

# Energy Efficiency and Institutional Quality: The role of energy efficiency governance

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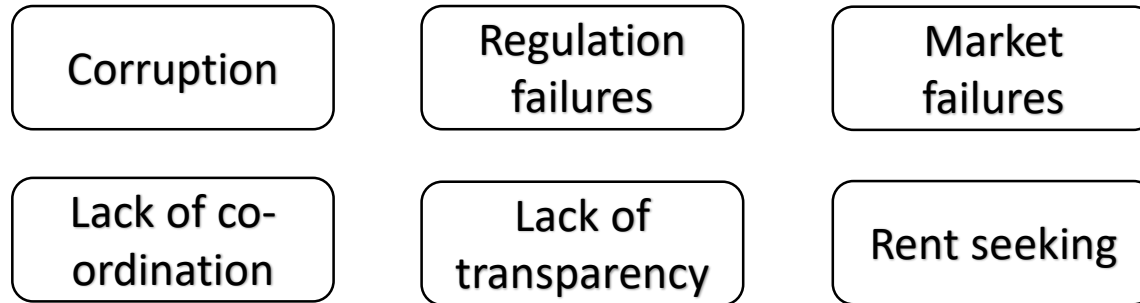


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# 1. Introduction

Every policy, plan, programme or measure may be compromised by one or several of these factors:



Since these failures do not allow for efficient balances, public intervention is needed: **GOVERNANCE** have a relevant role

## Governance

“Ability of an administration to generate rules and enforce them in order to achieve particular objectives”

Fukuyama, 2013.

### Politics, society and economics

Its effect is well-documented. There exist **indices** to assess this kind of governance.

### EE issues

Little is known about the relationship between governance and EE (**EE governance**) due to the absence of any quality indicator.

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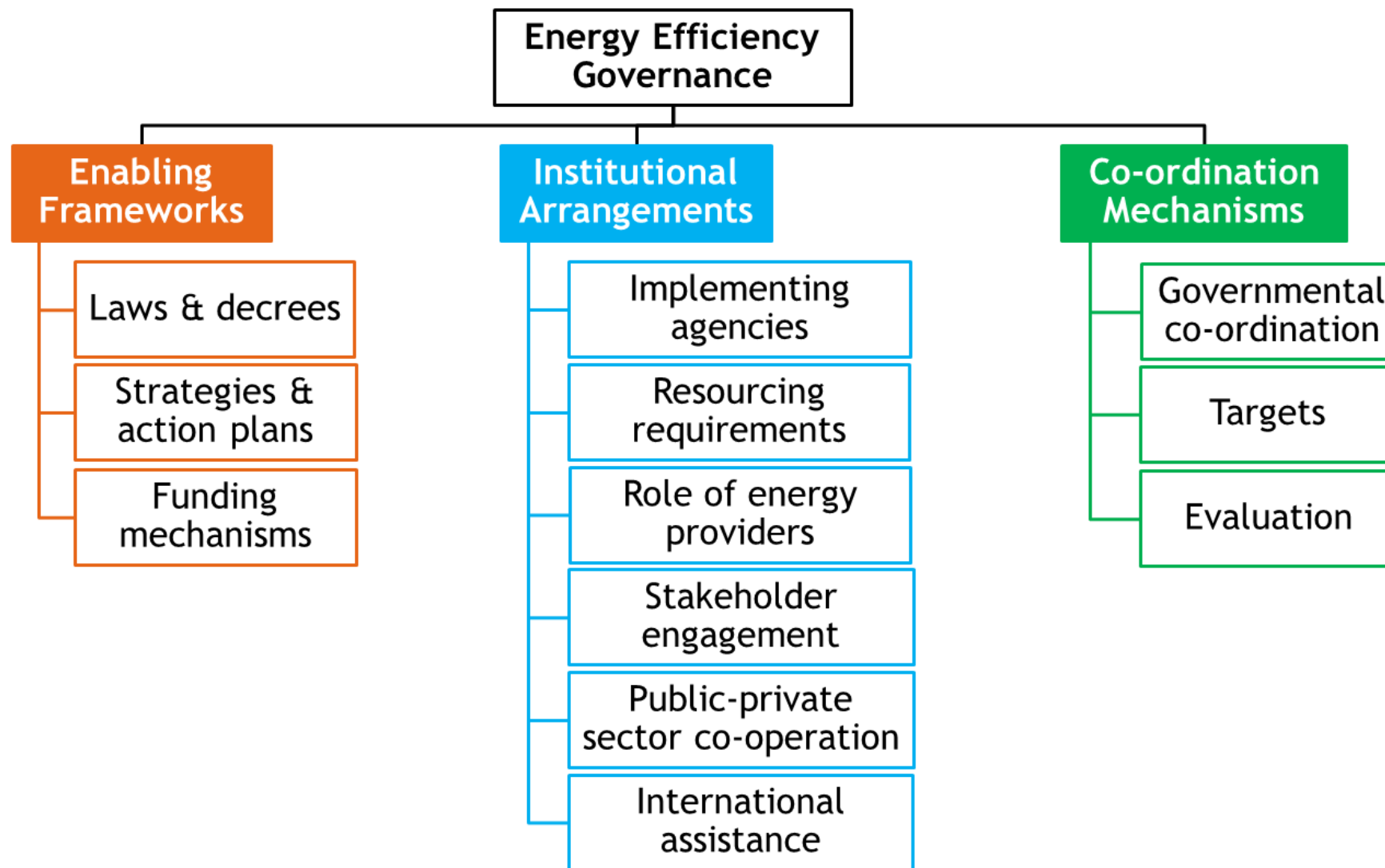
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“ According to IEA (2010), EE governance is the combination of the institutional and co-ordination arrangements needed to scale-up EE, added to the legislative frameworks and funding mechanisms, which works to support the implementation of EE strategies, policies and programmes”.

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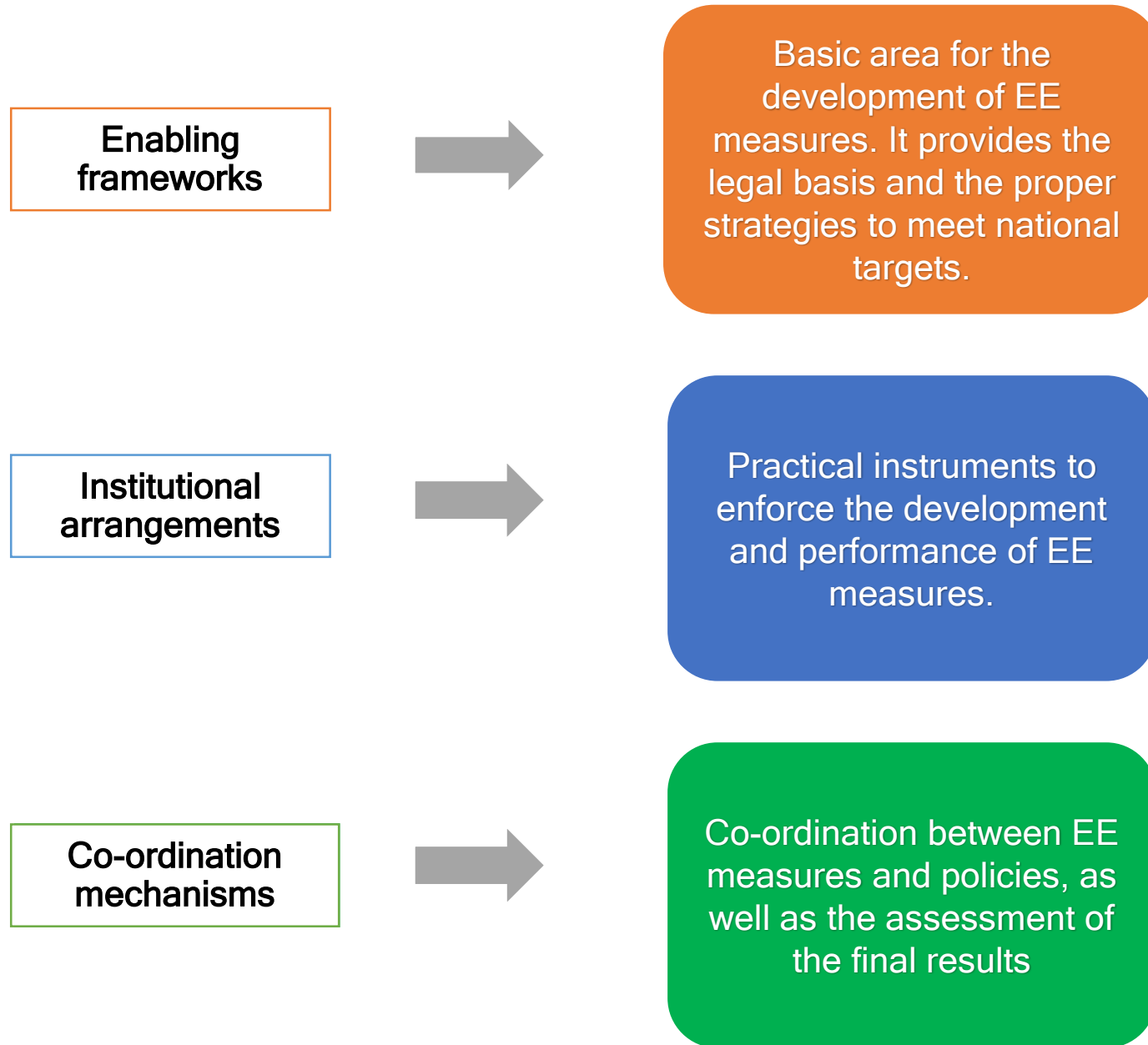
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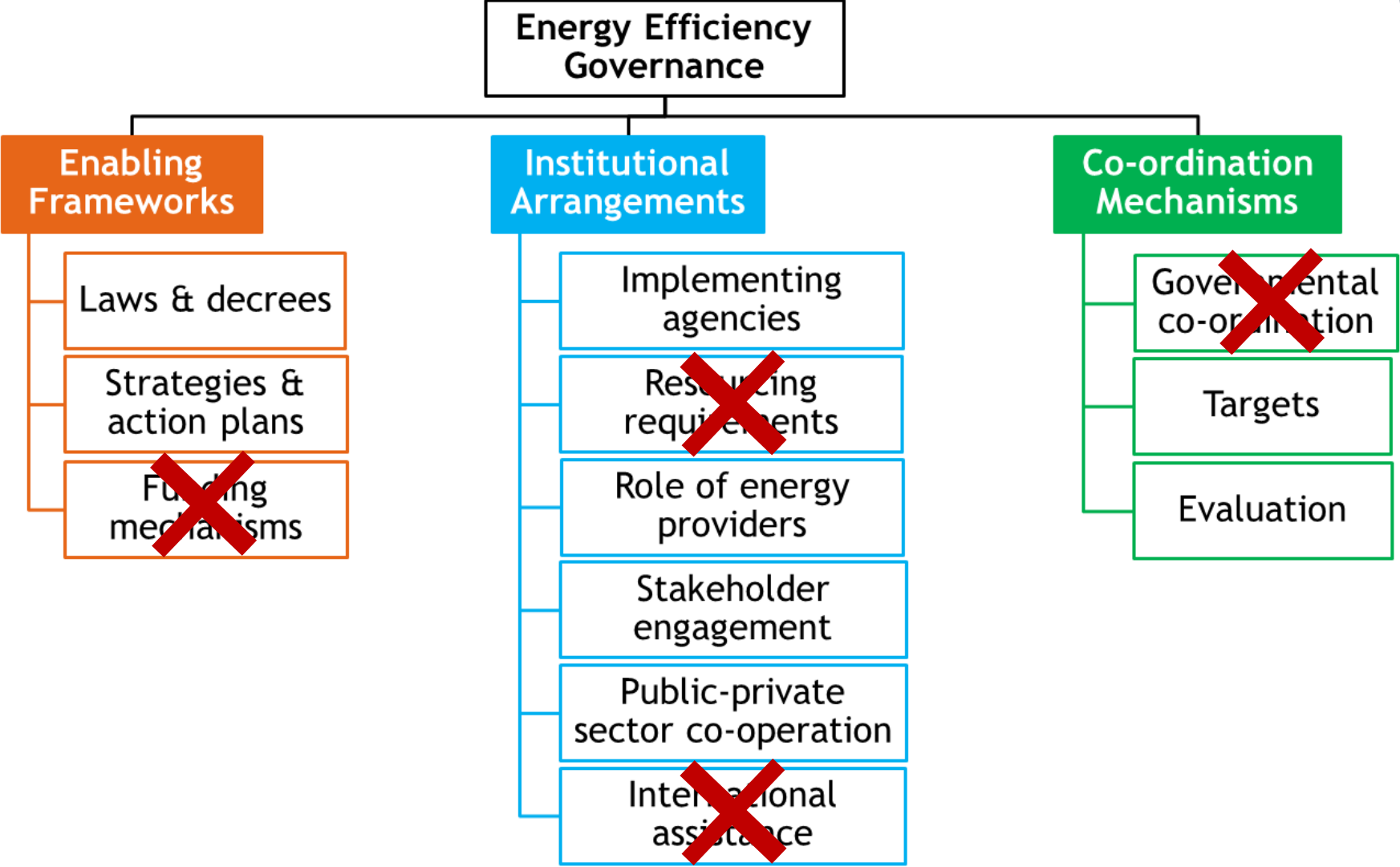


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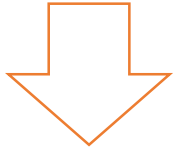
- 32 OECD countries (Israel and Iceland have been excluded).
- 2000-2015 period (persistent factor).
- Three EE governance areas are assessed (8 indicators).

But...

## What about the scores?



## Scoring



- There are no previous EE governance scores or indicators. Therefore, the scores obtained are **relative scores** (between the countries in the sample).
- 0-4 Scale for each indicator (E. Dabla-Norris et al., 2012)
- Subjectivity is minimized through the establishment of **strict evaluation criteria for each indicator**.

## Aggregation

- Three sub-indices: one sub-index by each EE governance area, calculated as the corresponding indicators average.
- One overall index (average of the three sub-indices).

J. B. e. a. E. Dabla-Norris, "Investing in public investment: an index of public investment efficiency," *Journal of Economic Growth*, pp. 17:225-266, 2012.

Joint Research Center and OECD, "Handbook on Constructing Composite Indicators," 2008.



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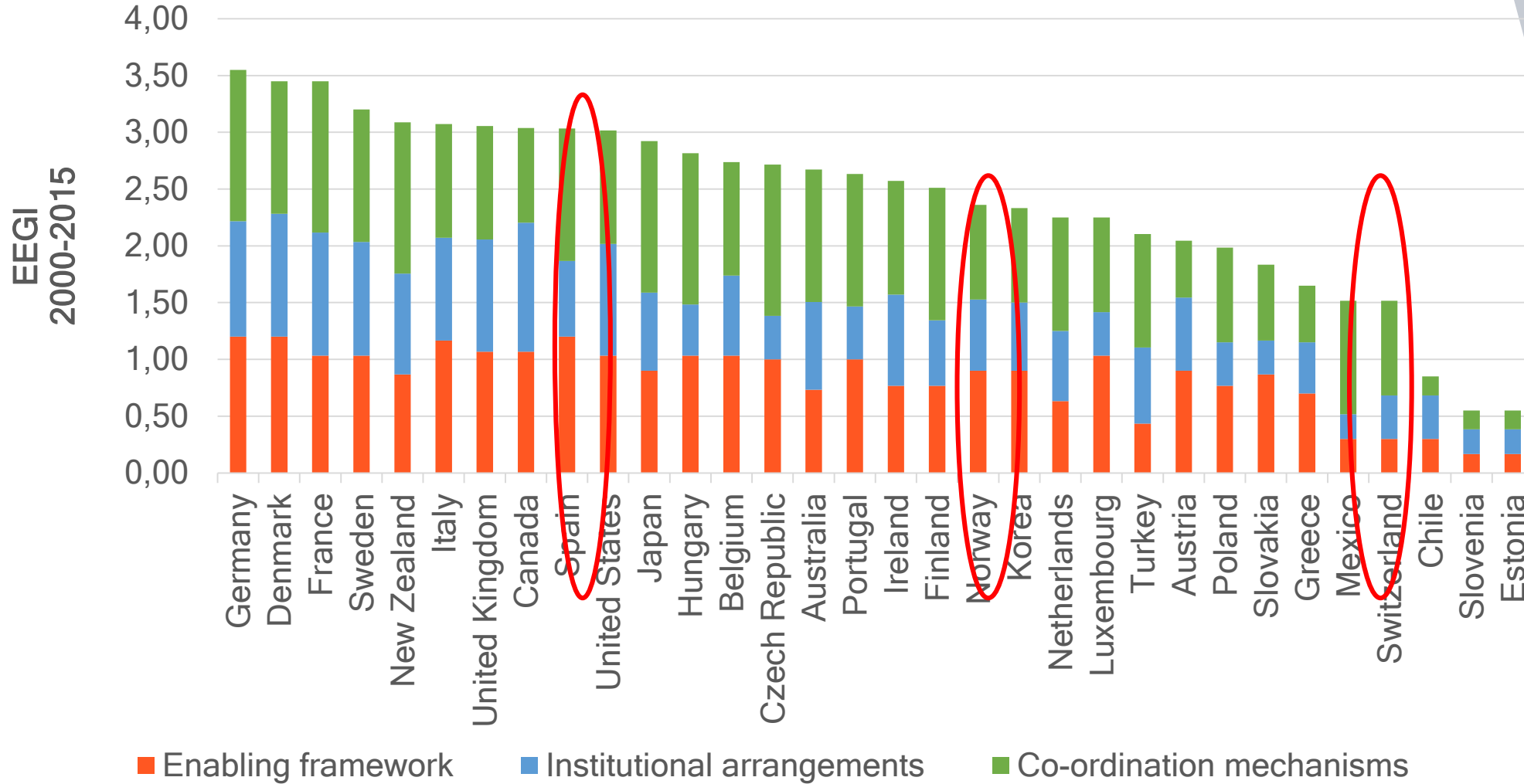


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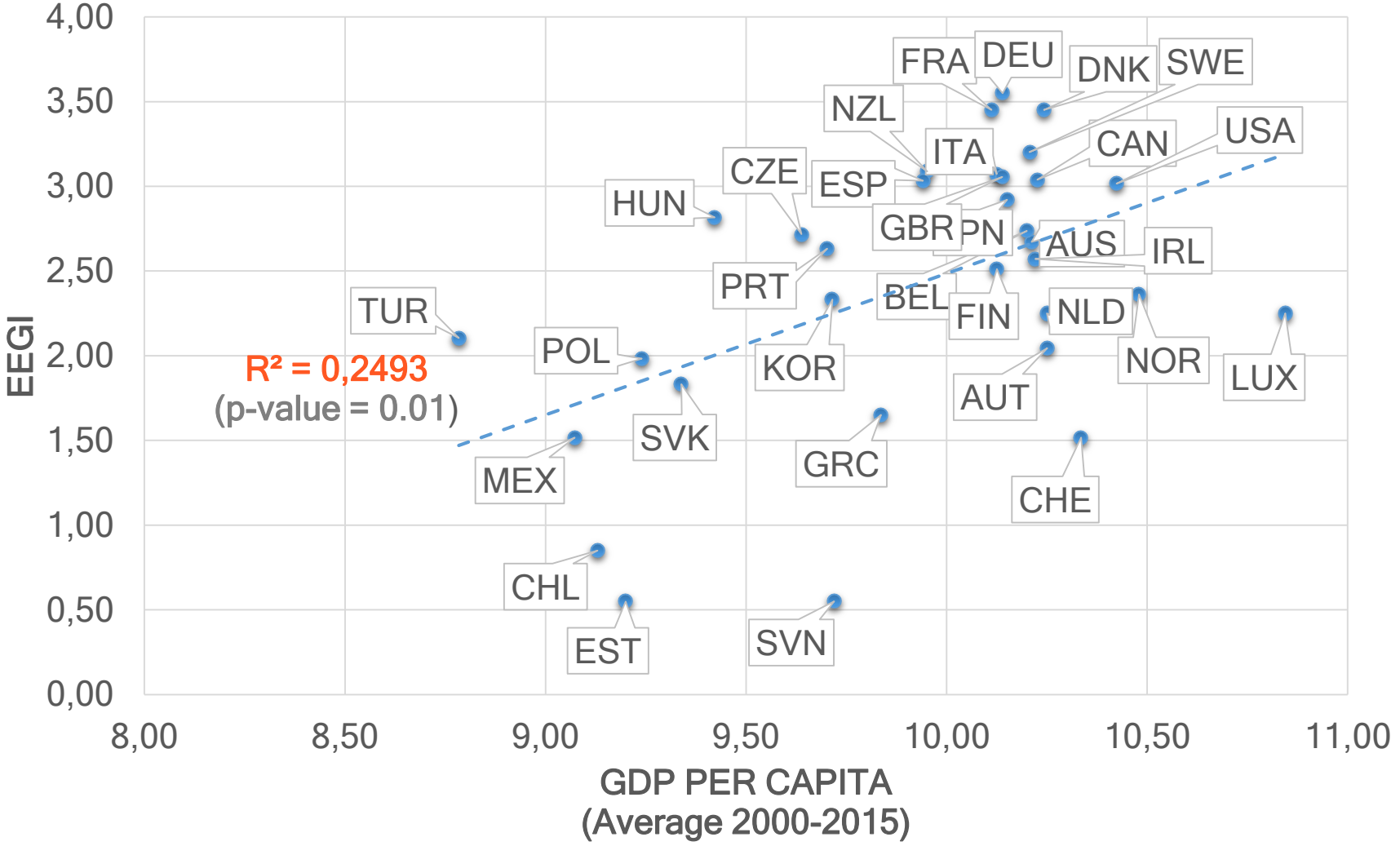
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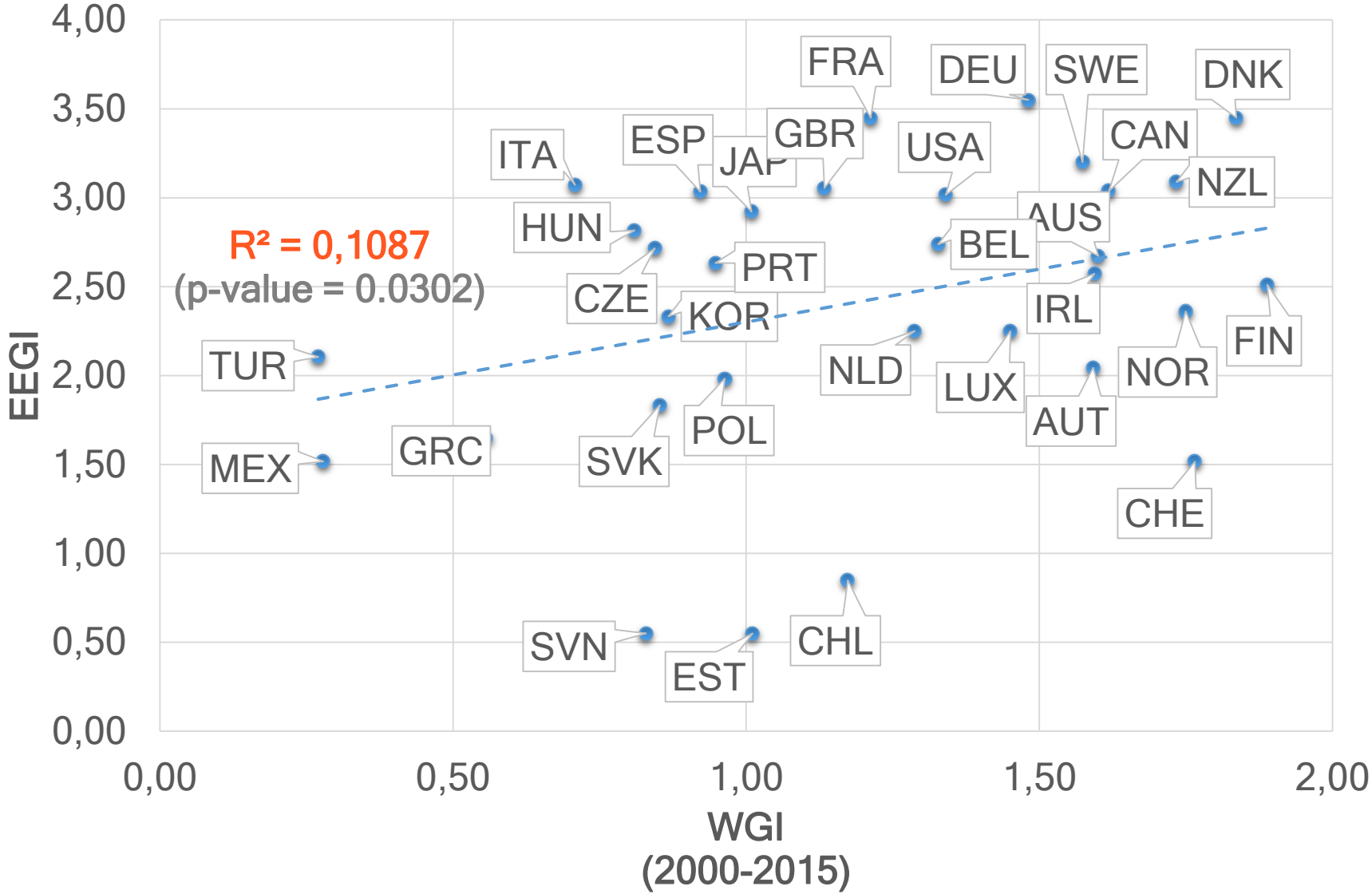
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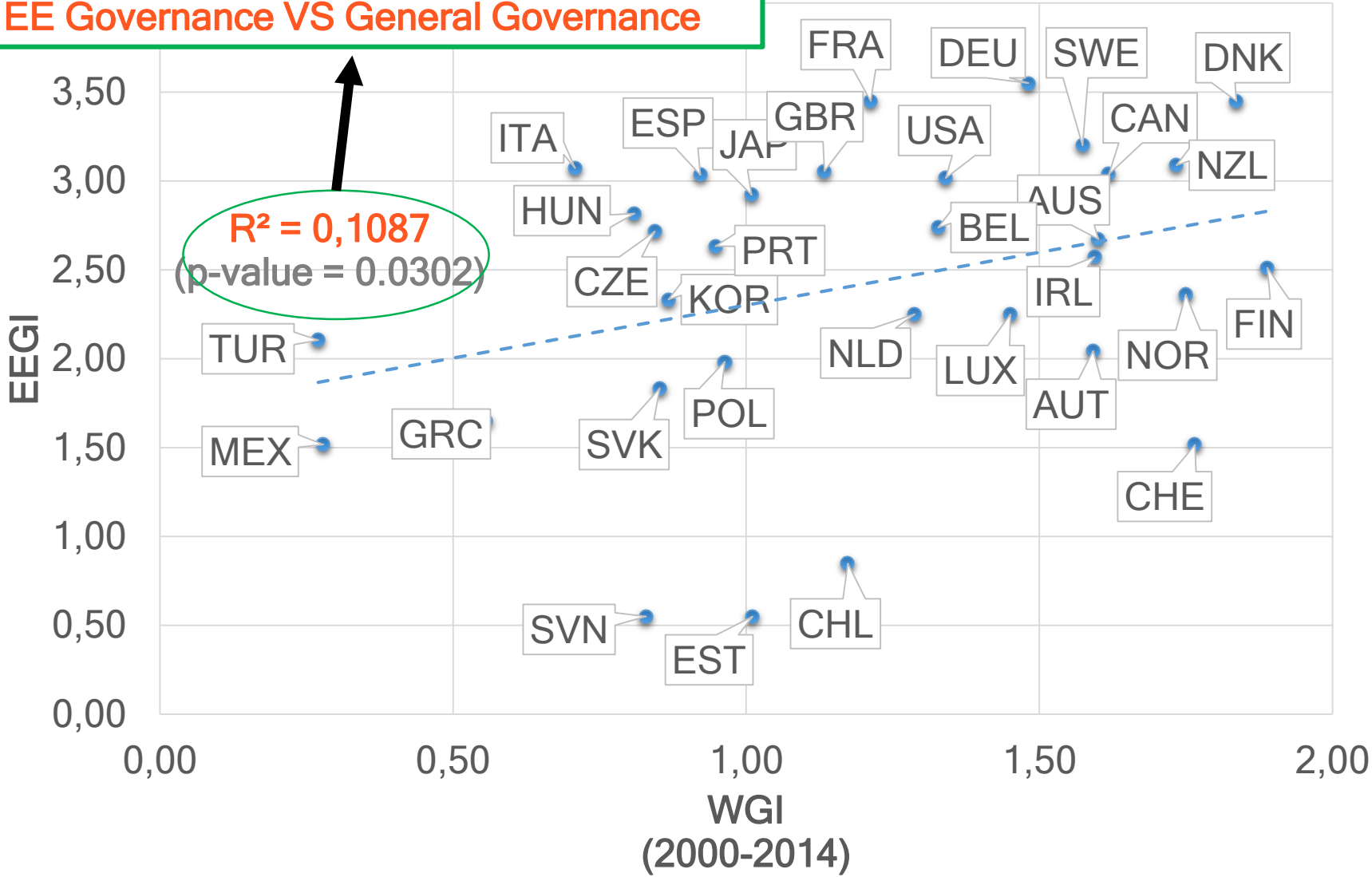
EEGI VS GDP per capita



EEGI VS WGI



Higher correlation with GDP  
**EE Governance VS General Governance**



# 4. Application

# The relationship between EEGI and EE

This work is based on the **stochastic frontier function of energy demand** proposed by M. Filippini and L. Hunt (2011), but also considering the **urbanization rate** as P.K. Adom, K. Amakye, K.K. Abrokwa and C. Quaidoo propose.

$$e_{it} = \alpha + \alpha^y y_{it} + \alpha^p p_{it} + \alpha^{popd} popd_{it} + \alpha^{UR} UR_{it} + \alpha^a A_i + \alpha^{oceanic} Oceanic_i + \alpha^{cold} Cold_i + \alpha^I ASH_{it} + \alpha^A ISH_{it} + u_{it} + v_{it}$$

## Where...

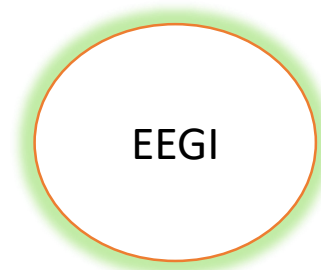
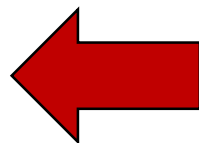
The error term:  $v_{it}$

The inefficiency term:  $u_{it}$

EE is calculated as:  $EE_{it} = E_{it}^F / E_{it} = \exp(-\hat{u}_{it})$ .

## Furthermore...

$$u_{it} = \beta Z_{it} + \varepsilon_{it}$$



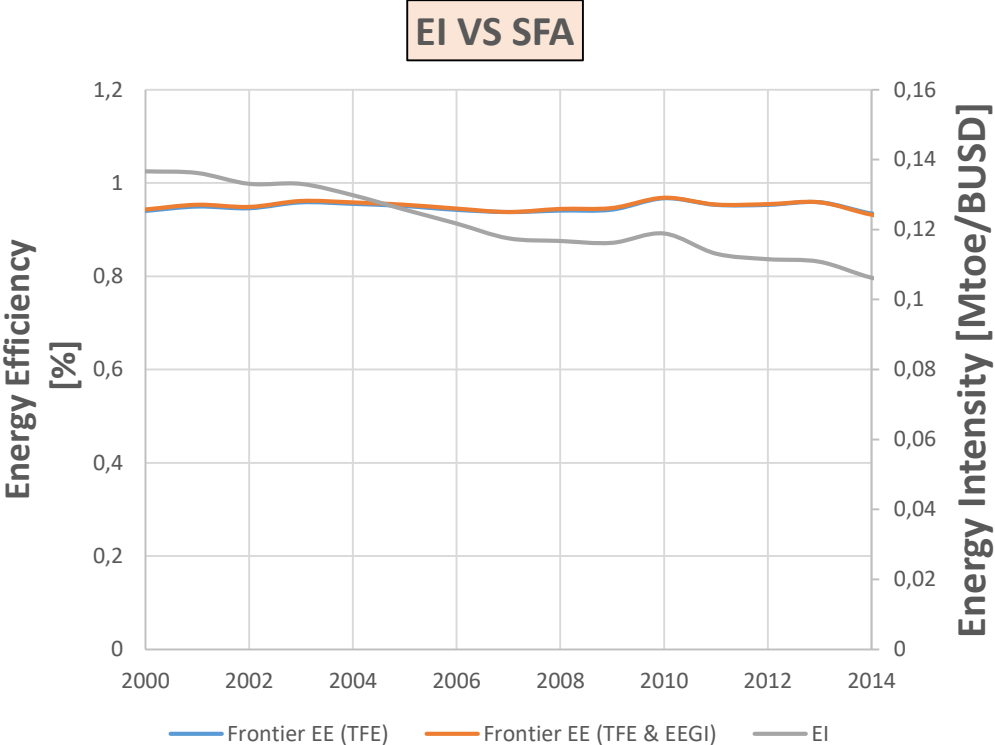
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Parameters of the demand function			
<i>Constant</i>	4.276***	/	4.758***
<i>p</i>	-0.214*	-0.128***	-0.085***
<i>y</i>	0.763***	0.687***	0.645***
<i>pop</i>	0.175***	0.369***	0.280***
<i>a</i>	0.066***	0.088**	0.071***
<i>cold</i>	0.258***	0.638*	0.181***
<i>oceanic</i>	-0.055**	0.298	0.031
<i>ISH</i>	1.719***	4.355***	0.673***
<i>SSH</i>	1.282***	2.825***	0.019
<i>UR</i>	1.489***	1.968***	0.868***
<i>D</i>	-0.012***	-0.013***	-0.012***
Parameters in the one-sided error			
<i>Constant</i>	0.145	-3.332***	-3.732***
<i>IGEE</i>	-1.823***	-1.011***	-1.047***
Variance parameters for the compound error			
<i>Sigma</i>	0.153***	0.031***	0.030***
<i>lambda</i>	0.82***	1.806***	1.517***

\*, \*\*, \*\*\* denotes 10%, 5% and 1% significance level, respectively.



# The relationship between EEGI and EE



## 5. Concluding remarks and futher research

# LET'S REVIEW SOME CONCLUDING REMARKS

## REGARDING THE EEGI

Unpublished index

Required index

Comprehensive results

## REGARDING SFA

Improvements in model results

Improve in EE results

EI is not a good proxy

## FURTHER RESEARCH

### ➤ EEGI VS Energy Intensity (EI)

EI can be used in panels in order to assesses the influence of the EEGI and to compare the results with those obtained in SFA.

### ➤ EEGI in other SFA models

The number of models used can be increased in order to further test the effect of the EEGI.

A blurred office desk scene. In the foreground, a wooden desk holds a brown paper cup on the left, a small grey object in the center, and a pair of glasses on the right. A white computer monitor is on the right side of the desk. The background is out of focus, showing a black office chair and a window with a grid pattern.

ANY QUESTION?  
Thanks!

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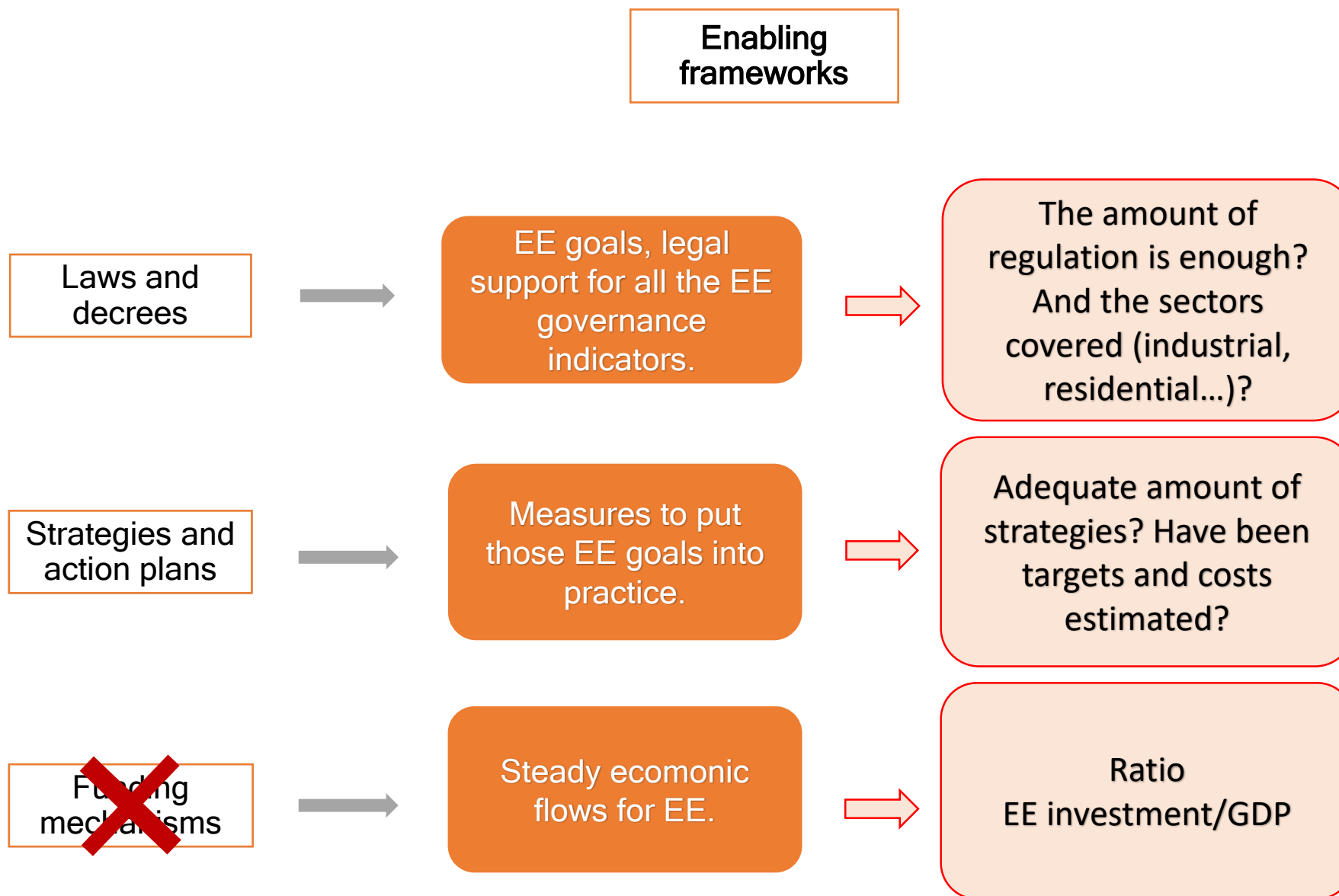
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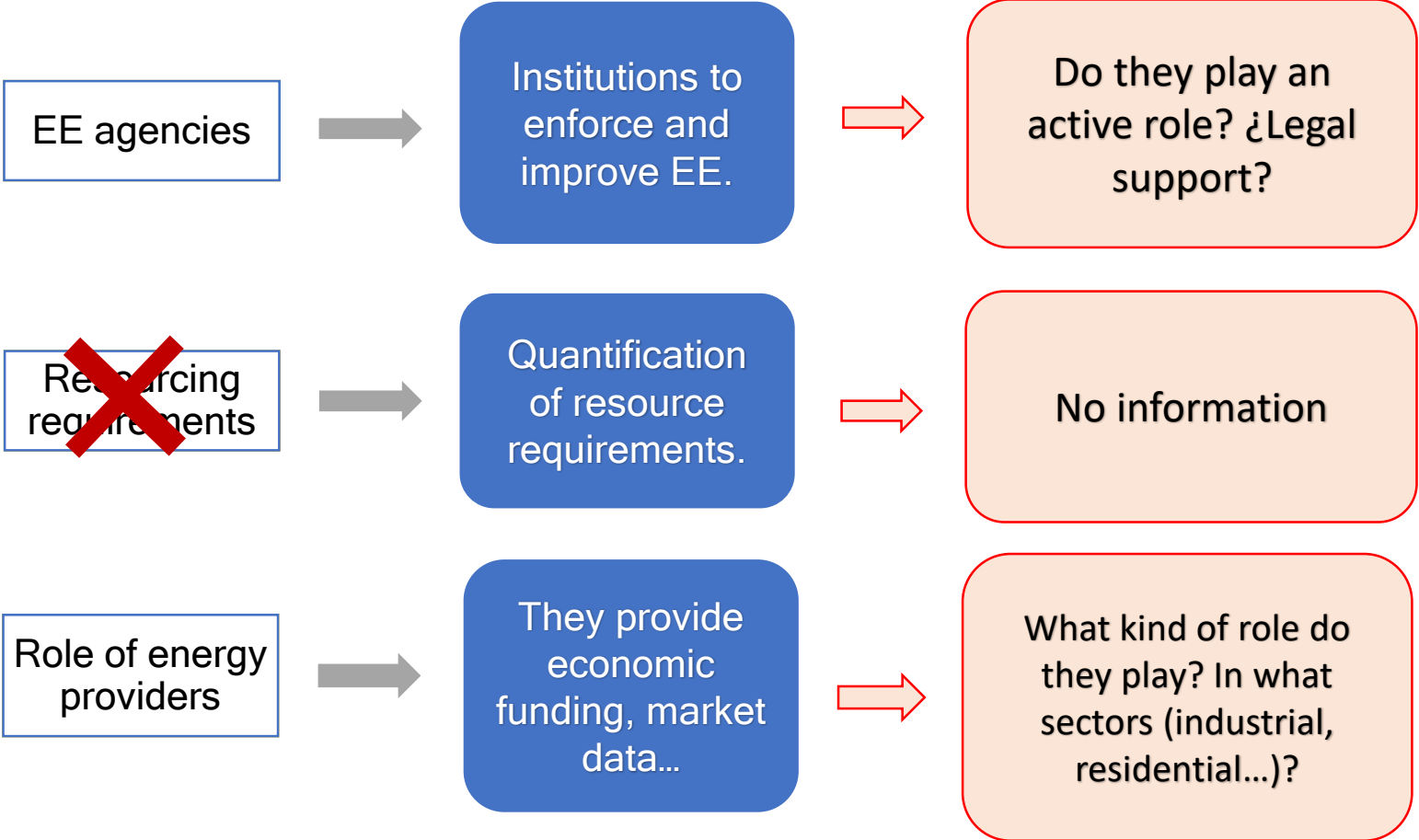
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Institutional arrangements



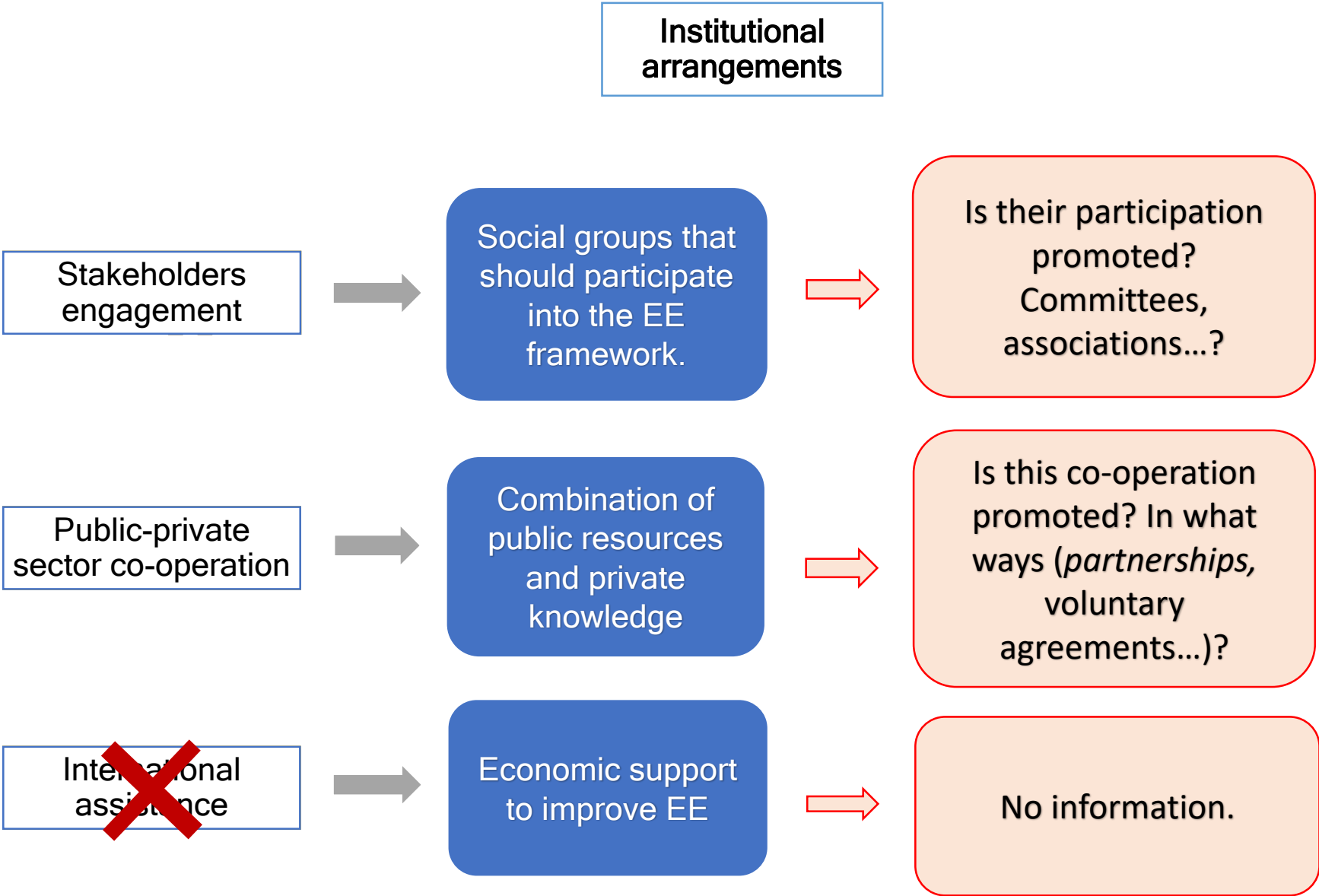


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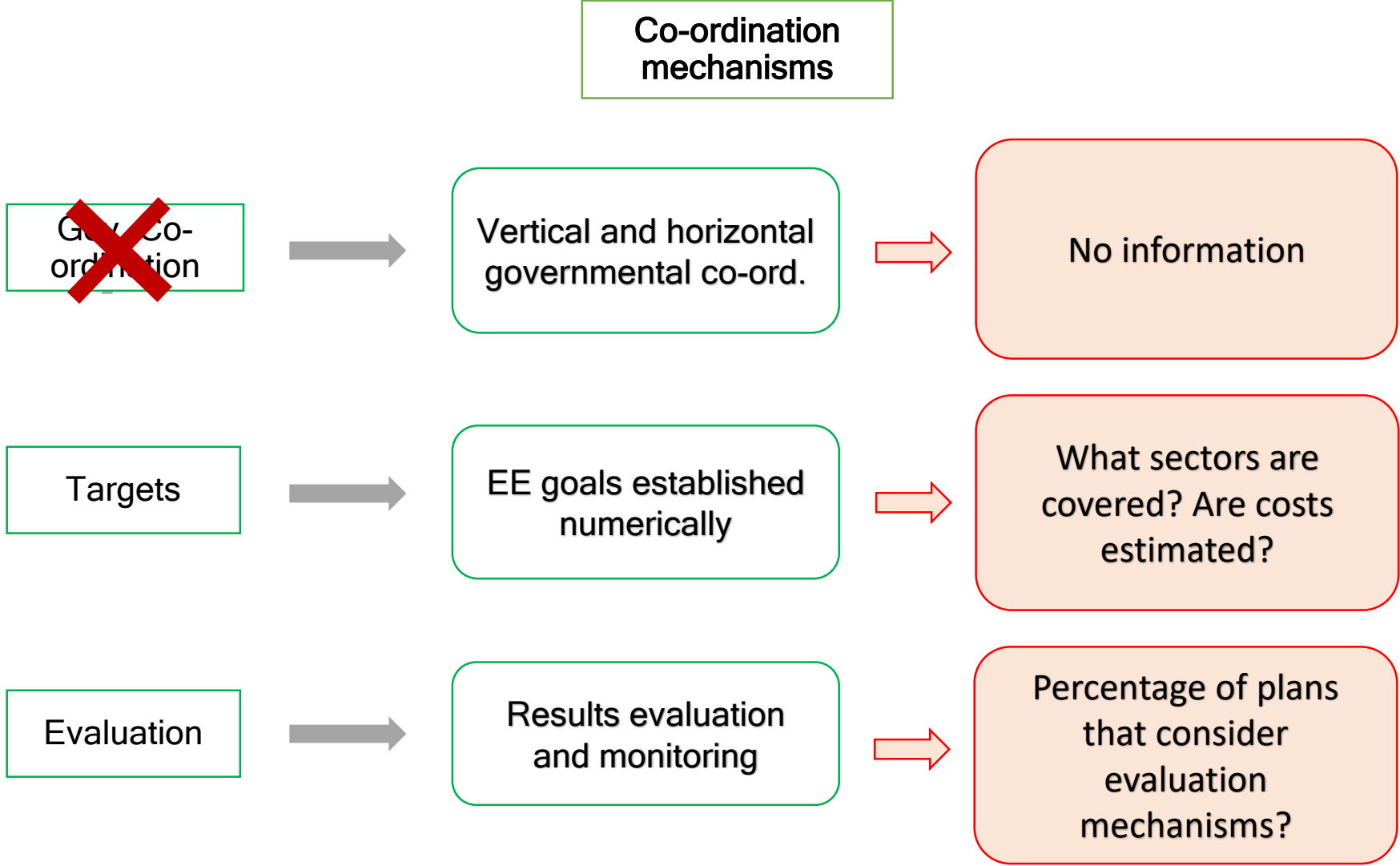


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# ROBUSTNESS ASSESSMENT

## Inter-item and indicator correlations

Spearman correlation to assess the relations between indicators.

The correlations are significant and with the right sign.

## Alpha-Cronbach

It is used to assess whether indicators have been properly grouped.

The results reveal that the grouping is correct.

## Sensitivity analysis

Alternative aggregation methods (PCA, 8-overall EEGI).

The Spearman correlation between the ranks is correct, so the selected aggregation method also is correct.

# ROBUSTNESS RESULTS

	Average interitem correlation	No. Of ítems	Alpha-Cronbach
<i>Sub-indices</i>			
Enabling frameworks	0.54	2	0.64
Institutional arrangements	0.50	4	0.70
Co-ordination mechanism	0.68	2	0.65
<i>Basic overall EEGI</i> (3 sub-índices average)	0.52	3	0.83
<i>Basic 8-overall EEGI</i> (8 indicators average)	0.51	8	0.83

Country	Basic overall EEGI			Extended overall EEGI		
	Score	Rank	Quartile	Score	Rank	Quartile
Germany	3.55	1	Q1	3.42	1	Q1
Denmark	3.45	2	Q1			
France	3.45	2	Q1	3.28	2	Q1
Sweden	3.20	4	Q1			
New Zealand	3.09	5	Q1			
Italy	3.07	6	Q1	2.95	3	Q1
United Kingdom	3.06	7	Q1	2.88	5	Q1
Canada	3.04	8	Q1			
Spain	3.03	9	Q2	2.90	4	Q1
United States	3.02	10	Q2			
Japan	2.92	11	Q2			
Hungary	2.82	12	Q2	2.56	7	Q2
Belgium	2.74	13	Q2	2.48	9	Q2
Czech Republic	2.72	14	Q2	2.65	6	Q2
Australia	2.67	15	Q2			
Portugal	2.63	16	Q2	2.39	10	Q3
Ireland	2.57	17	Q3	2.49	8	Q2
Finland	2.51	18	Q3	2.34	11	Q3
Norway	2.36	19	Q3			
Korea	2.33	20	Q3			
Netherlands	2.25	21	Q3	2.22	12	Q3
Luxembourg	2.25	21	Q3			
Turkey	2.11	23	Q3	1.96	16	Q4
Austria	2.04	24	Q3	2.10	13	Q3
Poland	1.98	25	Q4	1.99	14	Q3
Slovakia	1.83	26	Q4	1.99	15	Q4
Greece	1.65	27	Q4	1.59	17	Q4
Mexico	1.52	28	Q4			
Switzerland	1.52	28	Q4			
Chile	0.85	30	Q4			
Slovenia	0.55	31	Q4	0.85	18	Q4
Estonia	0.55	31	Q4			
<b>PROMEDIO</b>	<b>2.42</b>			<b>2.39</b>		
Desv. Estándar	0.785			0.597		



## SCORES BY SUB-INDICES

### Enabling frameworks

- The sub-index most correlated with the EEGI.
- L&D is the indicator accounting the highest correlation with the overall EEGI.

### Institutional arrangements

- Well-correlated with the overall EEGI.
- Implementing agencies is the most important indicator.

### Co-ordination mechanisms

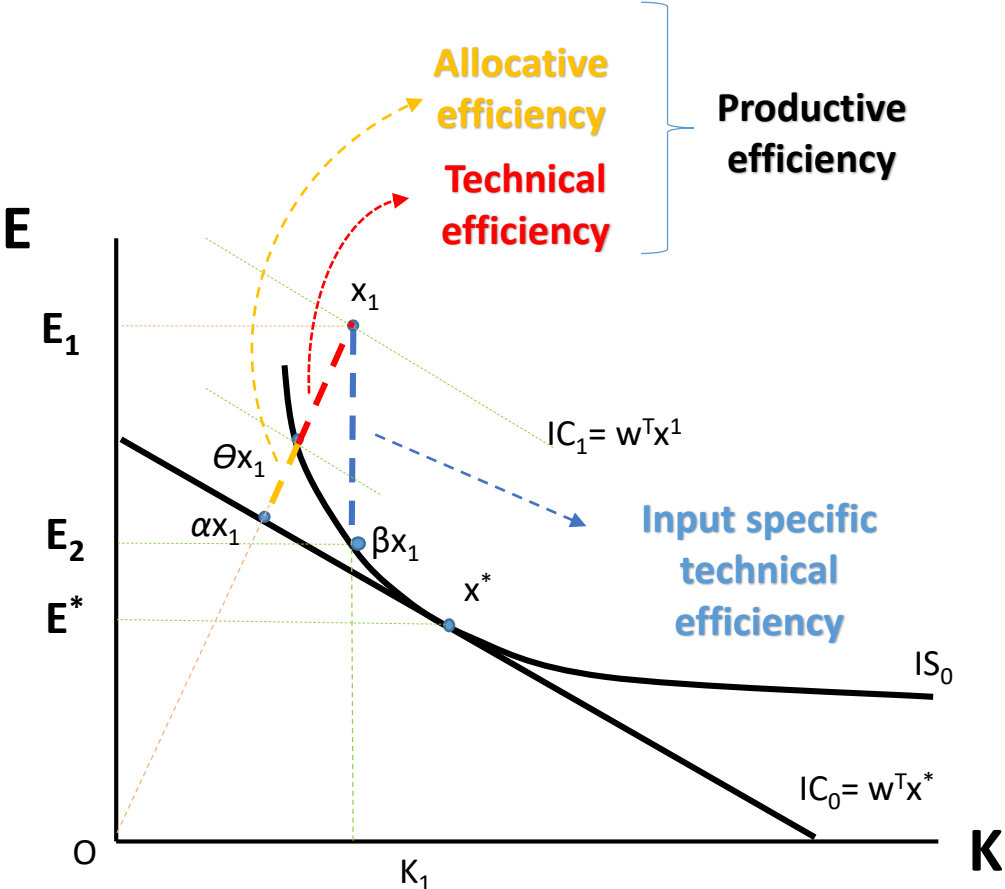
- High scores → Targets are widely considered.
- ¿Improving government co-ordination indicator?

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Germany	3.60	1	Q1	3.05	4	Q1	4.00	1	Q1
Spain	3.60	1	Q1	2.00	15	Q2	3.50	7	Q1
Italy	3.50	4	Q1	2.72	8	Q1	3.00	13	Q2
United Kingdom	3.20	5	Q1	2.97	6	Q1	3.00	13	Q2
Canada	3.20	5	Q1	3.42	1	Q1	2.50	21	Q3
France	3.10	7	Q1	3.25	2	Q1	4.00	1	Q1
Sweden	3.10	7	Q1	3.00	5	Q1	3.50	7	Q1
United States	3.10	7	Q1	2.95	7	Q1	3.00	13	Q2
Belgium	3.10	7	Q1	2.12	12	Q2	3.00	13	Q2
Hungary	3.10	7	Q1	1.35	22	Q3	4.00	1	Q1
Luxembourg	3.10	7	Q1	1.15	24	Q3	2.50	21	Q3
Czech Republic	3.00	13	Q2	1.15	24	Q3	4.00	1	Q1
Portugal	3.00	13	Q2	1.40	21	Q3	3.50	7	Q1
Japan	2.70	15	Q2	2.07	13	Q2	4.00	1	Q1
Norway	2.70	15	Q2	1.88	17	Q3	2.50	21	Q3
Korea	2.70	15	Q2	1.80	19	Q3	2.50	21	Q3
Austria	2.70	15	Q2	1.93	16	Q2	1.50	28	Q4
New Zealand	2.60	19	Q3	2.67	9	Q2	4.00	1	Q1
Slovakia	2.60	19	Q3	0.90	29	Q4	2.00	27	Q4
Ireland	2.30	21	Q3	2.42	10	Q2	3.00	13	Q2
Finland	2.30	21	Q3	1.73	20	Q3	3.50	7	Q1
Poland	2.30	21	Q3	1.15	24	Q3	2.50	21	Q3
Australia	2.20	24	Q3	2.32	11	Q2	3.50	7	Q1
Greece	2.10	25	Q4	1.35	22	Q3	1.50	28	Q4
Netherlands	1.90	26	Q4	1.85	18	Q3	3.00	13	Q2
Turkey	1.30	27	Q4	2.02	14	Q2	3.00	13	Q2
Chile	0.90	28	Q4	1.15	24	Q3	0.50	30	Q4
Mexico	0.90	28	Q4	0.65	30	Q4	3.00	13	Q2
Switzerland	0.90	28	Q4	1.15	24	Q3	2.50	21	Q3
Slovenia	0.50	31	Q4	0.65	30	Q4	0.50	30	Q4
Estonia	0.50	31	Q4	0.65	30	Q4	0.50	30	Q4
<b>PROMEDIO</b>	<b>2.48</b>			<b>1.94</b>			<b>2.83</b>		
Desv. Estándar	0.907			0.827			1.006		

# EE: Energy Intensity VS Stochastic frontiers

Energy Intensity (EI) is one the most commonly used indicators used to approximate EE performance. EI → Drawbacks

Instead, in this work Stochastic Frontiers Analysis (SFA) is used.





# The relationship between EEGI and EE

$$e_{it} = \alpha + \alpha^y y_{it} + \alpha^p p_{it} + \alpha^{popd} popd_{it} + \alpha^{UR} UR_{it} + \alpha^a A_i + \alpha^{oceanic} Oceanic_i + \alpha^{cold} Cold_i + \alpha^I ASH_{it} + \alpha^A ISH_{it} + u_{it} + v_{it}$$

Variable	Mean	Std Dev	Min	Max	Obs	Source
<i>e</i>	11.153	1.286	8.457	14.665	464	IEA
<i>p</i>	4.540	0.137	4.187	4.835	464	IEA
<i>y</i>	6.407	1.284	3.038	9.717	464	IEA
<i>pop</i>	2.929	1.271	0.270	5.774	464	IEA
<i>a</i>	19.290	1.614	17.260	22.984	464	IEA
<i>cold</i>	0.241	0.428	0	1	464	OE <sup>a</sup>
<i>oceanic</i>	0.310	0.463	0	1	464	OE <sup>a</sup>
<i>ISH</i>	0.257	0.051	0.137	0.403	456 <sup>b</sup>	WB
<i>SSH</i>	0.622	0.062	0.481	0.764	456 <sup>b</sup>	WB
<i>UR</i>	0.757	0.102	0.534	0.979	464	WB
<i>IGEE</i>	2.540	0.677	0.55	3.55	464	OE

IEA: International Energy Agency; OE: Own Elaboration; WB: World Bank.

<sup>a</sup> Köppen-Geiger climate classification.

<sup>b</sup> There is no available data for Canada between 2000-2006 and 2015.

# The relationship between EEGI and EE

Coefficient	TFE (Greene 2005)		
Parameters of the demand function			
$\rho$	-0.068**	-0.125***	-0.323***
$\gamma$	0.582***	0.672***	0.194***
$\rho\alpha$	0.442***	0.392***	0.406**
$a$	0.089**	0.089*	0.074**
$cold$	0.527***	0.650**	0.906***
$oceanic$	0.248	0.315***	0.983**
$ISH$	4.772***	4.338***	5.523***
$SSH$	3.104***	2.646***	2.035***
$UR$	1.937***	2.029***	1.515***
$D$	-0.013***	-0.013***	-0.009***
Parameters in the one-sided error			
$Constant$	-4.142***	-4.386***	-5.716***
$EF$	-0.660***	/	/
$IA$	/	-0.687***	/
$CM$	/	/	-0.209
Variance parameters for the compound error			
$\sigma$	0.032***	0.031***	0.053***
$\lambda$	1.744***	1.892***	0.794***
Average EE scores			
$EF$	0.947	/	/
$IA$	/	0.945	/
$CM$	/	/	0.959

# OVERVIEW

## Applications

4.1. EI vs SFA

4.2. EEGI and EE

# The relationship between EEGI and EE

country	TFE	Rank	TFE1	Rank	$\Delta$	IGEE3
Australia	0.96	10	0.96	14	4	2.67
Austria	0.93	25	0.92	27	2	2.04
Belgium	0.96	5	0.97	6	1	2.74
Canada	0.97	1	0.97	3	2	3.04
Czech Republic	0.96	9	0.96	9	0	2.72
Denmark	0.95	18	0.96	10	-8	3.45
Estonia	0.90	28	0.86	29	1	0.55
Finland	0.94	22	0.93	21	-1	2.51
France	0.97	2	0.98	1	-1	3.45
Germany	0.97	4	0.98	2	-2	3.55
Greece	0.94	21	0.93	22	1	1.65
Hungary	0.96	7	0.97	7	0	2.82
Ireland	0.93	23	0.93	23	0	2.57
Italy	0.96	13	0.97	8	-5	3.07
Japan	0.94	20	0.95	16	-4	2.92
Korea	0.96	8	0.96	12	4	2.33
Mexico	0.96	16	0.94	20	4	1.52
Netherlands	0.93	24	0.93	24	0	2.25
New Zealand	0.92	27	0.92	25	-2	3.09
Norway	0.93	26	0.92	26	0	2.36
Poland	0.96	14	0.95	18	4	1.98
Portugal	0.96	11	0.96	13	2	2.63
Slovak Republic	0.88	29	0.88	28	-1	1.83
Spain	0.96	12	0.96	11	-1	3.03
Sweden	0.96	15	0.97	5	-10	3.2
Switzerland	0.96	6	0.95	17	11	1.52
Turkey	0.95	17	0.95	19	2	2.11
United Kingdom	0.95	19	0.96	15	-4	3.05
United States	0.97	3	0.97	4	1	3.02
<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>0.949</b>		<b>0.947</b>		<b>2.69</b>	<b>2.54</b>

