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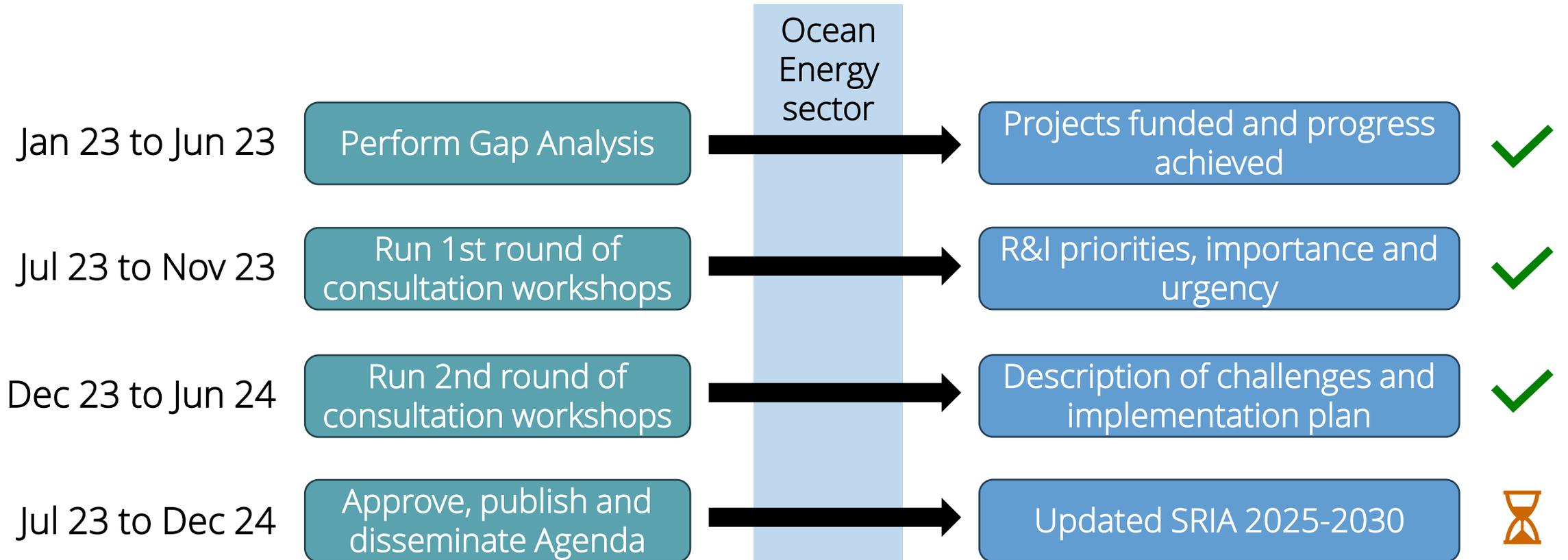
Introduction

SRIA for Ocean Energy

- A reference document for the whole ocean energy sector: 2016, 2020 & 2024 editions
- Outlines priority **research, development and innovation challenges** expected to deliver the greatest cost reductions
- Defines specific objectives and actions **towards ocean energy commercialisation**
- Provides **guidance to all funders** of Research & Innovation: industry, EU, national and regional



Methodology for the SRIA update



SRIA structure

- Foreword by a director of DG RTD.
- Overview of the **importance of ocean energy** in achieving the European Union's political priorities.
- **Progress of ocean energy**, focusing on five key themes: Competitiveness; Industry; Knowledge; Acceptance; & Investors.
- **Methodology** for the SRIA update.
- Description of **challenges and priorities** that need to be addressed to advance the industry.
- Indicative **budget and timeline** for the implementation of the SRIA.

Deliverable 1.2 — Strategic Research and Innovation Agenda

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Today's objective

- To present an overview of the SRIA to get **feedback** from the sector in order to ensure it reflects the outcomes from previous consultations
- **What** we specifically need from you:
 1. Do you agree with the overall vision, progress and priorities described in the draft SRIA?
 2. Are the budget and timeline appropriate to address the sector needs?
 3. Please review the draft and its consistency across sections.

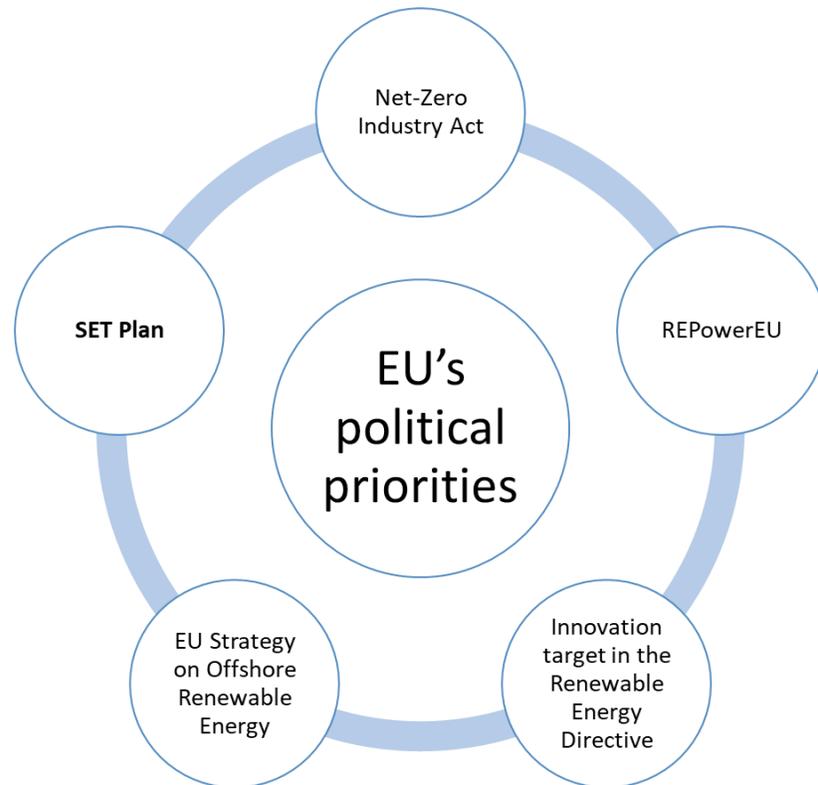
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Ocean energy for a competitive Europe

Ocean Energy for a competitive Europe

Helps deliver on the EU's political priorities



Provides significant benefits

- Enhances Europe's competitiveness
- Creates jobs across Europe
- Supports environmental sustainability
- Strengthens the EU's energy security
- Can become a massive export market
- Is ready to deliver

Road to industrialisation



Overarching goals to achieve with the SRIA

What



Make ocean energy competitive



Reinforce the industrial capacity



Fill in the knowledge gaps



Increase social & environmental acceptance



Improve market confidence & attract investors

How

Power performance, Operative performance and Affordability

Manufacturability, Local content & Technology push policies

Mitigate technical risks, Knowledge exchange & Standardisation

Life cycle analysis, Environmental impact & Social impact

Bankability, Credible technology projections & Added benefits





Progress in the sector

Progress of Ocean Energy (I)

Tidal stream: Pre-commercial farms

- Tidal pilot farms producing energy since 2016.
- 94 MW will be added in UK waters.
- 14 MW supported by EU grants.
- 17.5 MW in France.



Wave energy: Testing and demonstration

- Several scaled and full-scale wave devices are undergoing testing and demonstration.
- Wave energy is preparing for 4 pilot farms supported by Innovation Fund and Horizon Europe.



Progress of Ocean Energy (II)

Make ocean energy competitive

- Tidal Energy reached 93 GWh in 2023.
- **Success Story:** SIMEC Atlantis' MeyGen project
 - Phase 1A: 4 x 1.5 MW turbines.
 - Future phases plan expansion to 398 MW.



Reinforce the industrial capacity

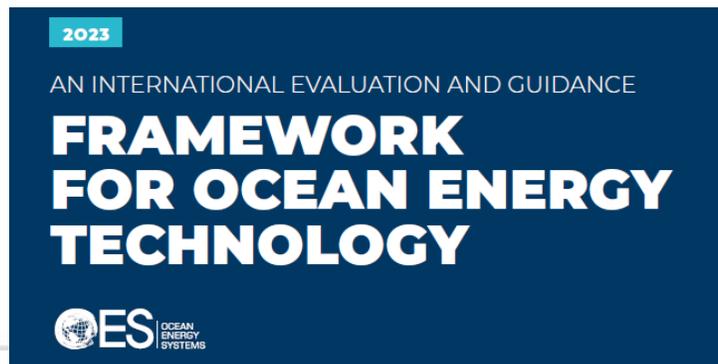
- GVA and jobs creation from manufacture, O&M, with significant local content, thus supporting just transition.
- **Success Story:** CorPower Ocean's HiWave-5 project
 - Mostly done by local suppliers, such as Costa & Rego.
 - €16m investment in a new R&D, manuf. and service centre.



Progress of Ocean Energy (III)

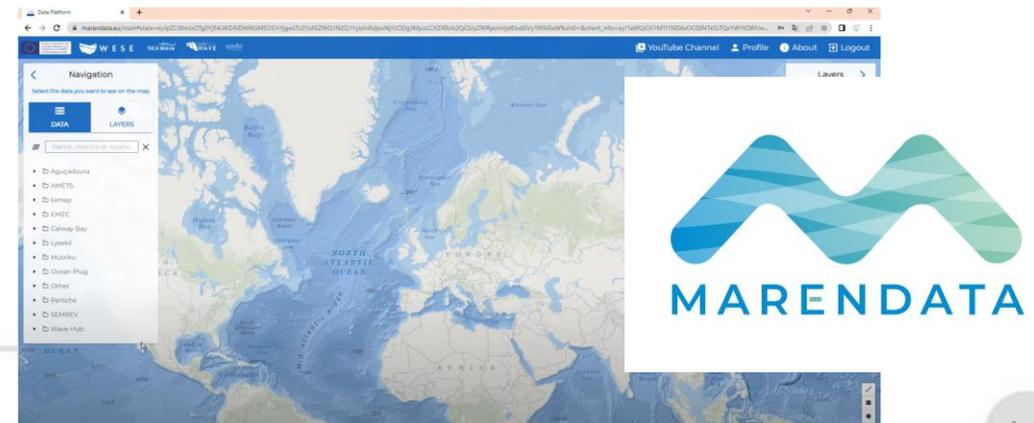
Fill in the knowledge gaps

- International collaboration is essential to access to knowledge in a wide range of fields.
- **Success Story:** IEA-OES Technology Collaboration Programme
 - Since its creation in 2021 has developed various guidelines and two databases.
 - The evaluation and guidance framework has been implemented by WES and EuropeWave for wave energy development.



Increase social and environmental acceptance

- Sector needs a balance between assuming some risks and learning from evidence.
- **Success Story:** SafeWave project
 - Environmental impacts of wave energy developments,
 - Potential conflicts between ocean energy and marine users,
 - Complex and long consenting processes,
 - Opposition among host communities of future deployments.



Progress of Ocean Energy (IV)

Improve market confidence & attract investors

- A pipeline of projects based on revenue support such as the UK CfD mechanism.
- Public investment such as EuropeWave can help to give confidence to future investors.
- Off-grid applications such as WavePiston (Canary Islands) and Mocean (Orkney).
- Promising collaborations between technology developers and industrial investors are already happening in Europe

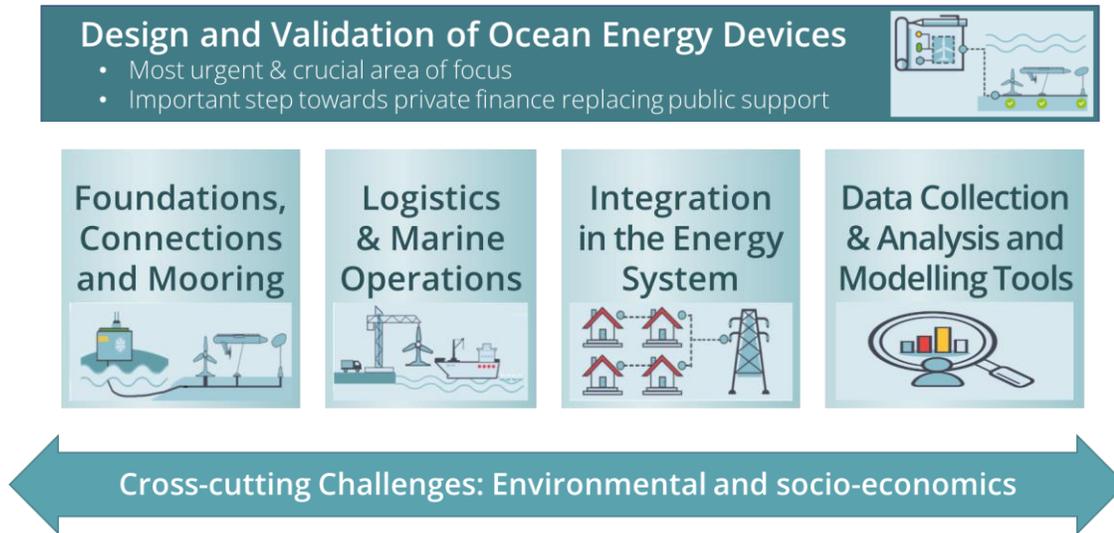
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Technology									



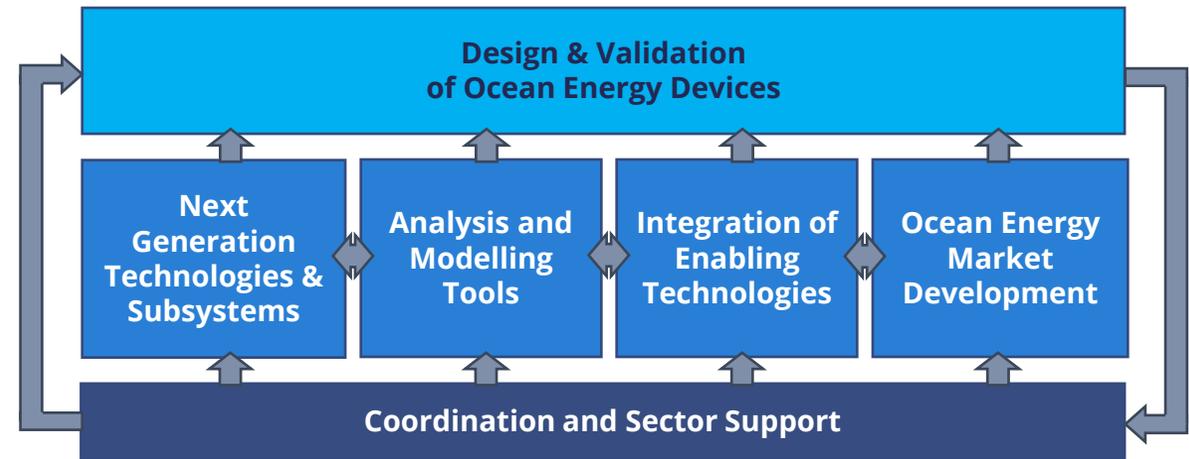
Challenge Areas and Priority Topics

Challenges Areas: Research and Innovation priorities

SRIA 2021-2025



SRIA 2025-2030



Top: Maintains Design and Validation as the central priority to achieve an ambitious cost reduction

Centre: Four challenges aiming to increase technology maturity and prepare for large scale deployment

Bottom: Supporting innovation efforts to leverage private investment

Description of Challenge Areas

- General description of the challenge area
 - Motivation
 - Level of activity between 2020-2024
 - Main challenges
- Specific priority topics
 - Context
 - Main impacts (5 goals)
 - Applicability (wave / tidal / other)
 - Scope of Actions
 - Expected Outcomes
 - Implementation (TRL, type, n°, size of projects)

Challenge Areas	Priority Topics
I Design and validation of ocean energy devices	I.1 Demonstration of single devices
	I.2 Demonstration of pilot farms
	I.3 Design and validation of other ocean energy technologies
II Next generation technologies & subsystems	II.1 Disruptive wave energy devices
	II.2 Innovative PTO and control systems
	II.3 Advanced moorings, foundations & electrical connections
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	VI.2 Accessing and improving testing facilities	Facilitate testing of components & systems in real conditions
	VI.3 Support to ocean energy sector development	Provide non-technical support to companies and professionals



Implementation Plan

Public and private budget needed

Challenge Areas	Topic Description	Nº of Total	Total funding (M€)	Total budget (M€)	%	
Design and validation of ocean energy devices	Demonstration of single devices	16	108.0	162.0	11.9%	57.7%
	Demonstration of pilot farms	10	300.0	600.0	43.9%	
	Design and validation of other ocean energy technologies	9	18.0	26.4	1.9%	
Next generation technologies and subsystems	Disruptive wave energy devices	10	20.0	29.4	2.2%	10.8%
	Innovative PTO and control systems	9	30.0	44.7	3.3%	
	Advanced moorings, foundations & electrical connections	12	49.0	73.2	5.4%	
Ocean energy analysis and modelling tools	Advanced simulation of ocean energy subsystems and devices	8	19.0	28.2	2.1%	5.4%
	Analysis and planning tools for ocean energy farm deployment	7	12.5	18.3	1.3%	
	Modelling and simulation of farm construction and operation	10	18.5	27.0	2.0%	
Integration of enabling technologies	Innovative materials and manufacturing processes	11	26.5	39.0	2.9%	7.5%
	Application of latest instrumentation & sensor technology	12	28.5	42.0	3.1%	
	Use of artificial intelligence and big data	12	15.0	21.3	1.6%	
Ocean energy market development	Application of ocean energy in off-grid markets	12	46.5	69.0	5.1%	12.1%
	Demonstrating grid-scale benefits of ocean energy	11	30.5	45.0	3.3%	
	Co-location of multiple technologies	9	34.5	51.0	3.7%	
Coordination and sector support actions	Coordinating sector efforts	6	6.0	8.4	0.6%	6.6%
	Accessing and upgrading testing facilities	8	44.0	66.0	4.8%	
	Support to ocean energy sector development	7	11.0	15.9	1.2%	
Total		180	822	1,366	100.0%	100.0%

N° and size of projects

Type of Funding	Size of projects				
	Very small	Small	Medium	Large	Very Large
Public Funding (M€)	<1	1-3	3-8	8-20	20-40
Private Funding (M€)	0-0.2	0.2-1.5	1.5-4	4-10	10-40
Total Budget (M€)	<1.2	1.2-4.5	4.5-12	12-30	30-80
Total N° of projects per size	64	48	38	20	10

Challenge Areas	Early	Mid	Late	Trend in the n° of projects
Design and validation of ocean energy devices	16	10	9	
Next generation technologies and subsystems	6	8	16	
Ocean energy analysis and modelling tools	10	9	5	
Integration of enabling technologies	8	17	8	
Ocean energy market development	9	10	16	
Coordination and sector support actions	6	8	8	
Total	55	62	62	

Main funders per Challenge Area

Challenge Areas	EU	Countries	Private
Design and validation of ocean energy devices	48%	6%	46%
Next generation technologies and subsystems	32%	35%	33%
Ocean energy analysis and modelling tools	24%	44%	32%
Integration of enabling technologies	26%	43%	32%
Ocean energy market development	42%	26%	32%
Coordination and sector support actions	34%	34%	32%
Total	42%	18%	40%

Thank you, Any Questions?

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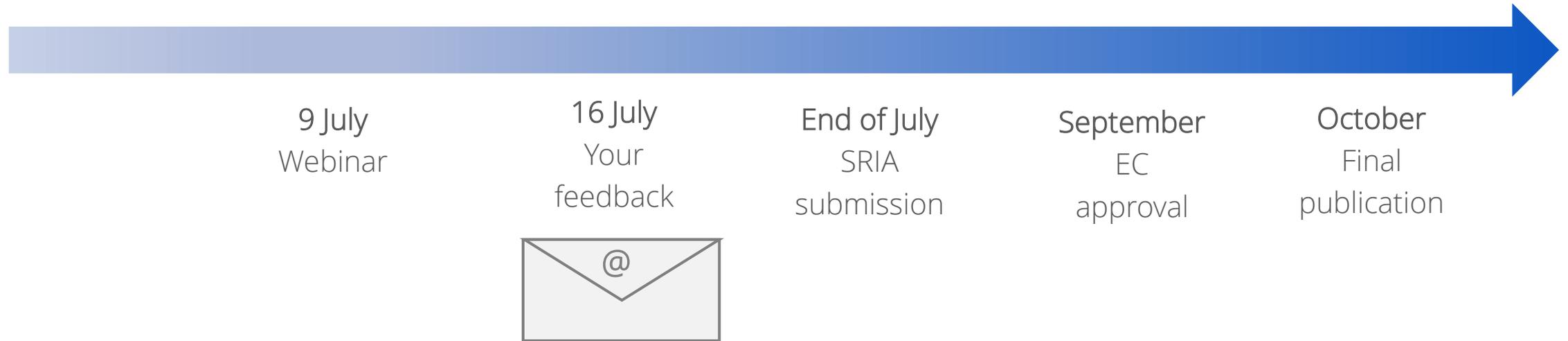
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