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CODEX

THE ELABORATION OF CODEX STANDARDS

Summary of the Step Process

Process to Develop/Revise Codex Text

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4. CODEX'S 8-STEP PROCESS : STEPS 1- 4

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Commission approves new work based on Project Document and the recommendations of the Executive Committee.



Step 1



Step 2

A first proposed draft version of the text is prepared – Working Group, Secretariat, Member, etc

The proposed draft text is circulated by the Codex Secretariat to Codex members and observers for comment.



Step 3



Step 4

The proposed Draft text and any comments received are considered by the Committee.



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At Step 4, the Committee can Decide to:

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Step 4 THE PROPOSED DRAFT TEXT AND ANY COMMENTS RECEIVED ARE CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE.

Return to step 2

- i. Return the proposed draft text to Step 2 for re-drafting, taking into consideration decisions/comments agreed to during the Committee session,



retain at Step 4

- iii. The Committee can agree to retain the text at Step 4 for further consideration at its next meeting (text is NOT recirculated for comment), or



Re-circulate at Step 3

- ii. The Committee can agree to make changes during its plenary session and agree to re-circulate the document at Step 3 for comments on changes made



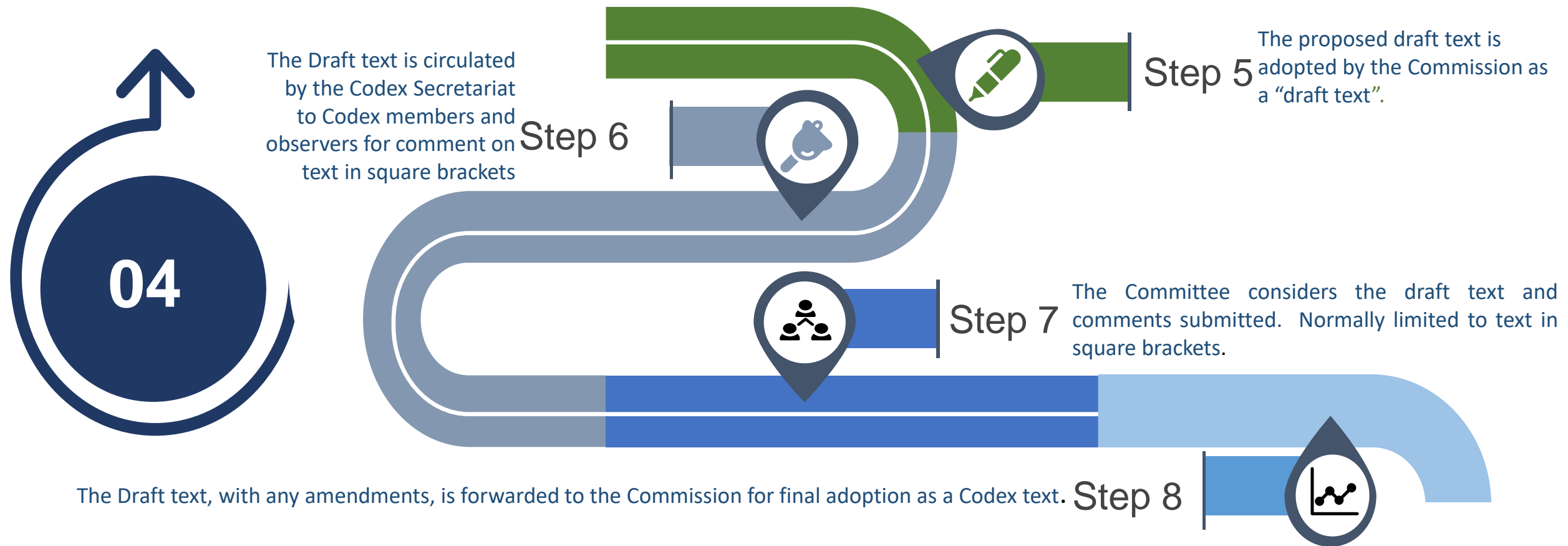
advance at Step 5

- i. Committee can agree to advance the text to the Commission with a recommendation for adoption at Step 5 as a draft text.



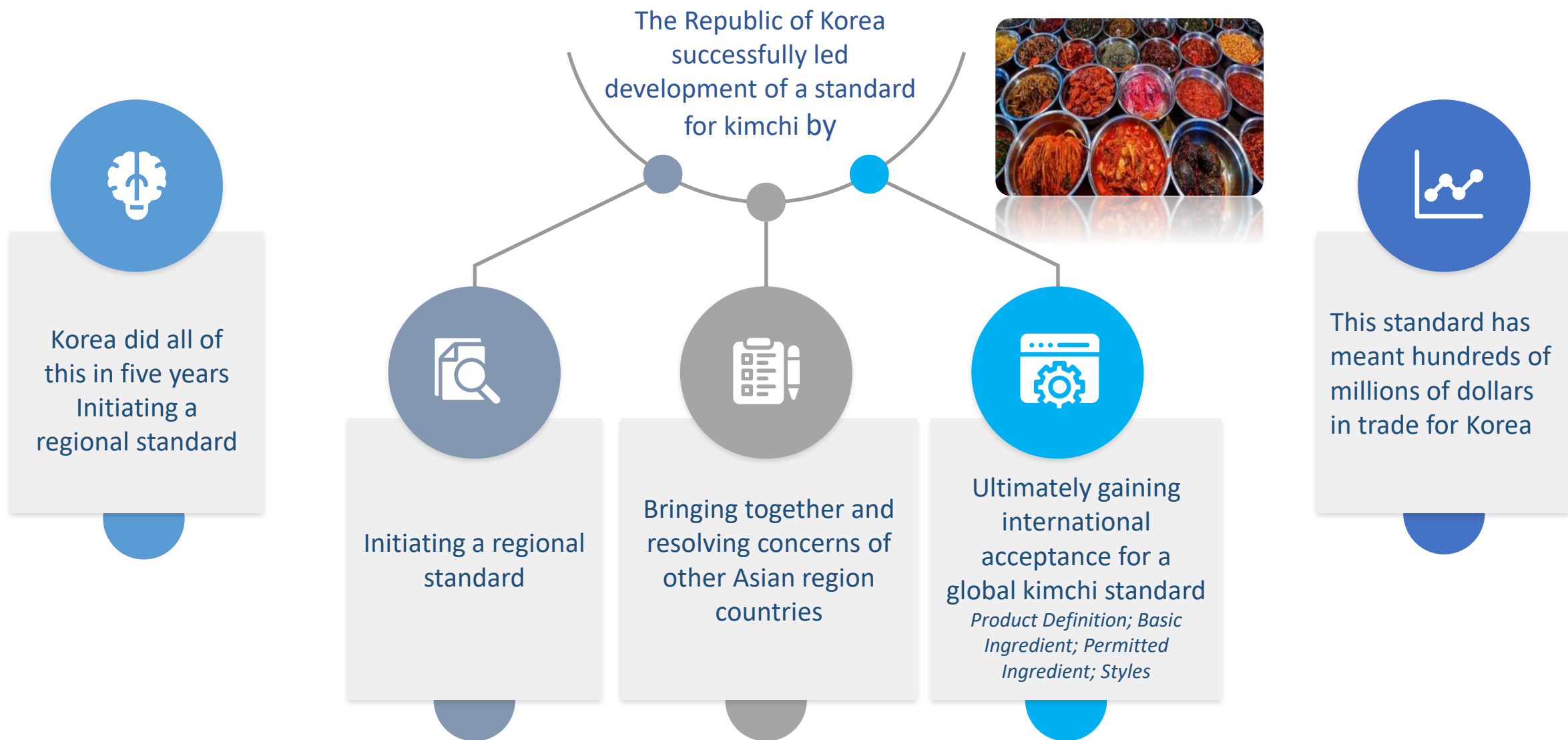
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4. CODEX'S 8-STEP PROCESS : STEPS 5-8



IT IS POSSIBLE FOR A STANDARD TO BE ADOPTED AT STEP 5/8 ONCE ALL DISCUSSIONS POINTS ARE ADDRESSED AT STEP 4 AND THERE IS CONSENSUS TO RECOMMEND THE ADOPTION OF THE STANDARD BY THE COMMITTEE

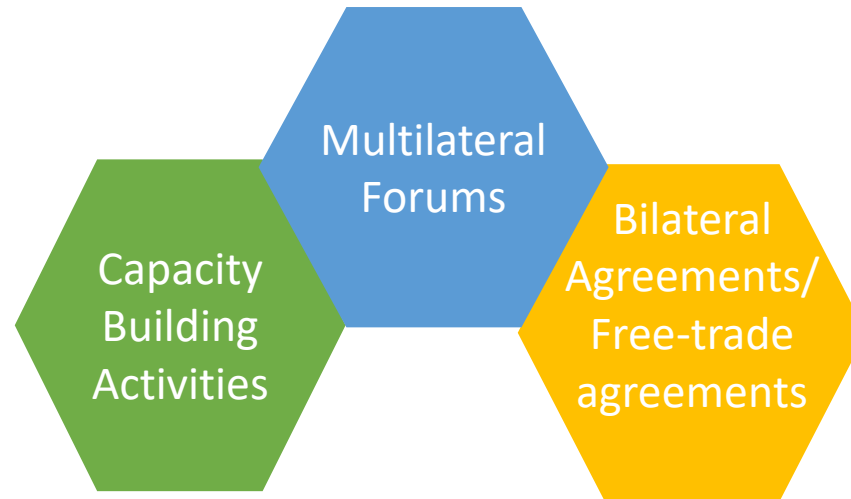
Case Study of Success



Standard Established – Now What ?

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- ❑ Codex Standards are useful – if/when it is adopted or adapted by national food competent authorities
- ❑ Adoption or alignment Supported through



- Establishing national regulatory systems based on Codex

- Adoptions/use of Codex standards is a key component

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