

QUALITY GUIDELINE

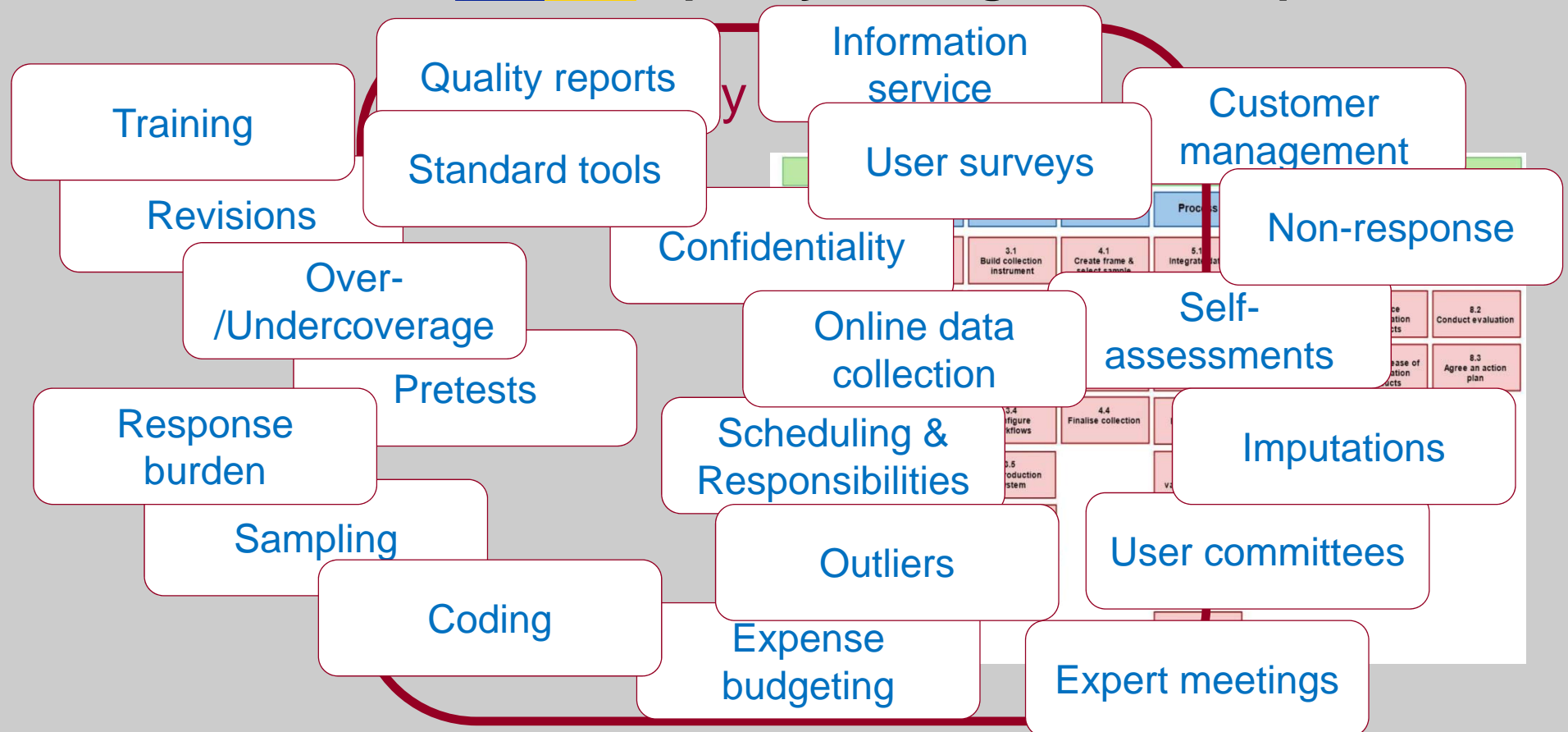
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Quality Guideline: Starting point

Goal:

Fulfilment of  **quality strategies and -requirements**



Addressed audience

- **Action-oriented support for subject matter areas**
- **Communication of quality standards to external users**
- **Valid also for Statistical Offices of the Länder**
 - **Perspectively also for Other National Authorities (ONAs)**



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2. Introduction and background
3. Fulfilment of the overarching principles established by the ESS Code of Practice
4. Quality assessment and reporting
5. Implementation of the quality principles within the statistical production process
6. **Quality principles**
Organisational arrangement of data quality management
 2. Checklist

Quality principles & Checklist

- **Quality principles**
 - **Collection of concrete quality assurance measures for each sub-process**
 - **To be implemented in each subject matter statistic as applicable and allowing for the respective circumstances**

- **Checklist**
 - **Description of essential quality principles as – insofar relevant – mandatory quality targets for all statistics**
 - **Have to be verifiable**

Example: Sub-process 4.3

„Run collection“

- **Quality principles**
 - **The timing for contacting the respondents is selected depending on the reporting period or reporting date.**
 - **In accordance with the German statistical law the respondents are being informed of:**
 - **Purpose, nature and scope of the survey**
 - **Confidentiality**
 - **...**
 - **A professionally competent point of contact is available to the respondents.**
 - **The advantages of the use of online reporting procedures are explained to respondents.**
 - **The respondents are referred to the free availability of the results.**

Example: Sub-process 4.3

„Run collection“

■ Checklist

- Respondents are being informed according to the statistical law.
- In each statistical office involved in the data collection a specially trained contact point is available to the respondents for further inquiries.



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Schedule and monitoring

- **In 2016:**
 - **Completion, agreement and publication of the Quality Guideline**

- **In 2017:**
 - **Development of a concept for the monitoring of the implementation of the Guideline**

- **From 2018:**
 - **Regular monitoring**
 - **Compilation of an annual report**



Summary

We already do a lot to assure the production of high quality statistics.



The Quality Guideline is needed to put quality assurance on a systematic basis and to identify and fill the remaining gaps.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION



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Relation to European framework

