

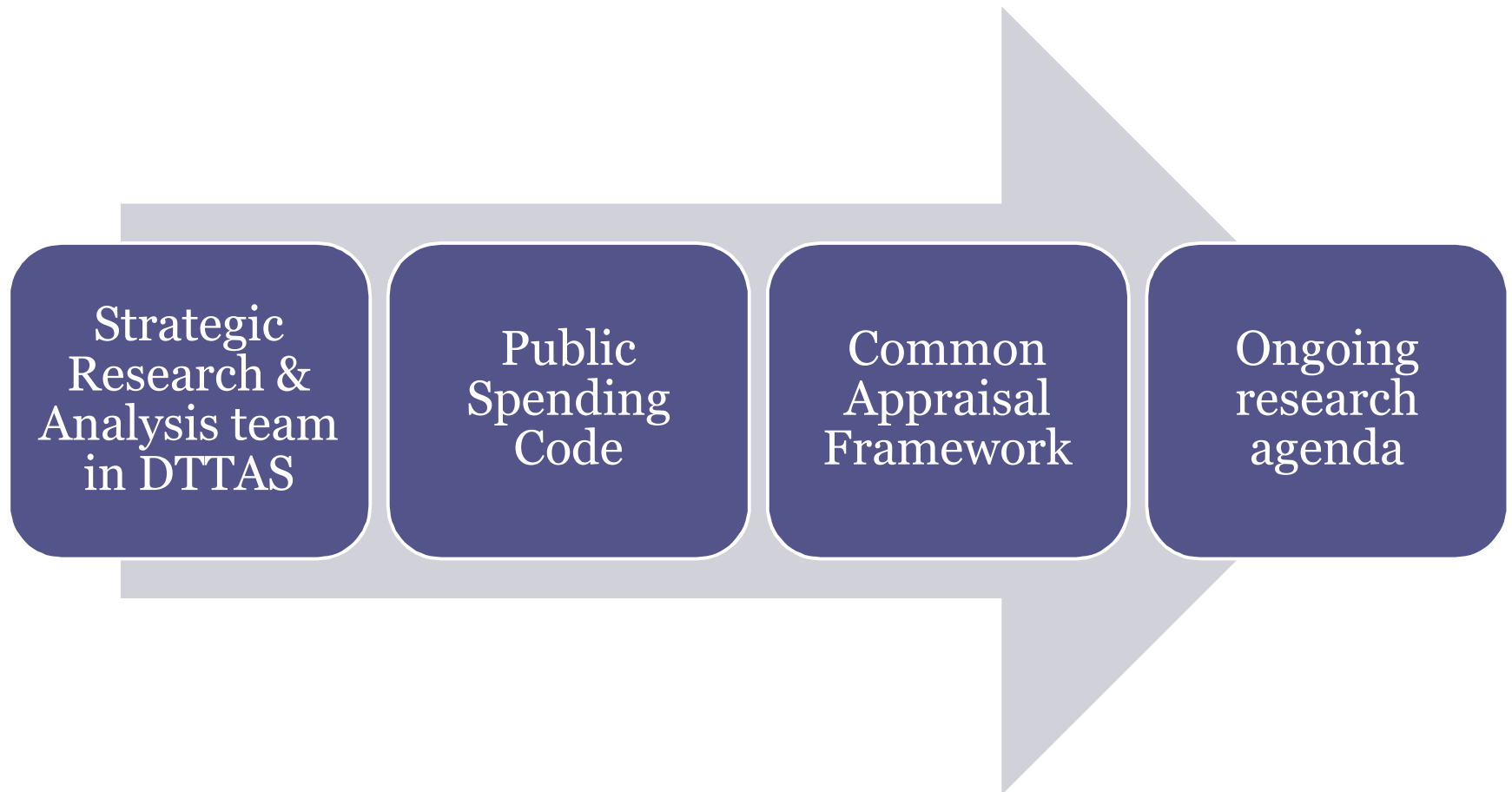
The Public Spending Code (and You)

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Presentation Structure



Strategic Research & Analysis Team

SRA is a member of
IGEES –
government
economic and
evaluation service

Public Spending Code responsibilities

- Reviewing & developing standards for appraisal
- Reviewing value for money of expenditure
- Ensuring compliance with expenditure procedures

Research and
analysis support to
TTaS sectors

Public Spending Code

Headline items

- Implemented from 2013
- Standardised requirements for public finances expenditure

New elements

- PER review of appraisals over €20m
- Govt sanction of projects over €100m
- New appraisal requirements for current project expenditure

Common Appraisal Framework: ongoing project

2015 refresh

- Updating base year (2011)
- Environmental parameters
- Activity parameters
- Central macro-economic values

2018 update

- New parameters: journey quality
 - journey reliability
- Updating to 2016 for base year
- Guidance on Multi-Criteria Analysis techniques

Further work:

- Methodology review for value of time parameters
- Considering wider economic benefits (WEBs) parameters

Regular refresh of base year and economic forecasting models (census years)

New Procedures under CAF

Requirement for PER
review of appraisals
necessitated new
steps

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Pre-appraisal
discussion with SRA
to agree assumptions
& appraisal approach

Appraisals over
€20m submitted to
SRA for preliminary
review

Issues emerging to date

TII appraisals well structured

Objectives-led appraisals key

N. options to undergo detailed appraisal

Challenge to consider other modes

Demand management - departure from traditional model

Do-min, do something – and X others?

particularly in urban road projects

Public Spending Code refresh

Due in 2018

- Considering issues of implementation
- Responsibilities – Sanctioning Authority, Govt role
- Evaluation/ post-project review
- High scoping/development costs

Please contact sra@dttas.ie with any observations

Future research for DTTaS & SRA

