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Combining experts' opinions and company data to assess corruption, state capture and policy measures at national, sectoral and institutional level

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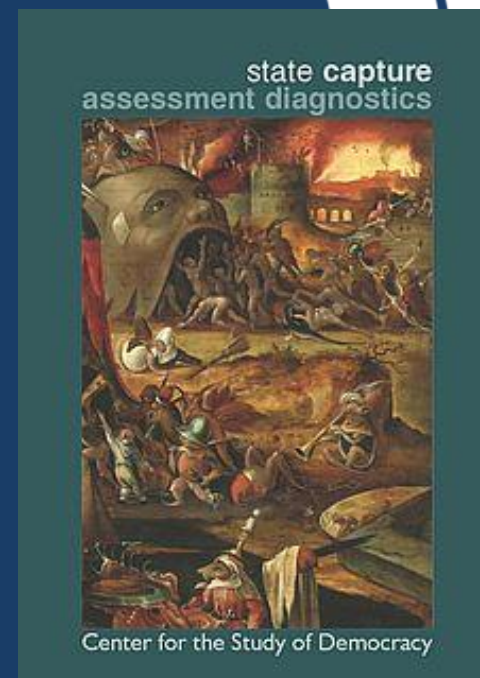
State capture concept

Initially state capture is used to denote an evolution in the understanding of corruption, which is experienced by companies when they face problems as a result of policies, legislation, law enforcement or court decisions. (*Hellman, Jones & Kaufman, 2000*)

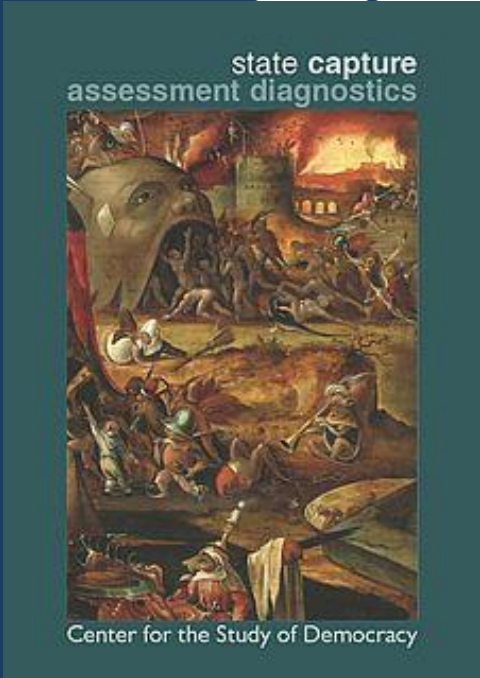
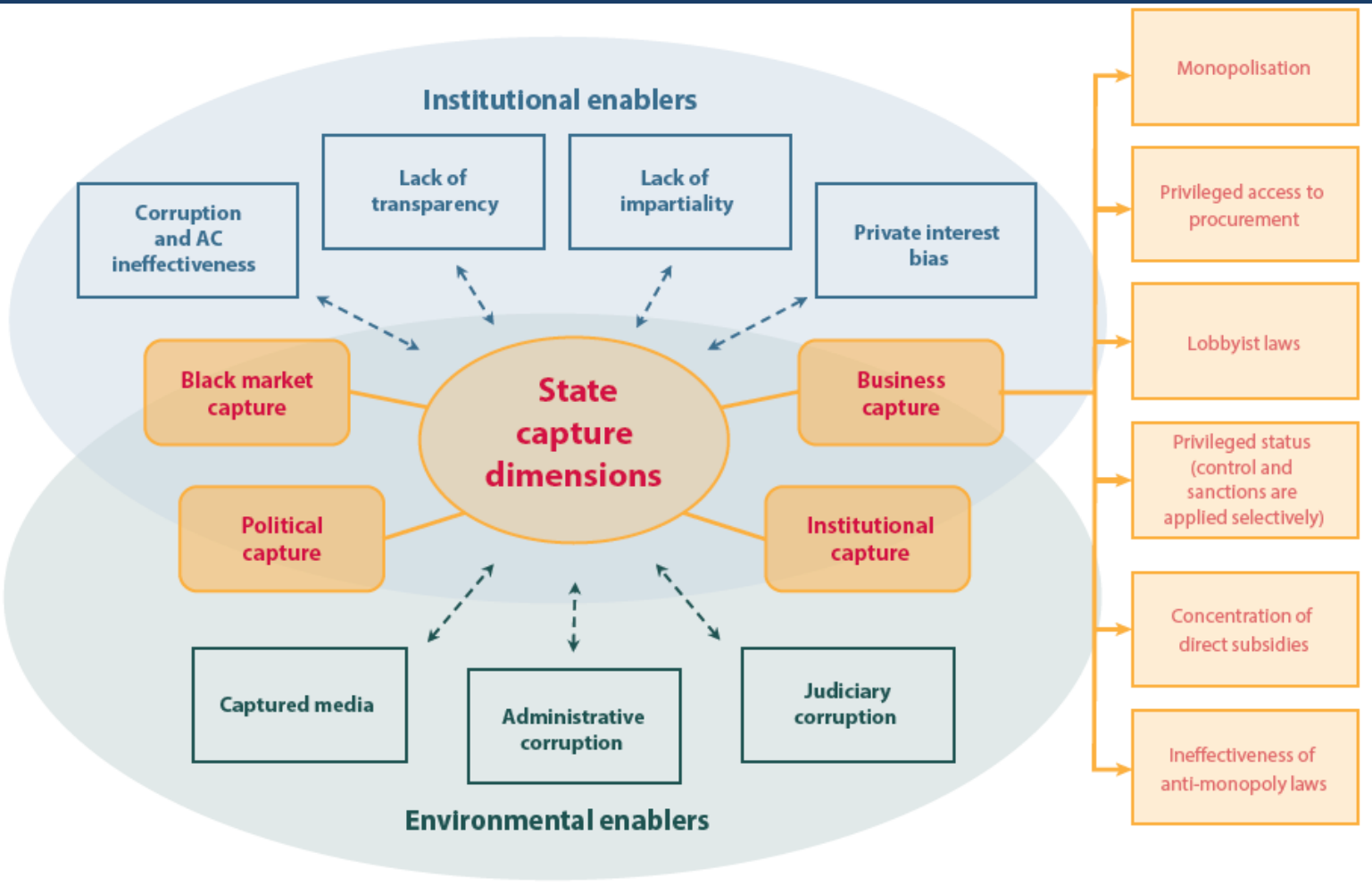
Gradually the concept of SC evolved to the understanding that it is an illegitimate monopolization of the governance and the economy.

SCAD approach

- “State capture” is defined as an exploitation of the power of government for private benefit in systematic and permanent manner, involving various forms of corruption and illegitimate activities;
- Captors: actors with privileged status, which enjoy undue advantages in economic and/or political terms;
- State capture is a hidden phenomenon;
- State capture affects public policies and thus, it leaves observable public traces or effects, which can be discovered by suitable pattern-finding methods;
- SCAD is designed to:
 - identify and measure state capture results and effects
 - recommend policy adjustments for improving the resilience of institutions to state capture pressure

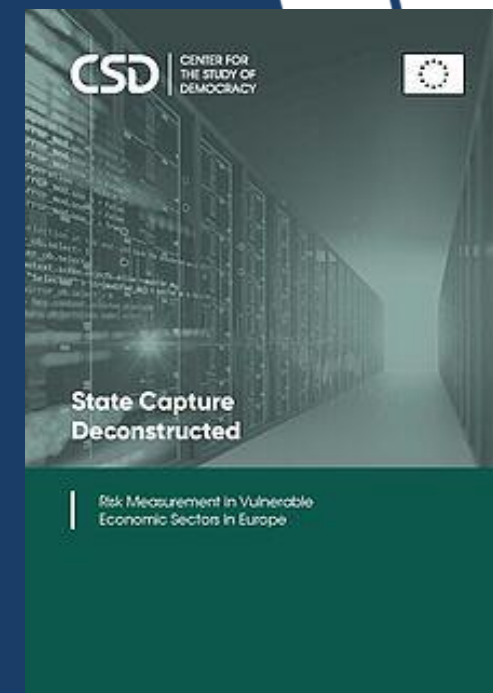
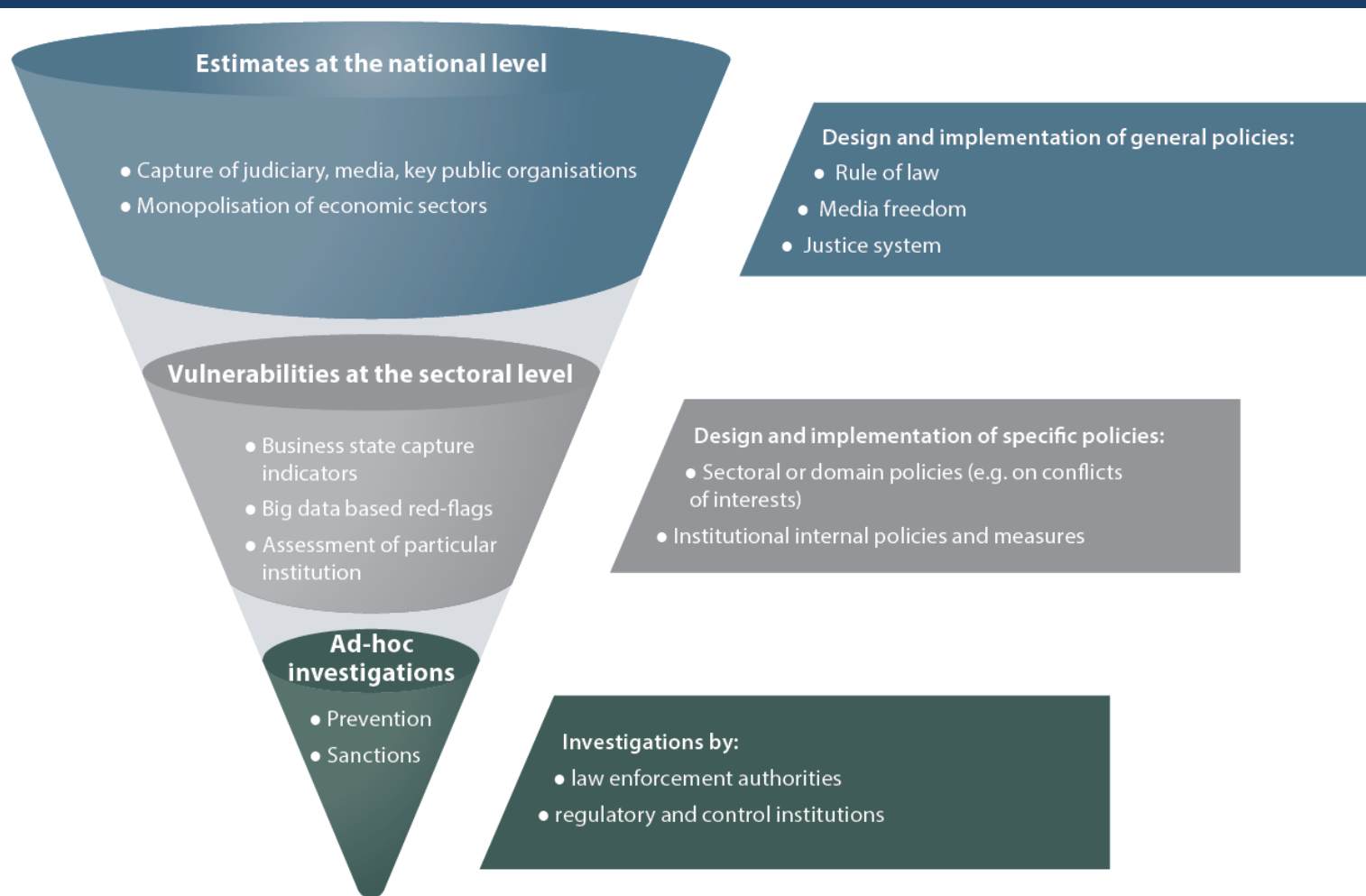


SCAD analytical model



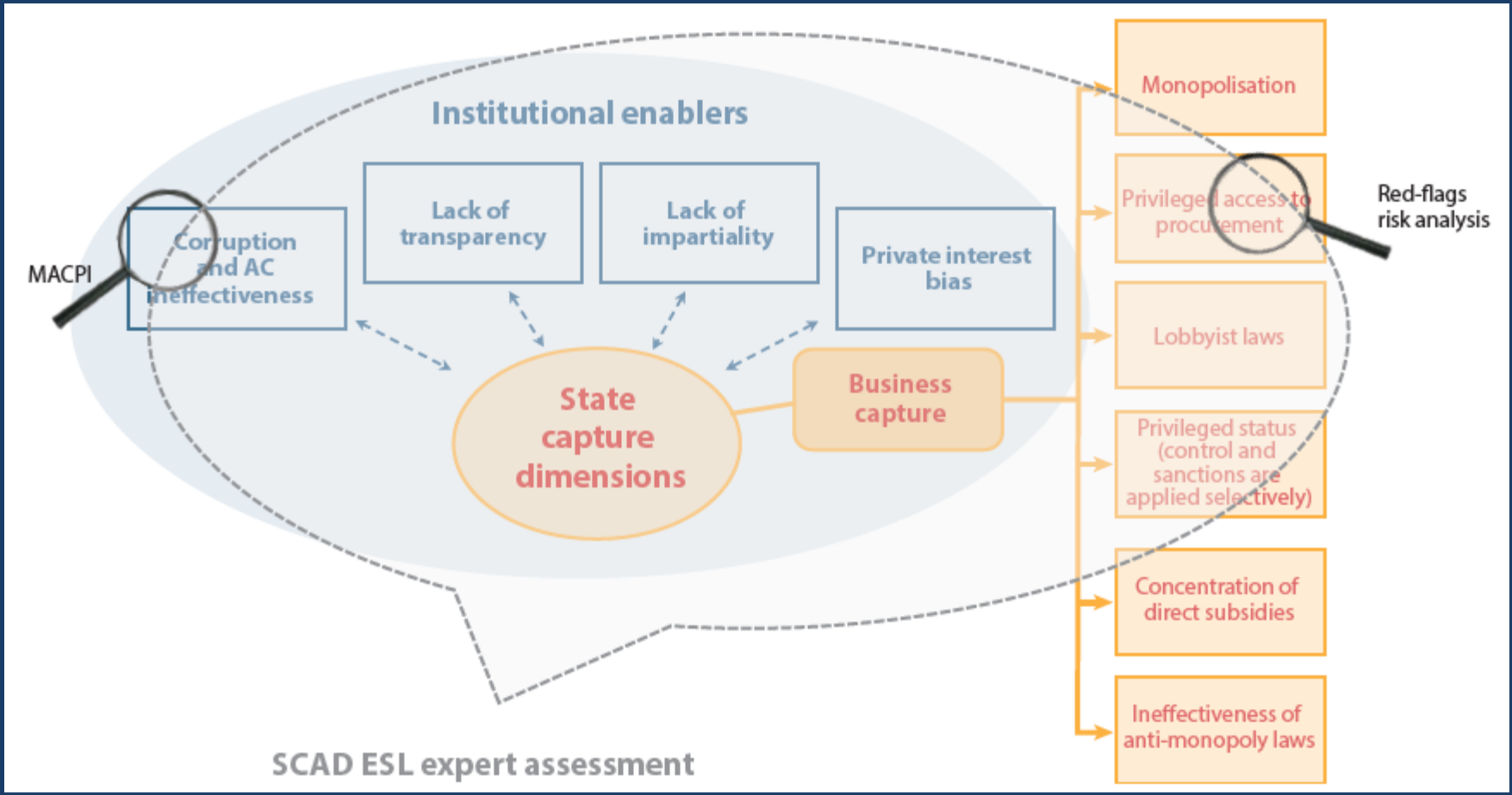
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SCAD on economic sector level



Gerganov, A, Galev, T., and Todorov, B., *State Capture Deconstructed: Risk Measurement in Vulnerable Economic Sectors in Europe*, Sofia: Center for the Study of Democracy, 2021. / <https://go.csd.bg/SCDeconstruct>

SCAD – ESL: Complementing analyses



SCAD – ESL methodology

- Practical instrument to empower policy makers, think-tanks, watch-dog organisations, investigative journalists, and researchers to monitor state capture pressure at the sectoral level.
- Designed to be:
 - replicable and scalable across other economic sectors and countries
 - applicable for both designing preventive measures and driving investigation of particular misbehaviour
 - valuable and usable for a broad group of stakeholders – policymakers, civil society, watchdog organisations, investigative journalists, law enforcement officials, and researchers.

SCAD – ESL benefits

- Sector specific characteristics of state capture
- Use of sectoral knowledge and know-how
- Addressing policy gaps on sectoral level

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Thank You!

Questions?

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