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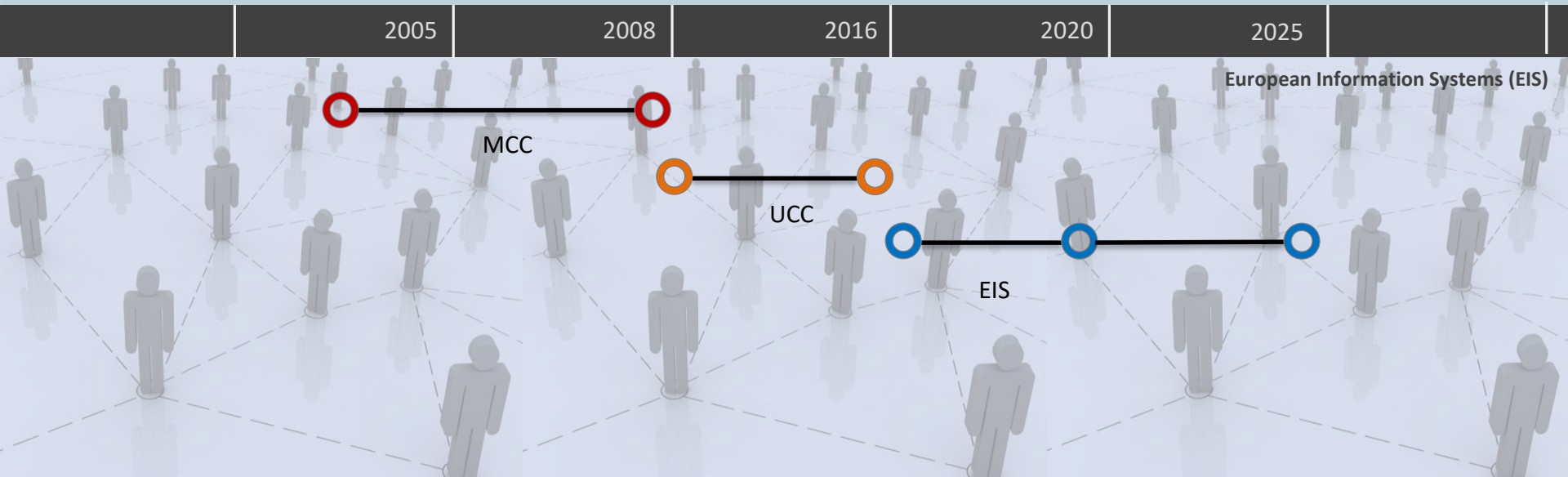
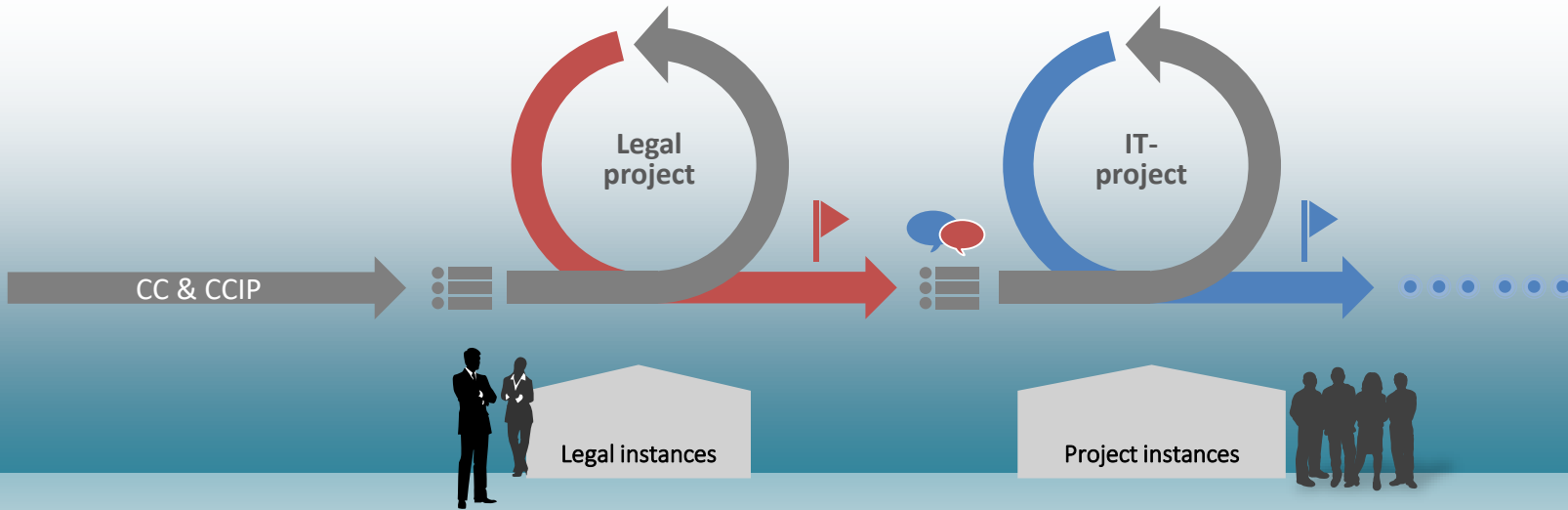
Implementation of the Union Customs Code in Germany

**Workshop for Internal Market and Consumer Protection
Committee**

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Major factors from Germany's point of view

- „day to day business“ such as 228 million clearances of customs declarations p.a.
- 70 000 authorisations to re-assess by April 2019
- Ca. 10 IT-programmes to update / implement
- Highly complex and fragmented UCC legal package



Experiences made during the UCC negotiations

- Broad consultations of MS and trade
- 2/3rds coherent and structured negotiations
- 1/3rd unexpected turns and unclear priorities
- Late adoption of UCC legal package (2015/2016)

Current situation

- Strong demand for further simplifications
- Complex (IT and legally) implementation of UCC simplifications
 - „Piecemeal“ implementation of simplifications offer few benefits
- current deadline: End of 2020 (Article 278 UCC)
- Commission proposal: Extension of the deadline for certain Trans-European systems only until 2025

Observations regarding current COM-proposal

- Traders and customs could face additional costs and burdens due to multiple IT-updates
- Possible reduced competitiveness
- Legal basis for necessary transitional rules would expire
- Overload of the basic legal act with operational deadlines

Possible solution

General extension of the deadline to 2025 in the UCC. Stipulation of operational deadlines for specific IT-systems (EU and national) in the UCC related legal acts (UCC IT-work programme, UCC TDA)

Advantages:

- Legal certainty
- Predictability for trade and customs
- Coherent implementation of the UCC and other policy areas.

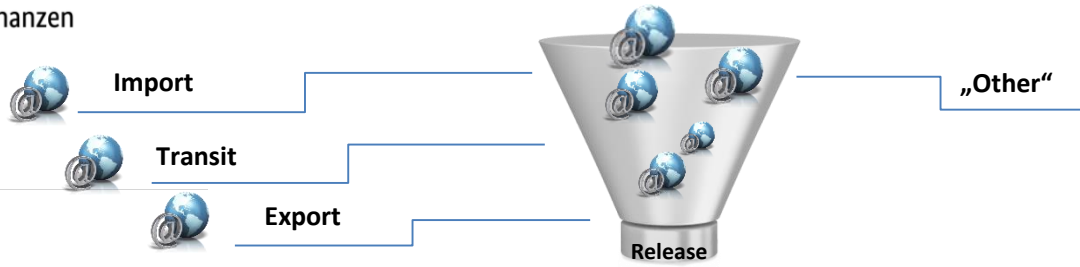
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Any questions ?**





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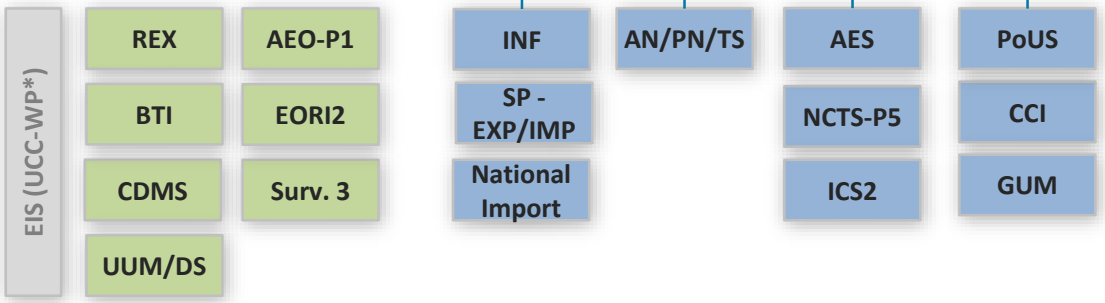
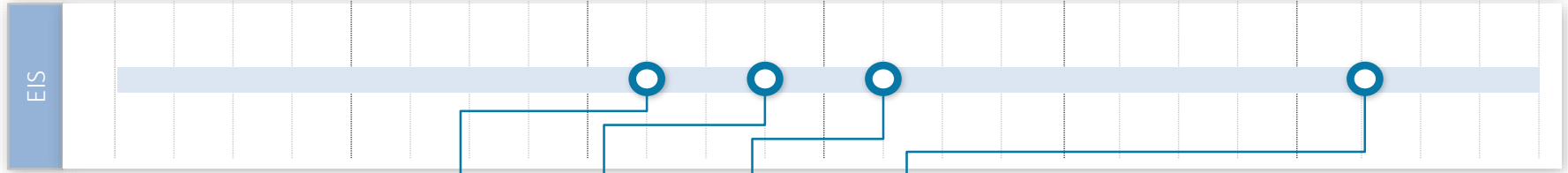
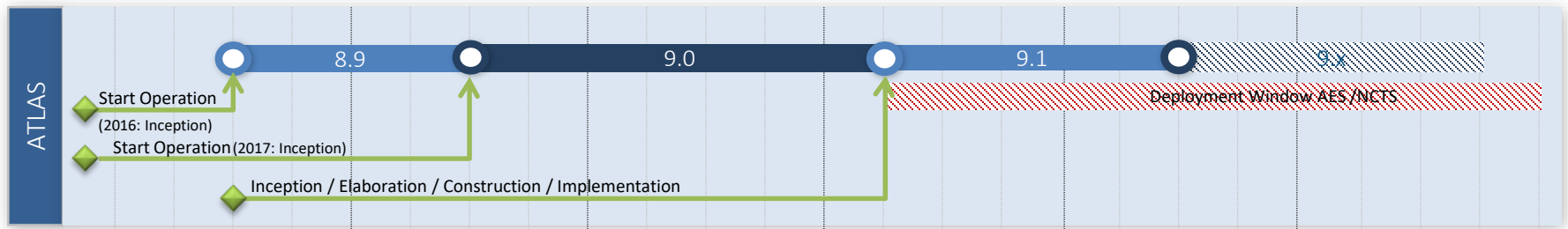
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-  Operational View
-  System Evolution per Release

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-  Project View
-  System oriented implementation