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Towards an integrated transport system in the Baltic Sea Region

”FORESIGHT SESSIONS AND EXPECTED RESULTS”

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Challenges

- Societal Challenges (Climate Change, Peak Oil, Competitiveness, Sustainability ...)
- Linking Transport Policy on different levels with other Policy (Research etc.)
- Decision-making under deep uncertainty
- Forecasts on what will happen in 40 years are very likely to be wrong



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Foresight processes

- Foresight is a **conceptual framework** for a number of **forward-looking approaches** of informed decision-making that include long-term considerations (Miles 2008).
- Answer to a lack of governance strategies dealing with **complex and unpredictable transformation patterns**.
- They focus on the increasing need of both economy and policy for **generating anticipatory strategies** and future scenarios *in the present for the present*.



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Application of Foresight

- **Transparent** structured process for decision-making
- **Forward-looking** attitude - anticipative
- **Provoking**, creative and motivating
- **Participative** approach
- **Mutual** learning and strategic dialogue
- **Reaching consensus**
- **Linking** to wider socio-economic issues
- **Coordinated/coherent** action



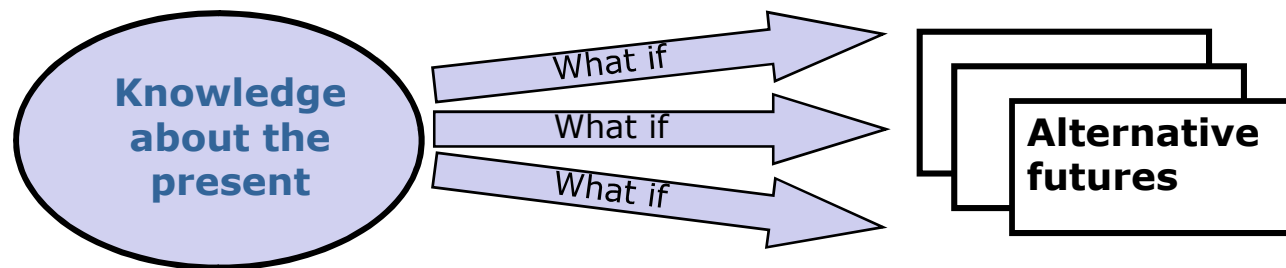
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Two basic elements of Foresight

Exploratory approach:

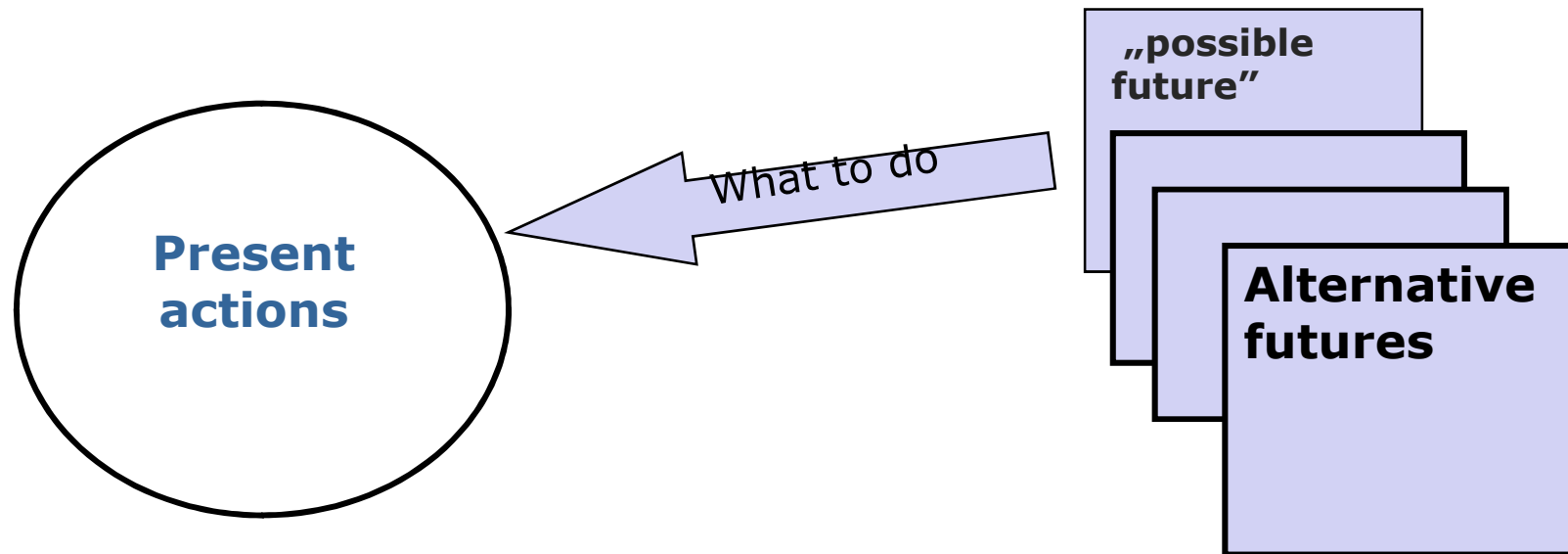


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Normative approach:

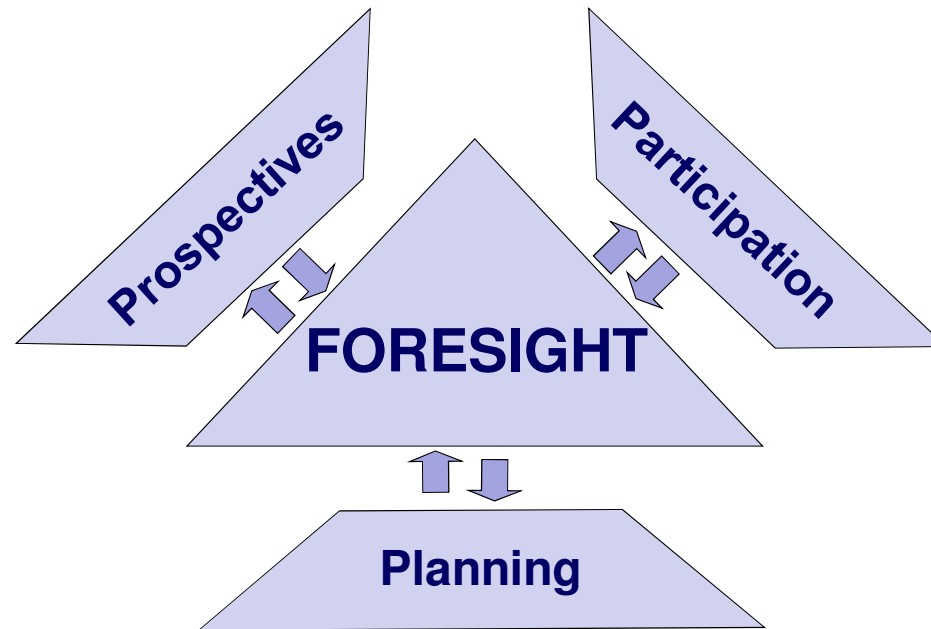


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Three Facets of Foresight



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