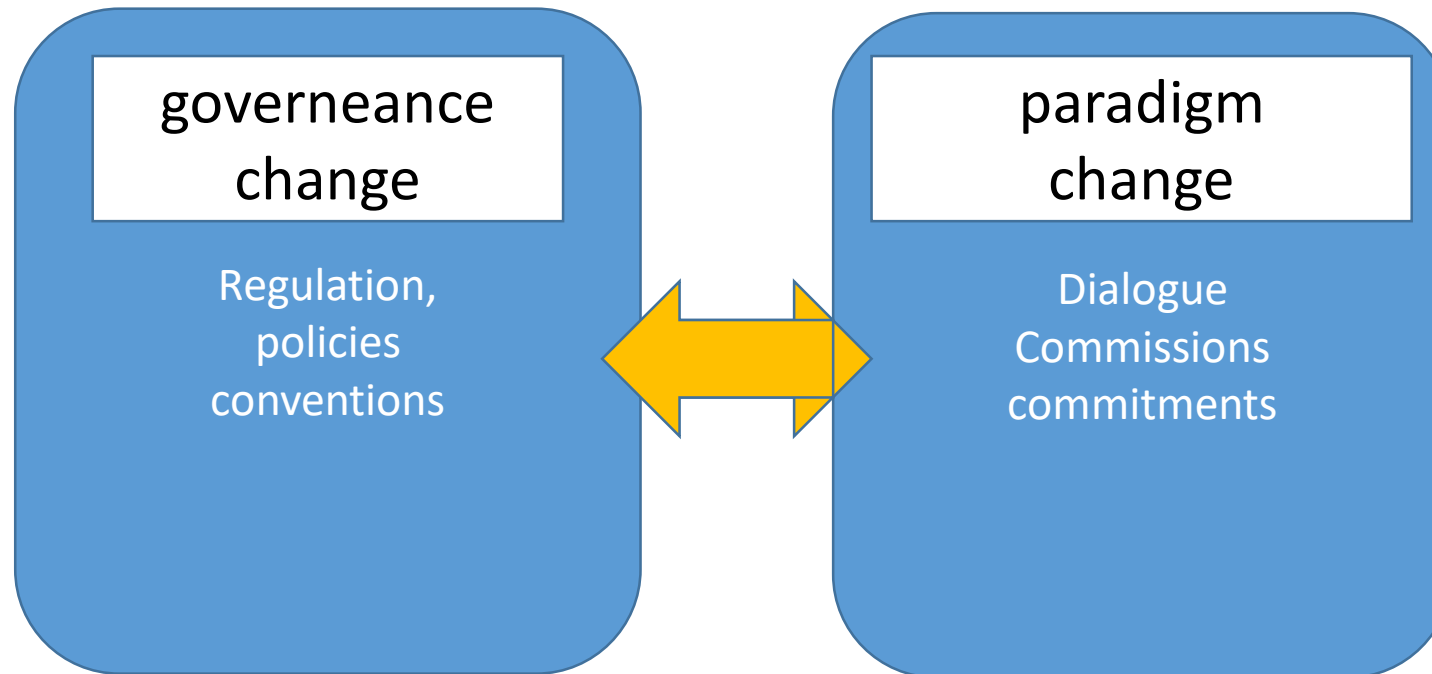


How Finland's Commission on Sustainable Development is involved in the follow-up and review process at national level including the Voluntary National Review process?

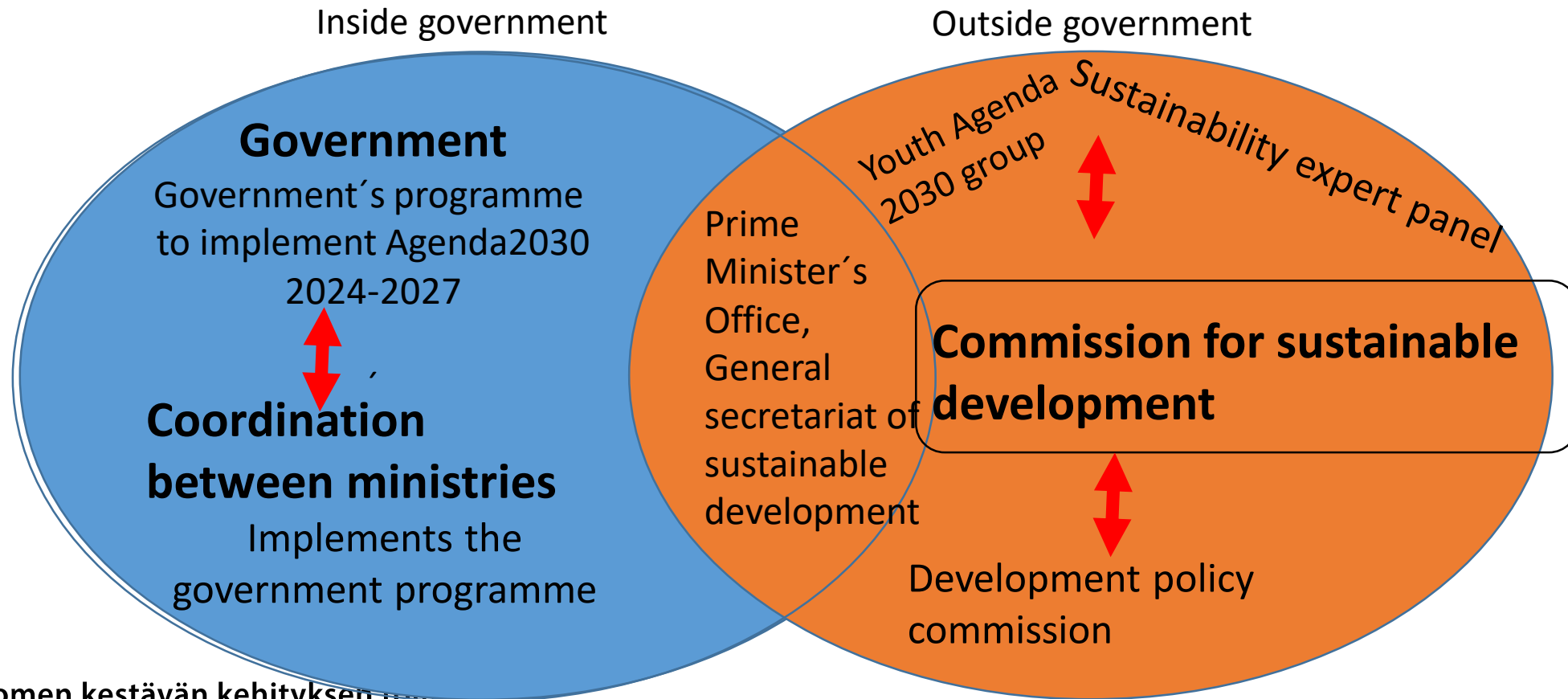
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How to enhance sustainability transformation?



The two dimensions of Finland's sustainable development framework



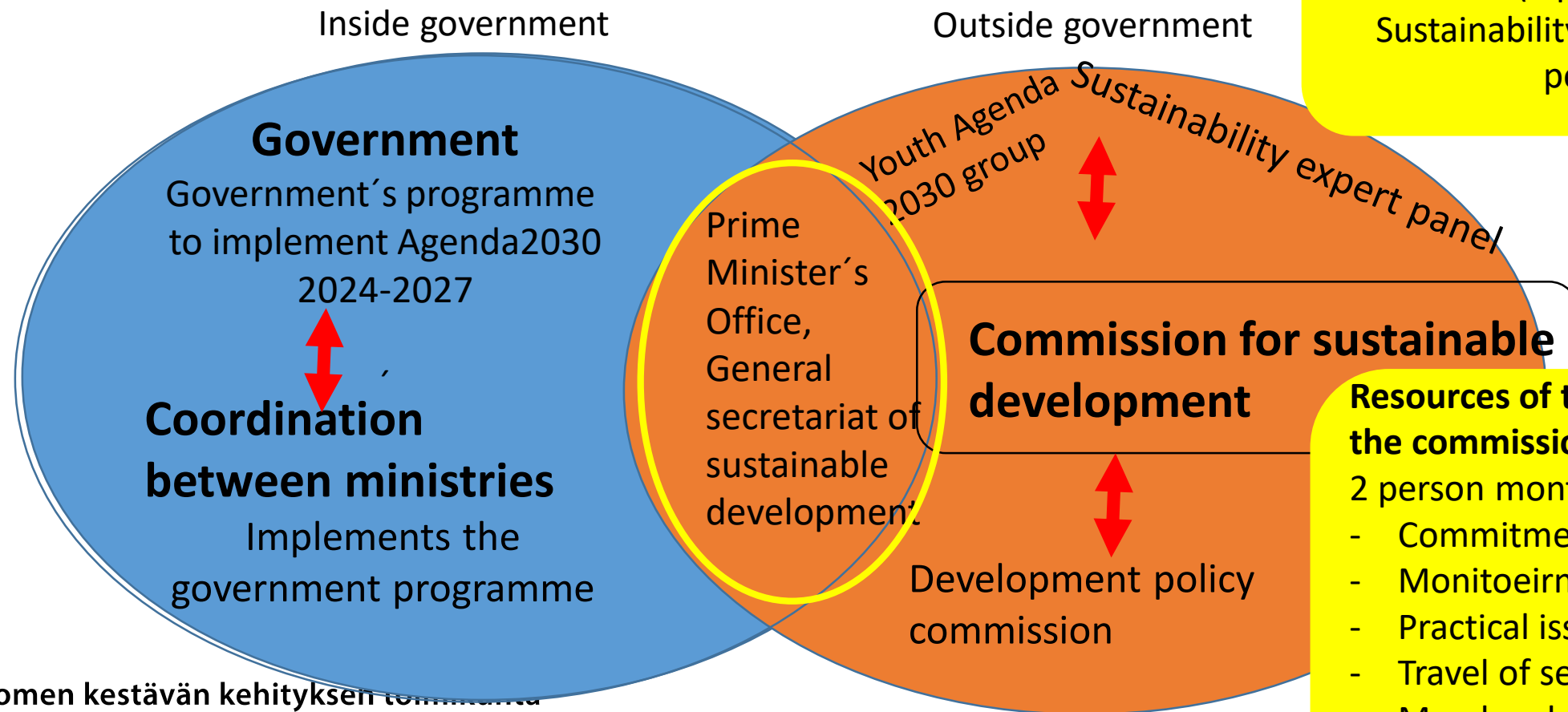


Dialogue between government and society:

Finnish National Commission on Sustainable Development

- Brings together key stakeholders of Finnish society.
- The key task is to speed up the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, and link it to the national work on sustainable development.
- Also monitors and assesses the implementation of the 2030 Agenda in Finland.

The two dimensions of Finland's sustainable development framework



Interlinking activities:

- Forsight analysis (2 persons)
- Societal sustainability assessment (4 persons)
- Sustainability expert panel (1 person)

Resources of the secretariat of the commission:

- 2 person months, trainee 6m/yr
- Commitment tool
- Monitoring of the strategy
- Practical issues
- Travel of secretariat
- Membership to 2 International networks
- VNR

How do we work?

- 3 meetings of the commission to discuss difficult societal issues from the sustainability perspective
- Workshops (6/yr) to prepare the action plan for the national strategy
- Seminars – yearly state and future of sustainable development together with the Parliament's Future Committee
- Morning coffee webinars 4-6/yr new arising issues with knowledge gaps
- Collaboration in events by member of the commission or other societal actors



National Strategy for Finland on Sustainable Development 2022–2030

“A prosperous and globally responsible Finland that protects the carrying capacity of nature”

Aims to create and speed up system level changes in the Finnish society

Six areas of societal transformation

Suomen kestävän kehityksen toimikunta
Finlands kommission för hållbar utveckling
Finnish National Commission on Sustainable Development





2024-2027 commission makes an action plan for the 2022-2030 strategy

2020-2023 commission made the strategy for 2022-2030

2016-2019 commission made vision and mission for the forthcoming strategy

1993 the first commission was set up in Finland

Plan for concrete actions to implement the strategy during 2024-2027

Policies &
governance
mechanisms

Values, perceptions
and behavioral
change

Knowledge &
skills for the
future



Commission for sustainable development 2024-2027

Chair
Prime minister
Petteri Orpo

Vice chairs Antti Herlin
representing the commission
and Saana Ylikruuvi
representing the Youth
Group



Parliament, government, Åland
Islands, Saami assemblies (28)

Research and innovation (8)

Associations (32)

**Culture &
media (4)**

Permanent advisors (6)

National government
(24)

Other public sector (2)

Municipalities and
areas (6)

Livelihoods and economy
(24)

religious
denominations (2)

Does the commission make a difference?

- Serve as a platform for dialogue on challenging issues:
 - prime minister – key societal actors
- Participate in the monitoring of the national sustainable development strategy
 - Systemic monitoring of the areas of transformation, cases; consult included
- Participate in Finland's societal sustainability assessment by commenting
- Contribute to the VNR discussion
 - Within commission meeting
 - Through their background (municipalities, regions, business, NGOs, citizens, youth)



Thank you