

Approval of Networks: the ERNs Board of Member States

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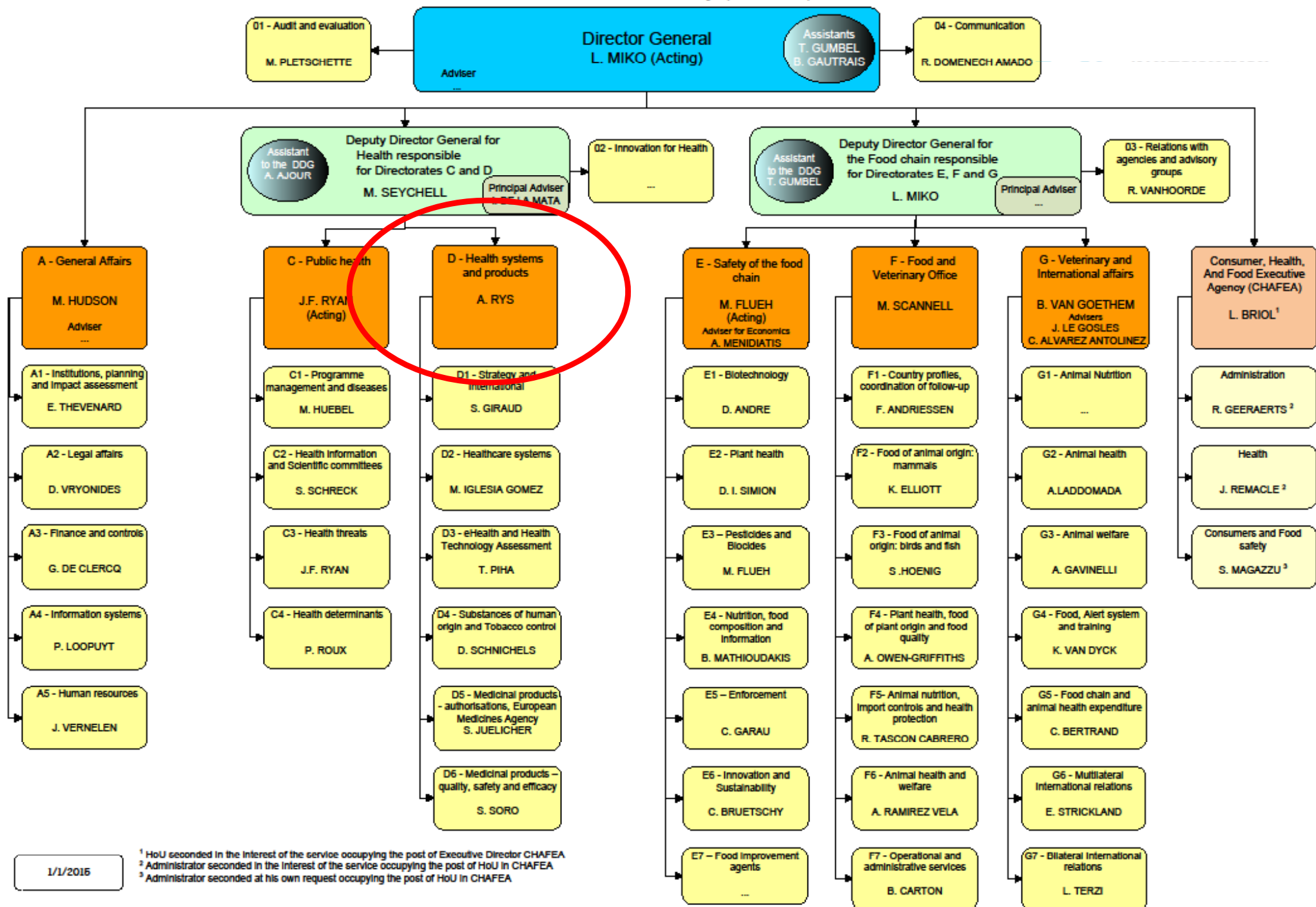
- » Directive 2011/24/EU on the Application of Patients' Rights in Cross-border Healthcare (2011)
- » Commission Delegated Decision 2014/286/EU setting out Criteria and Conditions for ERNs and their Members (2014)
- » **Commission Implementing Decision** 2014/287/EU setting out Criteria for Establishing and Evaluating ERNs and their Members (2014)
- » **Rules of Procedures** of the Board of Member States of the European Reference Networks (2014)

The Board

- » Composition:
 - » 28 EU Member States (2 representatives max.)
 - » 2 EEA countries (2 representatives max.)
 - » Representatives from the European Commission
 - » National experts, representatives of contracted consortia, etc (if requested and required)

- » Co-Chairs:
 - » Andrzej Rys (Director DG SANTE, Directorate D)
 - » Till Voigtländer (elected MS representative)

Health and Food Safety (SANTE)



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The Board (2)

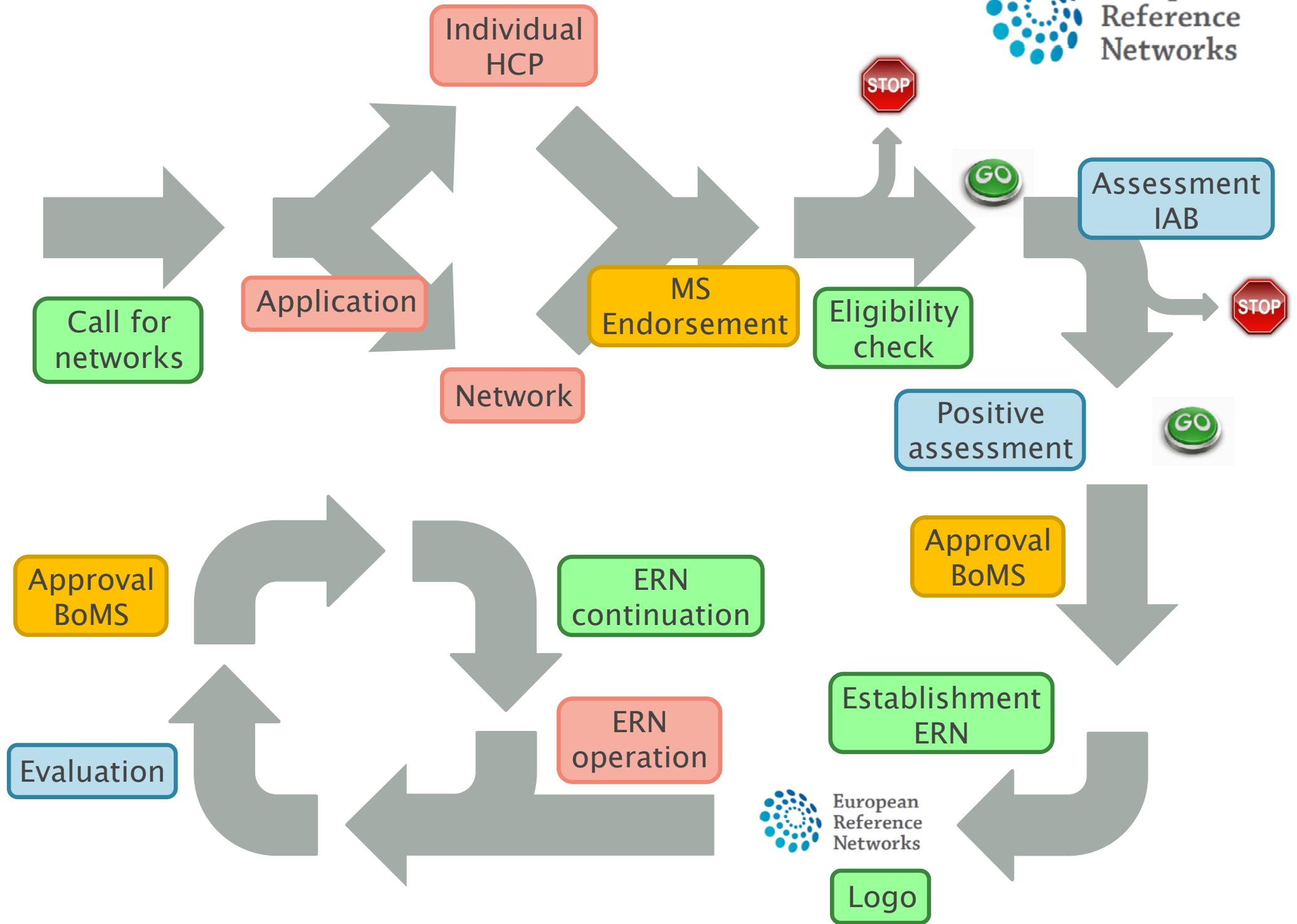
- » Voting rules:
 - » Quorum of two thirds of the Board members
 - » Decisions by consensus (if possible), otherwise majority of two thirds

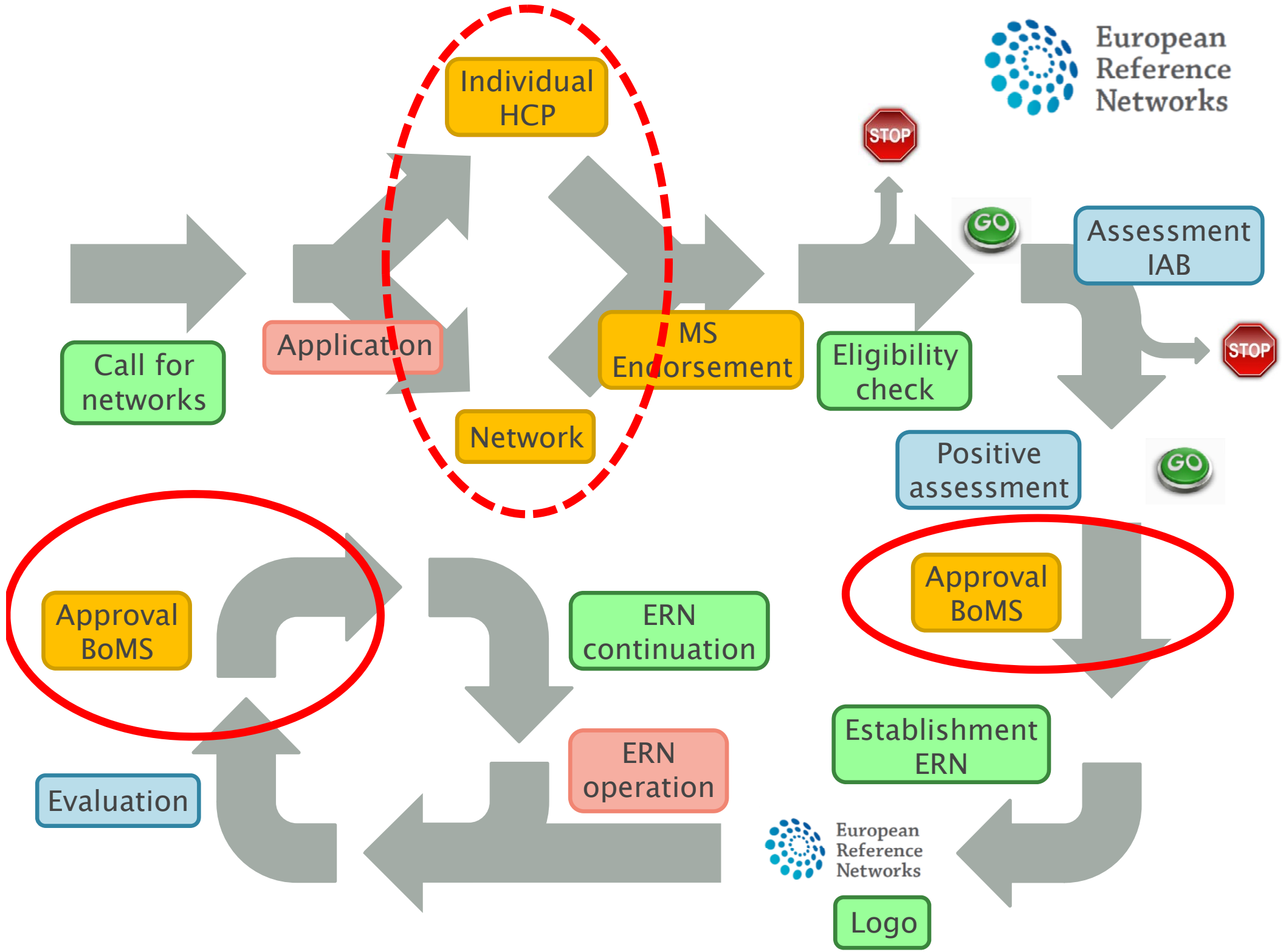
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Roles and Responsibilities

» Designation of ERNs – the general scheme





Call for networks

Application

Individual HCP

Network

MS Endorsement

STOP

Eligibility check

GO

Assessment IAB

STOP

Positive assessment

GO

Approval BoMS

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ERn continuation

Establishment ERN

ERn operation

Evaluation

Logo

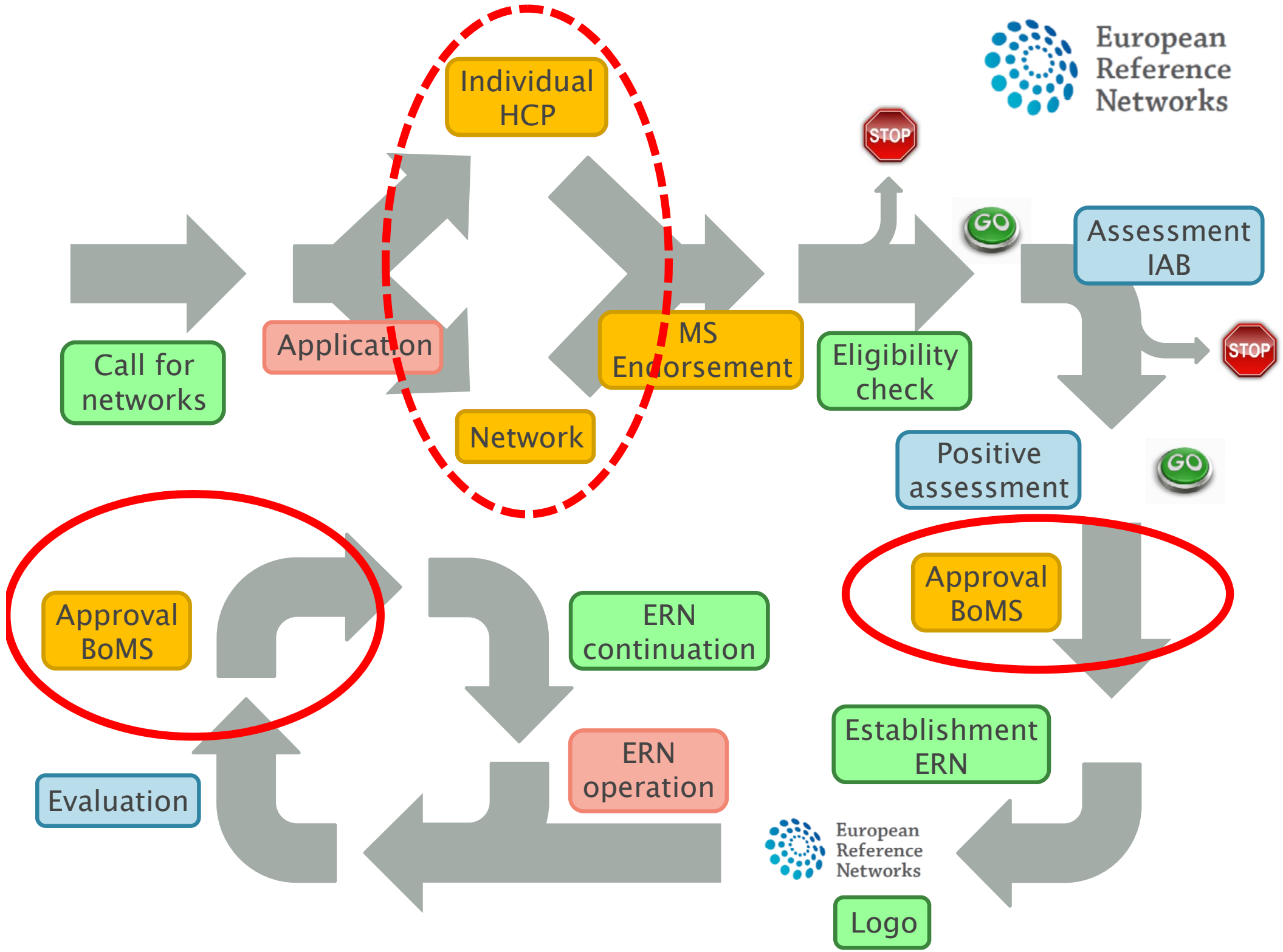
Roles of the representatives of the Board

- » **Represent** the respective **Member State**
- » **Report** on **current developments** regarding the **identification** (and, if applicable, **designation**) of health care providers and on the state of play in the Member States
- » **Present** and **share national procedures** and experiences
- » Function as **information link** between **Member States** and the **EC**
- » **Provide relevant information** regarding the Member States' procedures for the **ERN website of the EC**

Roles of the representatives of the Board (2)

- » Discuss current developments on the EU level and participate in consultation processes
 - » Development and content of the manual and the tool box
 - » Future time lines for new calls for ERNs
 - » Elaboration of additional content and procedures for the designation process
 - » Procedures around the affiliation of associated and collaborating partners
 - » Decisions regarding the intended strategic focus and orientation of ERNs
- » Function as one national contact/information point

Responsibilities of the Board



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- » Approval or rejection of **network proposals** and **healthcare providers' membership application**
- » Approval or rejection of **healthcare providers** wishing to **join** an **existing network**
- » Review of **negative individual member's applications** (if requested by the provider)
- » Support to **recruit further healthcare providers** for network applications failing to reach the minimum number of participants

Responsibilities of the Board (2)

- » Approval of a **termination** of a **network**
- » Approval of a **loss of membership** of an **individual healthcare provider**
- » Approval of **positively evaluated networks** and **positively evaluated healthcare providers** participating in these networks
- » Approval of the **termination** of a **negatively assessed network**

Responsibilities of the Board (3)

- » Agreement on an **improvement plan** and a **limited extension** (1 year) of a **negatively assessed network** and/or a **negatively assessed member** of the network
- » Approval or rejection of a **re-evaluated network** and/or **health care provider** after the extension period

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» Legal background

[http://ec.europa.eu/health/ern/
board_member_states/index_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/health/ern/board_member_states/index_en.htm)

» What are the roles of its members?

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