



Methodology of cost survey and economic feasibility studies of a new sanitation system

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Framework of the study:

- Part of the project KREIS
- Working package 5: Economy and transferability
- Interaction with all other working packages and project partners

Objectives of Investigation:

- Identification of methods for feasibility studies
- Investigation of different levels of economical viability
- Identification of economical feasible scales for decentralised systems
- Effects of non economical impacts of decentralised systems
- Decision tool for decentralised sanitation systems

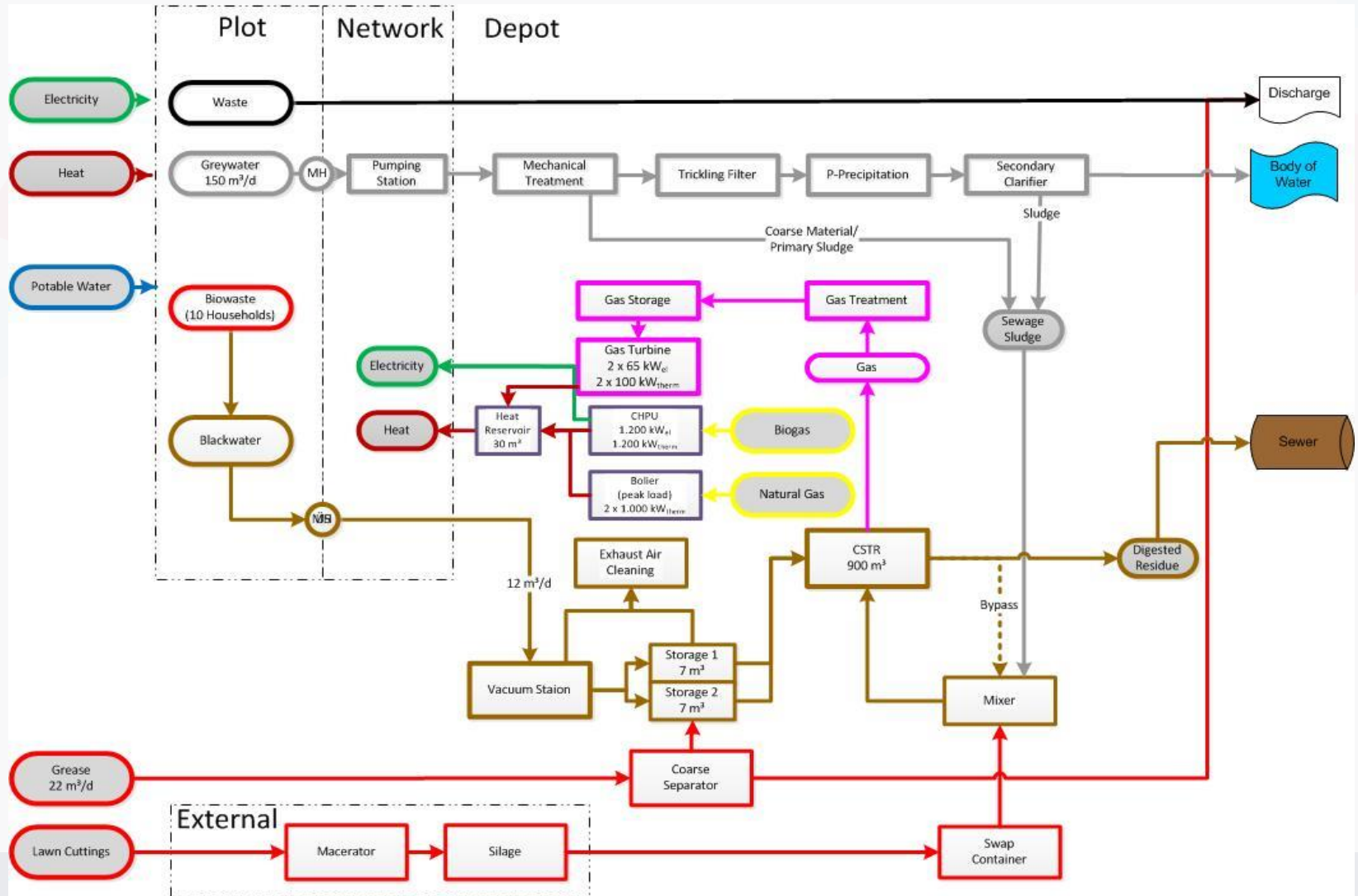
Problems:

- Economic investigations on new sanitation approaches are mainly made on pilot or small scale levels
- Economical assessments are often based on assumptions less than on experiences
- Number of projects realised is very small and technologies are often in developing processes
- Knowledge pool is very poor today

Methodology of cost acquisition:

- Definition of systems used for feasibility studies
 1. Conventional infrastructure system
 2. Hamburg Water Cycle as built in Jenfelder Au
 3. HWC incorporating results of R&D of KREIS
- Systems are mandatory for other partners in the project (ecological, sociological and technical investigations)

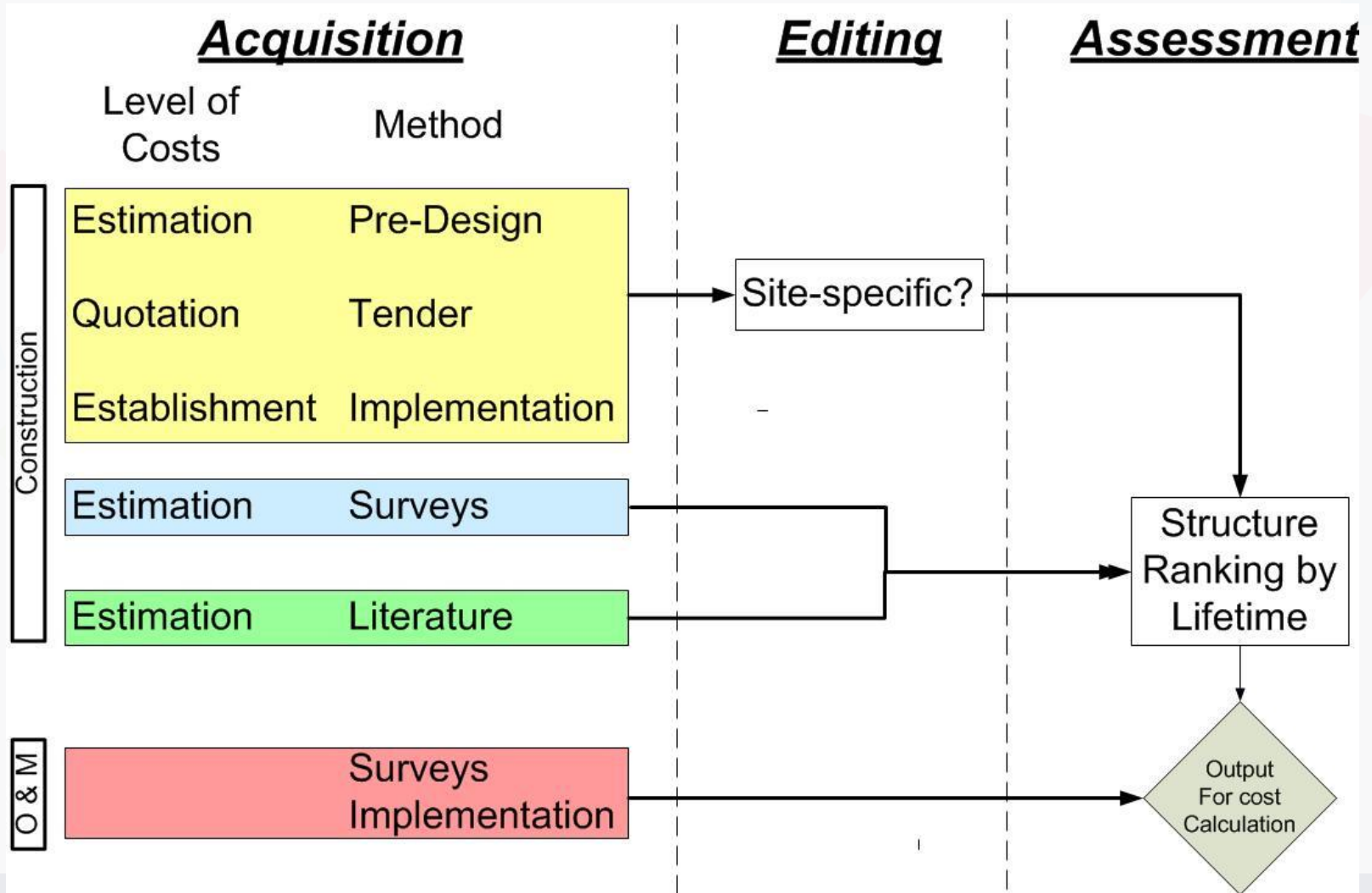
System 2: HWC realised in Jenfelder Au



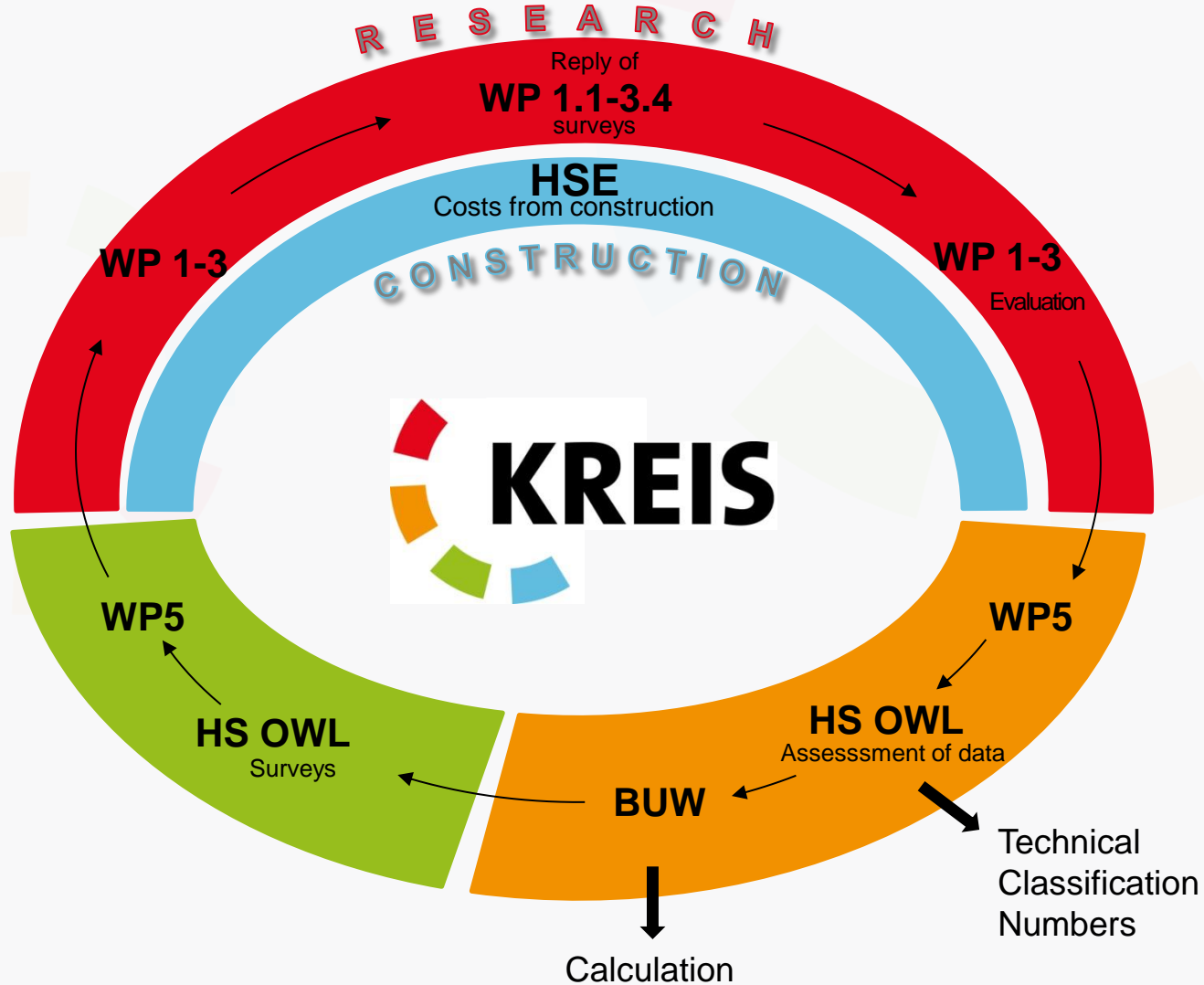
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Steps of cost acquisition and processing



Method of cost assessment



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- Editing of costs
- Structuring in accordance to
 - DIN 276
 - GEFMA 200
- Transfer for further calculations

Transfer file

Kostenübergabeblatt		Investitionskosten										
Schwarzwassersiele - Vakuum 3.240.541.1.1								Kostenberechnung 2013		System 2		
Schwarzwasserableitung												
Block1-4												
Lebenszyklusphase	Prozess	Sachbezug nach DIN 276	Teilgebiet	Vorgang	Anlagenteil	Baubabschnitt	Nutzungsdauer	Investitionskosten NICHT standortspezifisch	Investitionskosten standortspezifisch	Investitionskosten standortspez. in %	Investitionskosten Gesamt	
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Economic feasibility studies - Motivation

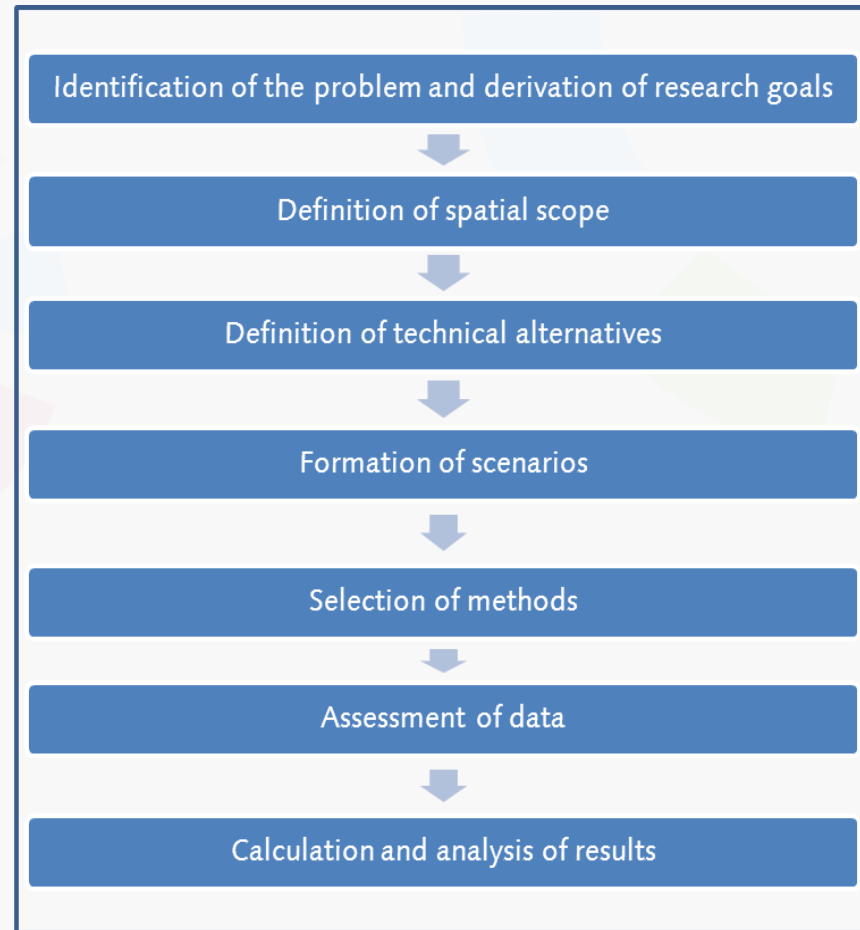
Leading question:

“Are the funds invested in the most economical way?”

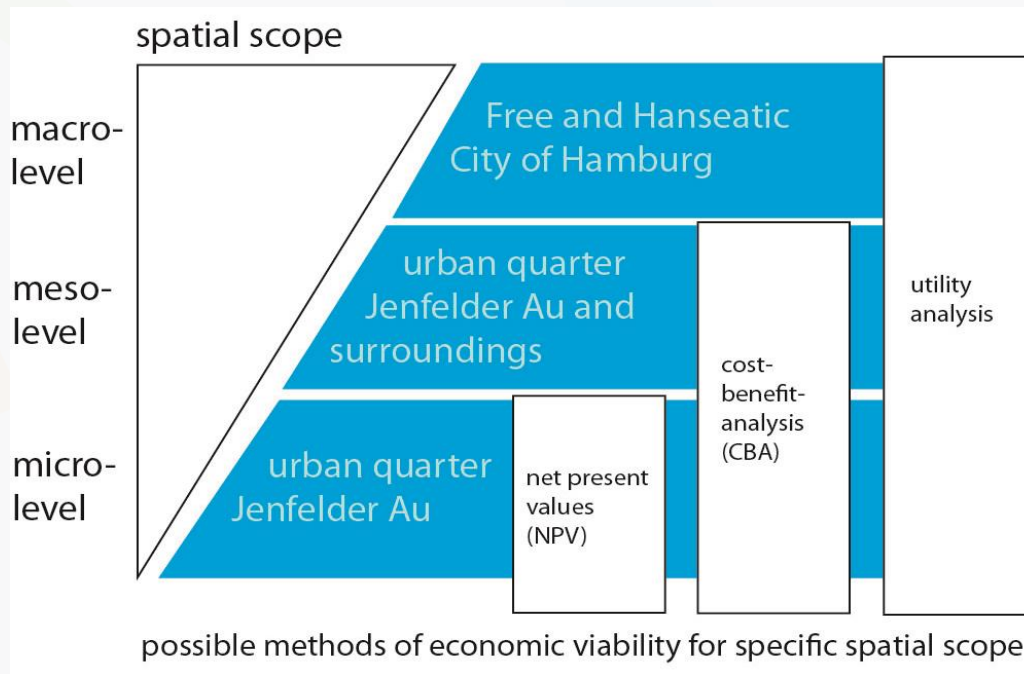


One main goal of research in KREIS is comparing **several potential technical alternatives** in order to identify the **most economical option** from **different perspectives**

Approach



Definition of spatial scope



Formation of scenarios

Alternatives and scenarios	Scale		
	Smaller	As realized	Bigger
Alternative 1: Conventional infrastructure system			
1.1 Best Case Scenario	1.1.1	1.1.2	1.1.3
1.2 Standard Scenario	1.2.1	1.2.2	1.2.3
1.3 Worst Case Scenario	1.3.1	1.3.2	1.3.3
Alternative 2: Hamburg water Cycle as built in Jenfelder Au			
2.1 Best Case Scenario	2.1.1	2.1.2	2.1.3
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2.3 Worst Case Scenario	2.3.1	2.3.2	2.3.3
Alternative 3: Hamburg Water Cycle KREIS Research Results			
3.1 Best Case Scenario	3.1.1	3.1.2	3.1.3
3.2 Standard Scenario	3.2.1	3.2.2	3.2.3
3.3 Worst Case Scenario	3.3.1	3.3.2	3.3.3





Selection of methods

- Within KREIS three perspectives are going to be investigated in order to conduct a holistic view on the economic viability
 - Net present value (NPV) method
 - Cost-benefit-analysis (CBA)
 - Utility analysis

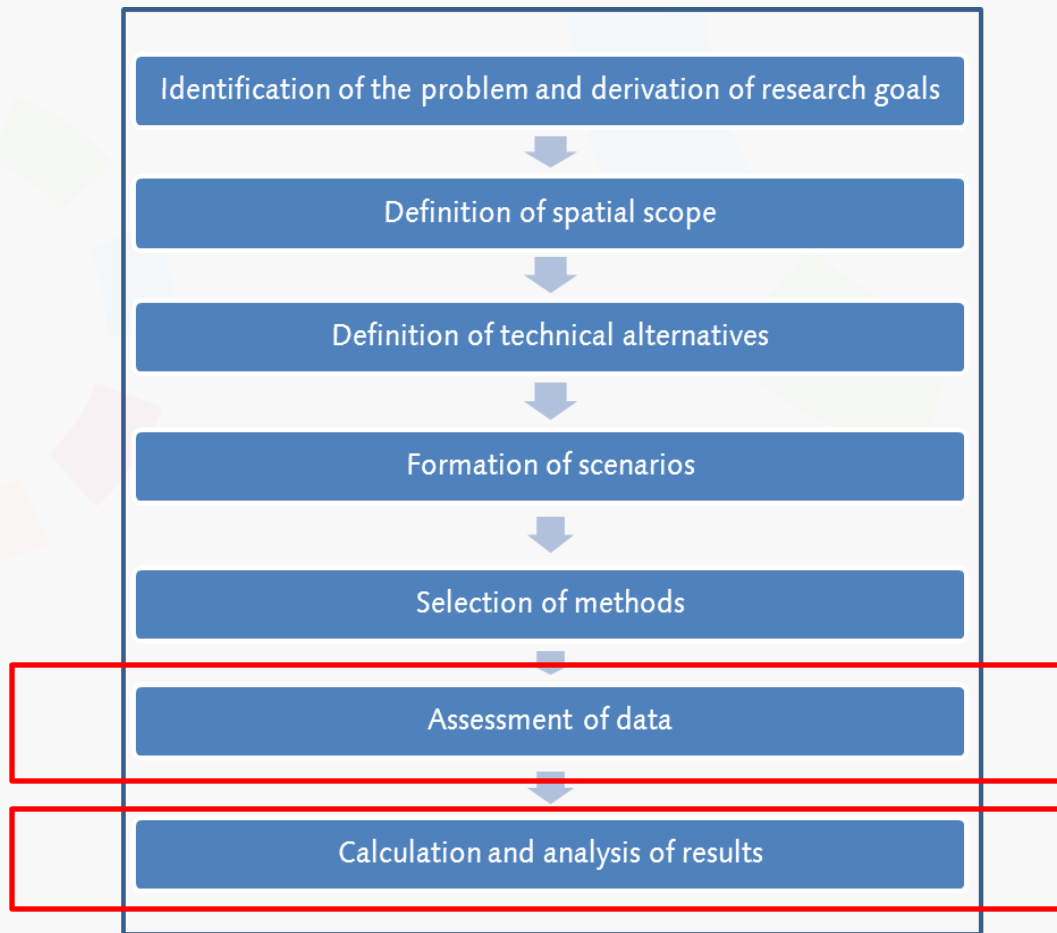
Selection of methods

- **Net present value (NPV) method**
 - Comparing the projected life cycle costs of alternatives
- **Cost-benefit-analysis (CBA)**
 - Investigating (in addition to the costs) the specific benefits of the alternatives
 - Incorporating ecological and socio-economic aspects into the analysis.
- **Utility analysis**
 - Assessing individual perceptions of benefit as perceived by different stakeholders
 - Considering both non-monetary and monetary aspects as well as societal parameters

Alternatives and scenarios combined with economic feasibility studies

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Further steps



Calculation and analysis of results

- Executing a sensitivity analysis
- Identifying the technical elements having the highest and lowest impact on the ranking of the technical alternatives
- Analysing on consequences of changes in scale, environmental parameter and input parameter
- Deriving economic viability as a uniformly continuous function or occurrence of leaps
- Identifying of objectives by different stakeholders

Outlook

- One holistic model for measuring the economic viability does not exist for new sanitation systems
- The presented methodology of economic feasibility studies for a new sanitation system will deliver a vital input for future implementations
- A combined model shall incorporate the mentioned perspectives and facilitate the process of comparing conventional and new respective innovative infrastructure systems
- For the further implementation of the stated approach the detailed data assessment is very crucial