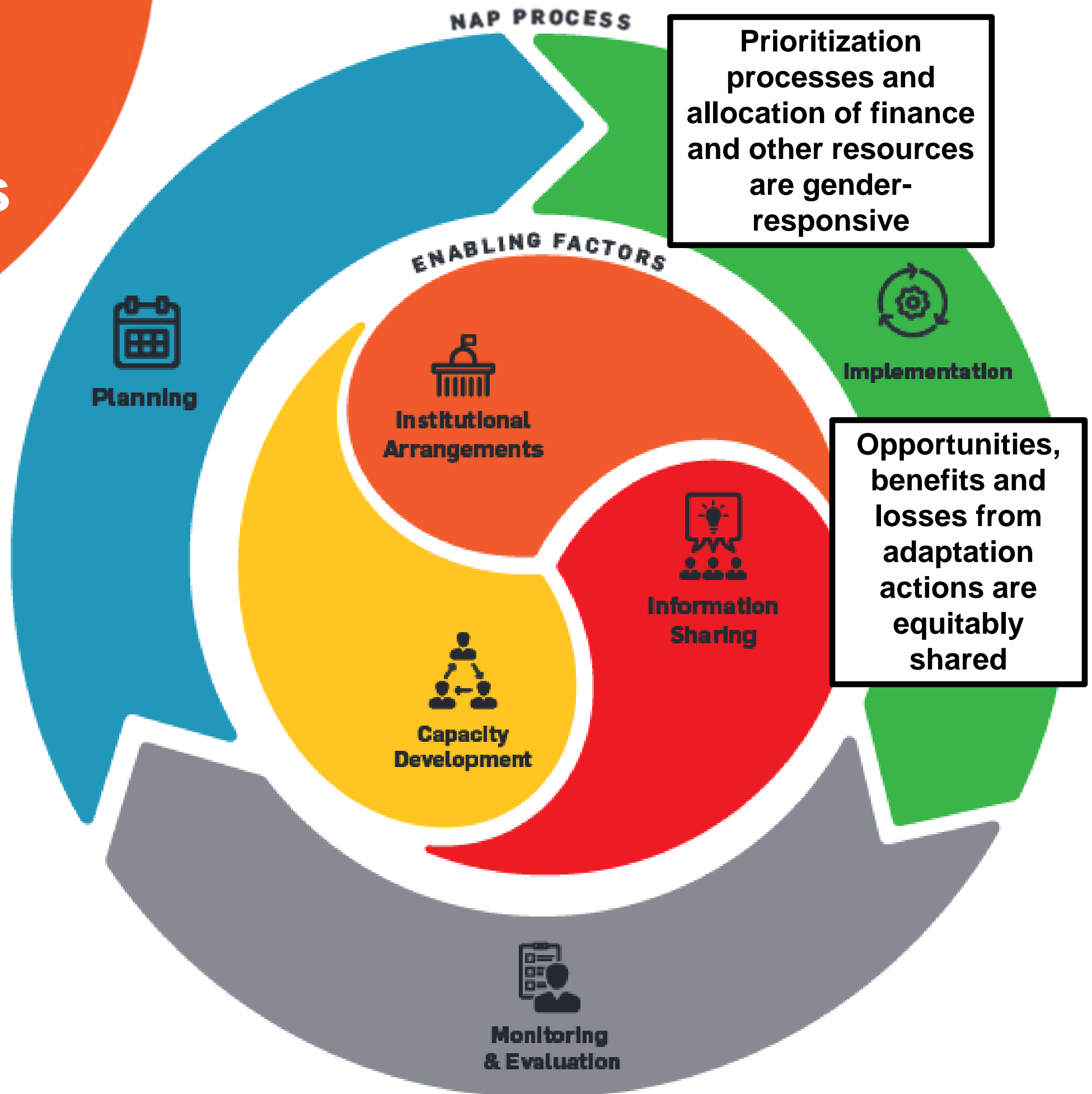


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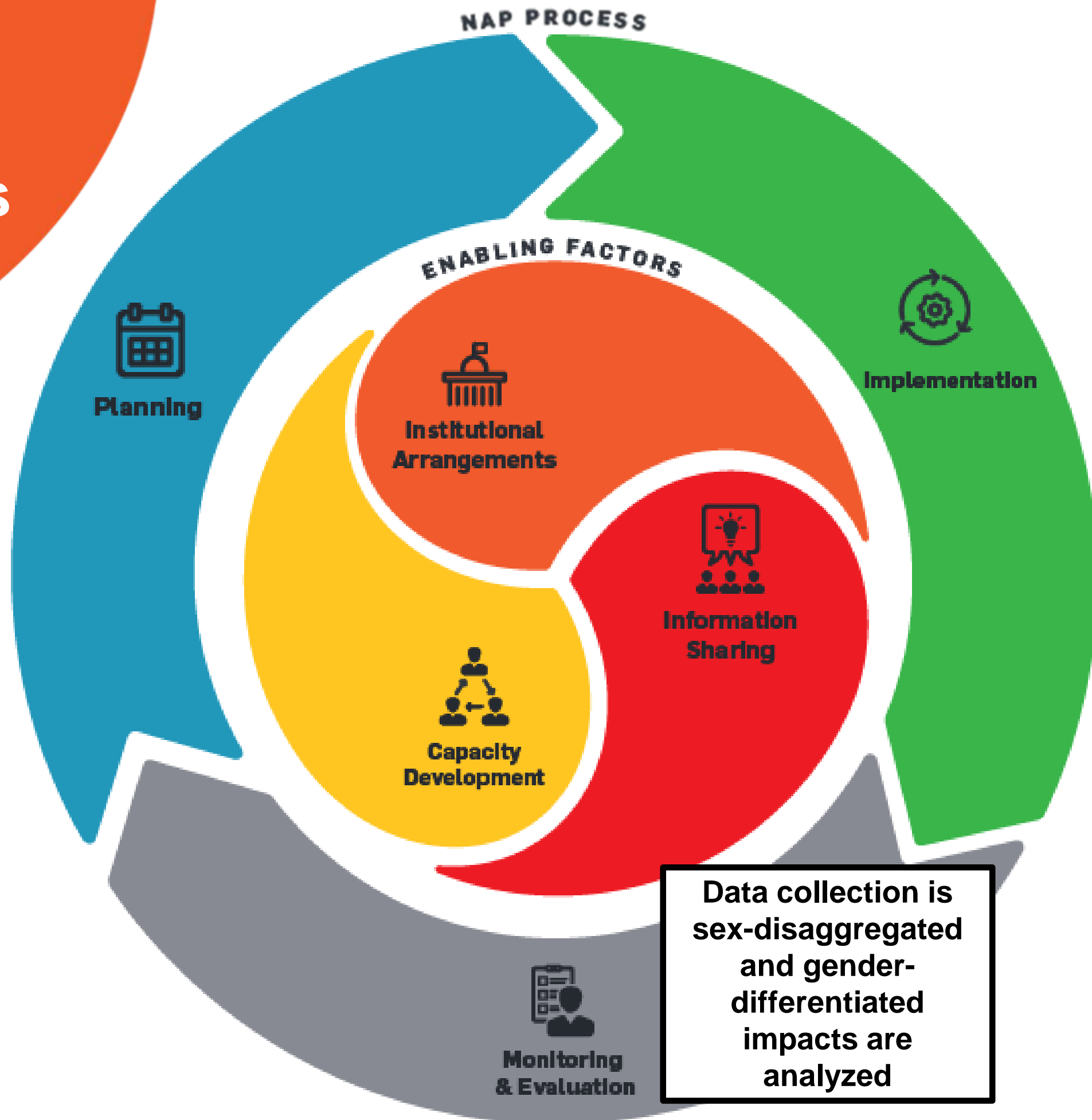




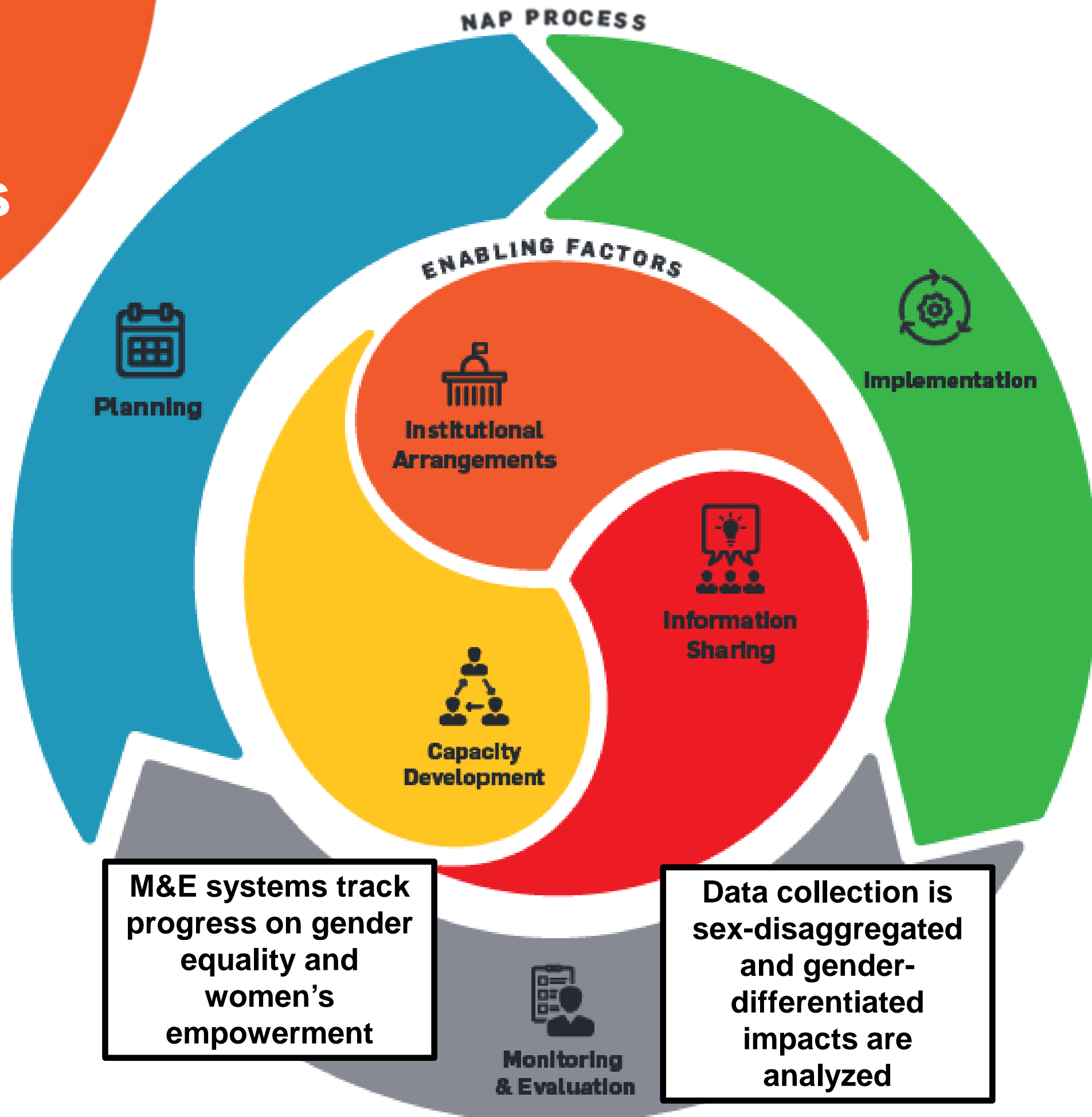
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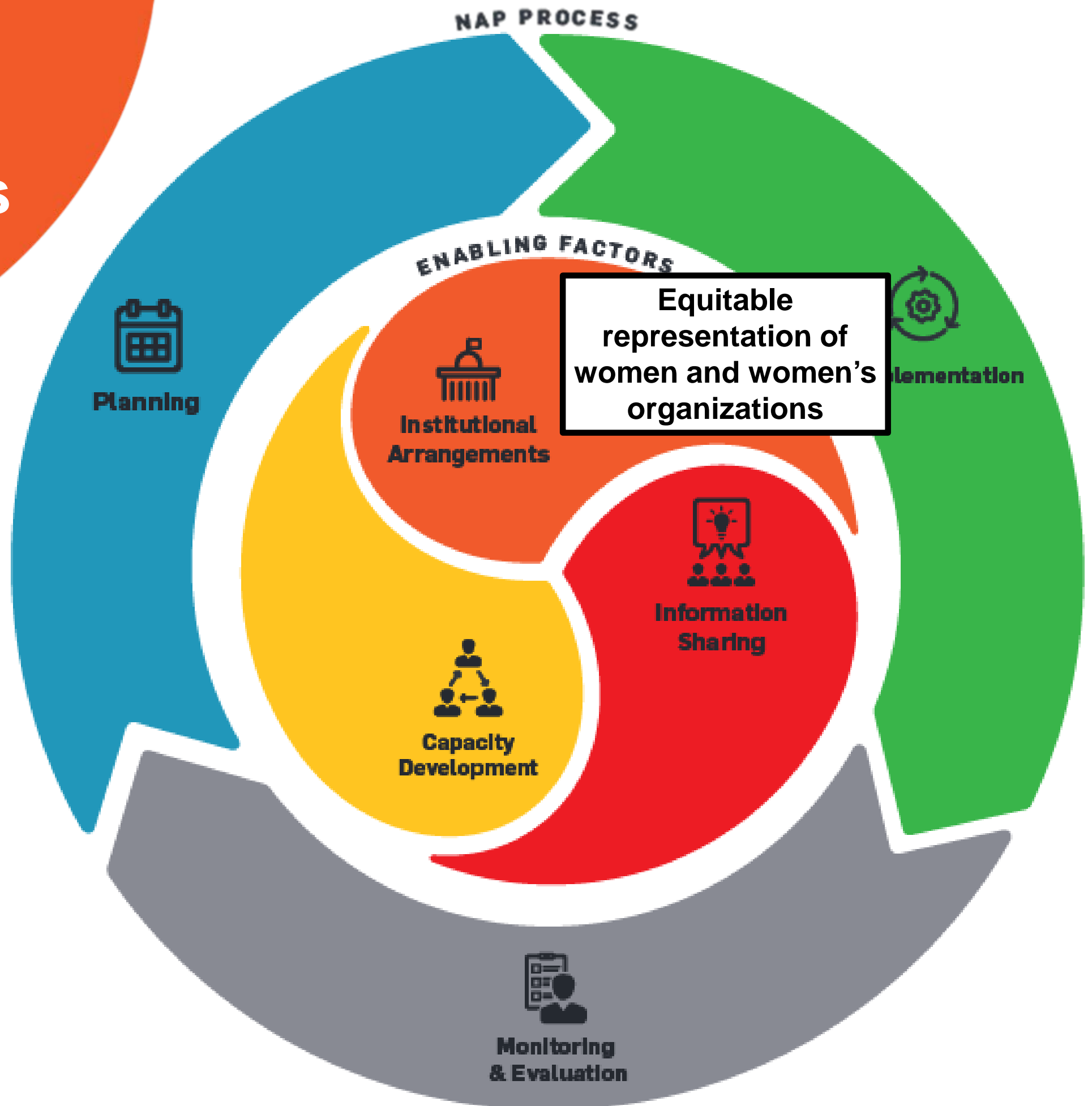


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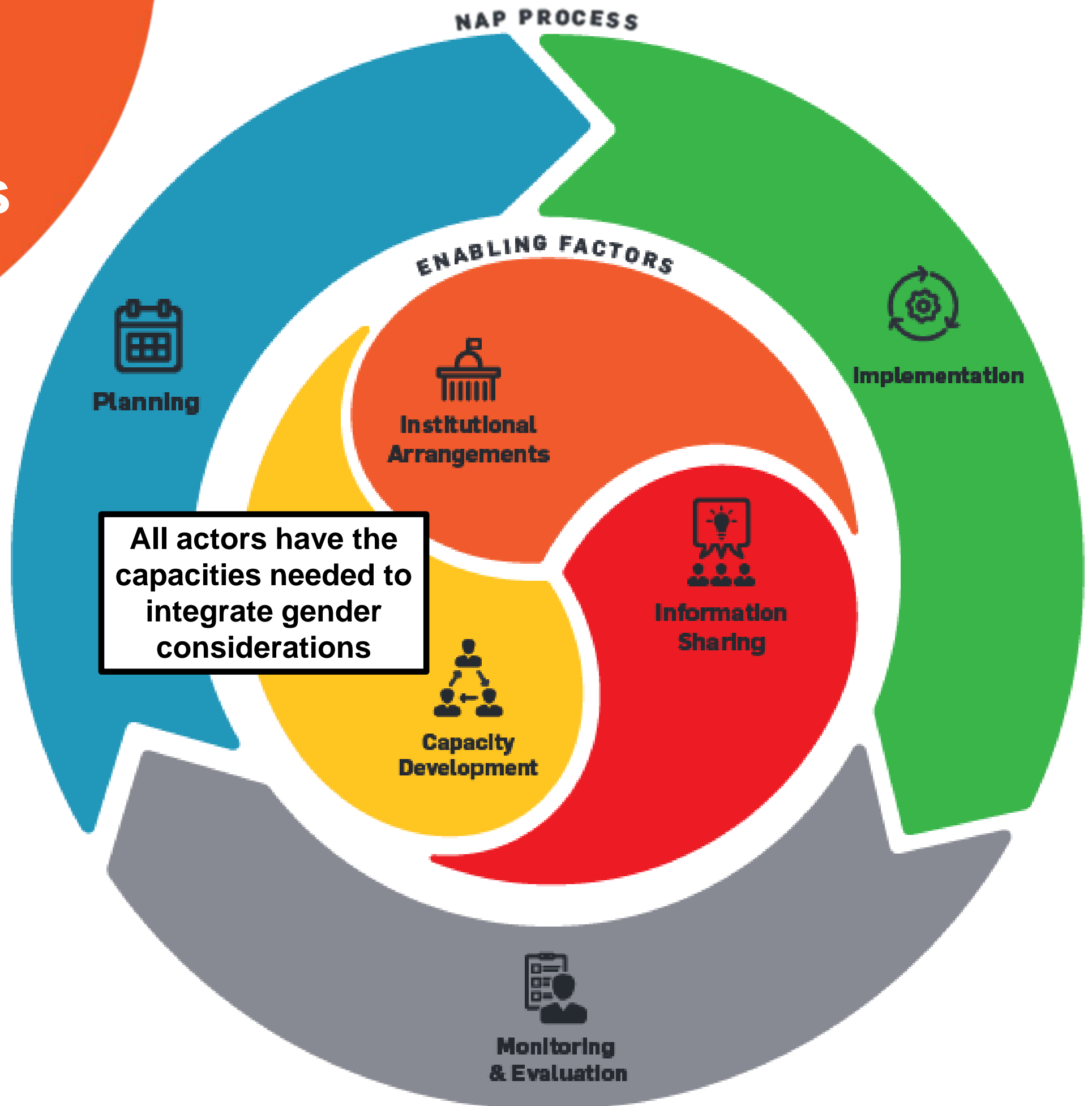
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# NAP Global Network resources on gender



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## A Framework for Gender-Responsive National Adaptation Plan (NAP) Processes

### 1 Introduction

With the adoption of the [Sustainable Development Agreement](#) under the Convention on Climate Change, attention is turning to address the need to achieve sustainable development (O'Neill-Kelly, 2017). One of the efforts to integrate gender into the processes. This brief provides context of the formulation of National Adaptation Plans (NAPs) as "NAP processes", considering gender adaptation and introduces a gender-responsive framework for the discussion of gender by actors. The framework builds on previous guidance developed by the UNFCCC Least Developed Countries Group ([available here](#)) and International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN). It has been developed as part of an ongoing initiative by the [NAP Global Network](#) to support investments in climate change adaptation.



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# Integration of gender considerations in NAP documents





# Review methodology

- Systematic review of NAP documents
- Focus on planning and institutional arrangements
- Review considered:
  - How gender issues are framed in the document
  - The positioning of women in the document
  - Additional entry points for integrating gender considerations
  - Integration of gender considerations in the planning phase of the NAP process
  - Consideration of gender issues in the institutional arrangements for the NAP process





# Key findings from NAP document reviews

- Most countries are making an effort to integrate gender considerations in their NAP documents
- The most common approaches are gender sensitivity as a principle for the plan and/or gender as a priority sector or adaptation option
- The focus of gender integration tends to be on women (versus the differences between men and women)
- Women are most often positioned as a vulnerable group and beneficiaries of adaptation actions
- They are less often identified as agents of change or stakeholders in adaptation processes





# Gender-responsive NAP processes: What is needed

- Country-specific analysis of gender issues and implications for climate change adaptation
- Gender-balanced participation in planning processes
  - Institutional arrangements
  - Stakeholder engagement
- Capacity development
  - For climate change actors on gender
  - For gender actors on climate change
- Deeper and more consistent integration as NAP processes advance





# Q&A





# Challenges in integrating gender considerations

**What is the single biggest challenge you face in integrating gender consideration in the NAP process in your country?**

**Write the challenge on the card.**



# Sharing challenges across countries

1. Move to the category where your challenge best fits
2. Group discussion on the challenges
3. Quick report back to plenary

