

# Anchoring mitigation commitments in the 2015 agreement

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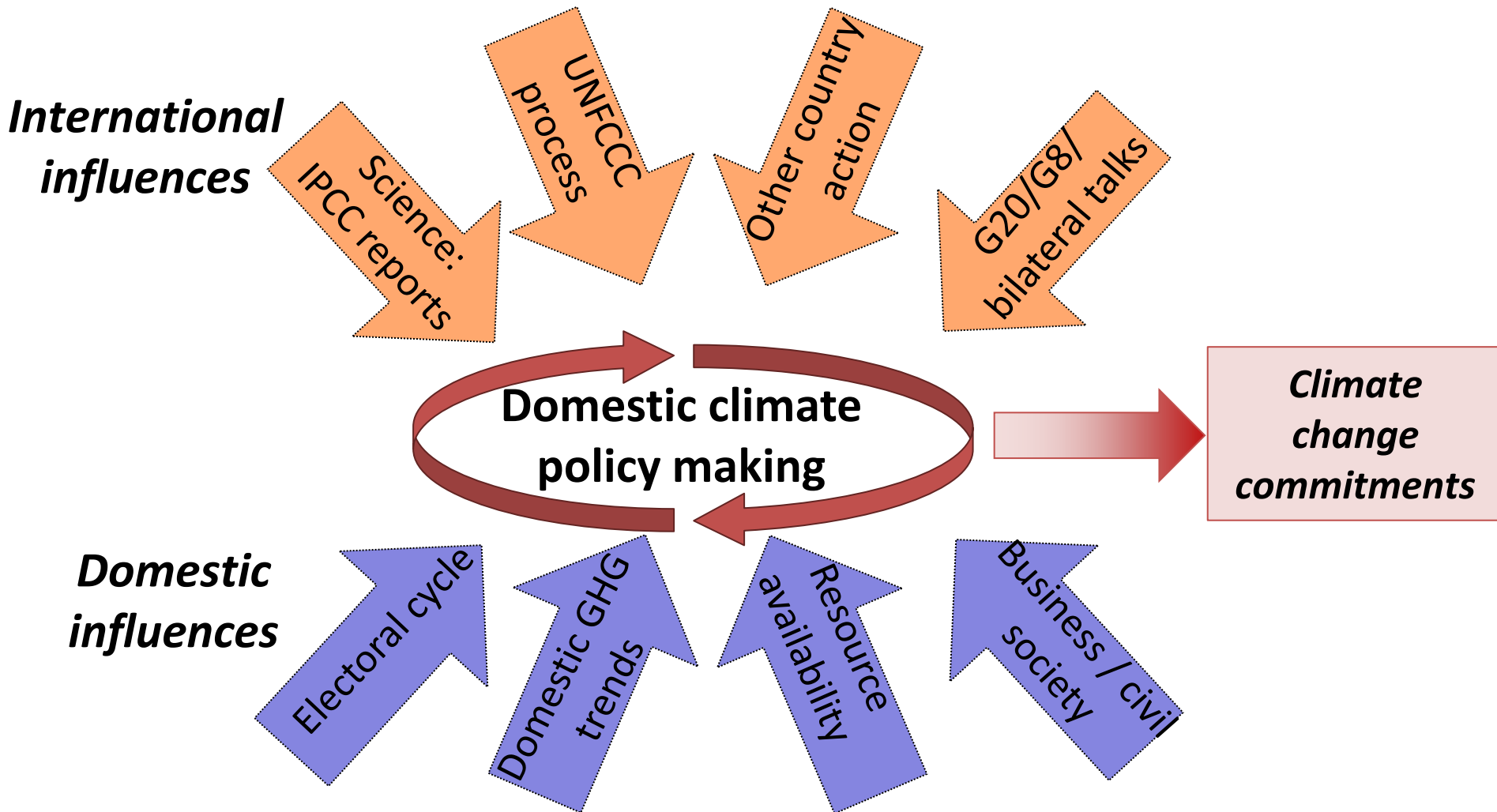
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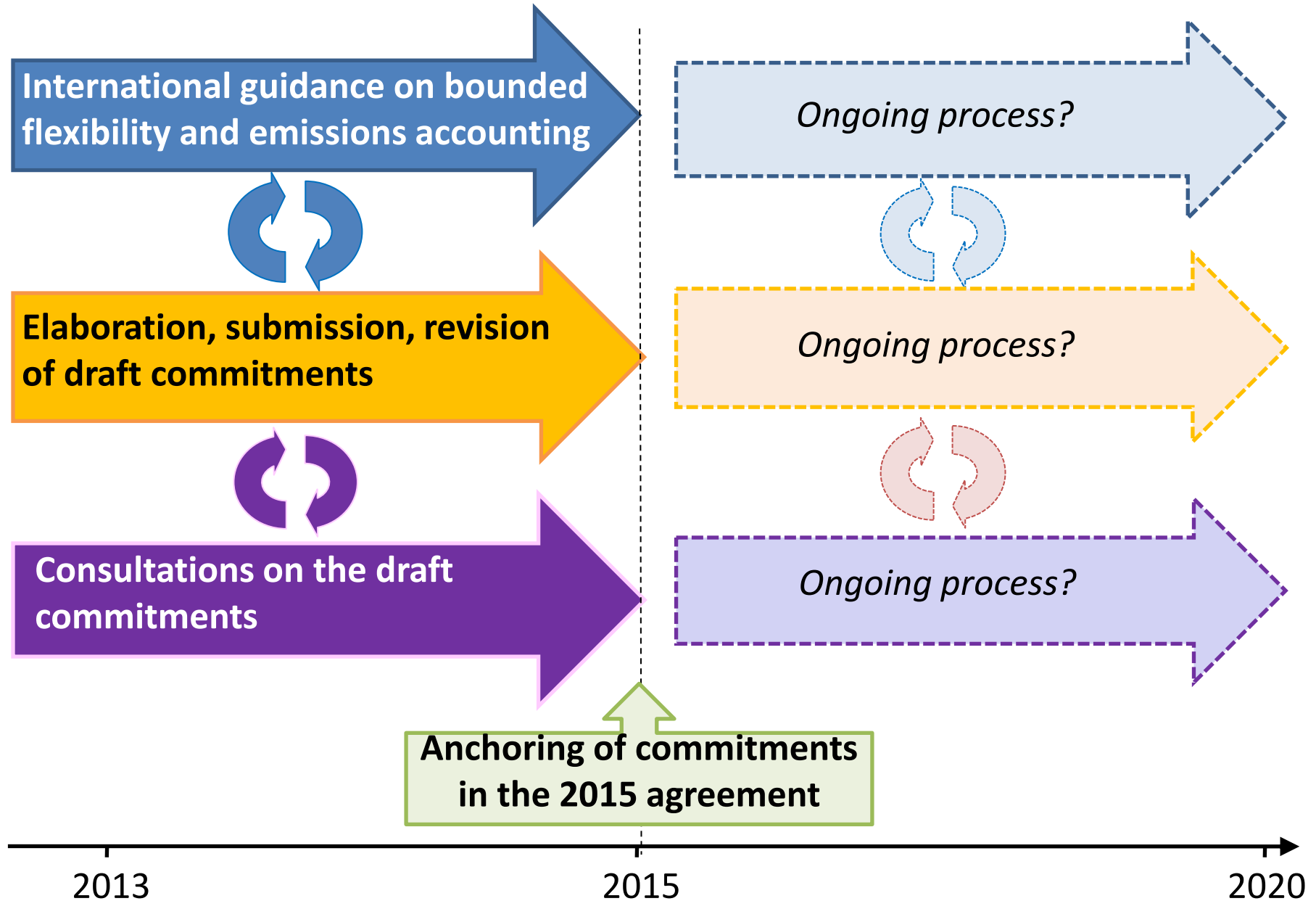
# Overview

- Influences on mitigation commitments
- Ideas for a flexible, iterative process
- What role for consultations?
- “Anchoring” commitments in the agreement
  
- Questions for discussion

# Towards a virtuous circle of goal setting



# An iterative process





**Ex-ante information:**  
will countries parade the  
content of their  
commitments for  
international scrutiny?

# What can we expect from consultations?

- Many countries run domestic consultations on policy measures
- The EU has an established process for universal consultation on draft Directives
- In the UNFCCC we have “International Consultations and Analysis” (alongside International Assessment and Review)
- ...but what influence will consultations likely have on draft commitments ?

# Anchoring commitments in the 2015 agreement

- For the agreement to be effective the commitments will need to be in some way “anchored” in it
- If Parties agree that anchored commitments can be revised before 2020, can this ensure “ratcheting up” of ambition?





# Questions for discussion

- What could be the process be for establishing and anchoring mitigation commitments in the 2015 agreement?
- What could be the components of the process and what interactions could exist between them?
- How could the process secure broad participation while also encouraging countries to increase or ratchet up their ambition in order keep the 2°C goal within reach?