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Coding a Global Good for UHC & USP

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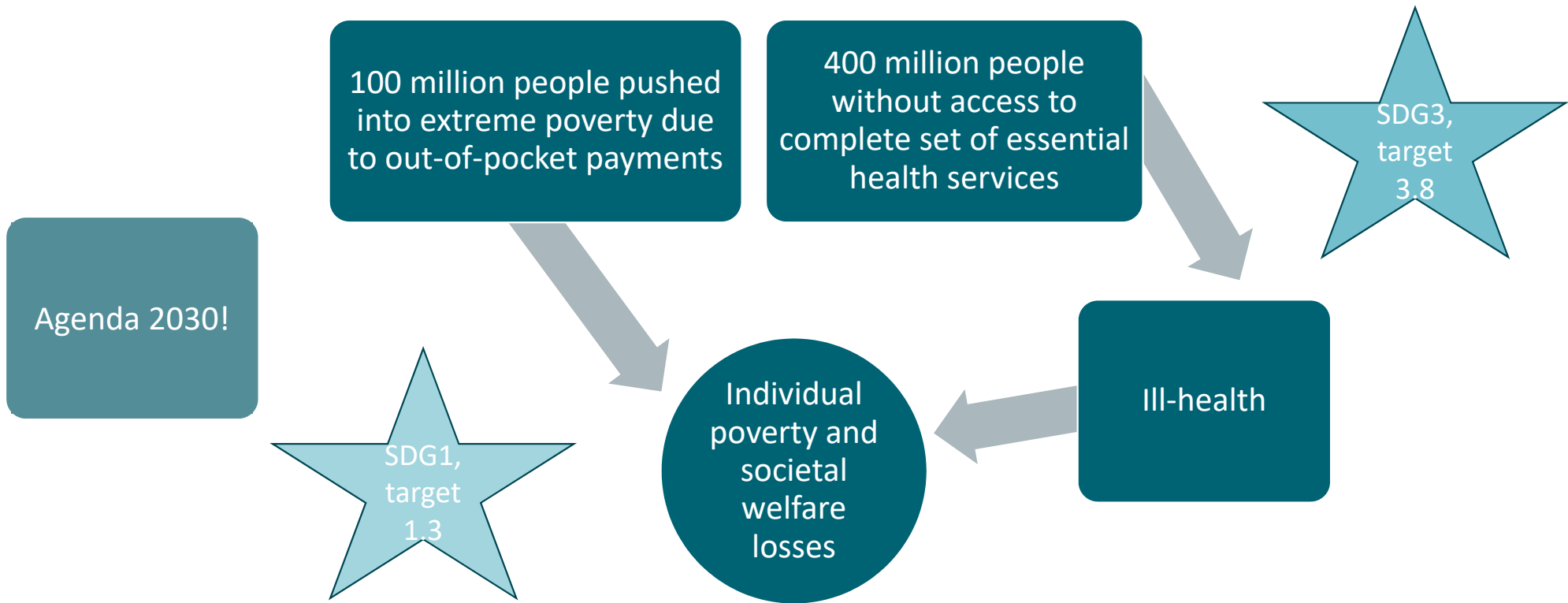
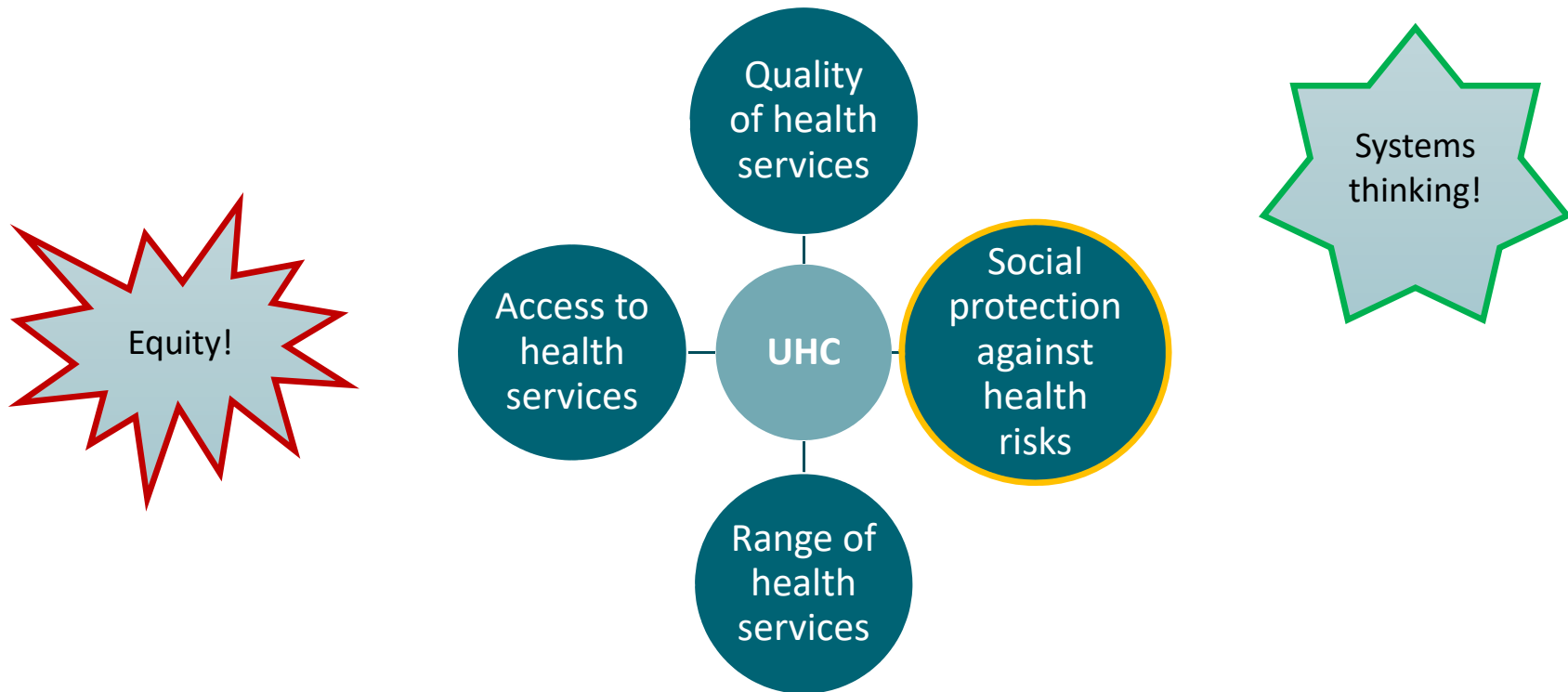Alicia Spengler, Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH (GIZ)

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The issue at hand

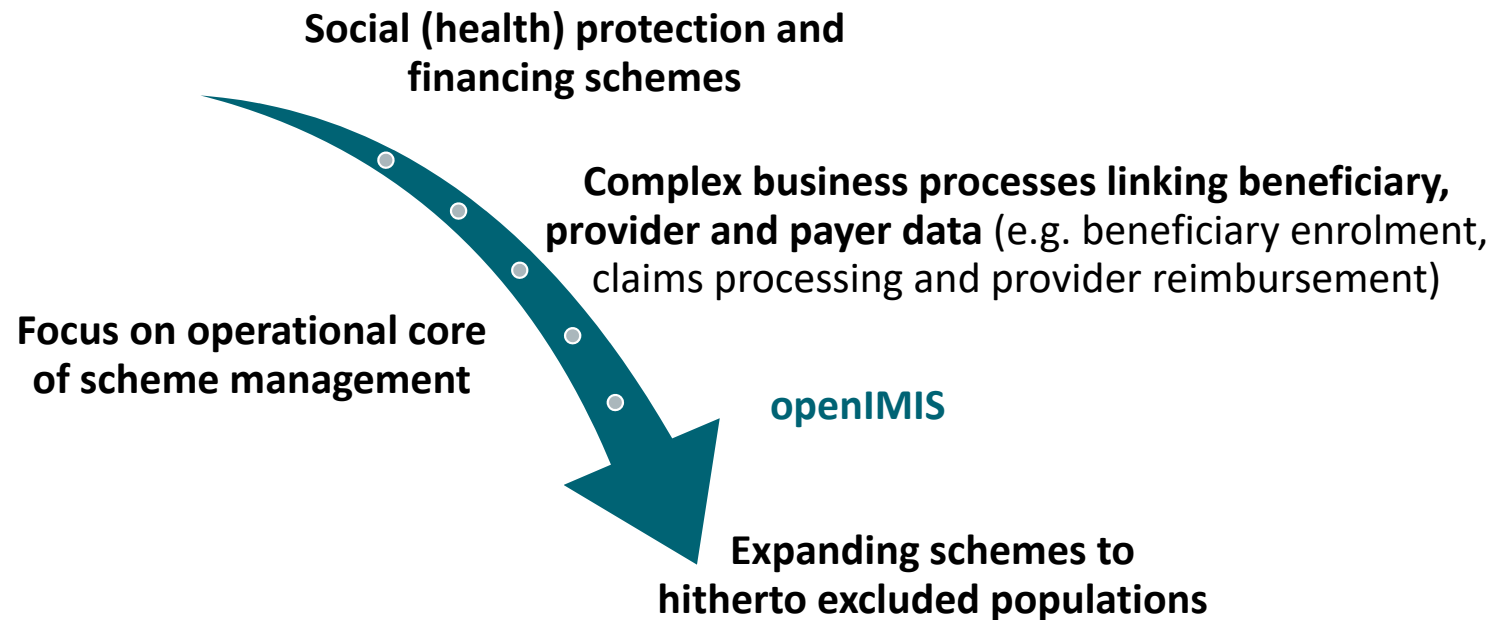100 million people pushed into extreme poverty due to out-of-pocket payments

400 million people without access to complete set of essential health services

SDG3, target 3.8

Agenda 2030!

SDG1, target 1.3

Individual poverty and societal welfare losses

Ill-health

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Universal Health Coverage – a SDG 3 target and systemic approach to health

Equity!

Quality of health services

Access to health services

UHC

Social protection against health risks

Range of health services

Systems thinking!

Health financing toward UHC

- Health financing is essential for countries on their way to Universal Health Coverage (UHC)

- WHO defines health financing as the "*function of a health system concerned with the mobilization, accumulation and allocation of money to cover the health needs of the people, individually and collectively, in the health system*"

- A health purchaser is any institution that buys health care goods, services, and interventions on behalf of a covered population.

- Health purchasers need data to manage their health financing schemes.

Why openIMIS?

Social (health) protection and
financing schemes

Complex business processes linking beneficiary,
provider and payer data (e.g. beneficiary enrolment,
claims processing and provider reimbursement)

Focus on operational core
of scheme management

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Expanding schemes to
hitherto excluded populations
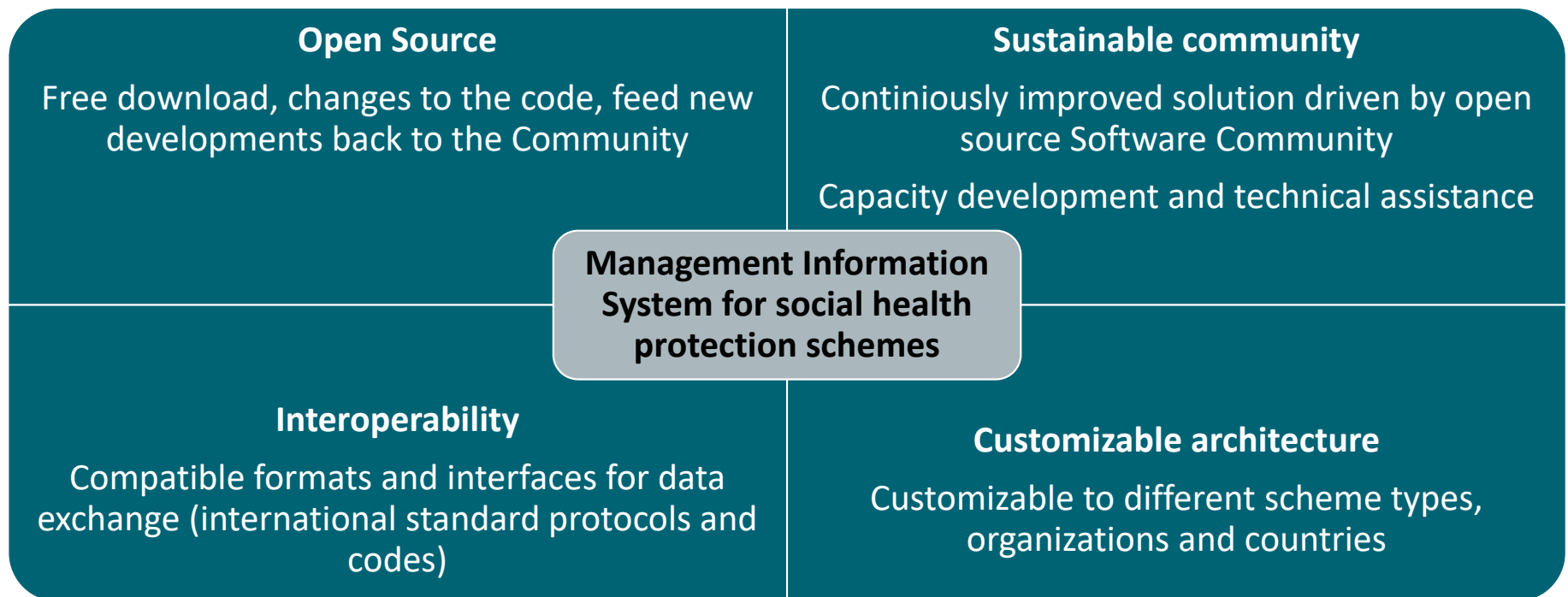
Vision and mission of openIMIS Initiative

Vision

The implementation of a continuously improved open source Management Information System for social (health) protection schemes (openIMIS) will lead to effectively managed social (health) protection schemes, and ultimately contribute to universal health coverage and universal social protection.

Mission

Continuously and collaboratively develop shared, open-source software to improve data and information management of social (health) protection schemes for universal health coverage and universal social protection in low and middle-income countries, making openIMIS a freely available Global Good.

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openIMIS – a Global Good advancing the Agenda 2030 and SDGs

Open Source

Free download, changes to the code, feed new developments back to the Community

Sustainable community

Continiously improved solution driven by open source Software Community

Capacity development and technical assistance

Management Information System for social health protection schemes

Interoperability

Compatible formats and interfaces for data exchange (international standard protocols and codes)

Customizable architecture

Customizable to different scheme types, organizations and countries

Governance Structure

Governance structure of other Initiatives

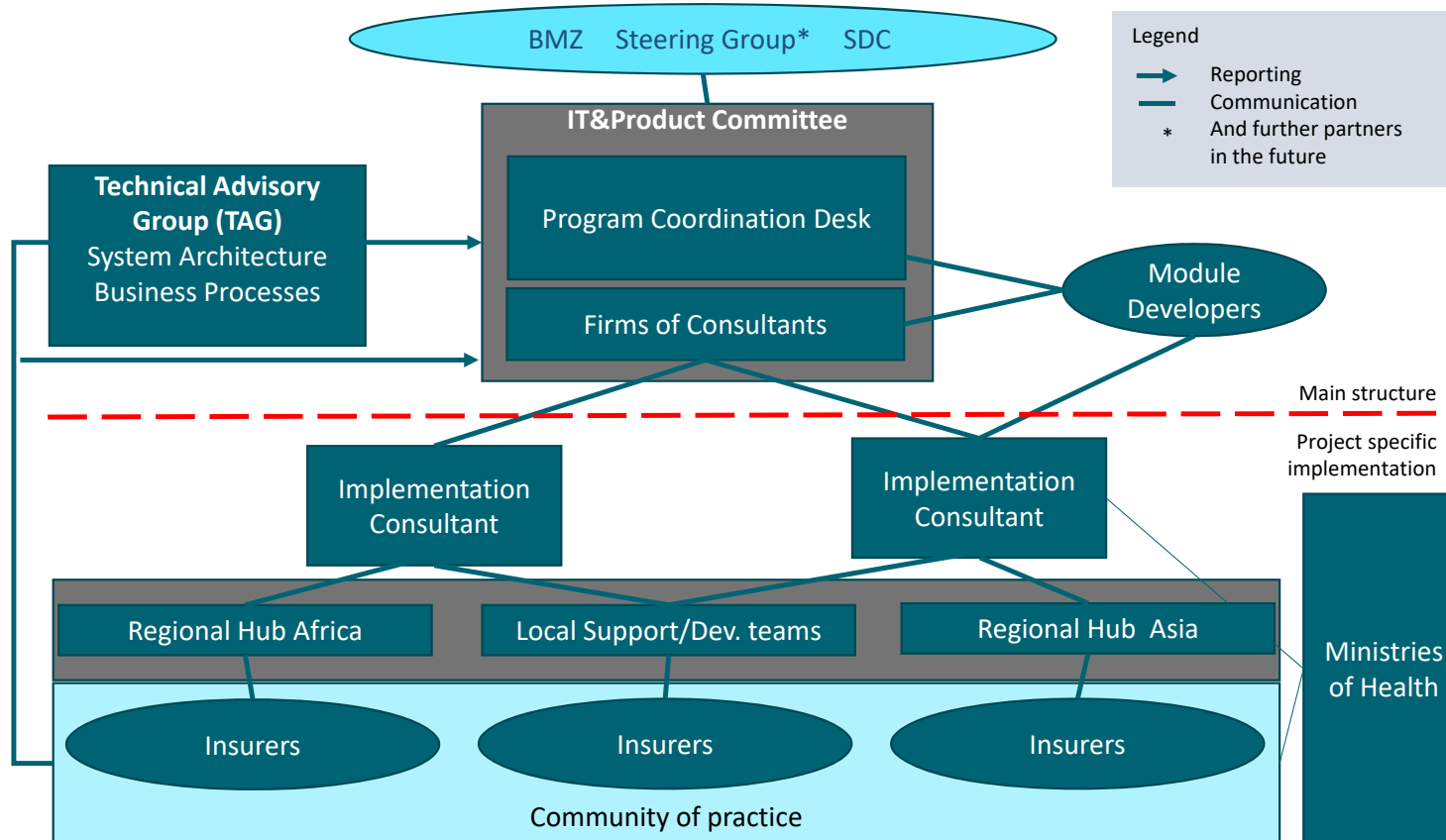Board of Directors

Governance Committee

Advisory Board

Leadership Team

Product Committee

Technical Committee

Governance structure of OpenIMIS Initiative

Roles and Responsiblities

- **Steering Group** defines overall strategic direction

- **Program Coordination Desk** operationalizes defined strategic direction, administrates budgets and oversees the IT and Product Team.

- **Technical Advisory Group** (TAG) assesses the openIMIS Initiative evaluating strategic developments, proposes on system architecture and new functional requirements. The members of the TAG will be nominated by the Steering Group.

- **IT & Product Team** develops, maintains and supports at global level the core of openIMIS

- **Implementation Consultant** facilitates the outreach to the implementations in the countries and builds the link between global and local Community

- **Regional hubs** provide support to the community on regional level as well as facilitates training and capacity development

- **Local support / Dev. Team** provides direct support to the insurers / users

- **Implementation Consultant and Local support team** contribute towards the development based on project specific needs and contribute their developments back to the core solution.

- **Payers** provide feedback on the features of openIMIS and identify future requirements for the system

Priorities for 2019

- Ongoing development of the software
- Community Management and networking
- Strategic communication and advocacy
- New partners and donors
- New users and strengthening of existing implementations

Thank You !