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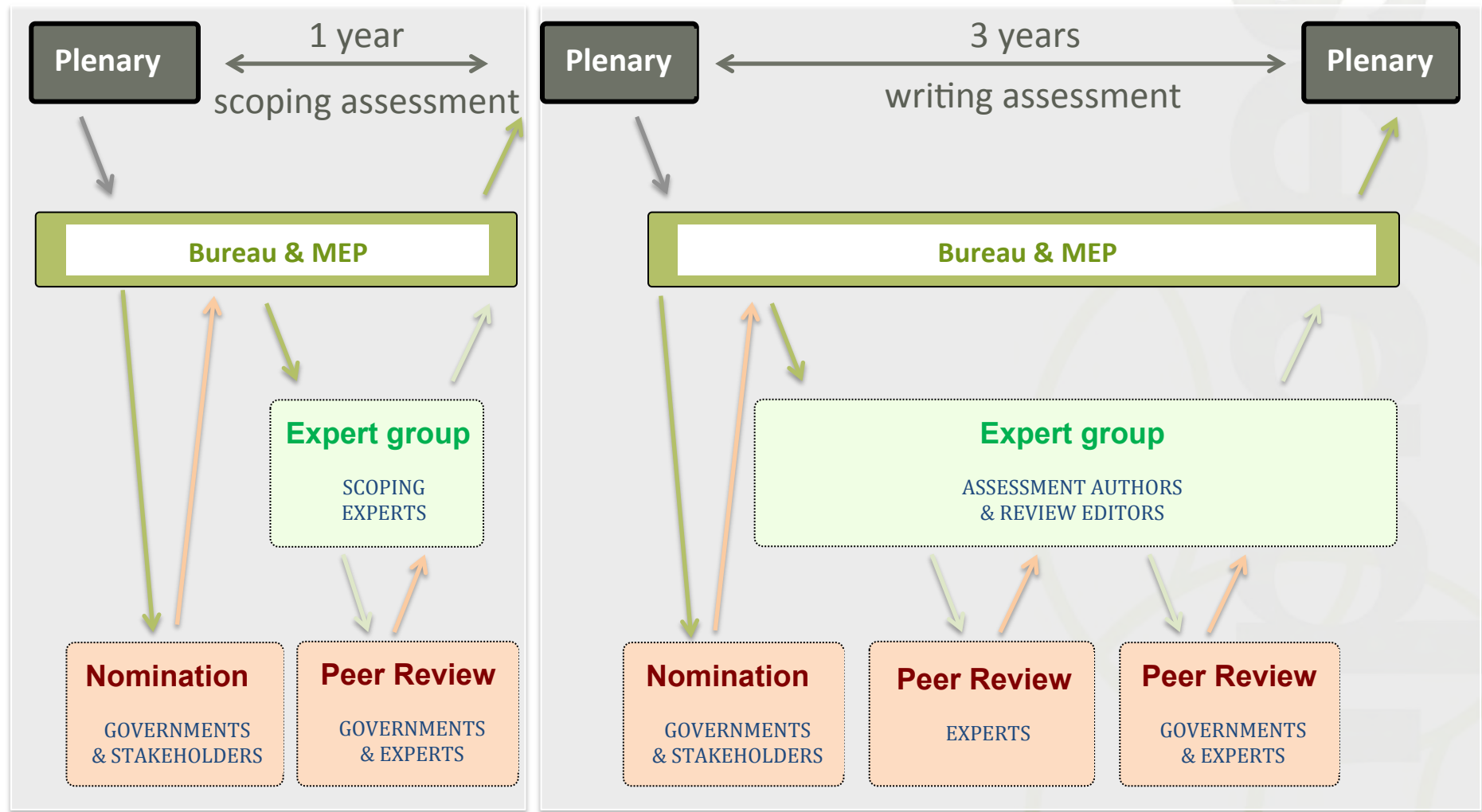
Outline

1. External review of the second order drafts of the regional assessments and the land degradation and restoration assessment
2. Outlook on the finalization of the Europe and Central Asia (ECA) assessment

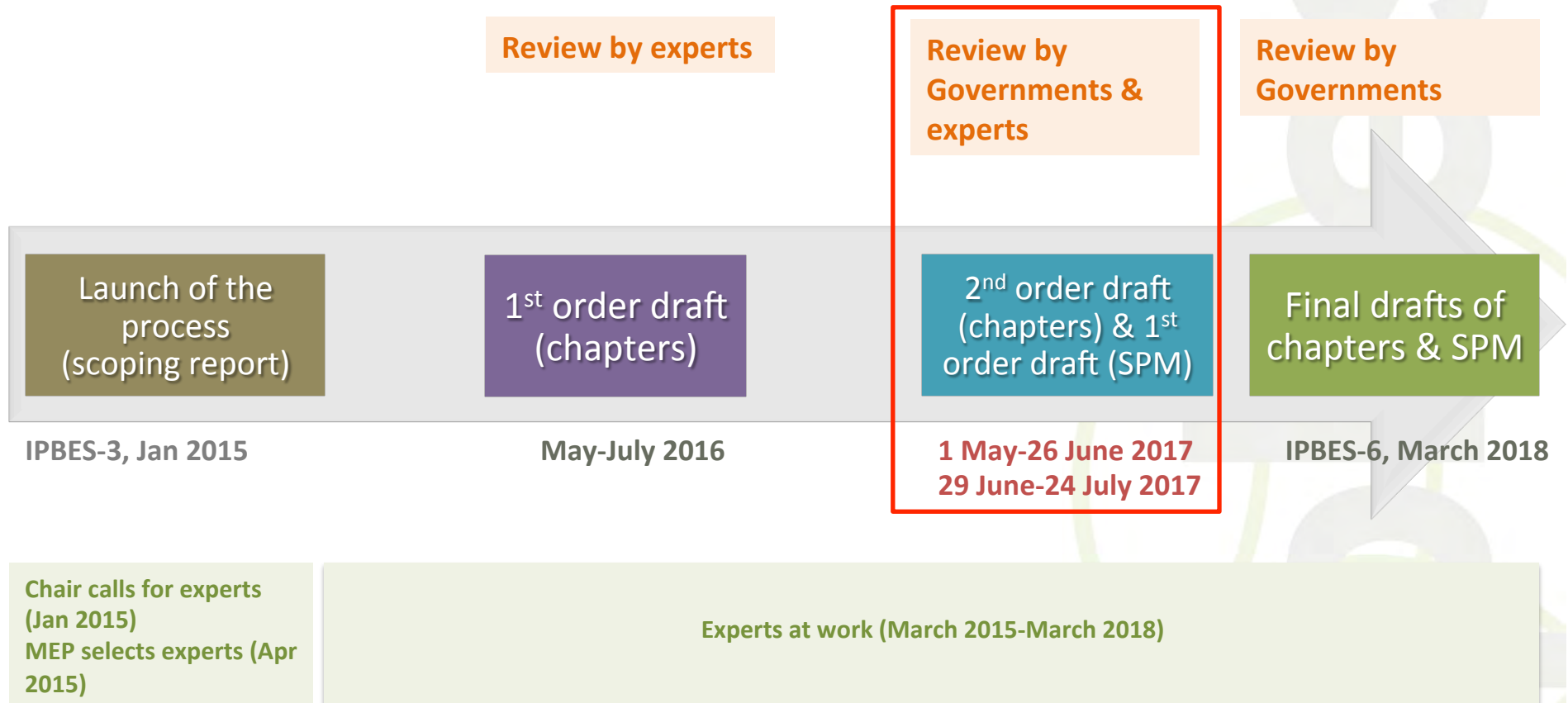


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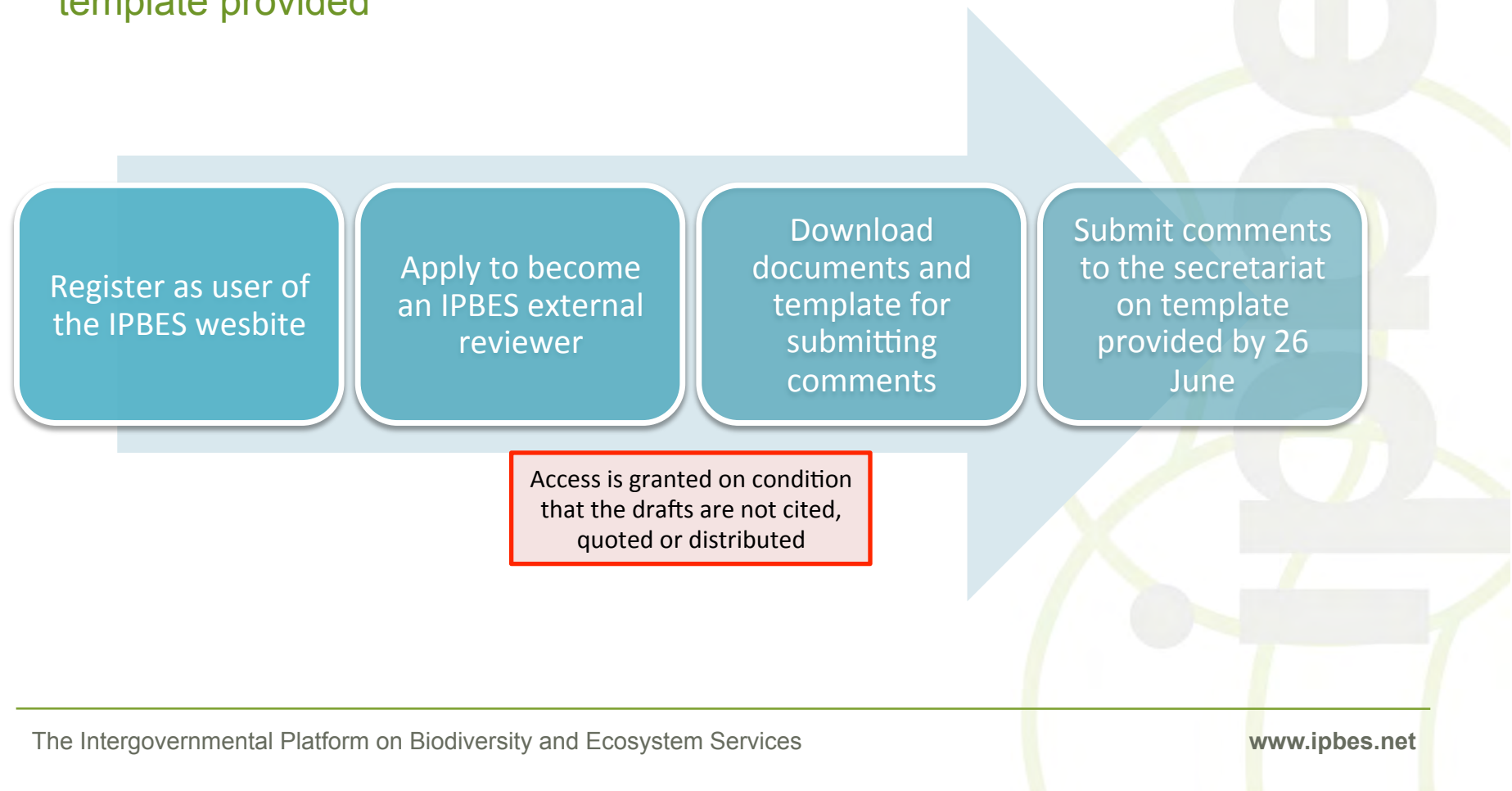


This review focuses on 5 assessments

- Four regional assessments of biodiversity and ecosystem services
 - Africa
 - Americas
 - Asia Pacific
 - Europe and Central Asia
- One thematic assessment of land degradation and restoration
- Review of:
 - Second order draft of the chapters
 - First order draft of the summary for policymakers (SPM)

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- ☐ Asia-Pacific assessment
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Thematic assessment on land degradation and restoration

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Land Degradation and Restoration Chapter 1	 edit
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Asia and the Pacific Chapter 3		edit
Asia and the Pacific Chapter 4		edit
Asia and the Pacific Chapter 5		edit
Asia and the Pacific Chapter 6		edit
Asia and the Pacific Summary for policymakers		edit

Regional/subregional assessments on biodiversity and ecosystem services: Europe Central Asia

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Europe and Central Asia Chapter 1		edit
Europe and Central Asia Chapter 2		edit
Europe and Central Asia Chapter 3		edit
Europe and Central Asia Chapter 4		edit
Europe and Central Asia Chapter 5		edit
Europe and Central Asia Chapter 6		edit
Europe and Central Asia Summary for policymakers		edit

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 - The overall balance of the drafts



Key dates for the review

- 1 May – 26 June 2017
 - Europe and Central Asia
 - Africa
 - Asia Pacific
 - Land degradation and restoration

- 29 May – 24 July 2017
 - Americas

- Regional dialogue meetings
 - ECA: 4th Pan-European stakeholder Consultation (PESC-4), 12-14 June
Vácrátót, Hungary



Acknowledgment of expert reviewers

- Review comments will be made available
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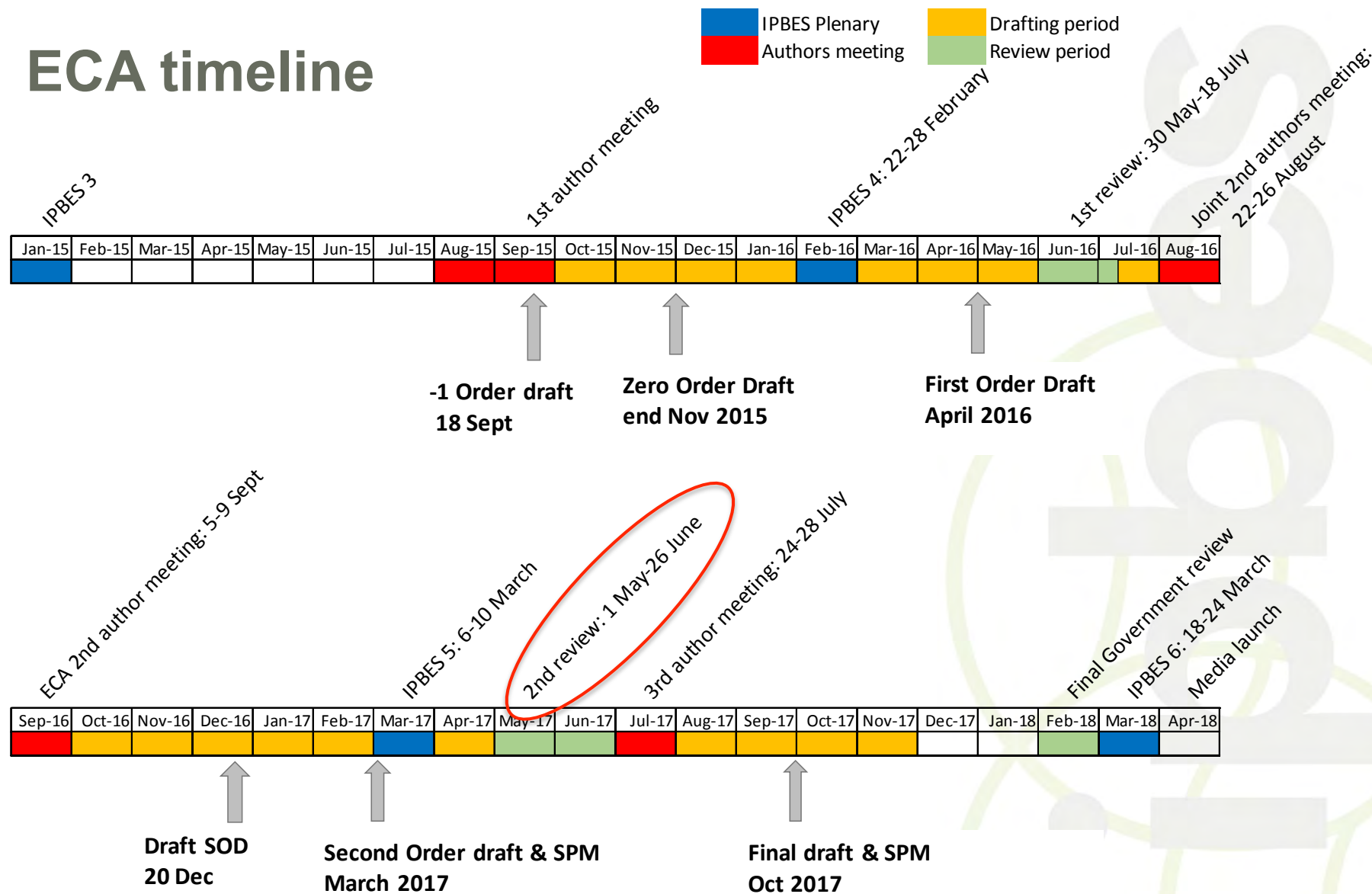


2.

Finalization of the ECA assessment



ECA timeline





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