



State-aid schemes for funding investments in ports (WP3)

DAPhNE Kick-off meeting
Budapest, 20 February 2017

Background

PUBLIC FUNDING

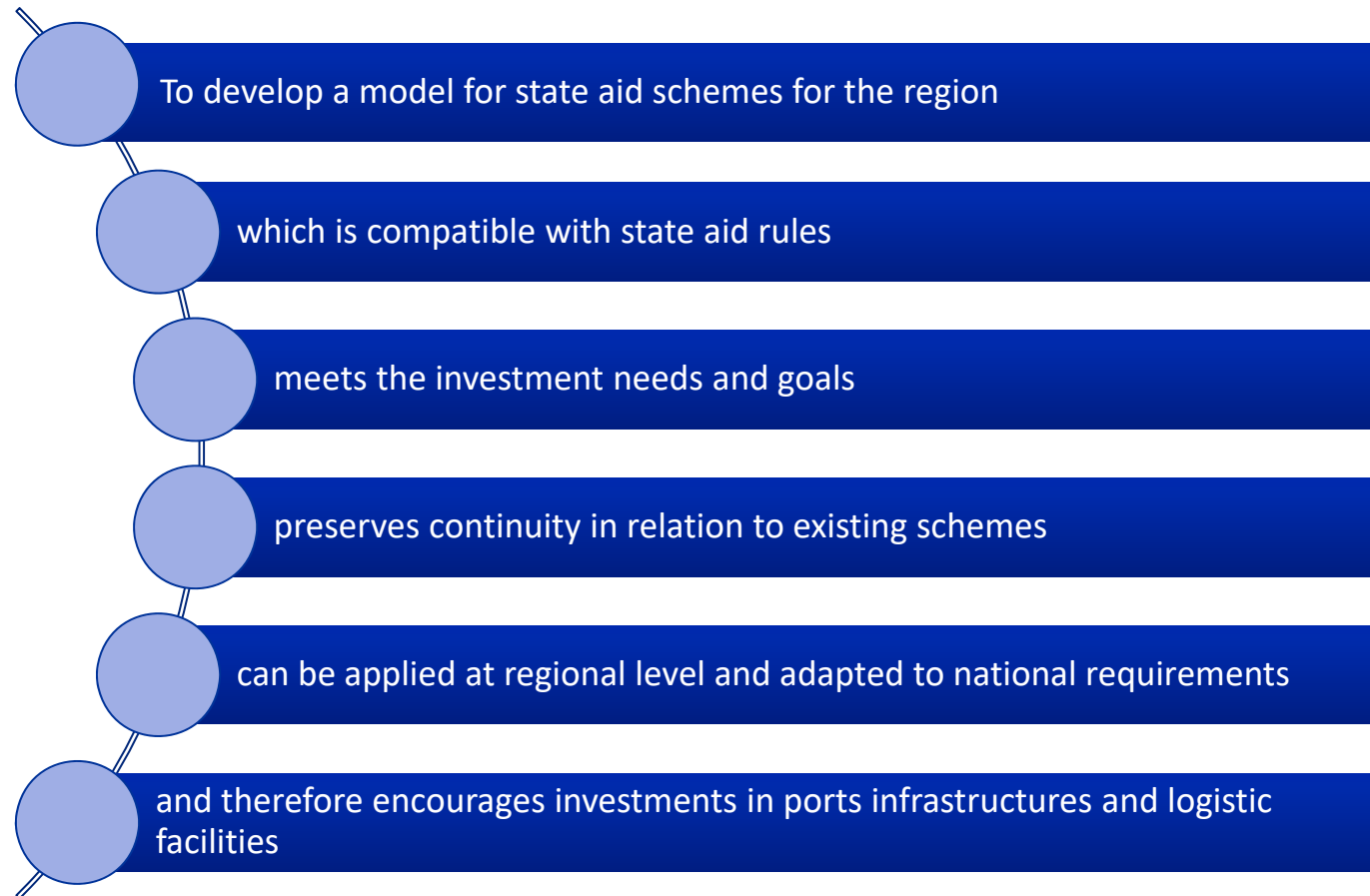
- **Public funding plays an important role in Danube port investments**
- **State supports schemes**
- **EU funding including several operational programmes in DAPhNE countries**
- **States, regions and municipalities as owners/investors**
- **PPP schemes**

STATE AID RULES

- **EU competition policy sets out strict rules for state aid to economic activities**
- **During last years, state aid to port investments is a „hot topic“**
- **Regulatory uncertainty as a burden to port investments**
- **Several state aid cases**
- **A new regulatory framework (GBER modification) will be issued in 2017**

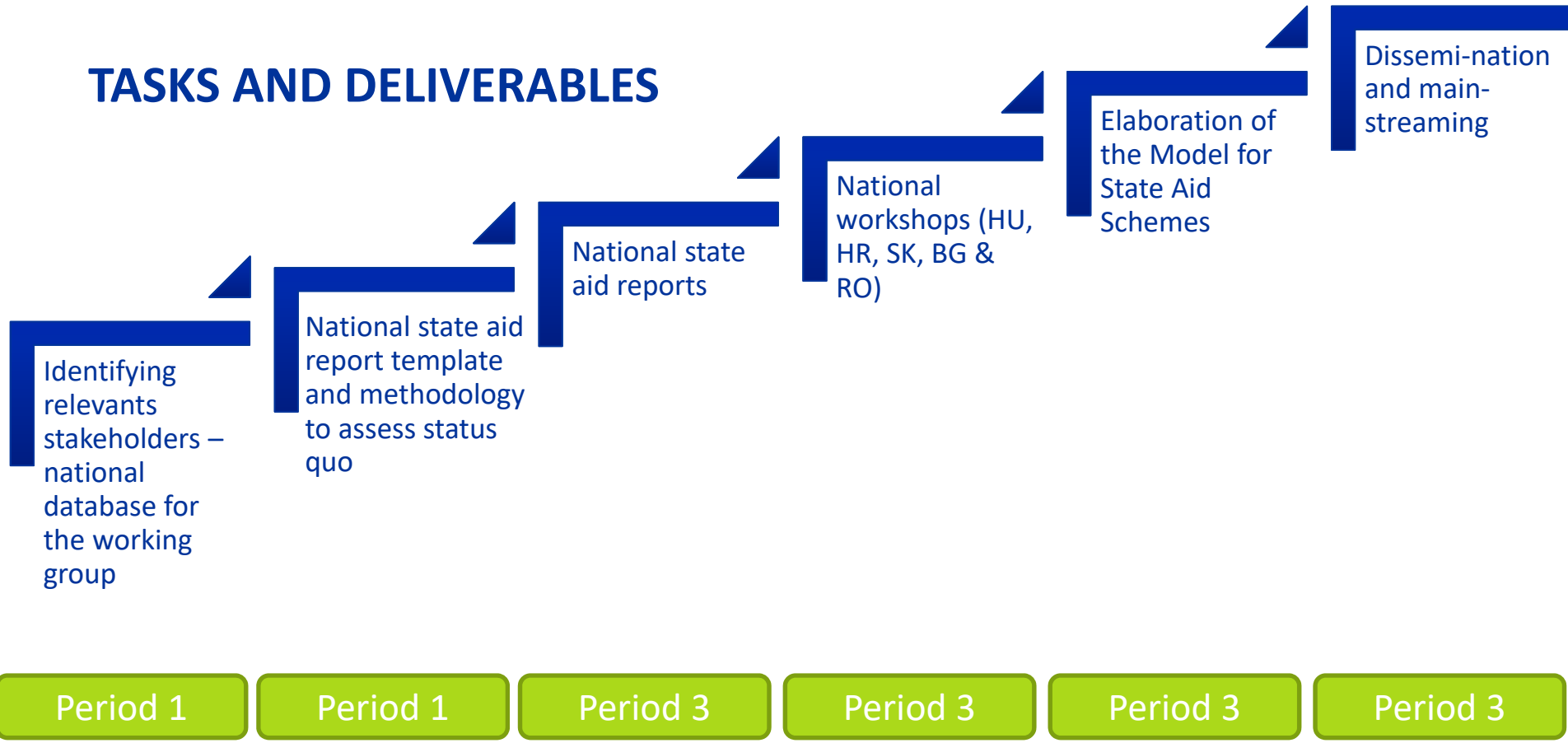


PURPOSE





TASKS AND DELIVERABLES





TARGET GROUPS

- **Policy makers**
- **State aid grantors: ministries, managing authorities of operational programmes**
- **National state aid authorities**
- **Port operators and port managers**
- **Private investors**
- **Regional and local authorities**