



# Elaboration of a Participatory Management Plan for the NP Alps - the Planning Process

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- What is a management plan and why do we need a plan ?
- The management planning process – phases for elaboration
- Activities of the ECRAN project

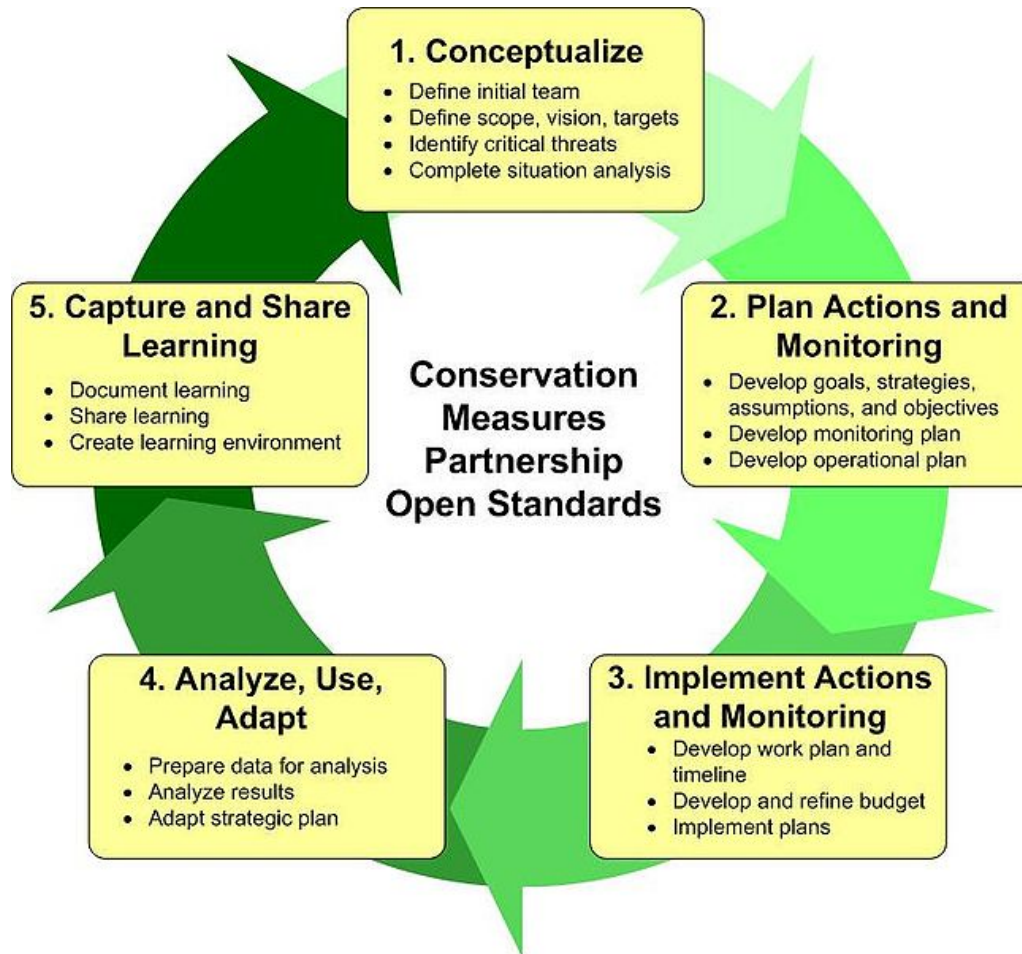


# Management Plan

- According to Albanian law (→ all large-scale protected areas)
- Essential for effective conservation management
- Without clear objectives and measures management is happening ‘in the dark’, reacting to immediate threats but not following a long-term strategy
- Biodiversity conservation is the main objective of a protected area !



# Management Planning is a Process...



## ... and does not end with a Plan



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# Phases for the development of a MP

1. Preparation phase
2. Stakeholder analysis
3. Inception event
4. Situation analysis
5. Planning phase
6. Public consultation phase
7. Approval phase





# ECRAN Approach

- MP development is not ‘outsourced’ to foreign consultants
- MP is prepared by a national consulting team under the supervision of the Ministry of Environment (‘home made’ / capacity building)
- MP is developed in a *‘participatory’* way, assisted by the ECRAN Project
  - never applied before in Albania, new approach
  - will guarantee an efficient management jointly agreed with the people living in the region
  - what does *‘participatory’* mean?



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# ‘Participatory’ .....?

..... to involve those persons / stakeholders who are living in and using the area and are affected by the management plan



# ‘Participatory’ .....????

→ to involve stakeholders already in the planning phase

to agree with stakeholders on the ‘zoning’ and protection schemes of the National Park !!

→ ideally, stakeholders should become partners



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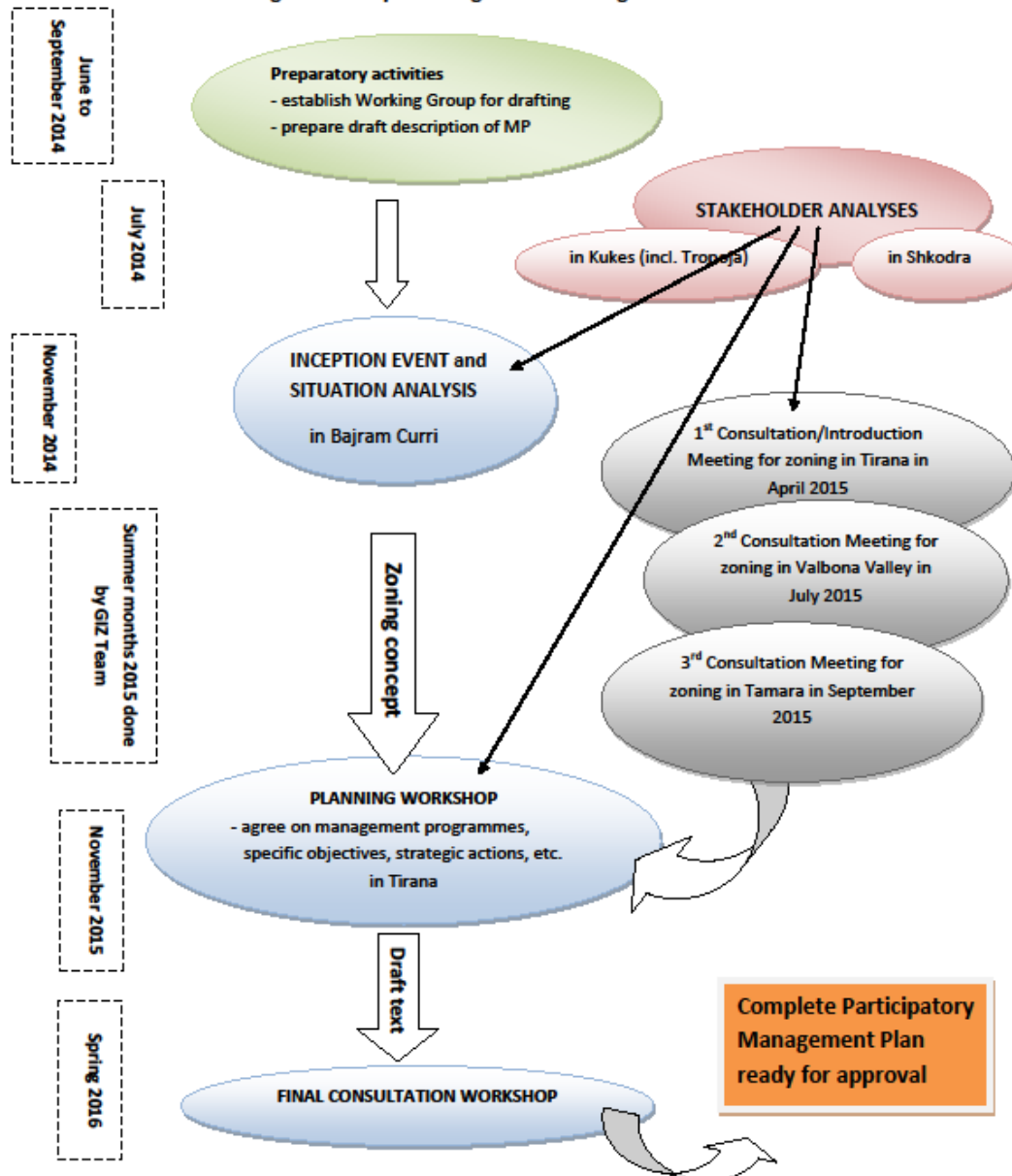
# Example: Verwall in Austria

- 4 alpine villages/5.500 inhabitants, cattle, forestry, hunting, tourism
- no information → annoyance, refusal to cooperate, aggression, mistrust
- mediation needed
  - nearly two years
  - approx. 100.000 €



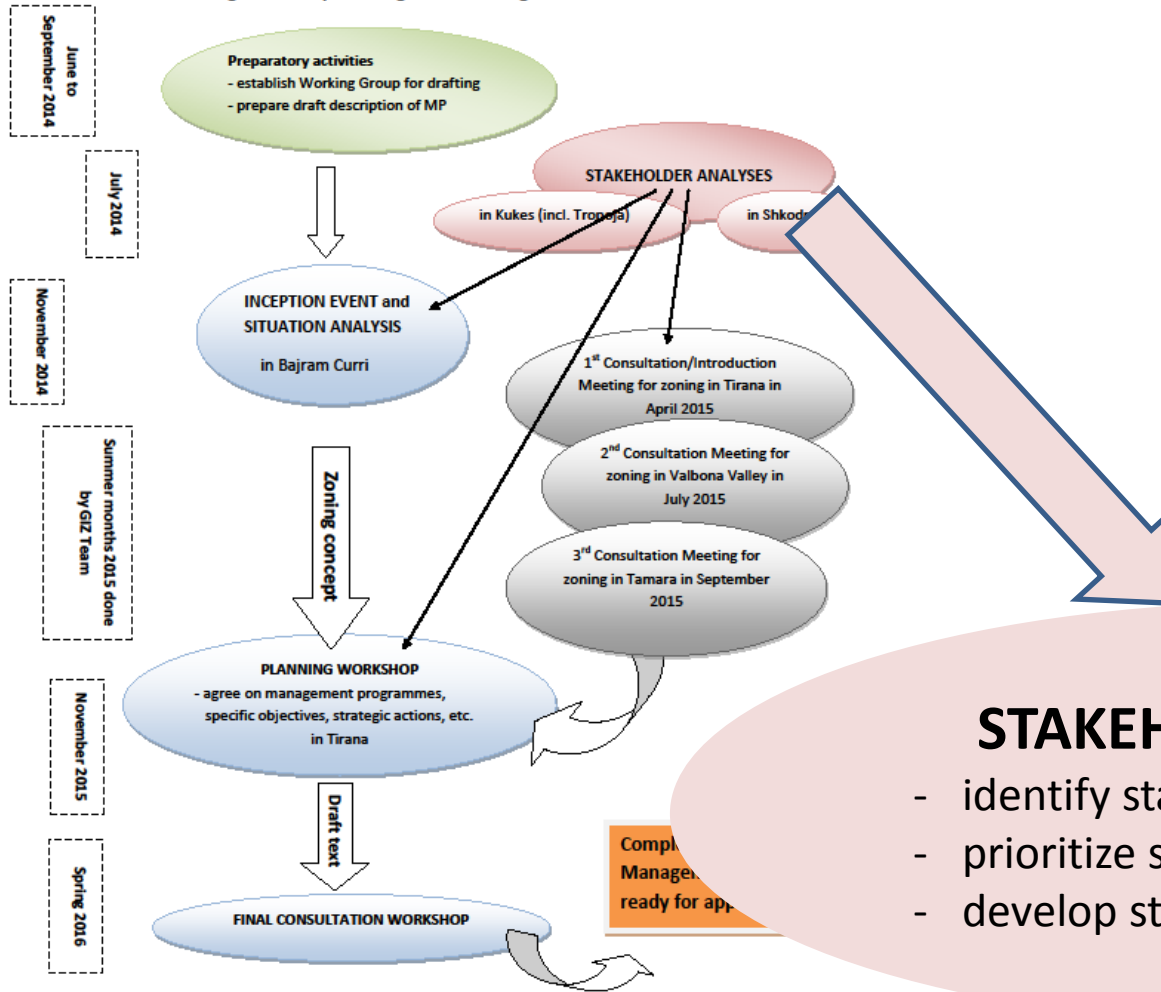
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## STAKEHOLDER ANALYSIS

- identify stakeholders
- prioritize stakeholders
- develop stakeholder involvement plan

# Who should be involved and how?

..... through stakeholder analyses in July 2014



in Shkodra





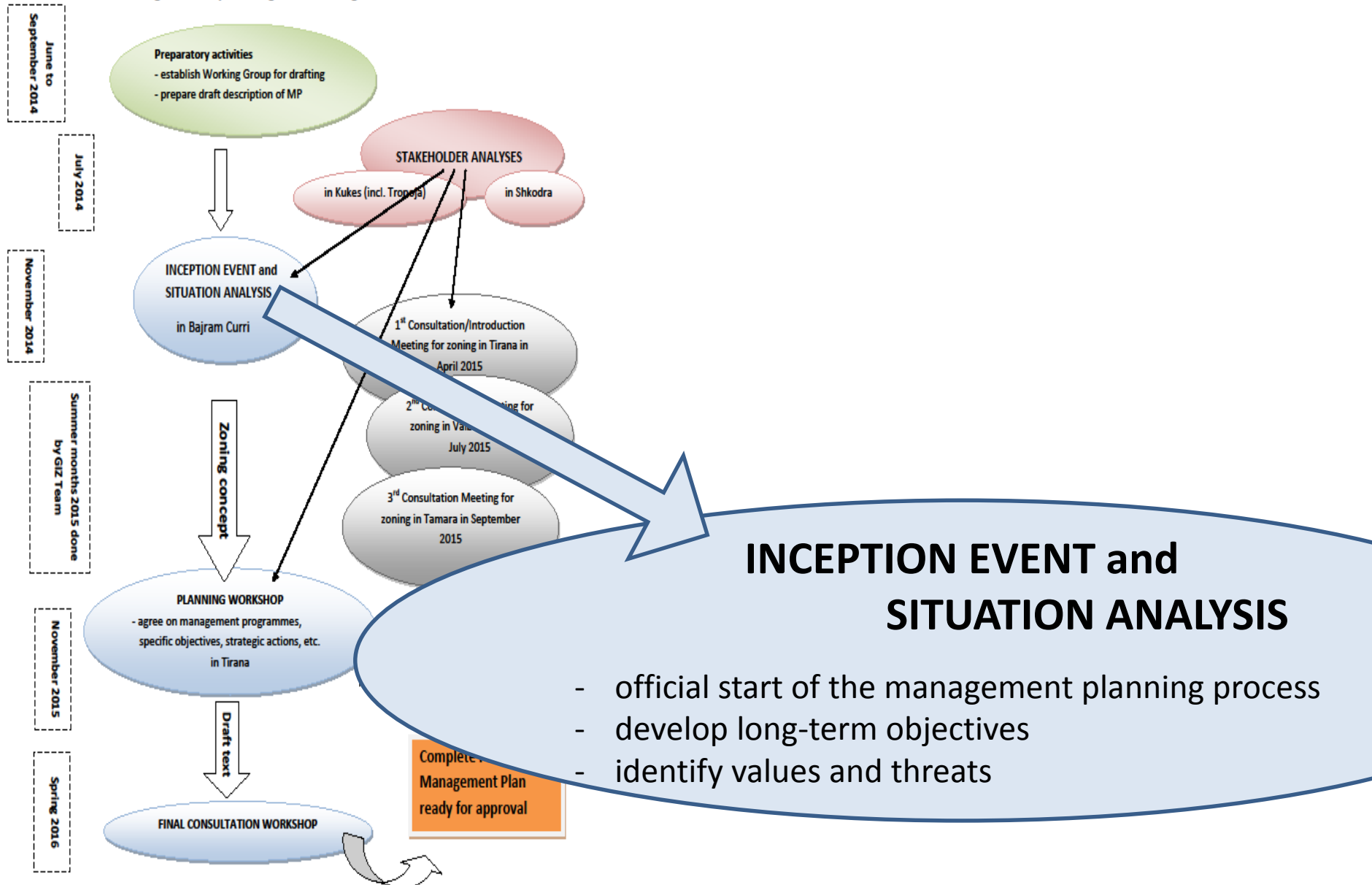
# Stakeholder Analysis

..... in Kukes



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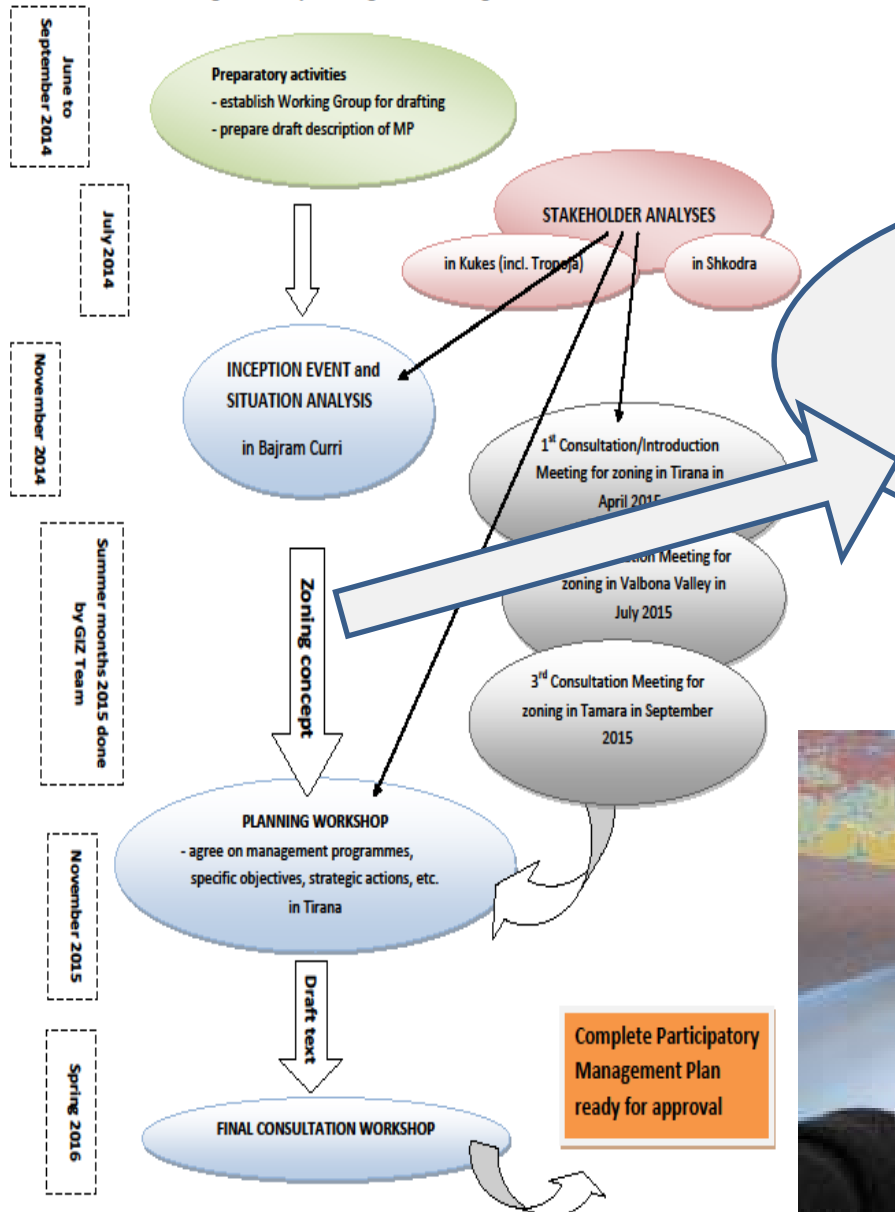


# Inception and Situation Analysis Workshop in Bajram Curri



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## ZONING CONCEPT

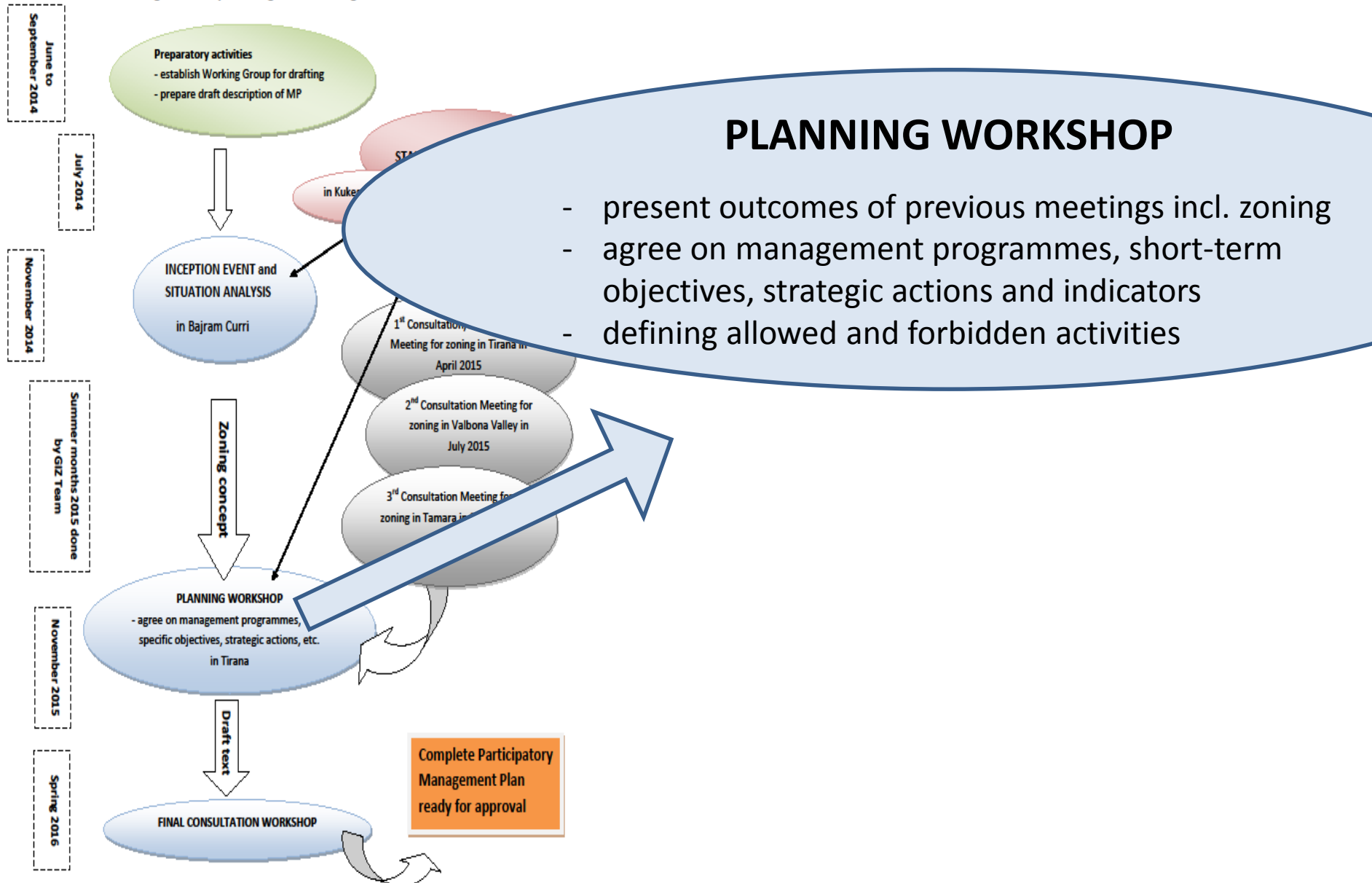
- GIZ Team proposal
- consultation meetings
- revised zoning proposal





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**Participative processes  
need active political commitment**

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