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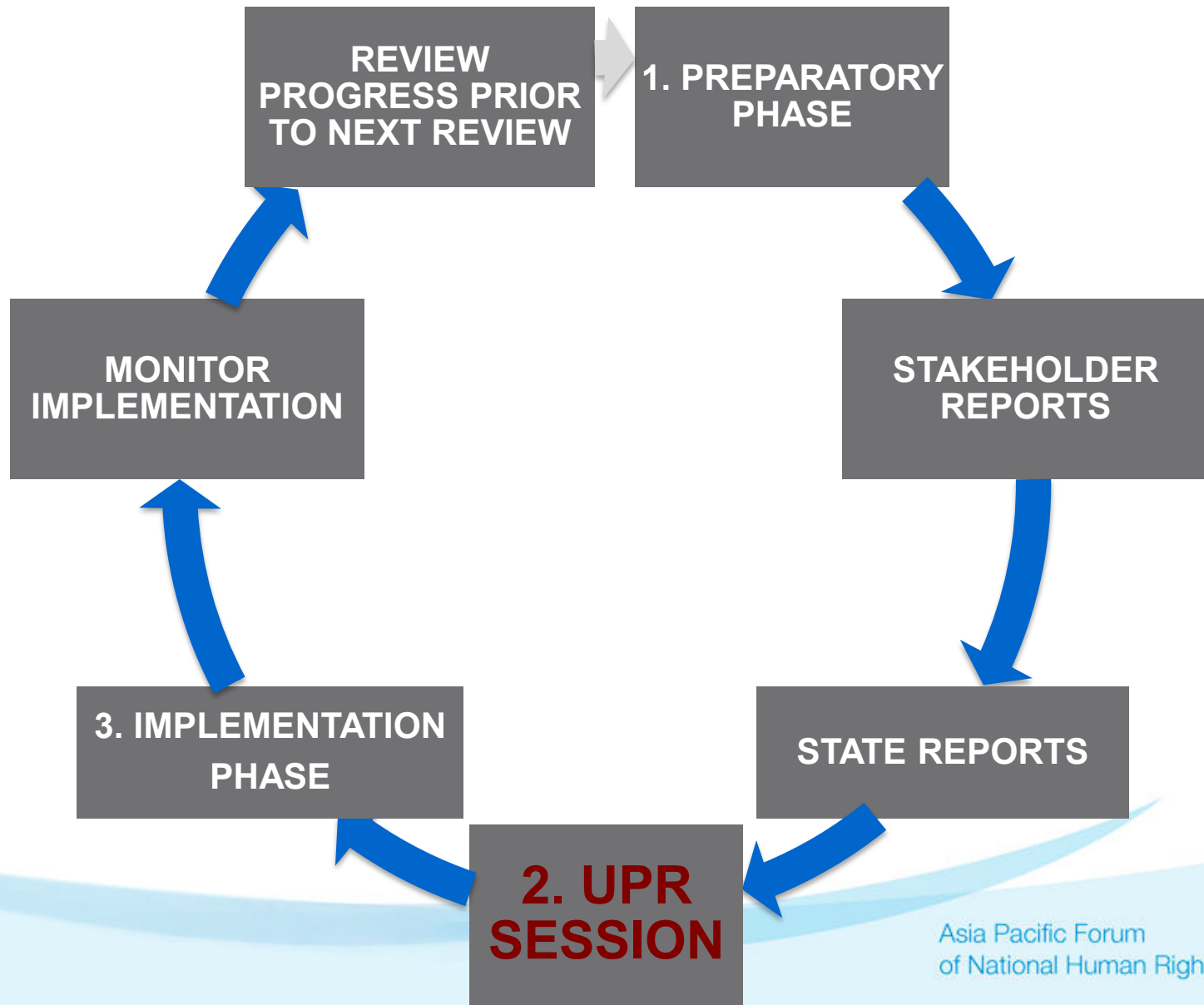
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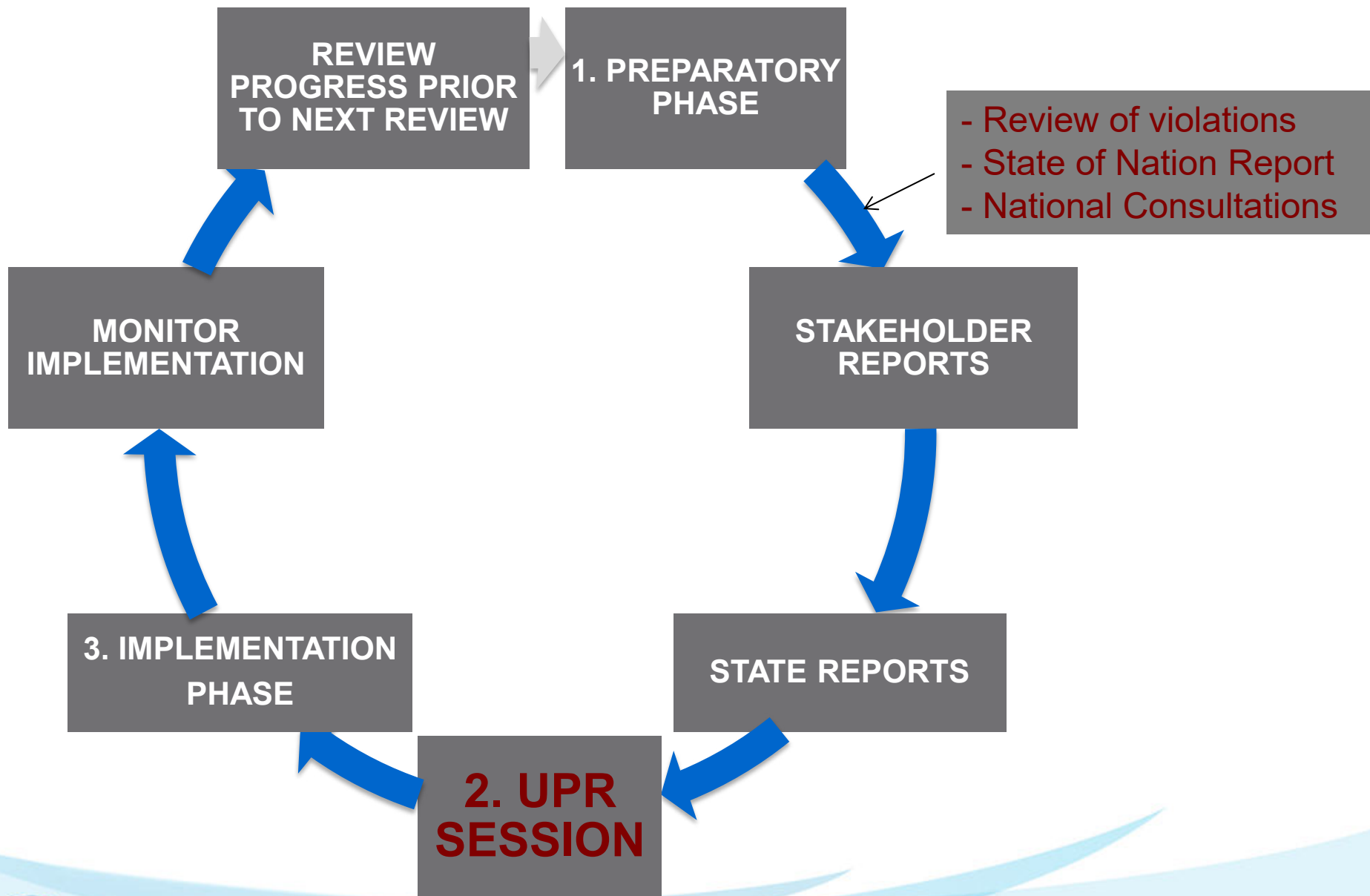
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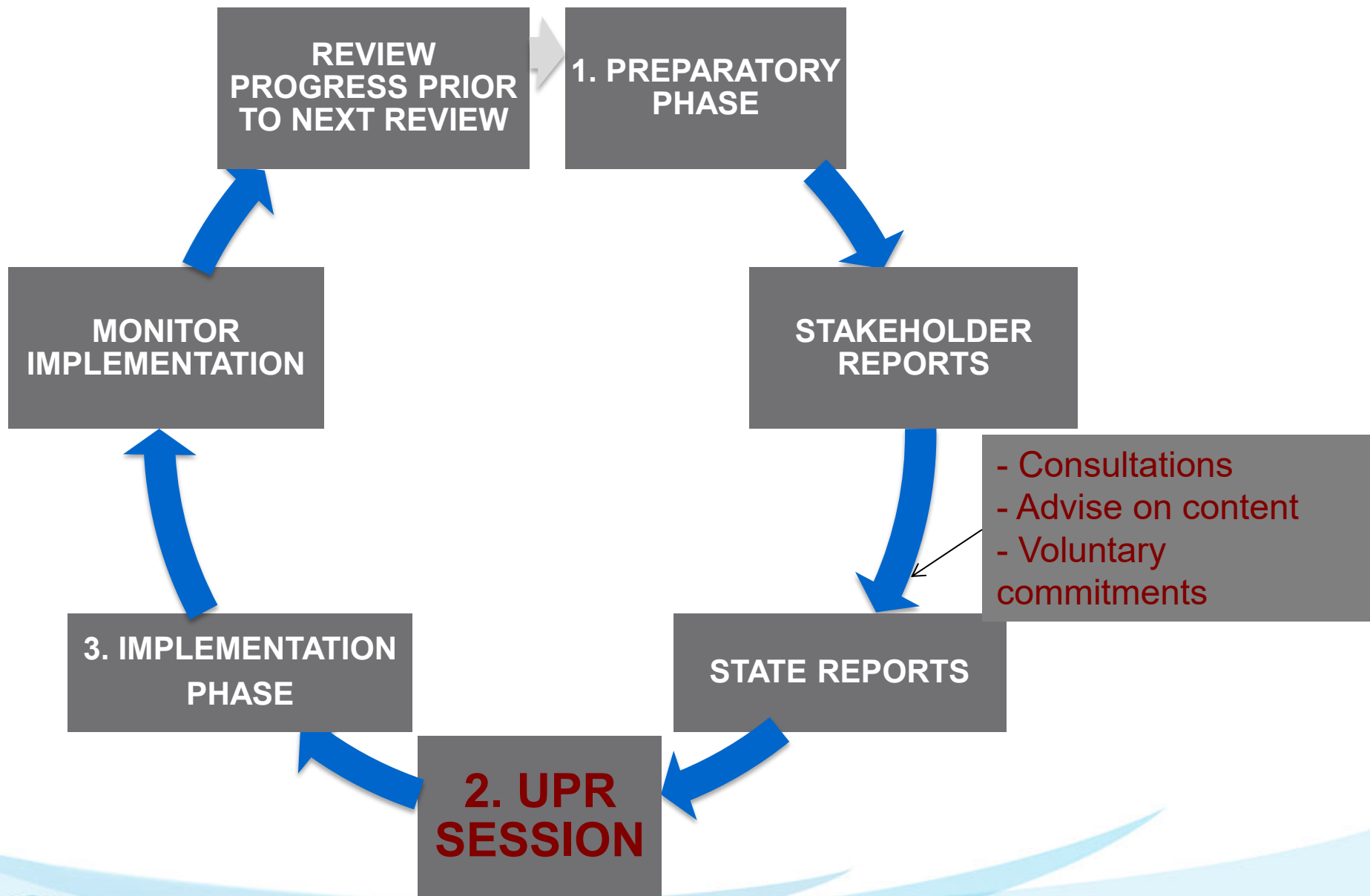
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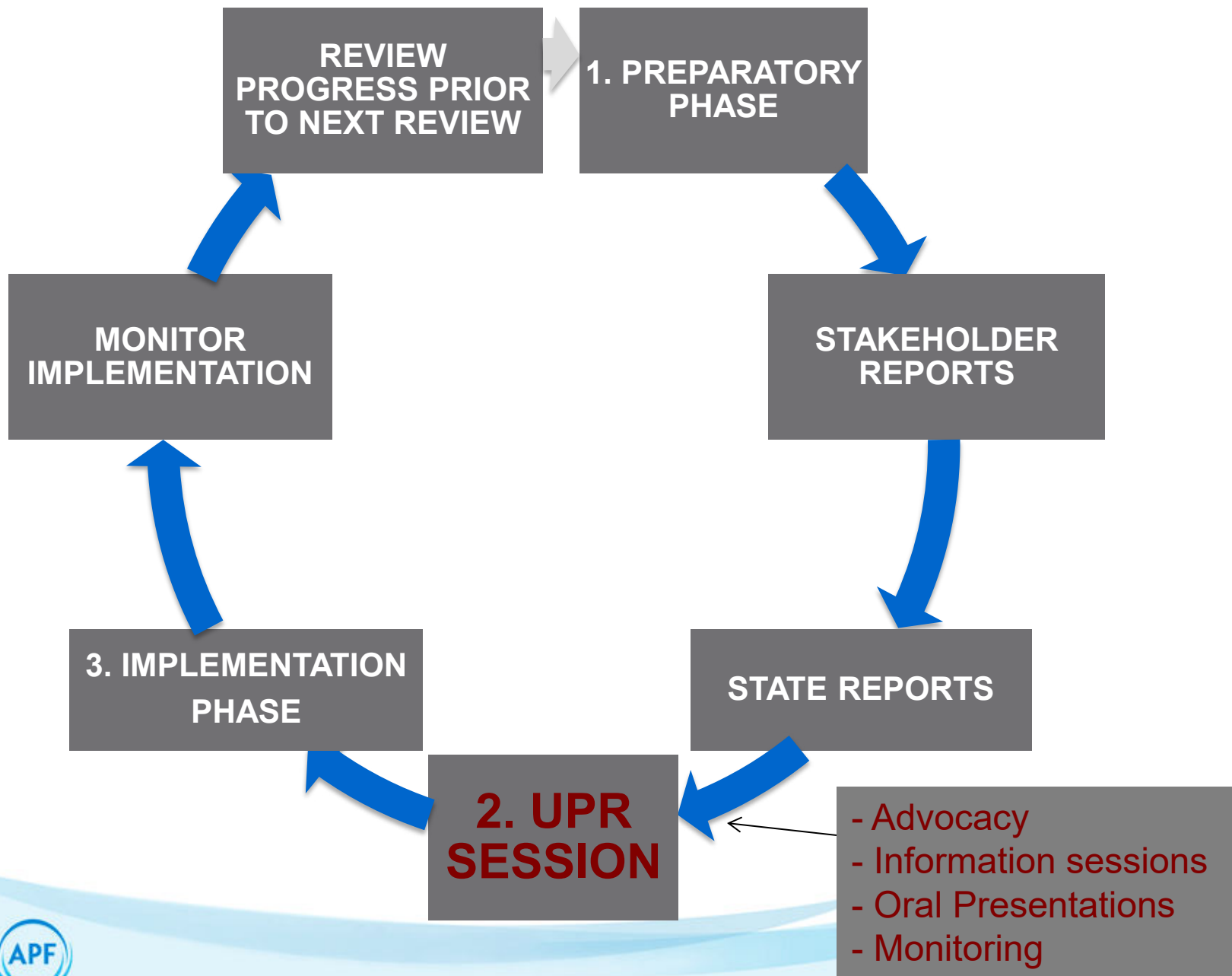
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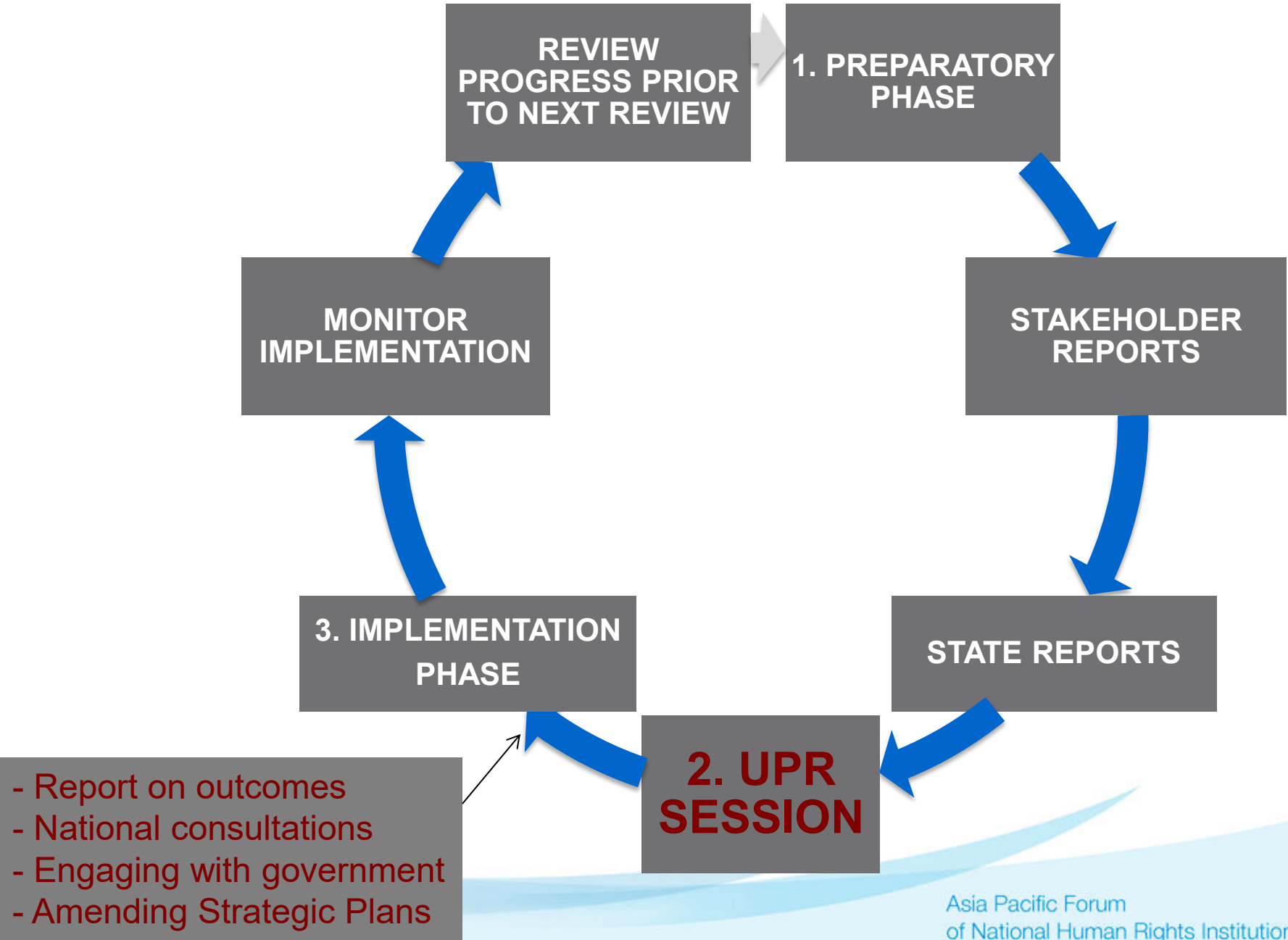
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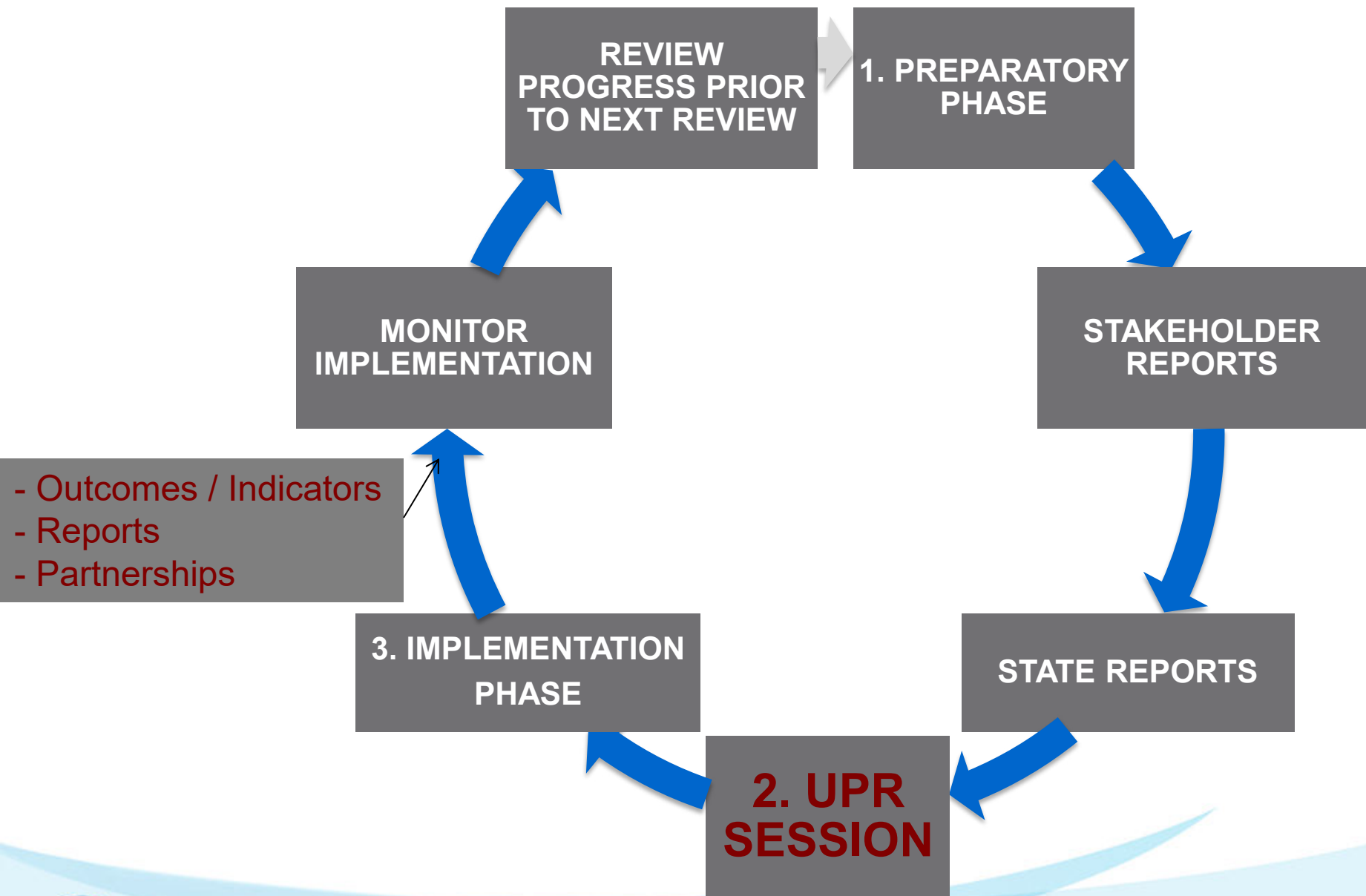












WHY COOPERATE WITH INTERNATIONAL MECHANISM

- **TO PROMOTE YOUR OWN STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**
- TO PROMOTE AN INDEPENDENT AND OBJECTIVE REVIEW
- JUSTIFICATION:
 - MANDATED IN THE PARIS PRINCIPLES
 - PROMOTED IN ICC GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

UPR RECOMMENDATIONS COMMON TO STATES IN THE MENA REGION

- GOVERNMENT AND ADMINISTRATION
- RULE OF LAW
- FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS
- RECOGNITION OF KEY GROUPS
- NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS

COMMON RECOMMENDATIONS – GOVERNMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

- ESTABLISHING INFRASTRUCTURE
- PROMOTING GOOD GOVERNANCE /
ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOUNTABILITY
- ANTI-CORRUPTION
- IMPUNITY OF STATE ACTORS

COMMON RECOMMENDATIONS – RULE OF LAW

- RATIFICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTRUMENTS
- A CLEAR, COHERENT AND COMPREHENSIVE DOMESTIC LEGAL FRAMEWORK
- AN INDEPENDENT JUDICIARY AND PROCEDURAL GUARANTEES FOR A FAIR TRIAL
- JUDICIAL TRAINING, AND TRAINING OF POLICE, SECURITY AND DETENTION AUTHORITIES
- EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC

COMMON RECOMMENDATIONS – FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS

- RIGHT TO LIFE
- ARBITRARY ARREST AND DETENTION
- HUMAN TRAFFICKING
- FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION AND ASSOCIATION
- FREEDOM OF RELIGION

COMMON RECOMMENDATIONS – RECOGNITION OF KEY GROUPS

- WOMEN
- CHILDREN
- HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS
- MIGRANT AND FOREIGN WORKERS
- RELIGIOUS MINORITIES

COMMON RECOMMENDATIONS – NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

- ESTABLISH A NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTION
- STRENGTHEN AN EXISTING NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTION
- PROVIDE APPROPRIATE SUPPORT
- COOPERATE / FACILITATE OPERATION OF NHRI

RESOURCES

- OHCHR WEBSITE

<http://www.ohchr.org/en/hrbodies/upr/pages/uprmain.aspx>

<http://www.ohchr.org/en/hrbodies/upr/pages/notenhris.aspx>

- ICC WEBSITE

<http://nhri.ohchr.org/en/ihrs/humanrightscouncil/pages/human-rights-council.aspx>

- ASIA PACIFIC FORUM WEBSITE

<http://www.asiapacificforum.net/working-with-others/un/human-rights-council/upr>



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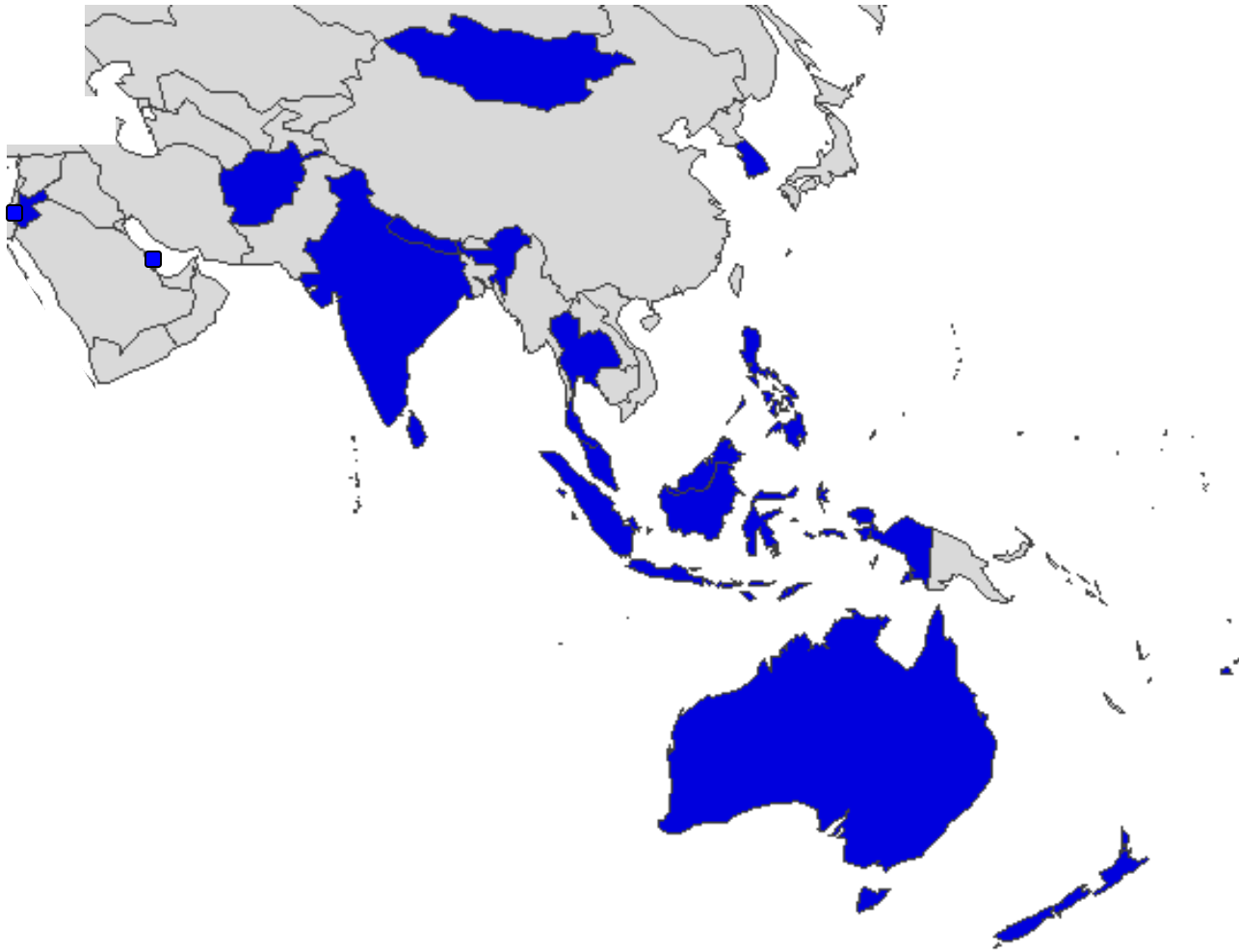
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- REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS BODIES
- REGIONAL NHRI NETWORKS
 - Arab Network for Human Rights Institutions
 - Asia Pacific Forum of National Human Rights Institutions
 - Network of African National Human Rights Institutions
 - International Coordinating Committee of National Human Rights Institutions

COOPERATION AT THE REGIONAL LEVEL



ASIA PACIFIC FORUM OF NHRIS



- Afghanistan
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- India
- Indonesia
- Jordan
- Malaysia
- Maldives
- Mongolia
- Myanmar
- Nepal
- New Zealand
- Palestine
- Philippines
- Qatar
- South Korea
- Sri Lanka
- Thailand
- Timor-Leste

KEY INTERNATIONAL MECHANISMS

- UNITED NATIONS TREATY BODIES
- UNITED NATIONS SPECIAL PROCEDURES
- **THE UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW**