

**SafetyCube**

# **Safety CaUsation, Benefits and Efficiency**

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# SafetyCube project



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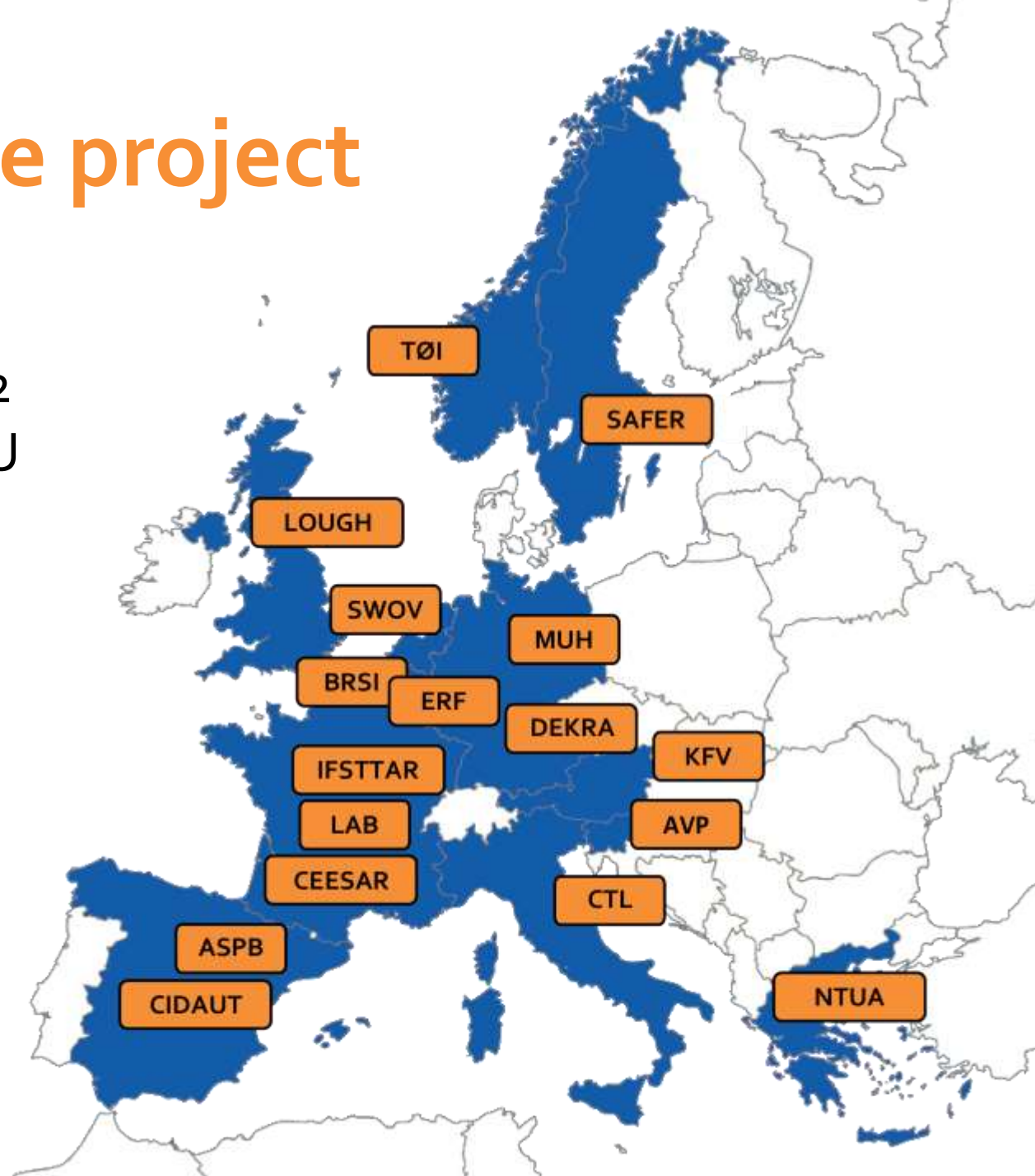
Finish: April 2018



# SafetyCube project



17 partners from 12 countries within EU



# SafetyCube concept

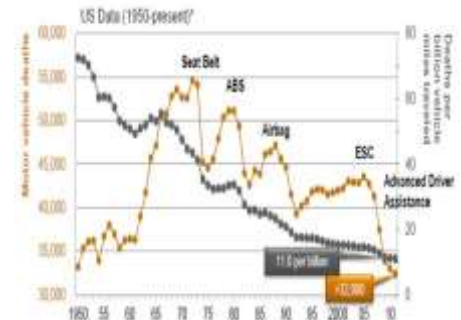


- Problem
  - *Evidence based road safety policies are becoming more usual and there is much better availability of national data and state of the art knowledge*
  - *Effective road safety policies need good information about accident risk factors and about measures*
- SafetyCube will meet this need by generating new knowledge about accident risk factors and the effectiveness of measures relevant to Europe
- It will structure this information so it can be incorporated in the European Road Safety Observatory

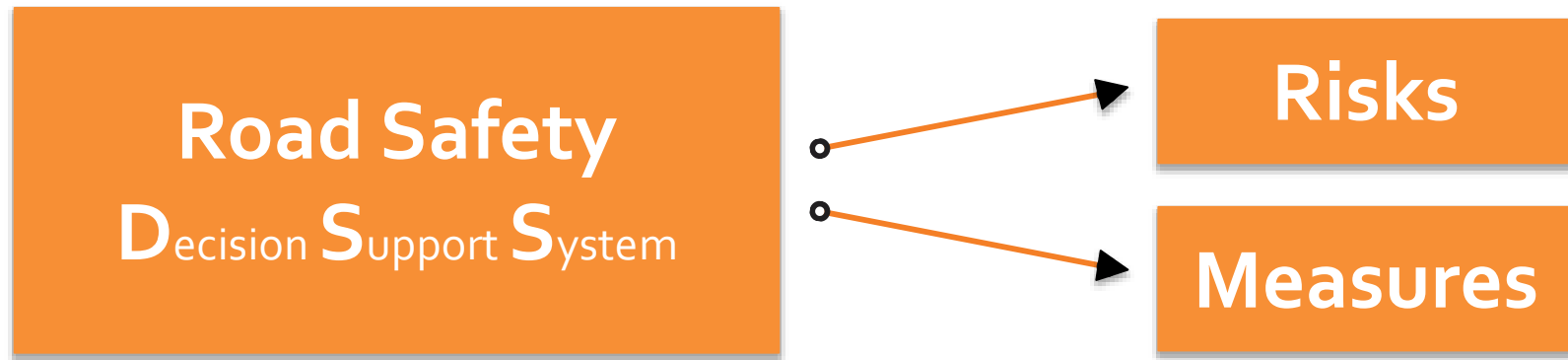


# Policy-making – challenges of the evidence base

1. How do we identify and quantify the risk factors and problem areas (*eg. Distraction*)?
2. How do we select the most appropriate measures? (*eg speed – enforcement, infrastructure or vehicle measures*)
3. How do we estimate the likely safety benefits and costs?
4. How do we make decisions when there is a lot of conflicting evidence?
5. How do we make decisions when there is little or no evidence?



# SafetyCube primary objective



Policy-makers & stakeholders

- strategies
- measures
- cost-effective approaches

Reduce casualties

- All road users
- All severities

# SafetyCube aims



- 1) To **develop** new analysis methods for
  - (a) Priority setting
  - (b) Evaluating the effectiveness of measures
  - (c) Monitoring serious injuries and assessing their socio-economic costs
  - (d) Cost-benefit analysis taking account of human and material costs

This will allow to collect and compile information more efficiently

# SafetyCube aims



2) **Apply** the new analysis methods to safety data to identify:

- key accident causation mechanisms
- risk factors
- most cost-effective measures for fatally and seriously injured casualties

Using these new techniques will support decision makers to apply the right solutions for the identified problem.



# SafetyCube aims



3) Develop an web-based **Road Safety Decision Support System** which will remain operational and be accessed and updated beyond the completion of the SafetyCube project.



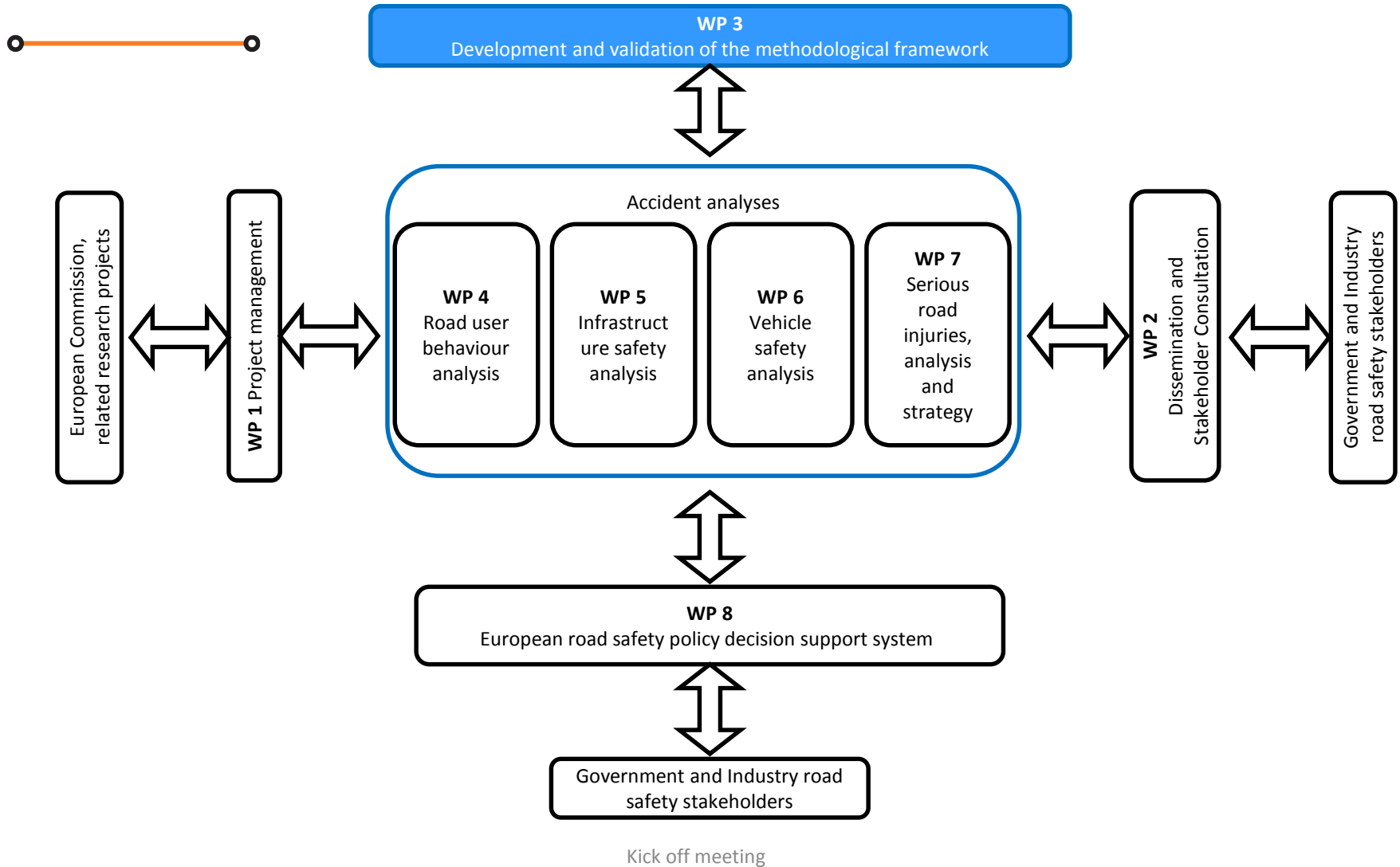
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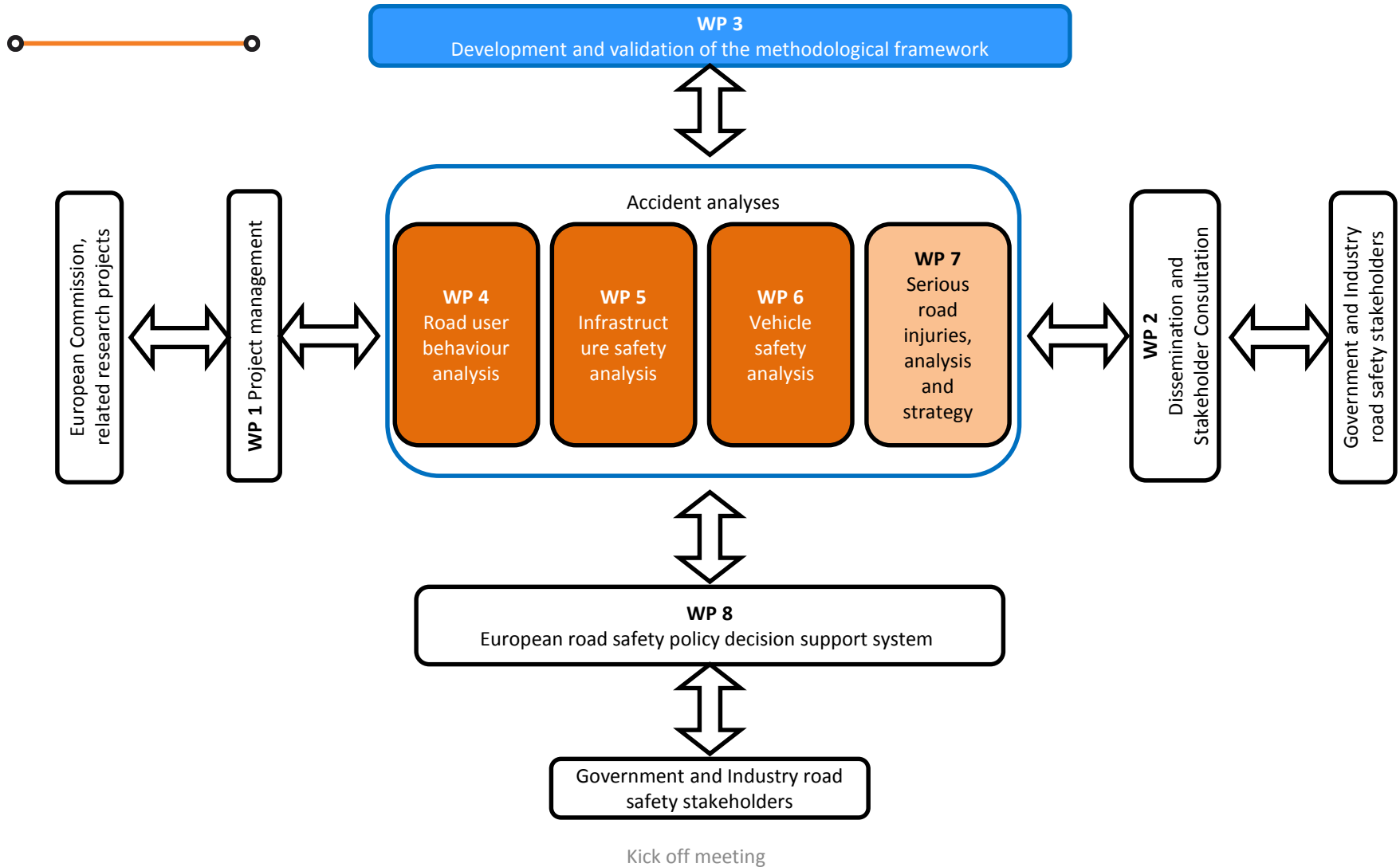
4) Enhance the European Road Safety Observatory and work with road safety stakeholders to ensure the results of the project can be implemented as widely as possible



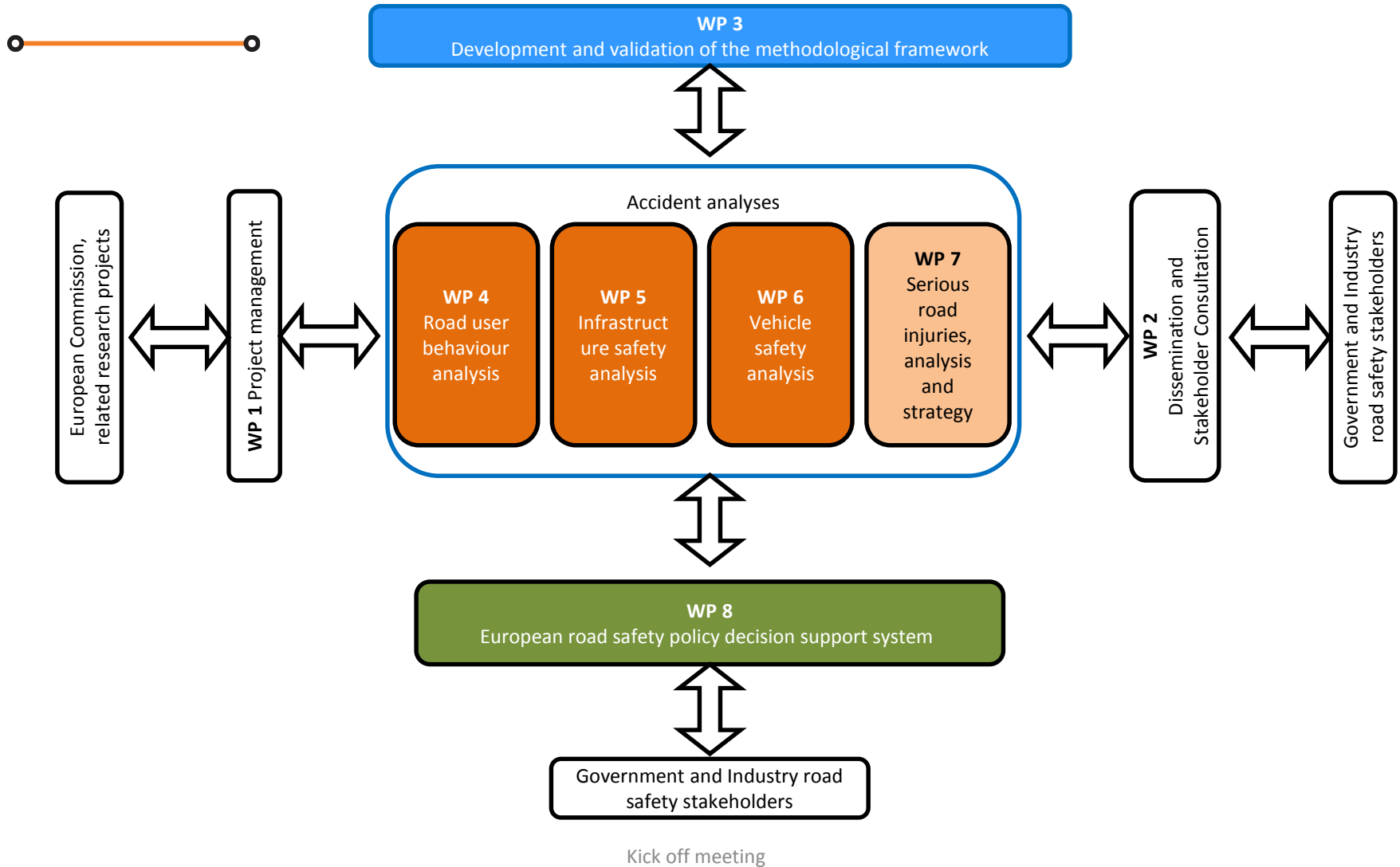
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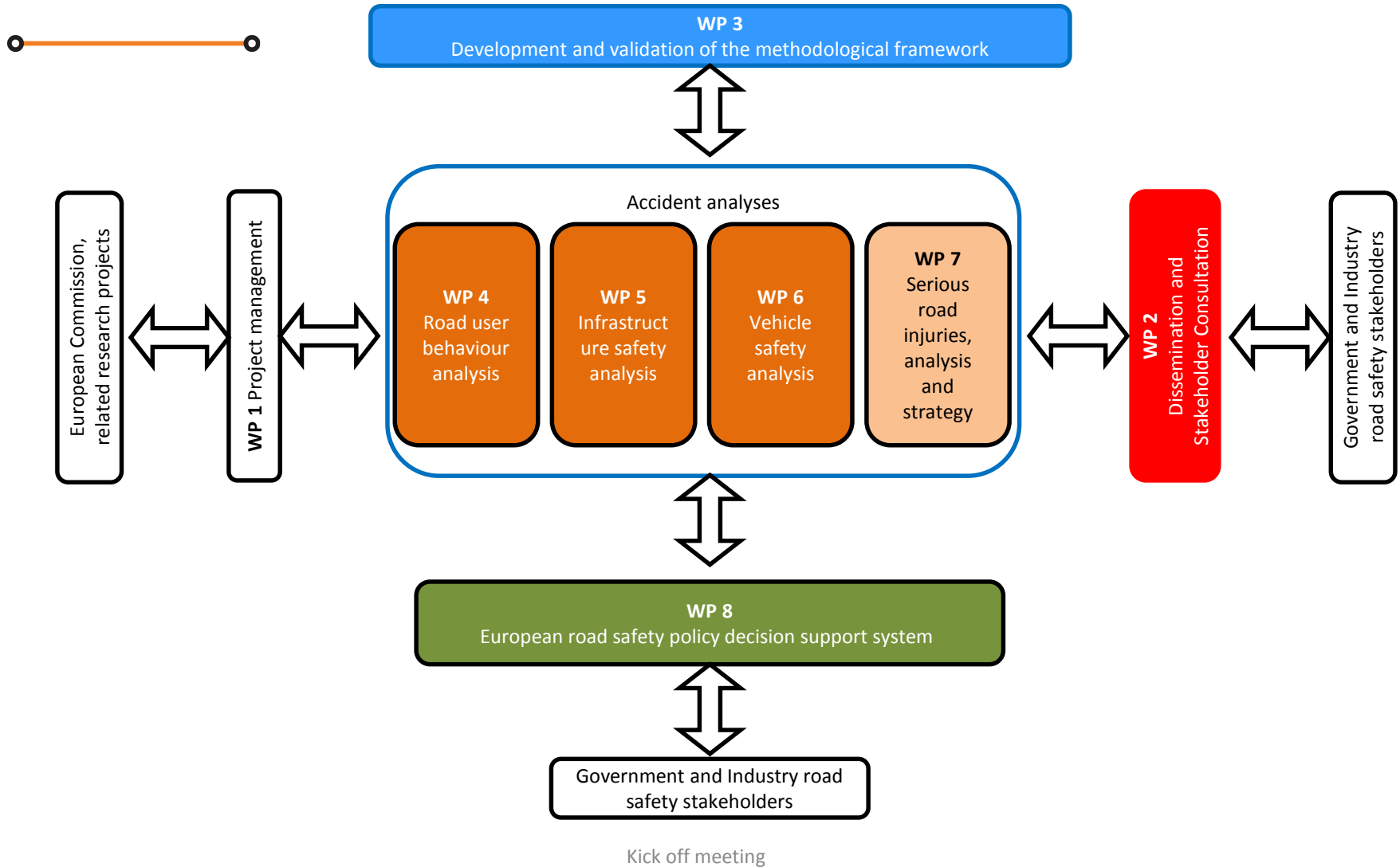
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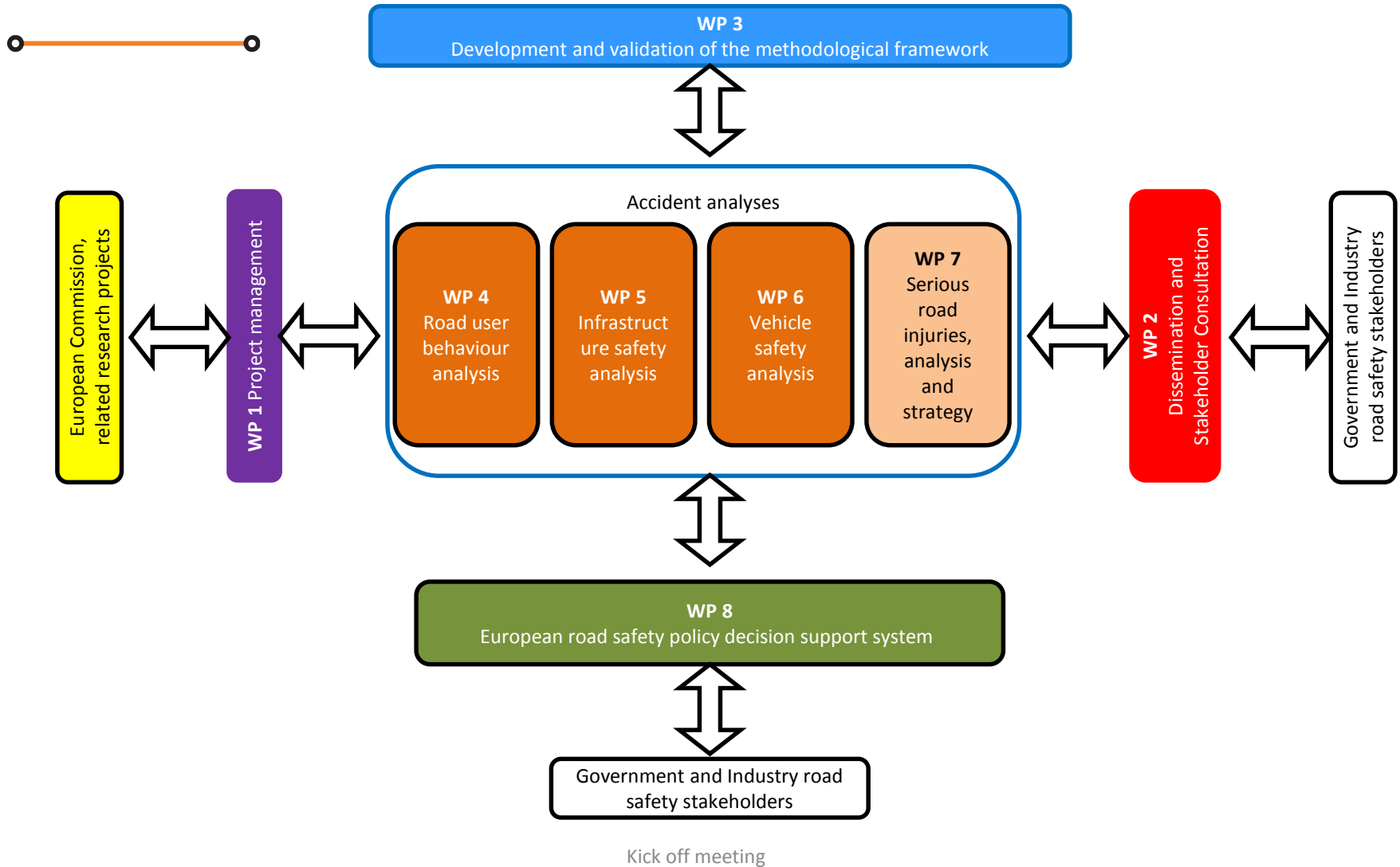
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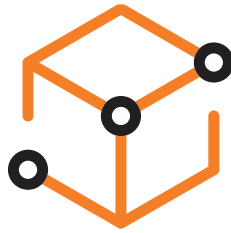
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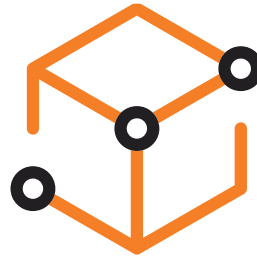


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