

# A « *collectively recognized ecological debt* » based on a measure of the cost of ecosystem degradation

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# A policy framework for integrated ecosystem management



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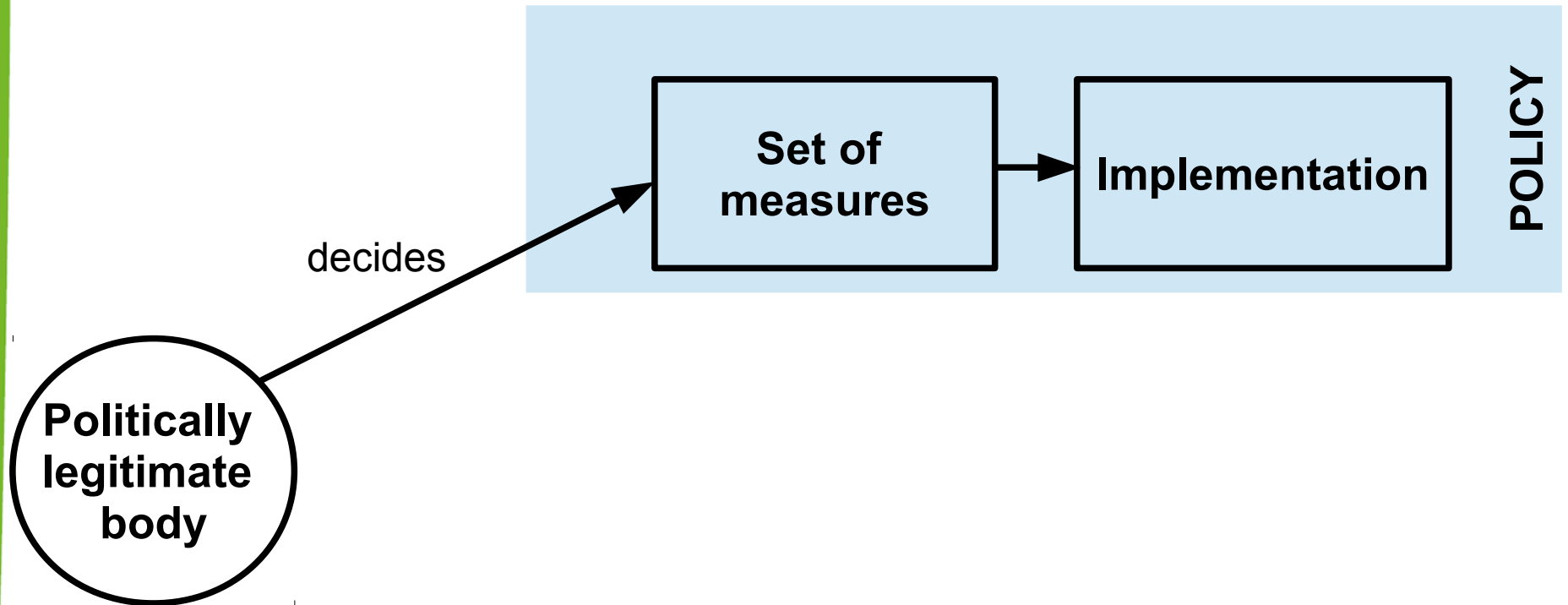
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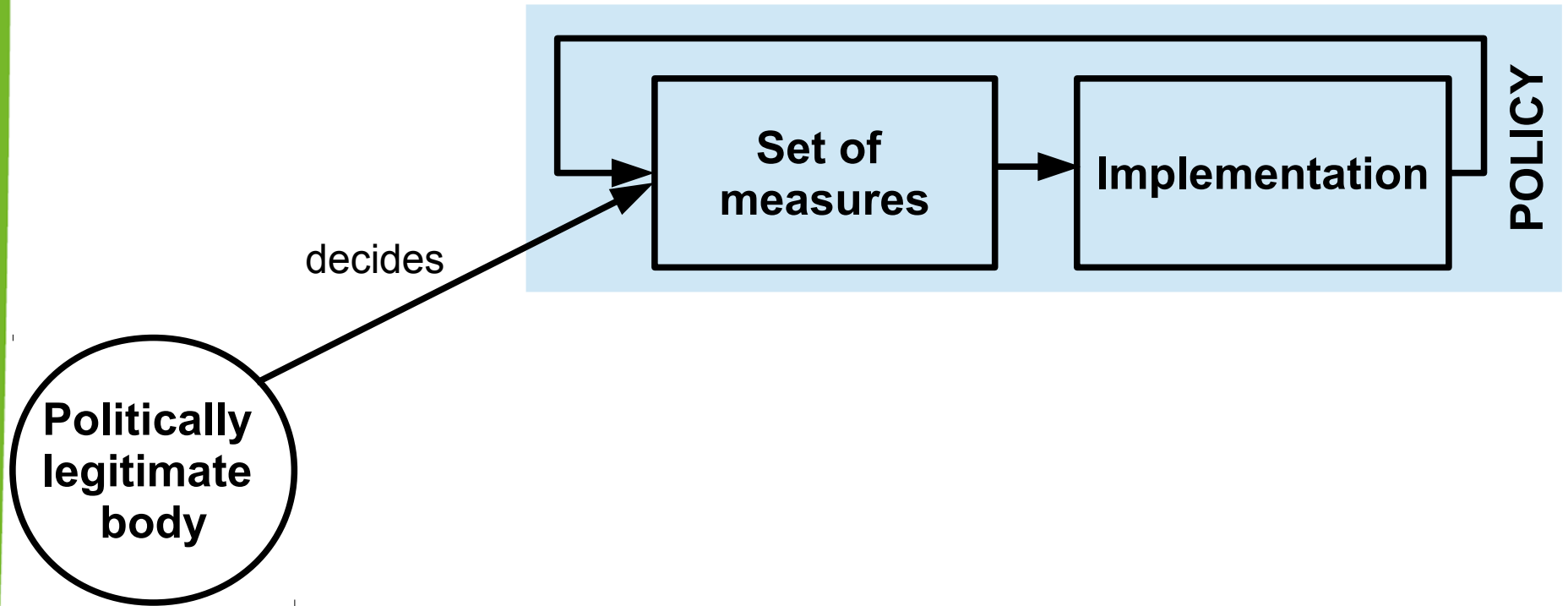
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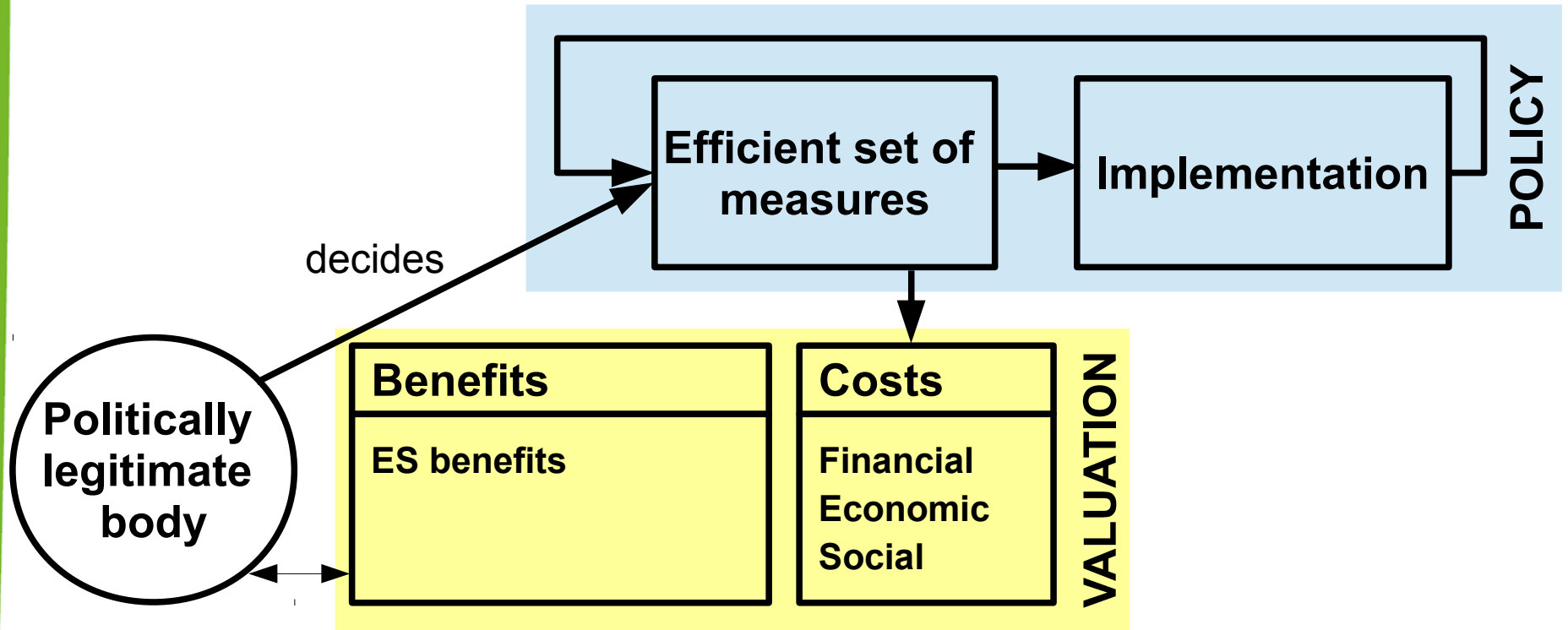
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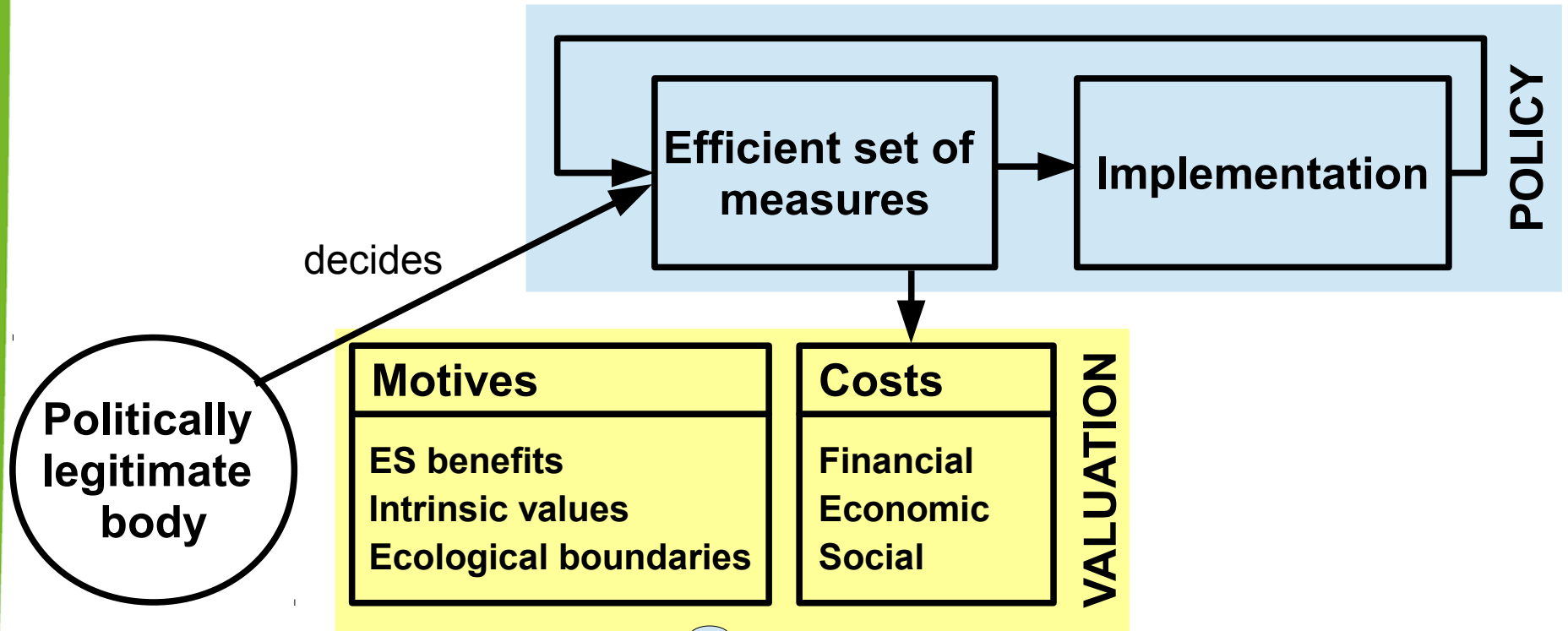
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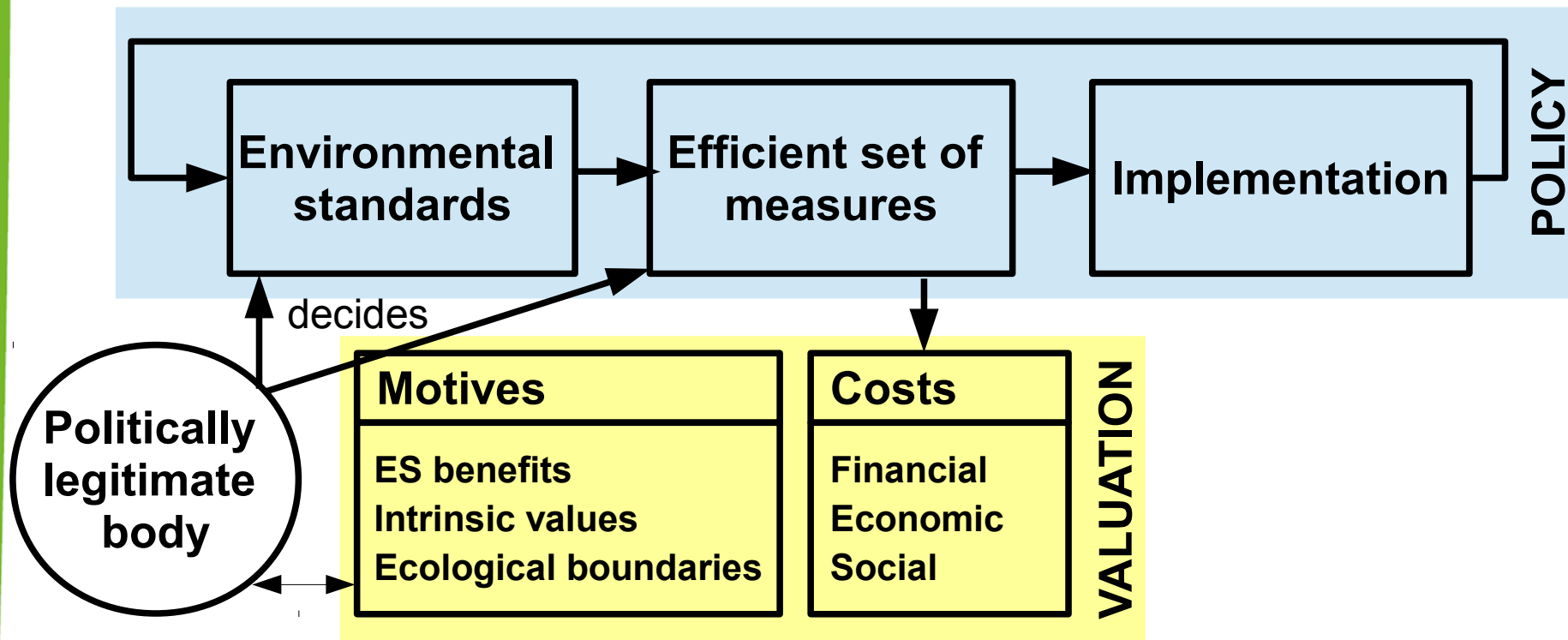


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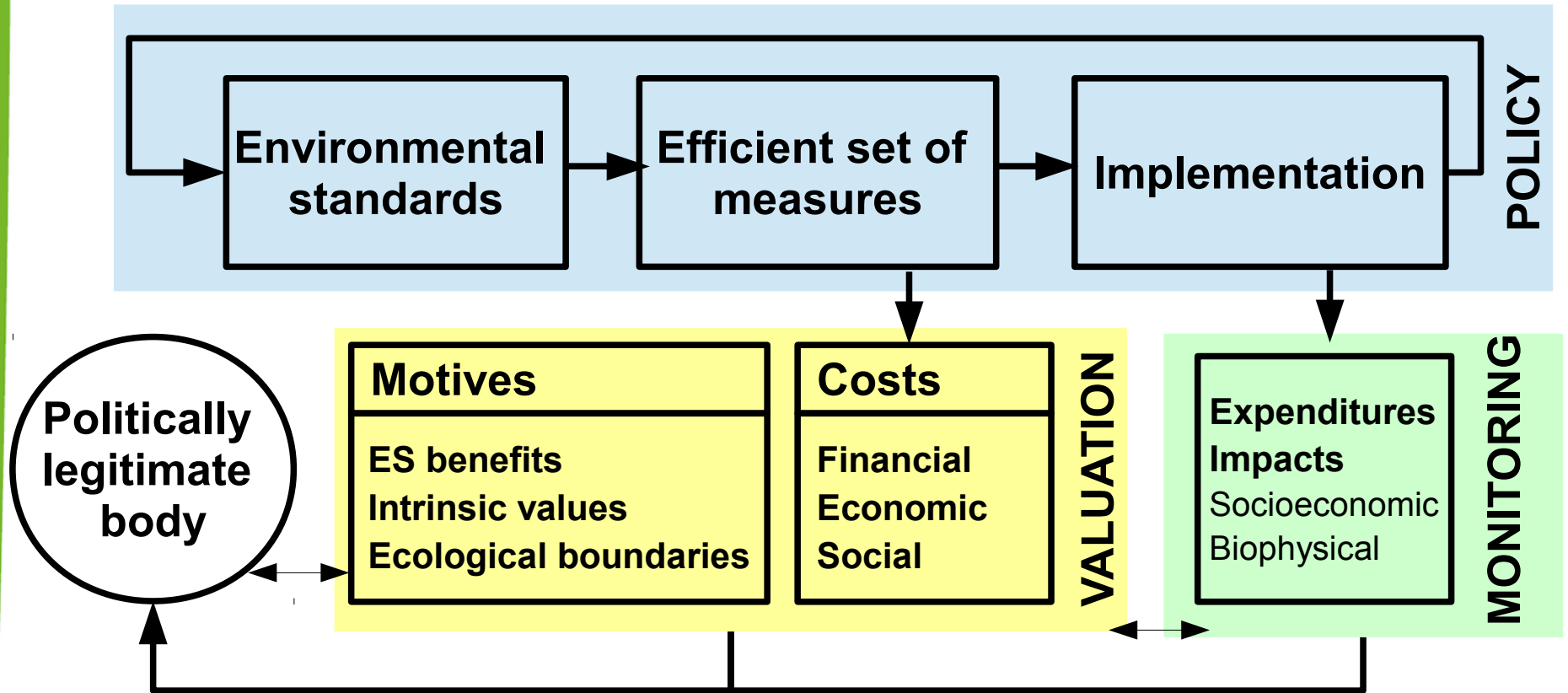
**Example**  
*the EU 2050 vision in  
the EU biodiversity  
strategy for 2011-2020*

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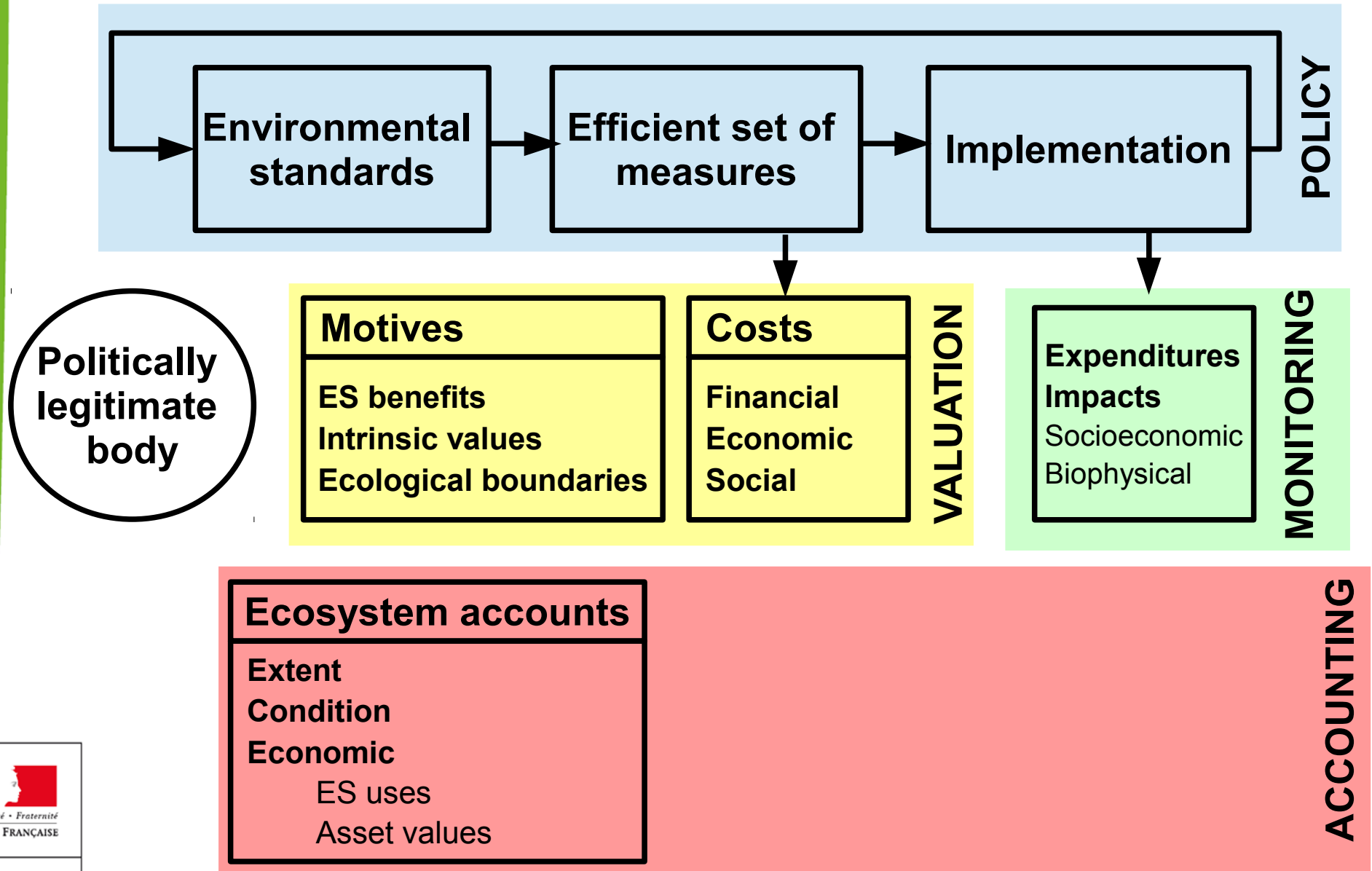
**Examples**  
*GHG emission target ;  
 Environmental targets ;  
 No net loss*

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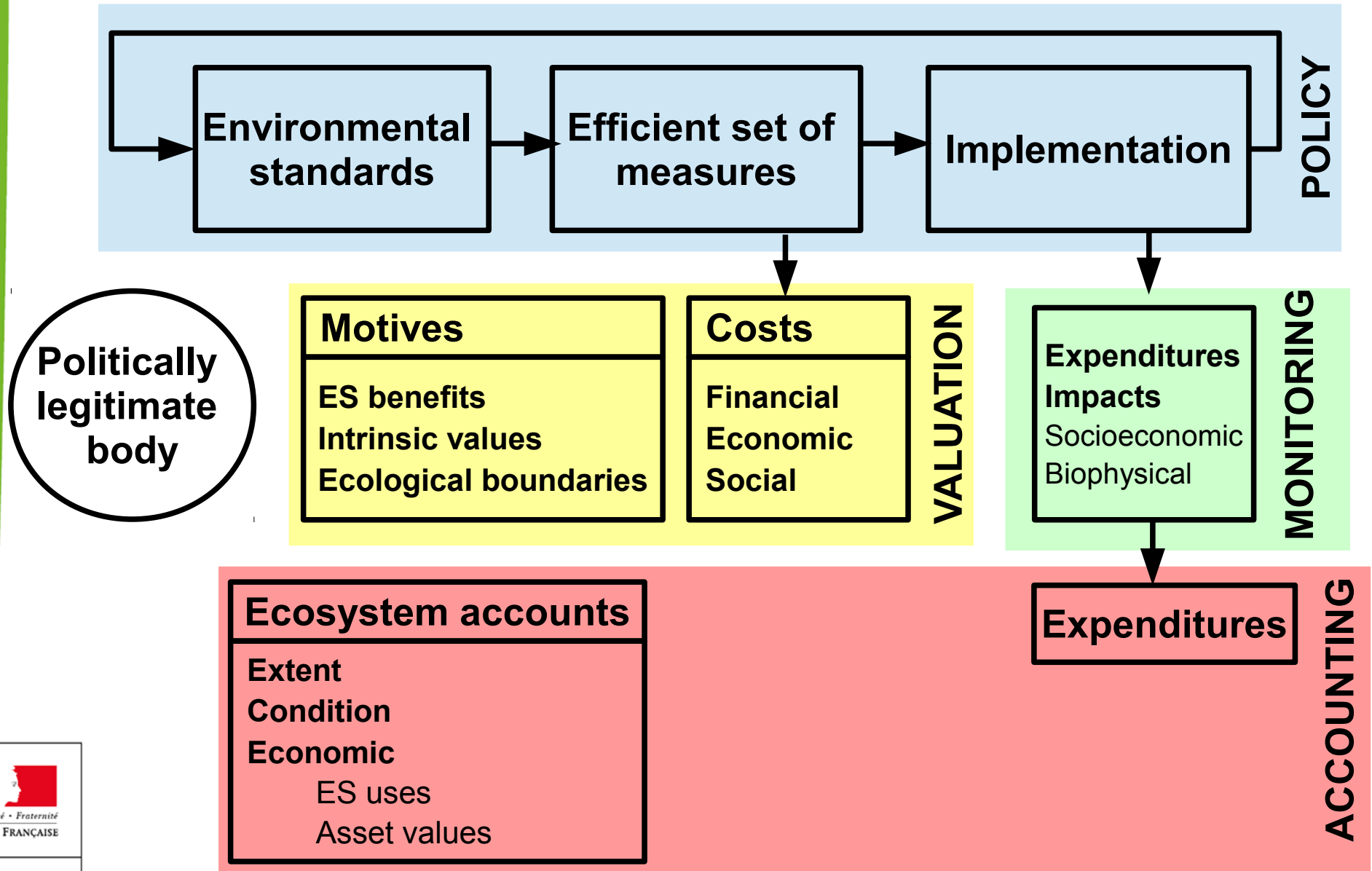




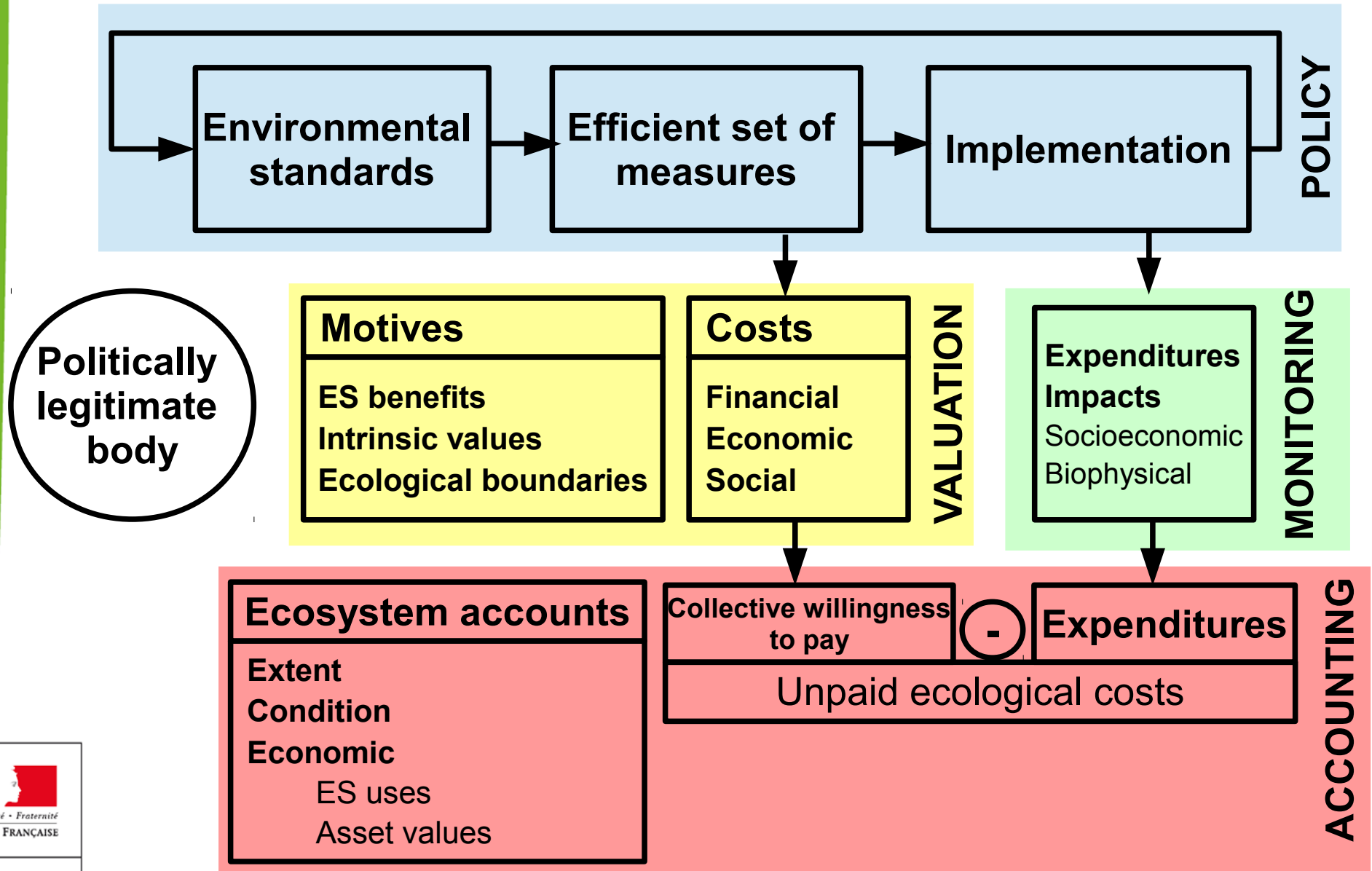
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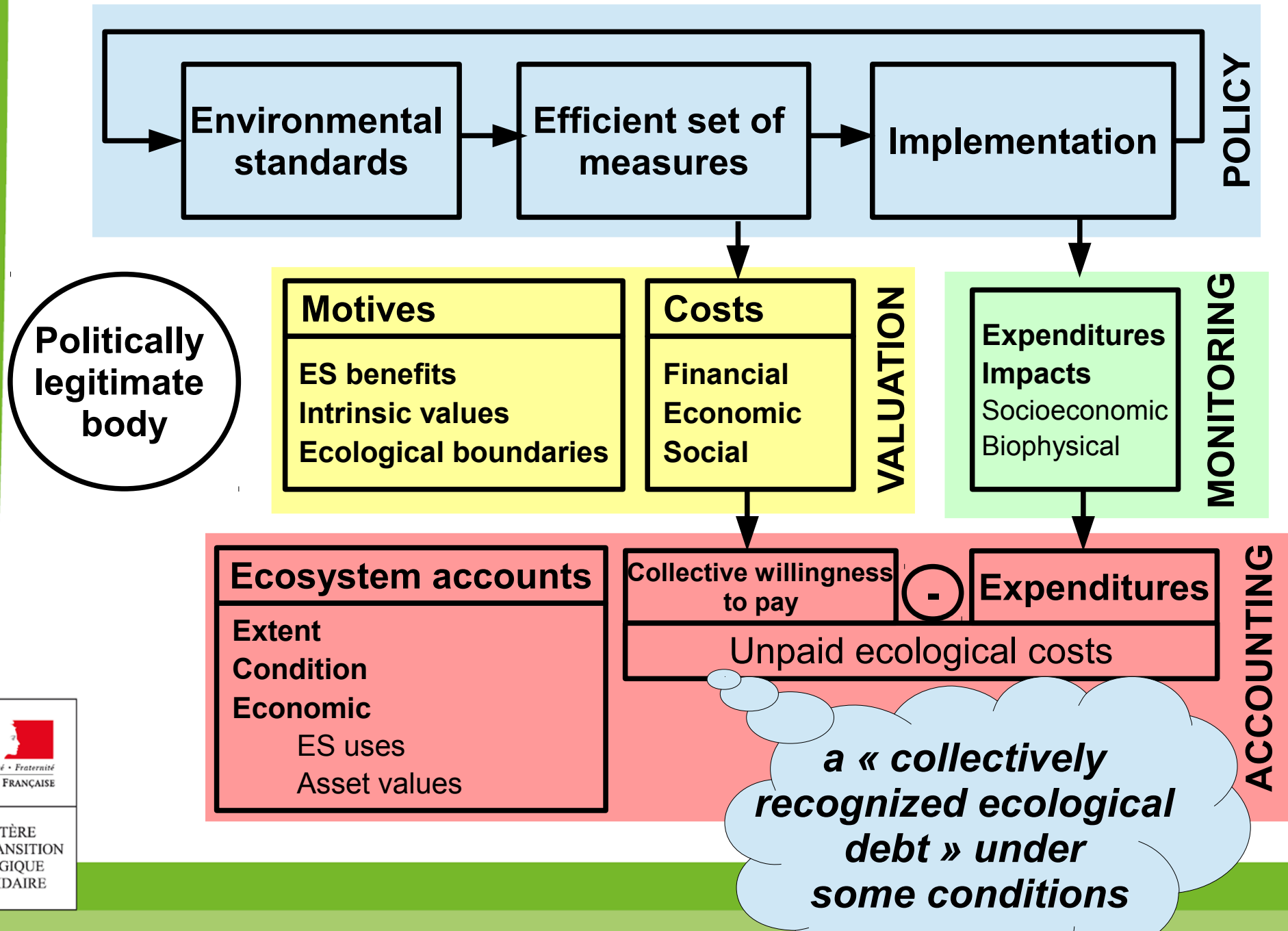
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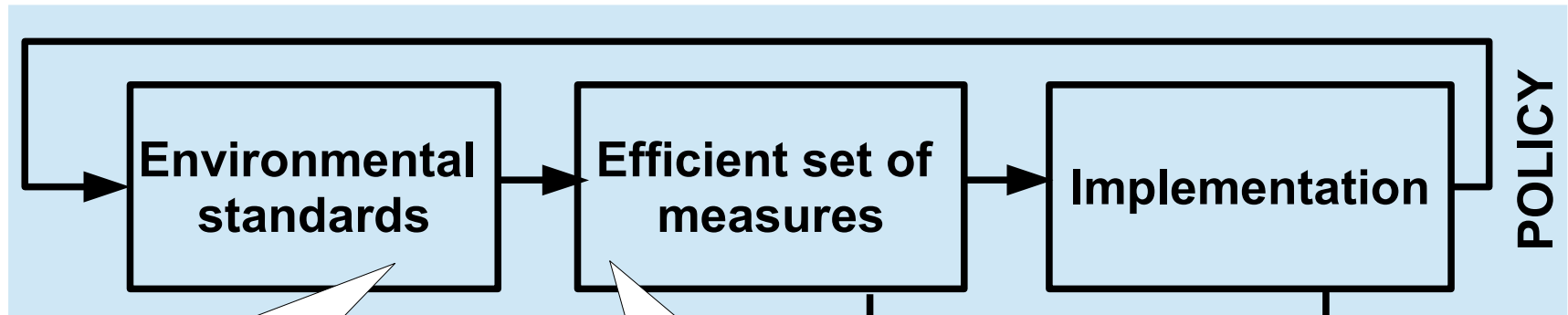


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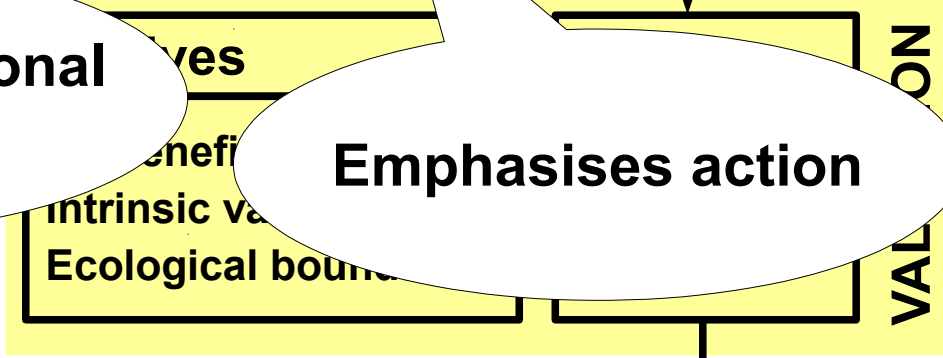


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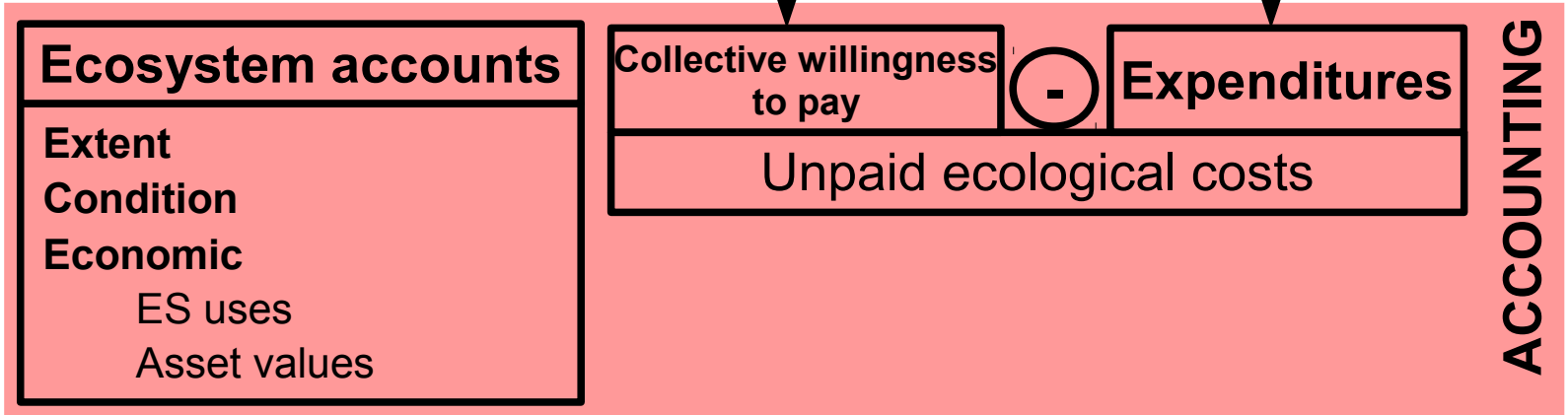
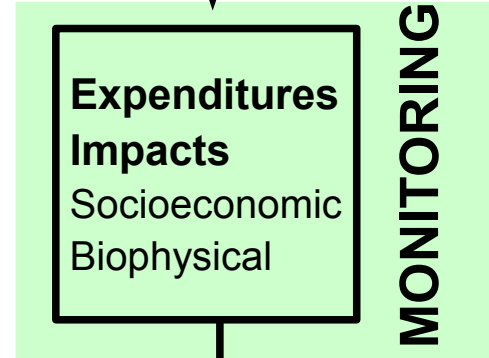
## Practical



**Calls for operational standards**

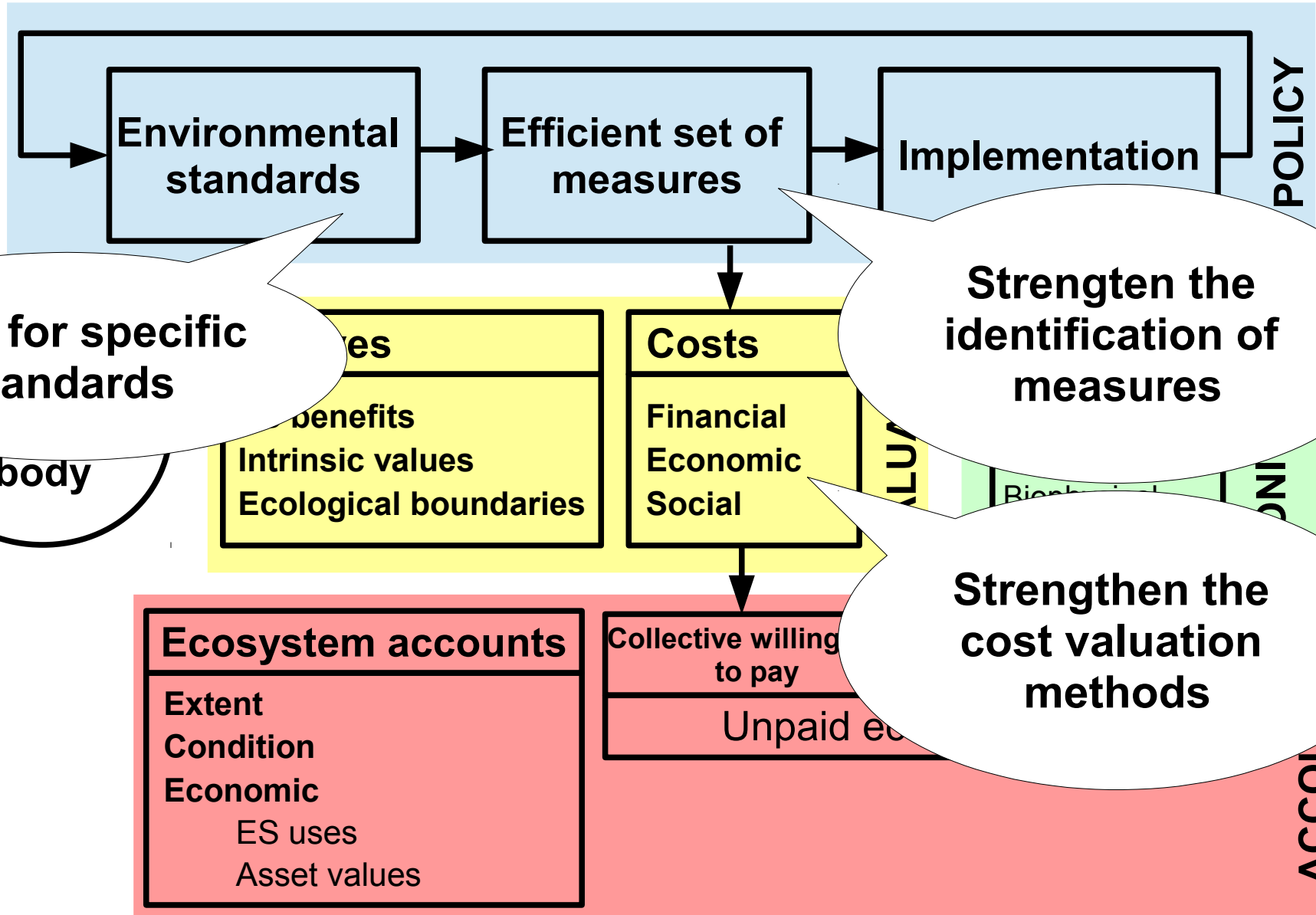


**Emphasises action**



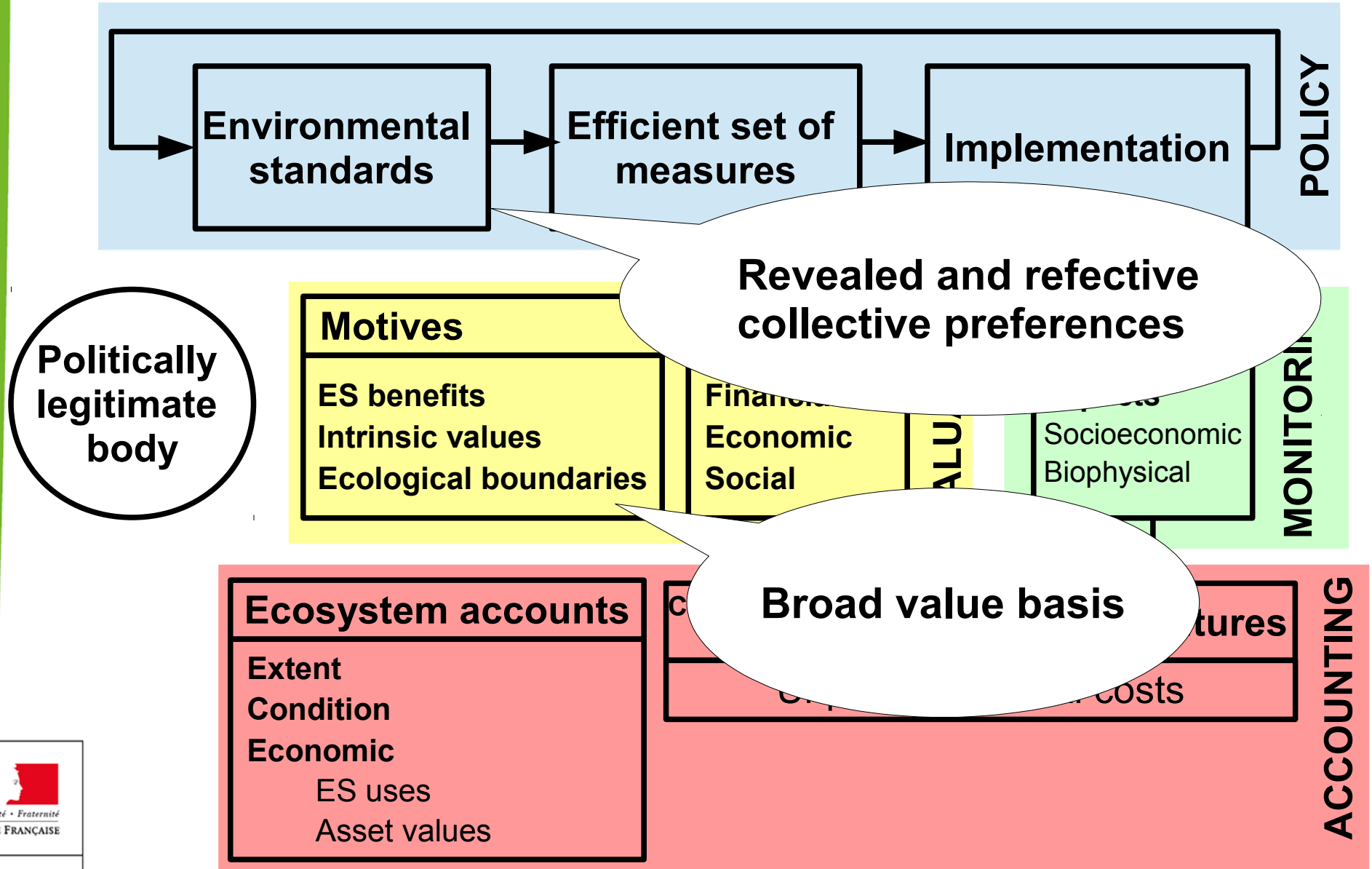
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## Credibility



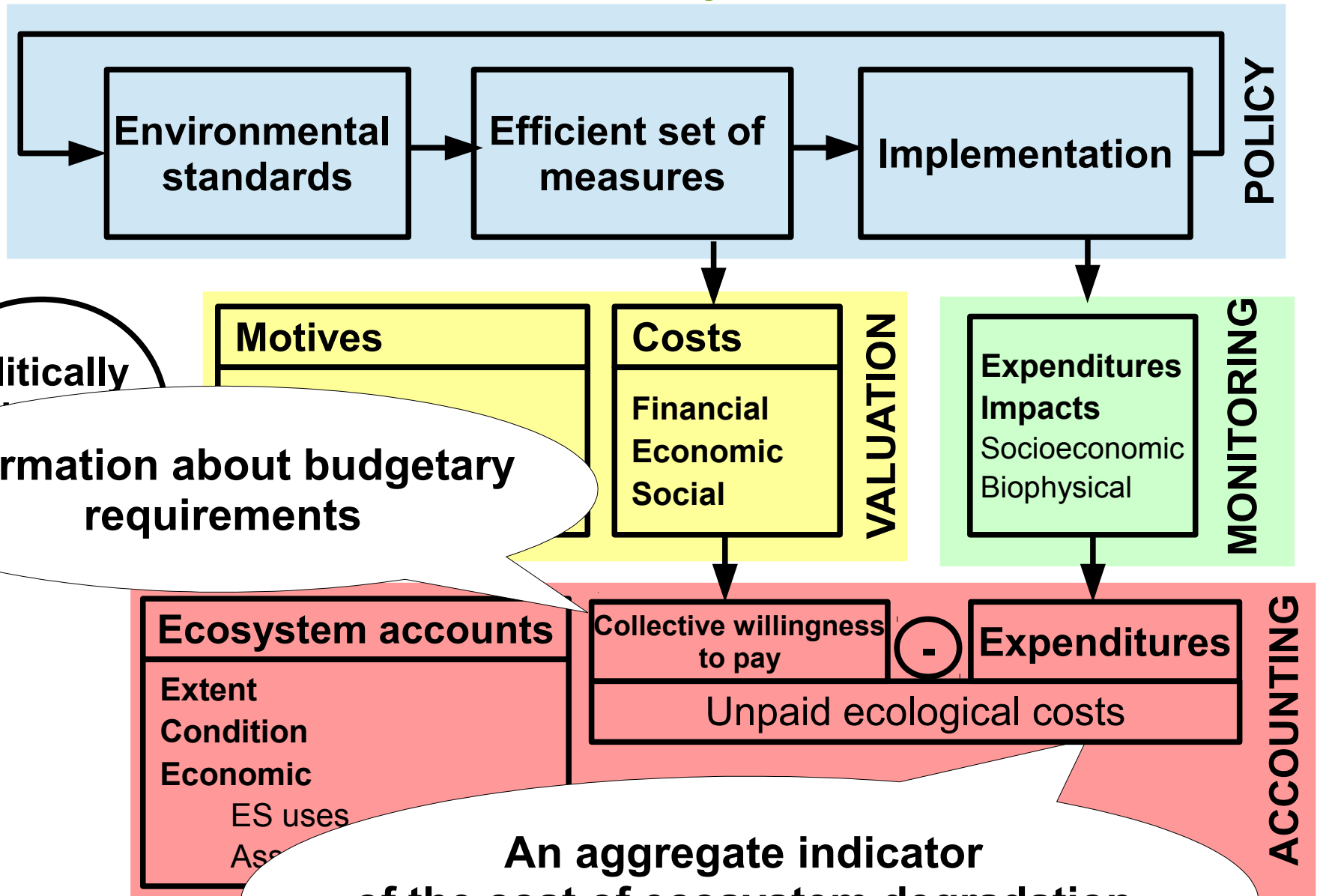
# Interests of the outcome

## *Legitimacy*



# Interests of the outcome

## *Policy relevance*



Politically

Information about budgetary requirements

An aggregate indicator of the cost of ecosystem degradation consistent with the SNA



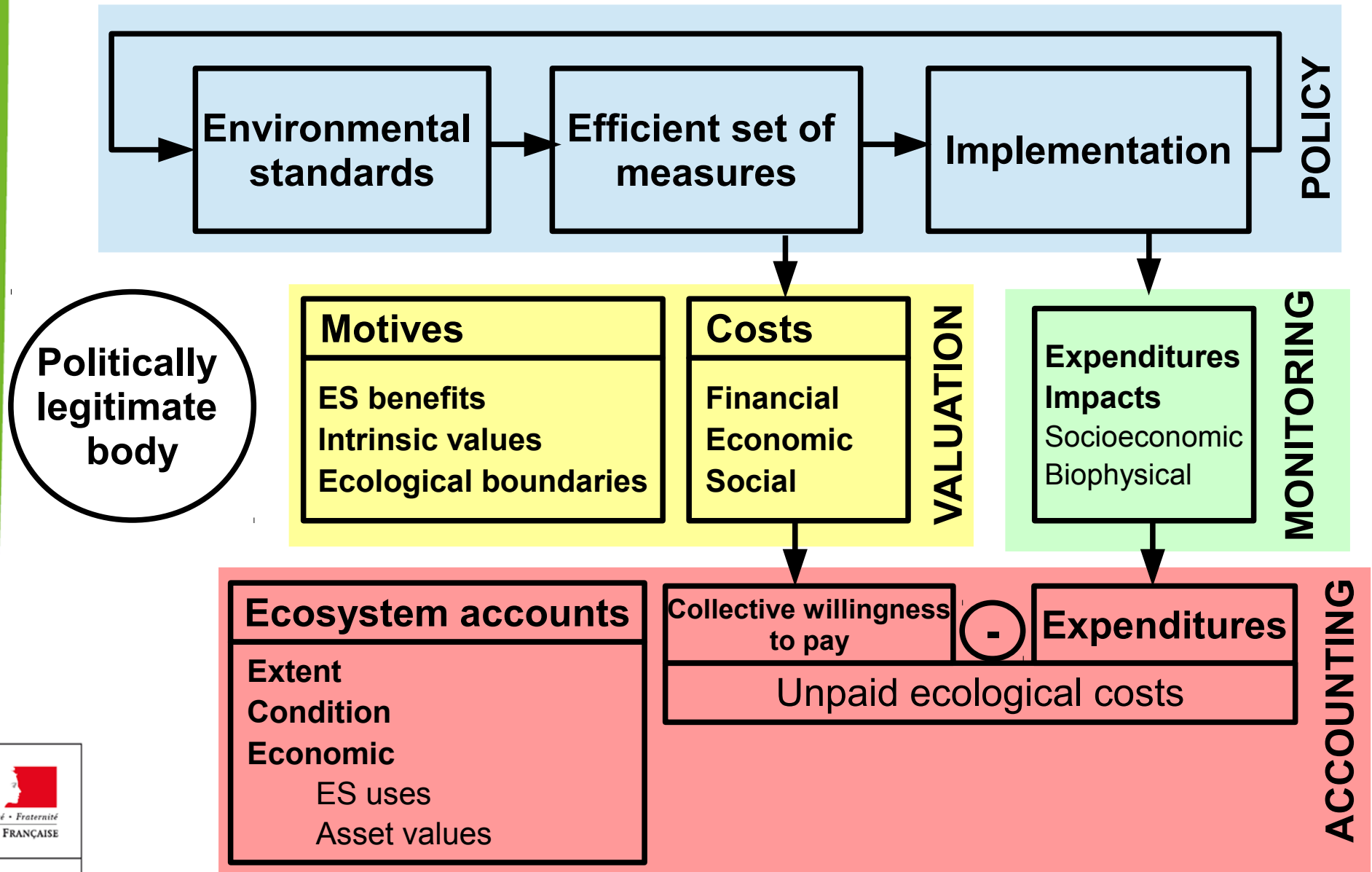
# Take-home message

- 1) **Environmental standards** have considerably been developed in the EU since the 90's ;
- 2) This, and the production of associated knowledge on costs, makes the development of **complementary accounts** a realistic endeavour;
- 3) Developing such accounts is a **valuable process** able to deliver **meaningful and legitimate information** to policymakers and to foster the transition to sustainable societies.



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