



CBRN  
**Centres  
of Excellence**  
*An initiative of the European Union*



Chemical Biological Radiological Nuclear - Centres of Excellence

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## **CBRN Centres of Excellence: Structure and Activities**

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**Responsibilities are often fragmented**

**Standard communication channels and procedures are key**

**International best practices can be transferred across the different CBRN areas**

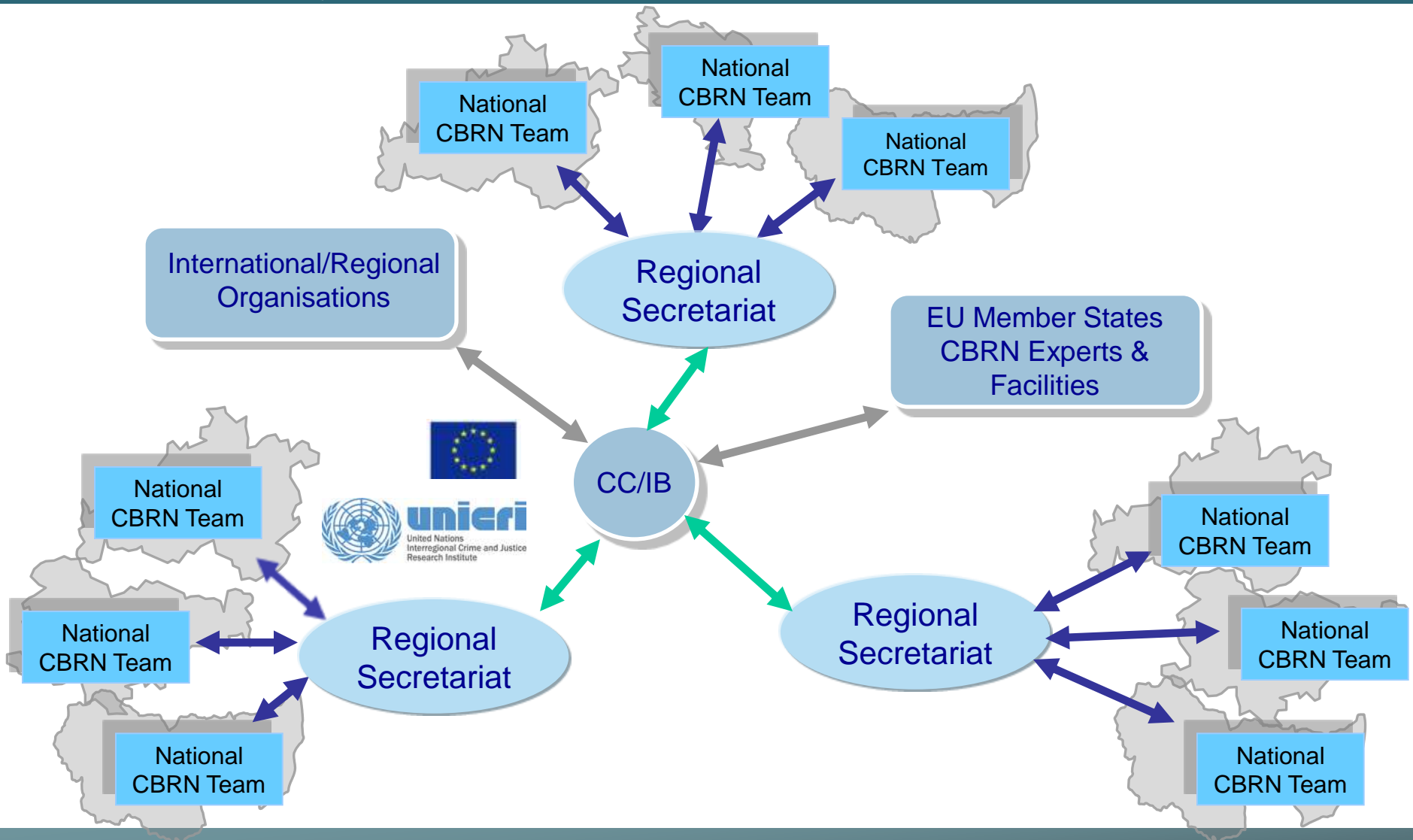
**Technical assistance should be combined with policy development**



**Ownership by the country: to generate genuine ownership of its policy and its implementation by national bodies**

**Decentralized network: in order to rapidly adapt to new situations, to guarantee ownership and to ensure effective sharing of tasks and responsibilities**







**South East Europe and the Caucasus /Ukraine (Tbilisi)**

**South East Asia (Manila)**

**North Africa (Algiers)**

**African Atlantic Facade (Rabat)**

**Middle East (Amman)**

**CoE has been launched in:**

**Central Asia**

**Sub-Saharan Africa**

**Gulf Cooperation Countries**





## Head of Secretariat

Appointed by partner country

## Deputy Head of Secretariat

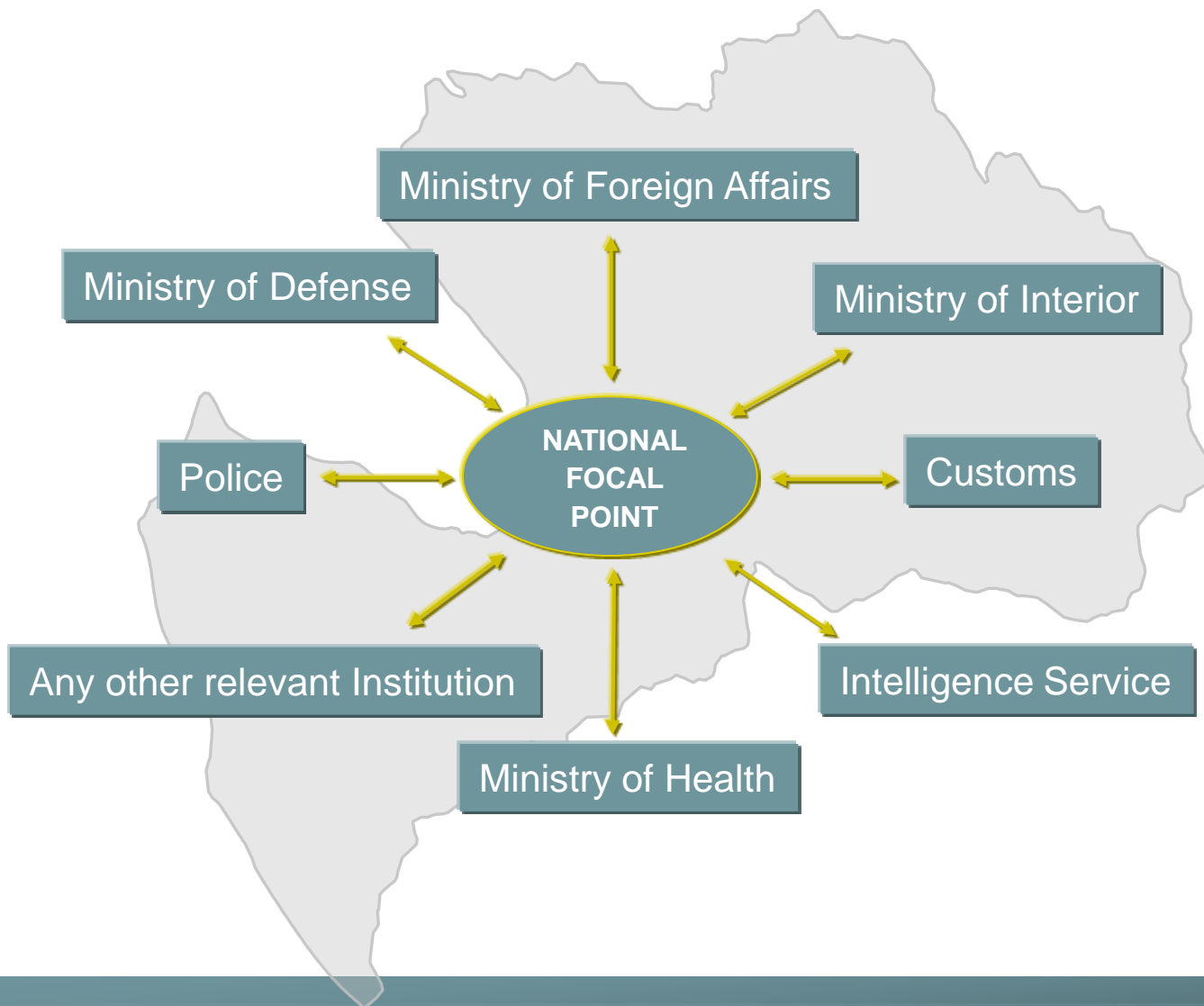
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## Coordinator Administrative Support

UNICRI full time available

## Regional CBRN Experts

part time in the secretariat, part time in missions  
with EU-JRC-UNICRI experts  
Appointed by partner countries





**Composed** of experts from all **relevant bodies**

Appointed by their **Government** relying on **existing national structures**

Responsible for assessing their specific **countries' needs**

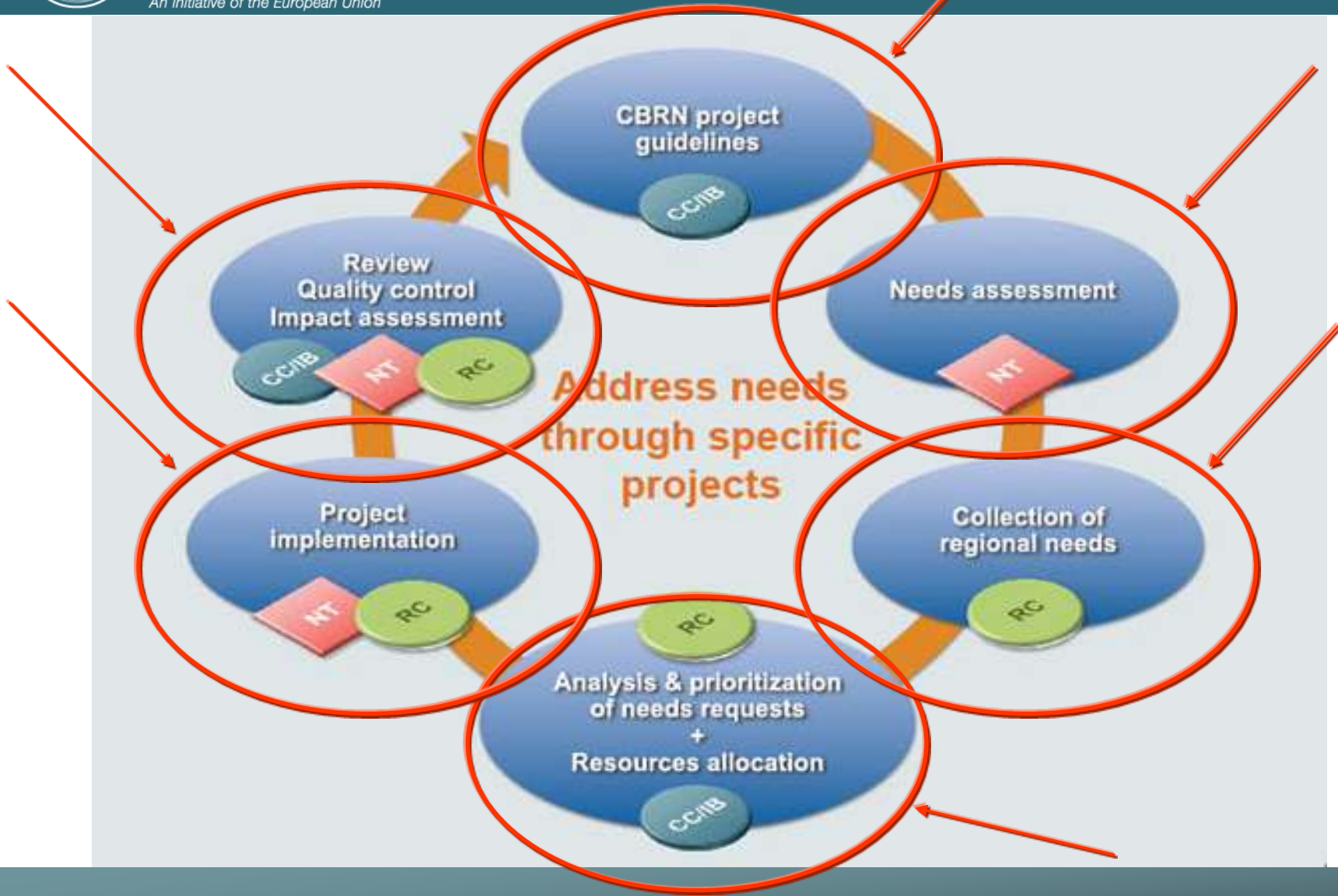
Responsible for **collecting** all relevant data from national bodies

Responsible for the **implementation** of supporting activities in their country





# Cycle of Activities





- Reinforcement of National CBRN policy**
- Membership of a CBRN network of experts**
- Enhancing coordination and integration through the establishment of National Teams**
- Needs addressed through specific projects**
- Maximize existing capacities in the region**



## Publication of Call for Proposals for 19 actions

1 February 2012

On:

[www.UNICRI.it](http://www.UNICRI.it)

[www.cbrn-coe.eu](http://www.cbrn-coe.eu)

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