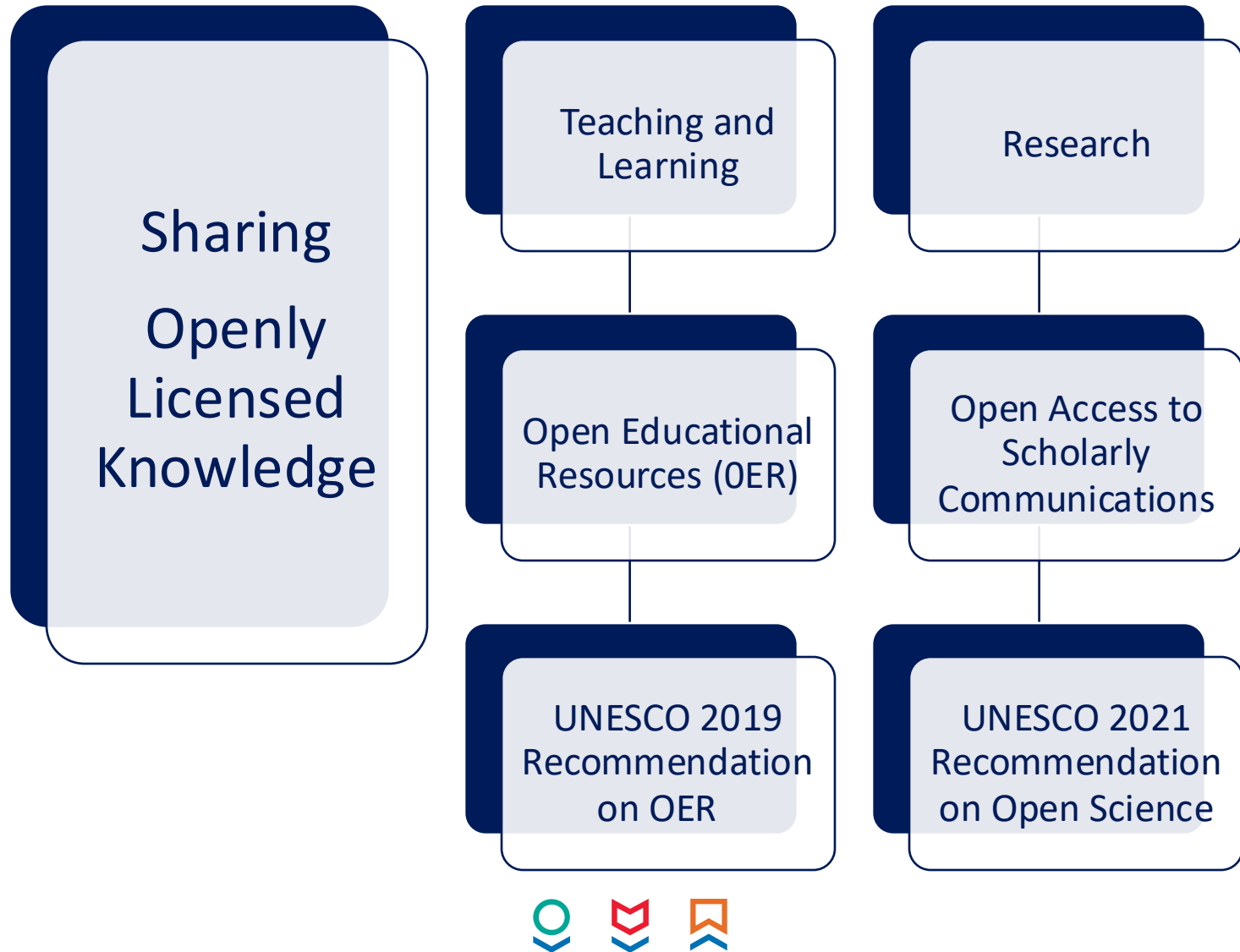
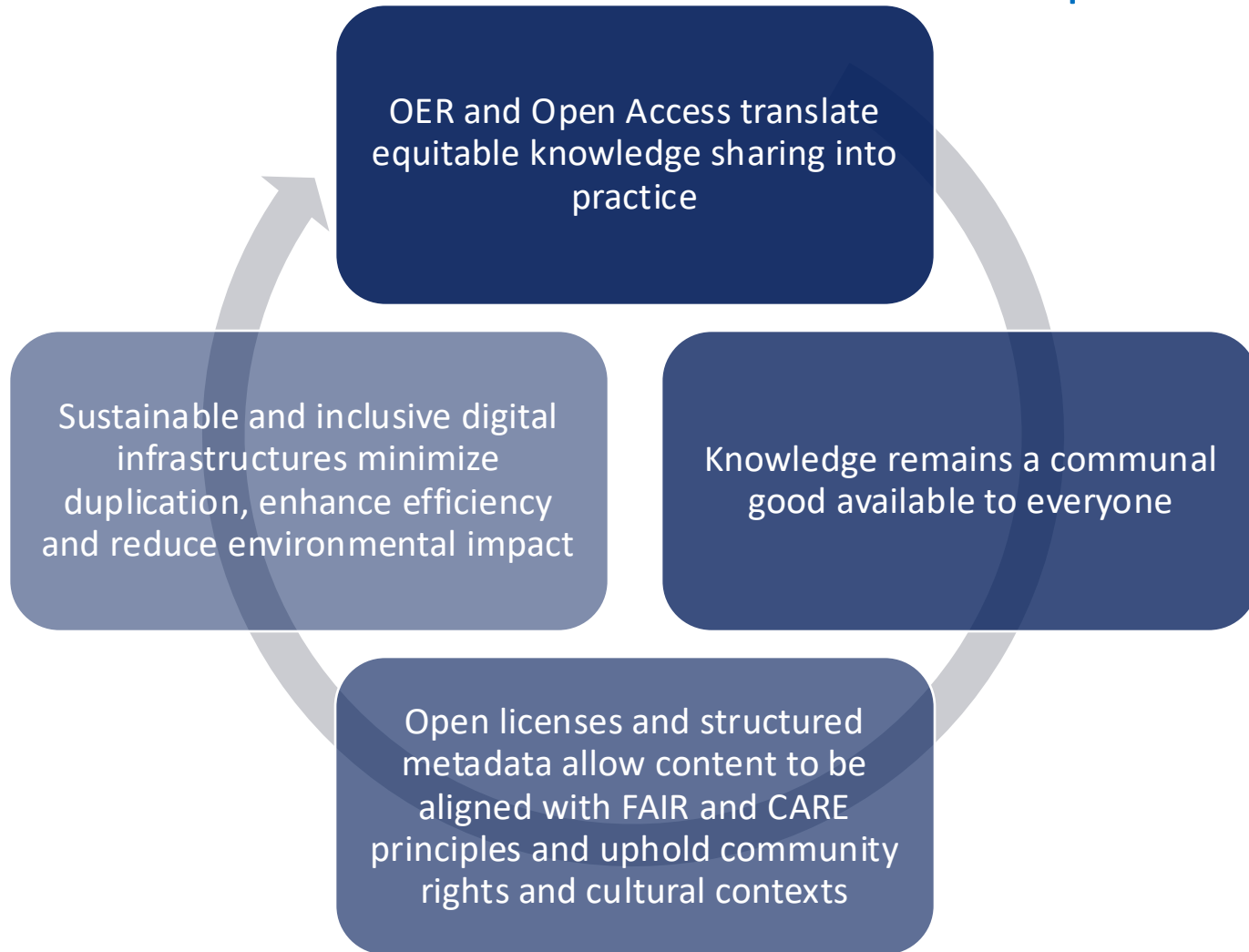




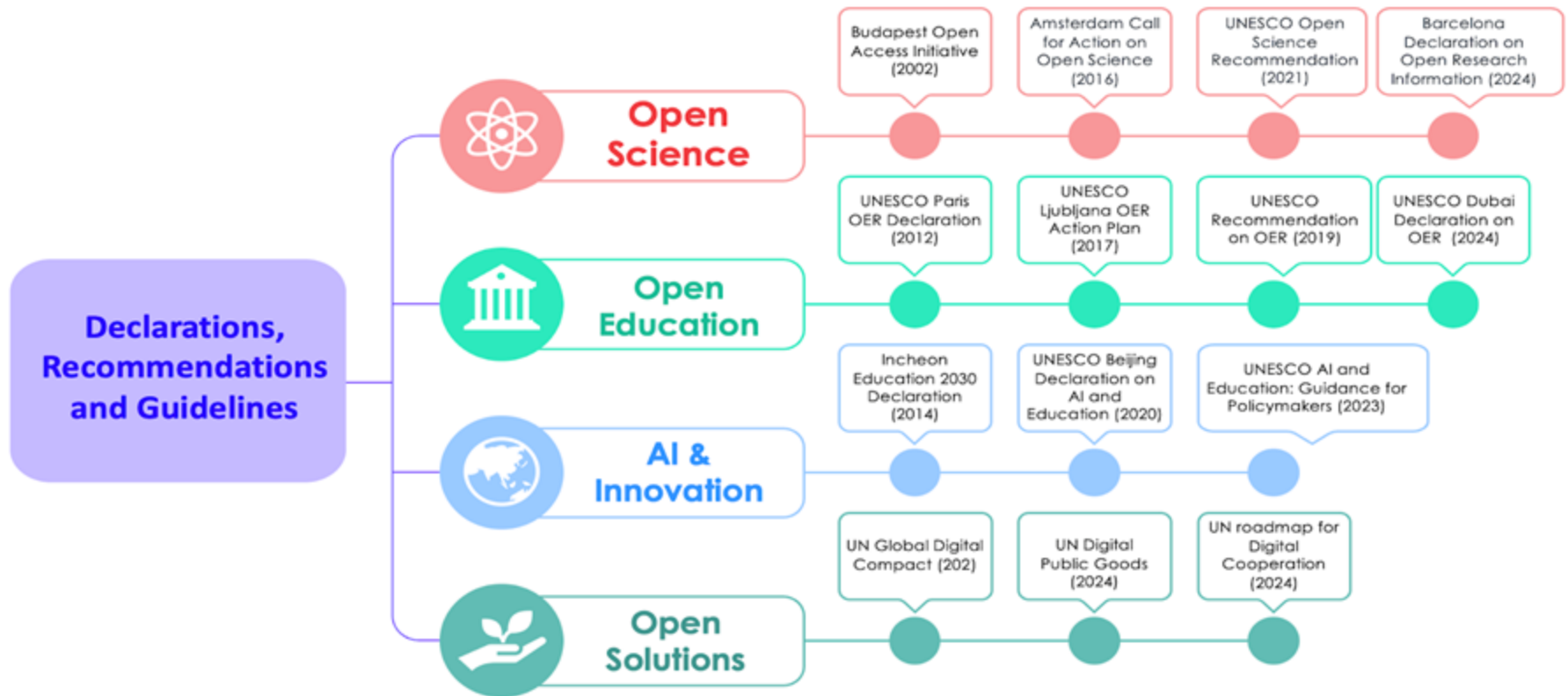
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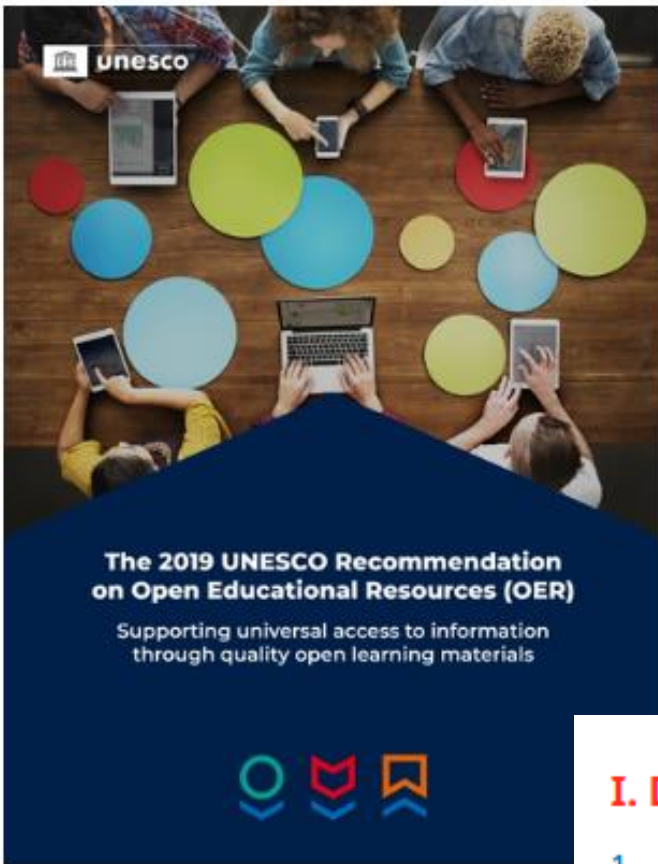


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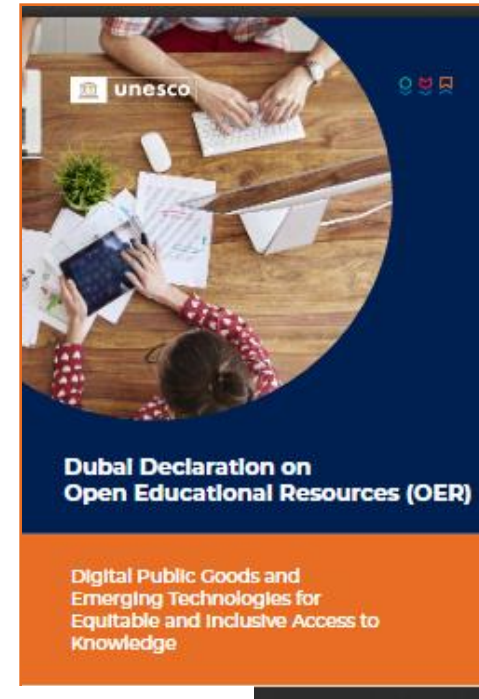
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5 Areas of Action

- 1.Capacity Building
- 2.Policy Support
- 3.Inclusive Equitable Quality OER
- 4.Sustainability
- 5.International Cooperation



I. Definition and scope

1. Open Educational Resources (OER) are learning, teaching and research materials in any format and medium that reside in the public domain or are under copyright that have been released under an open license, that permit no-cost access, re-use, re-purpose, adaptation and redistribution by others.
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UNESCO ROAMX Principles



Rights: Ensuring digital rights, privacy, and freedom of expression.



Openness: Promoting open access to information, data, and knowledge.



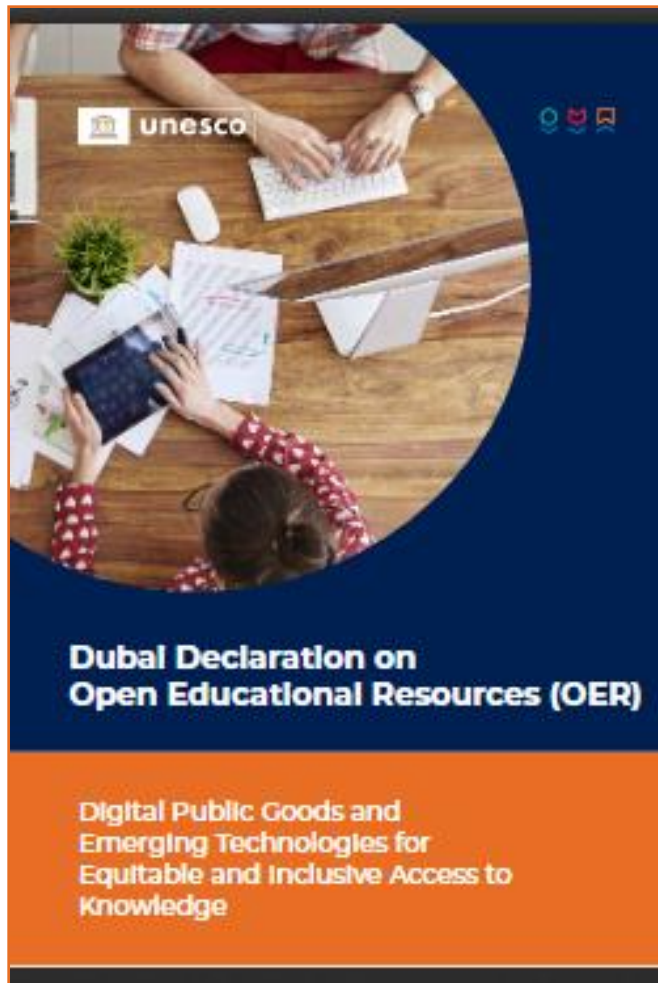
Accessibility: Ensuring inclusive digital participation for all.



Multi-stakeholder Participation: Engaging governments, private sectors, and civil society.



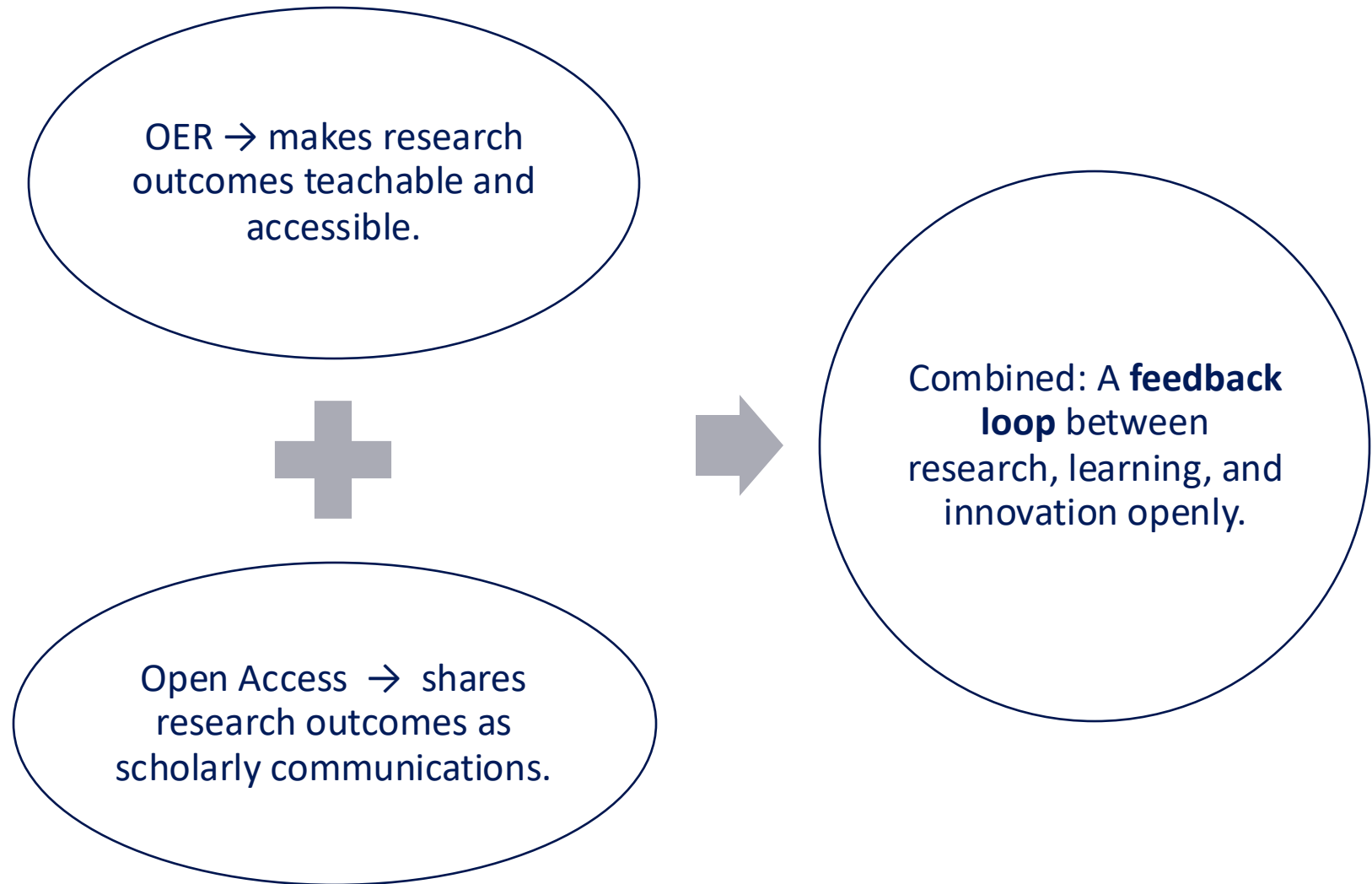
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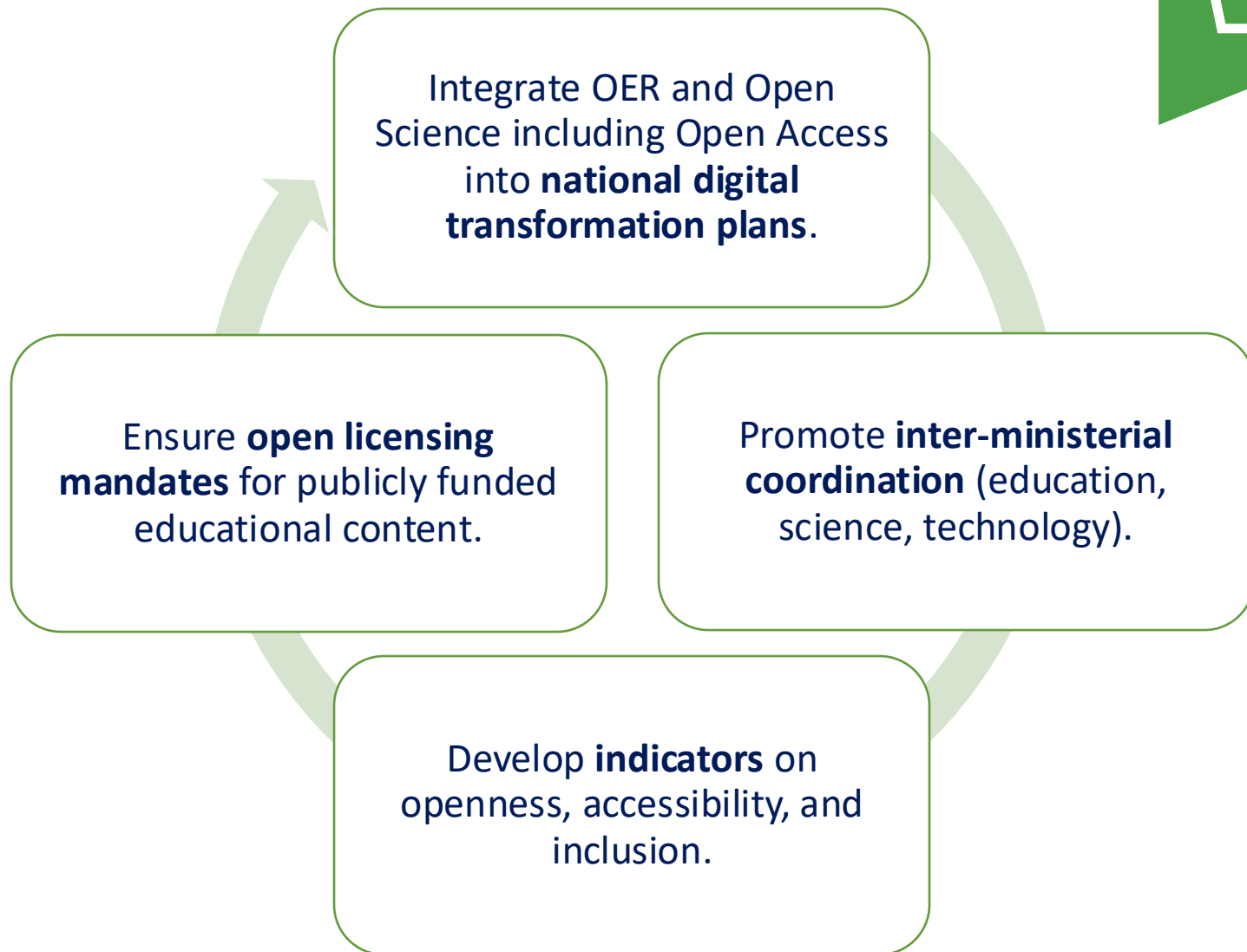
Adds focus on **open digital ecosystems – Open Solutions, Digital Public Goods** interoperability and machine-readable licensing.

Aligns with **AI transparency and ROAM-X principles**, calling for open, verifiable content.

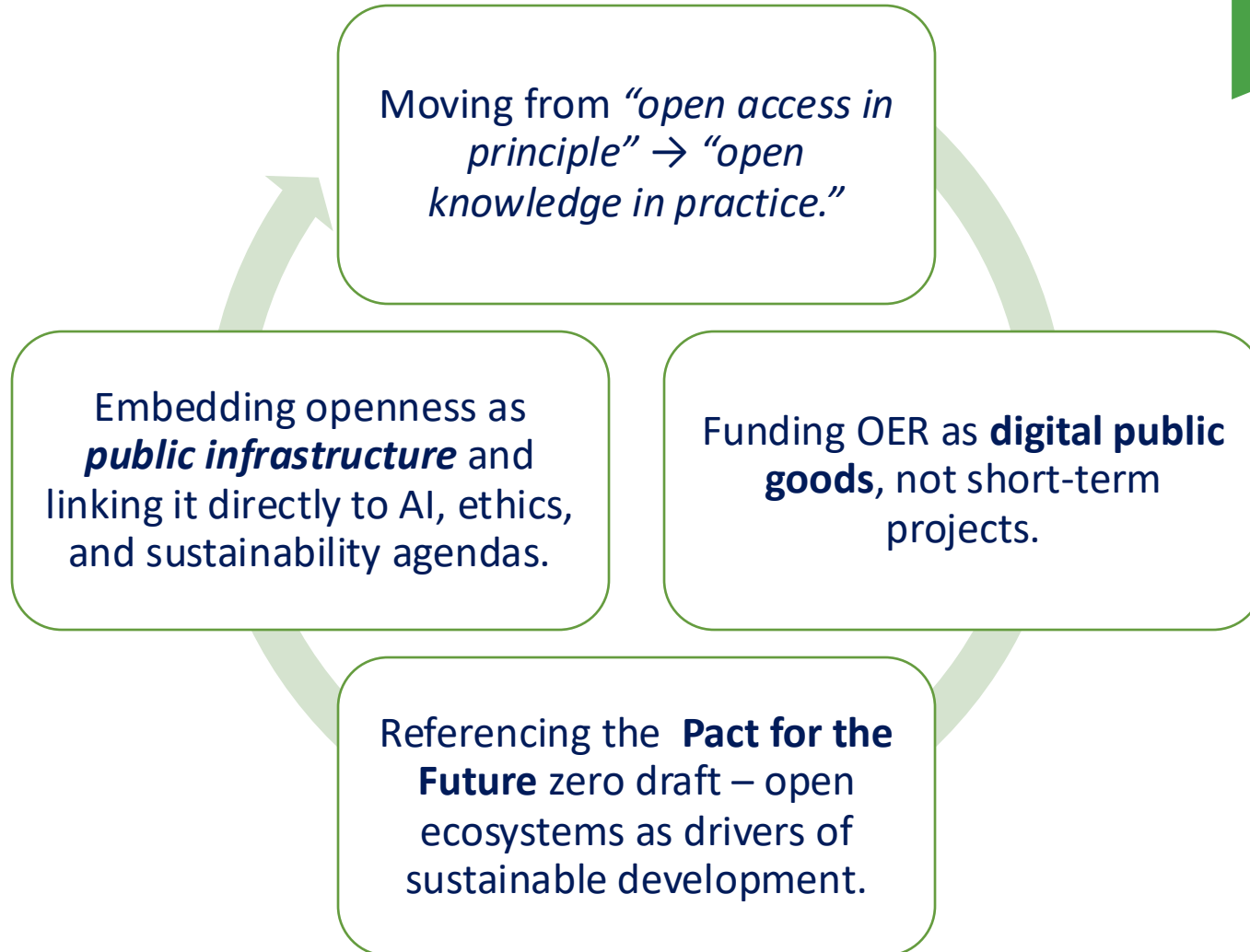
Emphasizes **multilingual, sustainable infrastructures** for inclusive participation.



Policy Levers – Principles to Practice



Strategic Shifts





Towards a Global Knowledge Commons

Equity: Open knowledge
'Open Solutions' frameworks
keep knowledge as a public good.

Integrity:
Rights-cleared,
provenance-tracked
materials
ensure trustworthy AI.

Sustainability:
Shared, open infrastructures
lower cost and environmental impact.

Inclusion:
Multilingual
and culturally relevant
participation.

Collaboration:
Global partnerships
operationalize open knowledge ecosystems.

Thank you

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