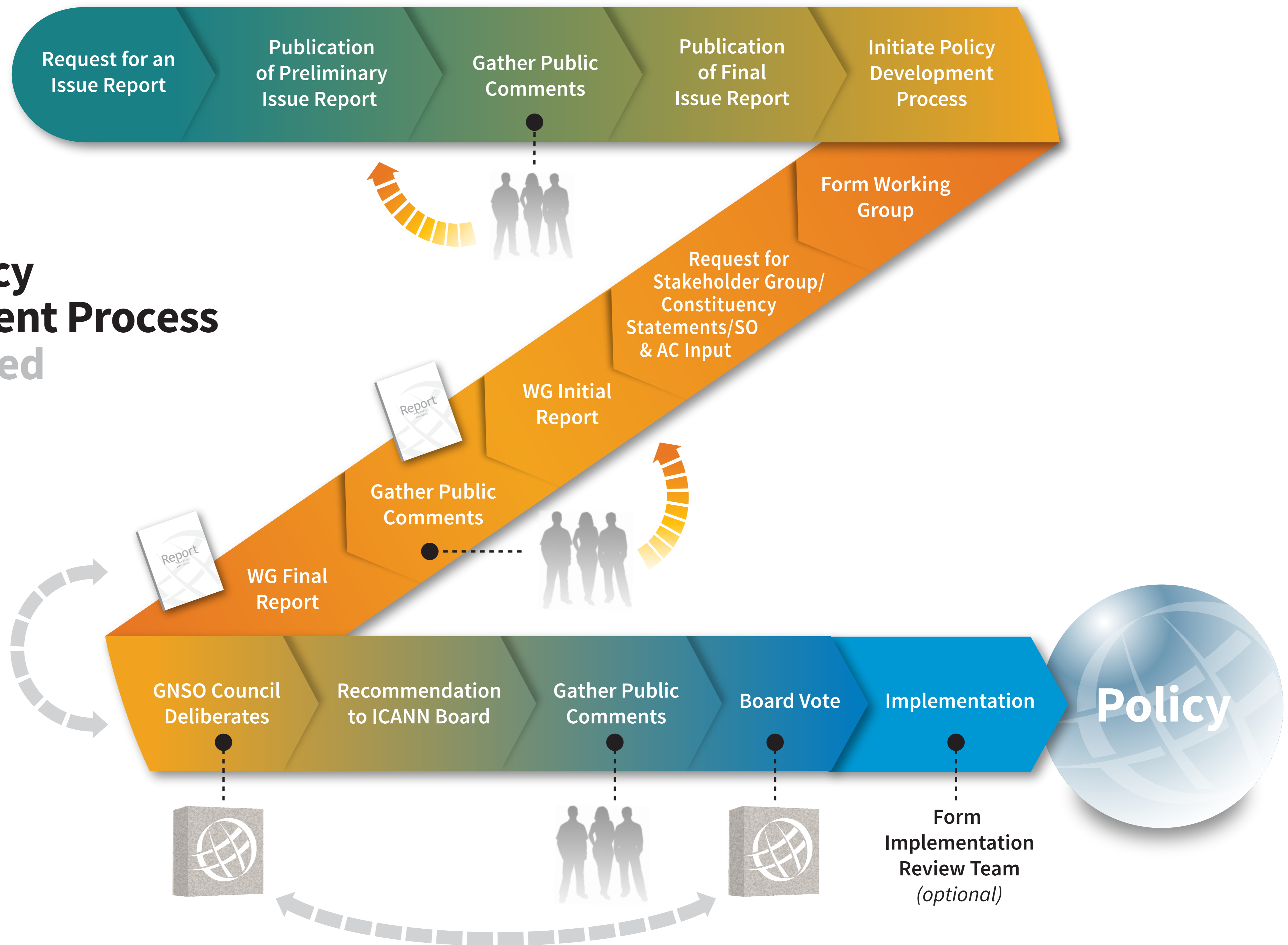


GNSO Policy Development Process

***Summarized**

*Some steps omitted, for brevity.







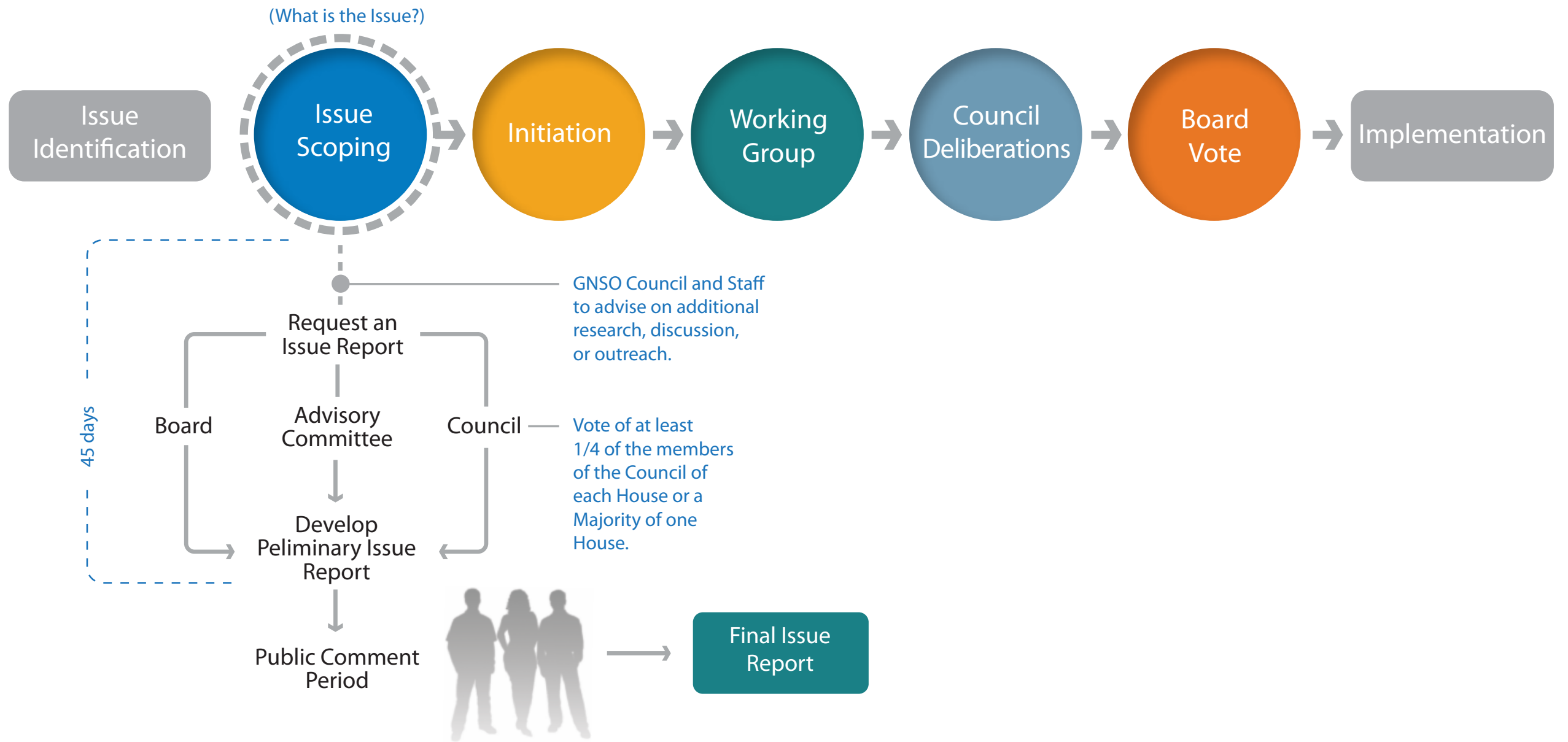
Is this issue intended to result in consensus policy?

Yes

No

Follow other GNSO Process

Issues not intended to result in a Consensus Policy may be referred to another GNSO process by the GNSO Council.



Issue Identification

Issue Scoping

(Moving ahead with a PDP or not?)

Initiation

Working Group

Council Deliberations

Board Vote

Implementation

No intermediate vote required for Issue Reports requested by the ICANN Board.

Initiate PDP

Create a Drafting Team to develop the PDP WG Charter

Adopt a Charter. Same voting thresholds apply as for the Initiation of the PDP.

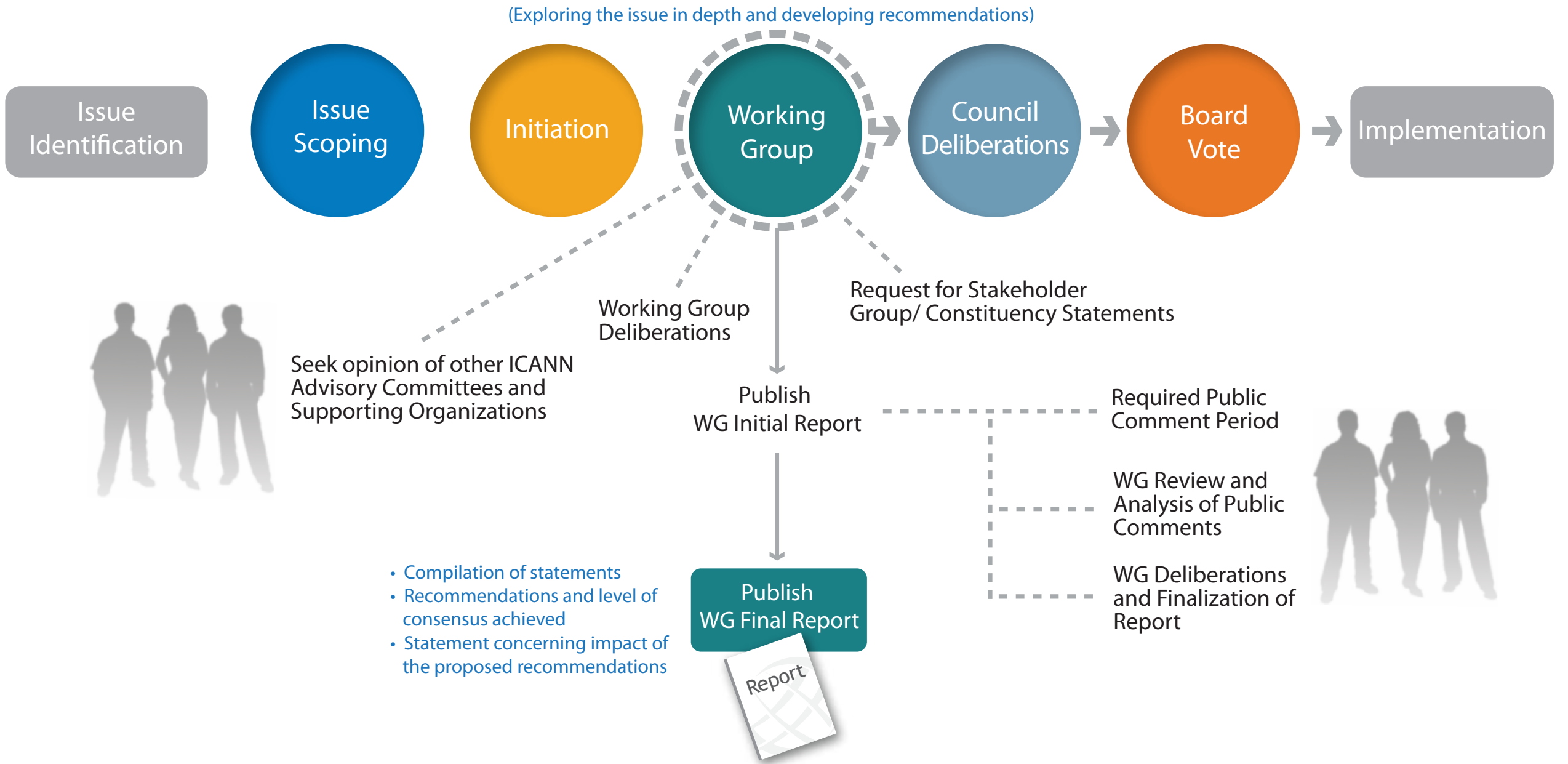
Council Vote
YES NO

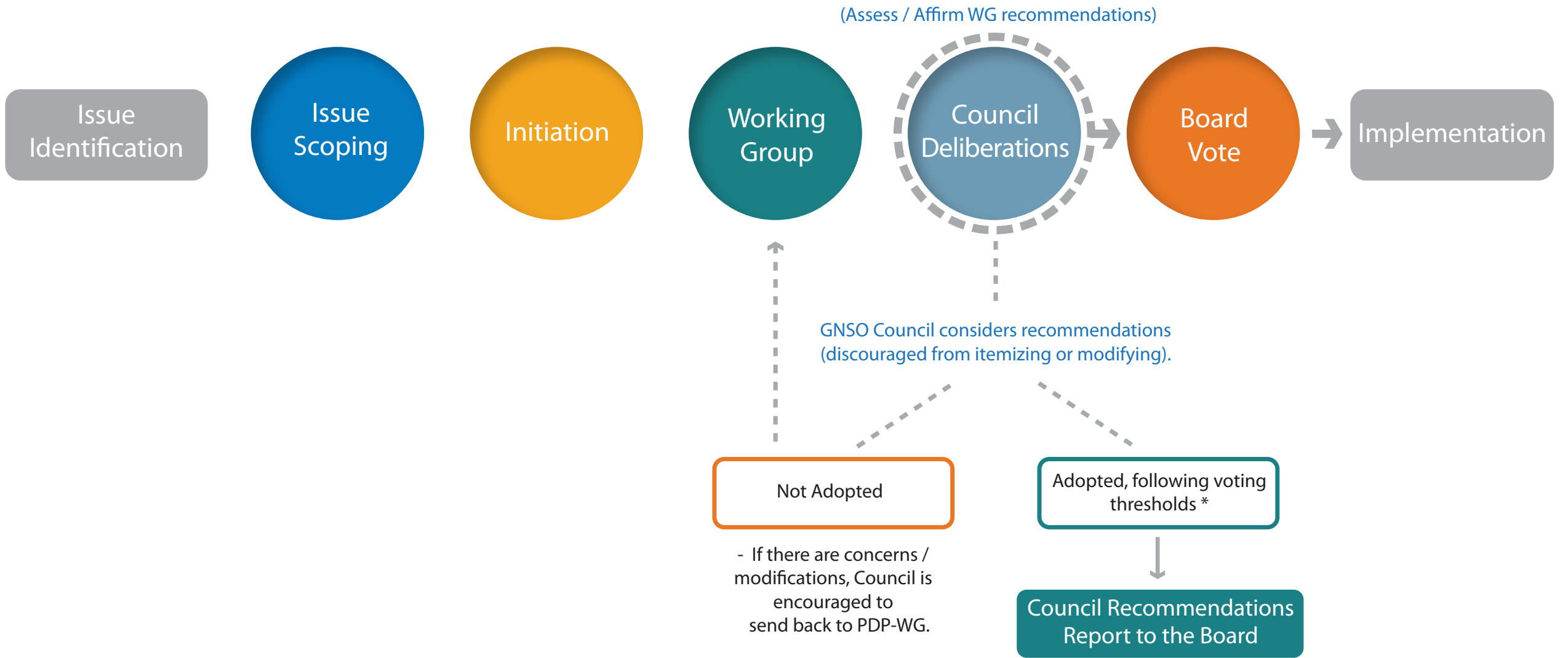
In Scope:
1/4 of each house or 2/3 of one house in favor of initiating PDP.

Out of Scope:
GNSO Supermajority.*

Following rejection of a PDP requested by an Advisory Committee (AC), option to meet with AC representatives to discuss rationale for rejection, followed by possible request for reconsideration by AC.

* for definition, please see ICANN Bylaws





* For voting thresholds, refer to Article X, Section 3(9) of the ICANN Bylaws.



If the Board determines that the policy is not in the best interest of the ICANN community or ICANN, the Board can reject the GNSO Recommendation by a vote of 2/3 of the Board (in case the PDP Recommendation was adopted by a GNSO Supermajority) or majority vote (in case the PDP recommendation was adopted by less than a GNSO Supermajority).

Board articulates the reasons for rejection and submits this Board Statement to the GNSO Council.

GNSO Council to review statement by the Board and schedule meeting to discuss.

Council shall meet to affirm or modify its recommendation and communicate that conclusion (the "Supplemental Recommendation") to the Board.

Board can reject Supplemental Recommendation if it determines that such policy is not in the interests of the ICANN community or ICANN (by 2/3 of the Board in case of GNSO Supermajority Vote on Supplemental Recommendation or majority vote of the Board in case of less than GNSO Supermajority Vote).

Board Vote on Supplemental Recommendation

Approval of PDP Recommendation

No

Yes



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- Optional - Formation of Implementation Review Team to assist ICANN Staff in developing the implementation details for the policy.
- ICANN Staff should inform the GNSO of proposed implementation of a new GNSO recommended policy.
- Implementation must conform to GNSO recommendation.