

That's what we are like: first results of a survey on the worldwide situation of digital preservation communities

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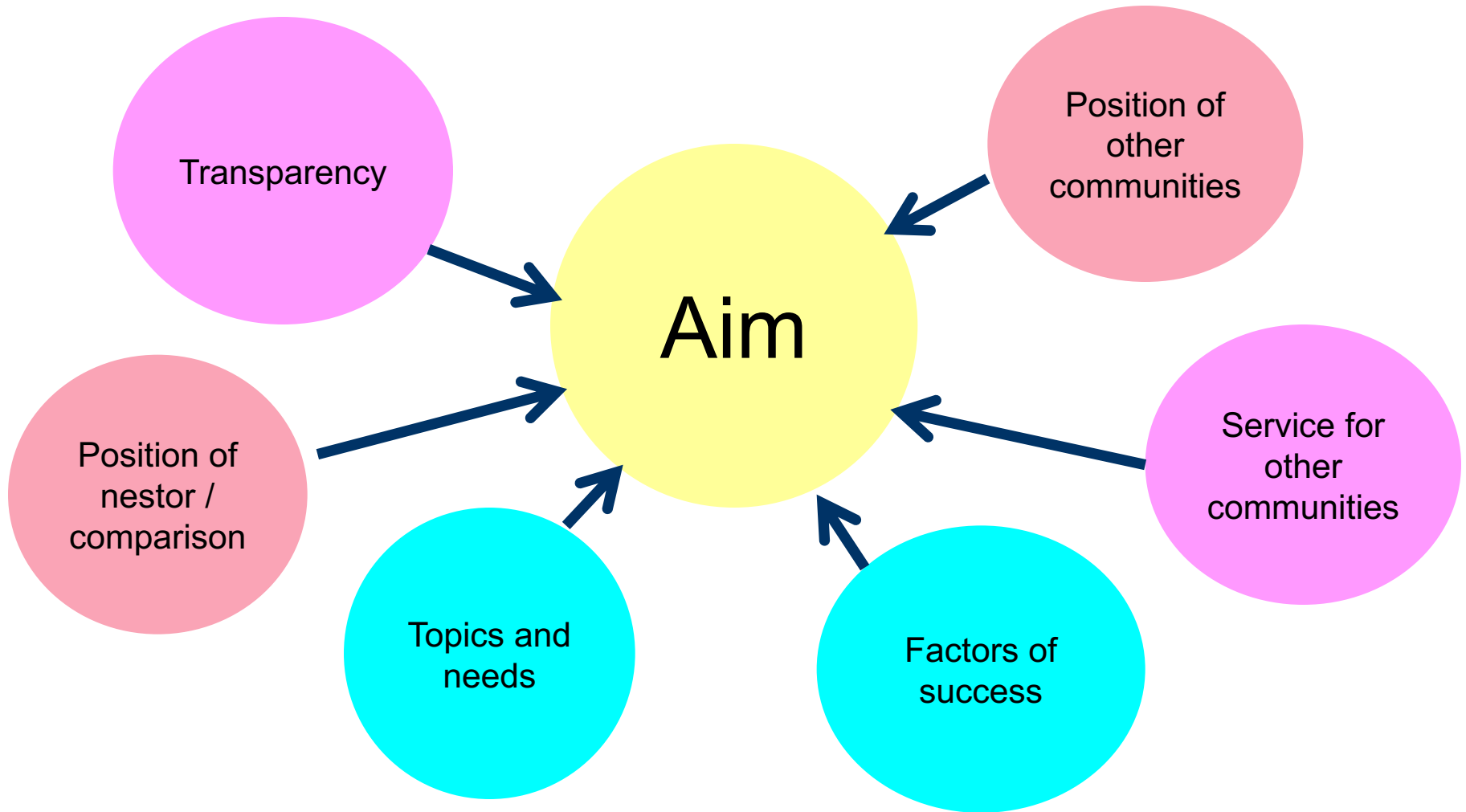
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- What is nestor – the German Network of Expertise in Digital Preservation?
 - a network fostering digital preservation in Germany and beyond ...
 - a network linking libraries, archives, museums ...
 - a network providing support for digital preservation in institutions
 - an open network that is in contact with many global players in the field of digital preservation

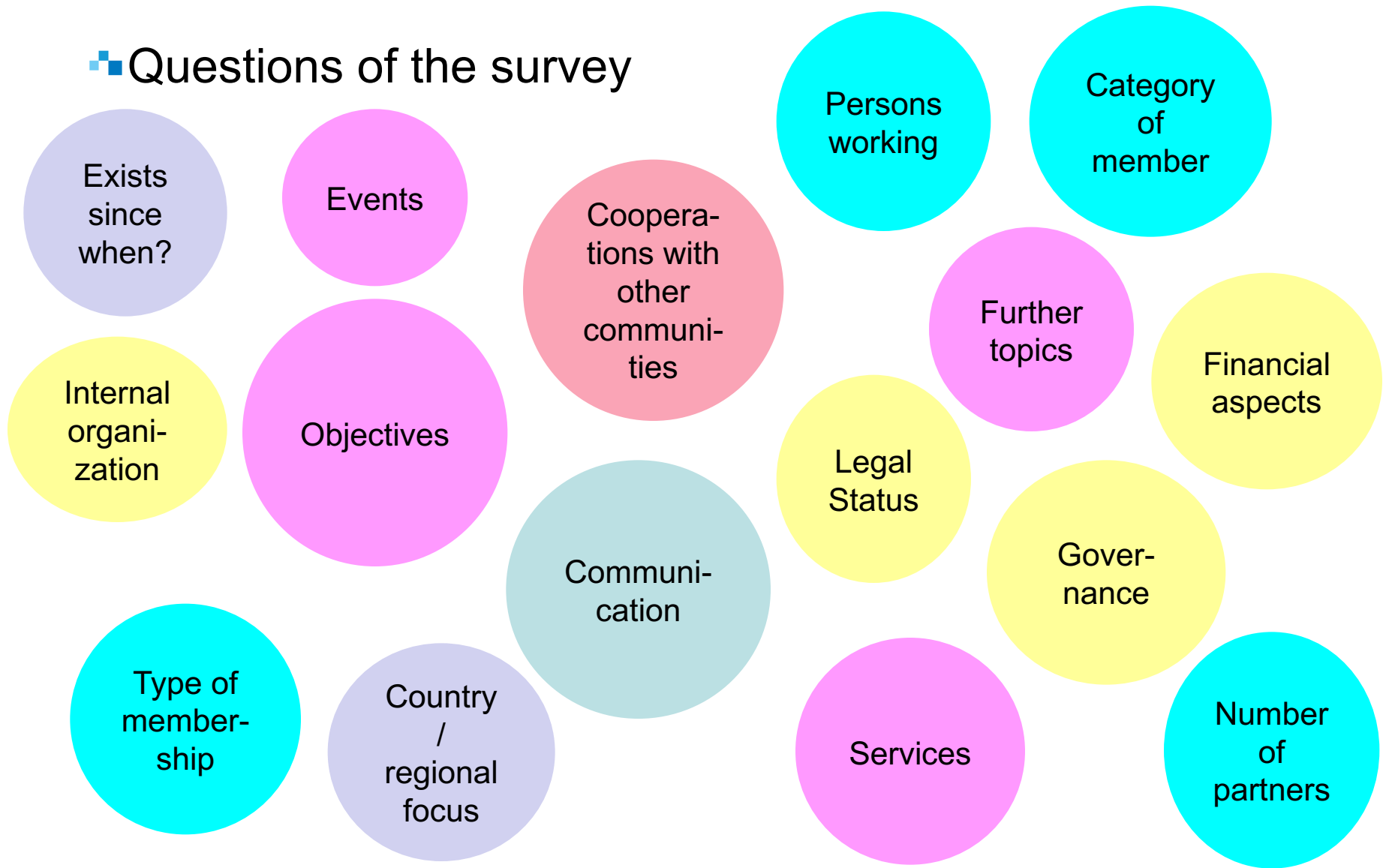
What is the aim / motivation of this examination?



■ Definition of community

- an open association of people and/or institutions.
- thematically concerned with digital preservation (DP). DP can be one among several topics.
- an association which engages in digital preservation beyond pure self-interest. Offering a service or product is not to be its sole purpose.
- a platform for exchange about digital preservation and its advancement, including the goal to develop tools etc. or to provide services.
- local, regional, national or international / large or small / product-related or not product-related.

Questions of the survey



■ Some facts and figures

	number	share
Communities/networks altogether	86	100 %
Participation in survey	64	74 %
Entries used in analysis	55	64 %
characteristics to be published by nestor	49	57 %

- Emails to head of network
- Requests by mailing lists
- Several reminders
- September 2019 – May 2020

- Challenges within the analysis

- There are aspects that are connected or overlap partly so that a clear answer is difficult to achieve
- Asking for information about internal, sensitive topics for a network e. g. the financing – result: communities are not very touchy
- Topics with different cultural, legal or other characteristics e. g. bound to a region of the world
- Topics that we could not describe properly
- Answers from open questions are difficult to categorize / count / analyse

- Presentation of the results
 - Characteristics of single communities
 - Short description with categories of the survey
 - Presentation in the internet
 - Anonymous analysis of all data gathered in the survey
 - „Raw data presentation“ as nestor – material in the internet
 - Deaper analysis for publications on digital preservation communities

- ❖ Characteristics of the communities I
 - ❖ Short description of each community
 - ❖ Data base: Answers in the survey
 - ❖ Each community was asked to give the permit to publish in the internet – to be sure, we will repeat that
 - ❖ Helps to gain more transparency about digital preservation communities worldwide

- ❖ Characteristics of the communities II
 - ❖ Presentation on nestor website in English
 - ❖ To step in by
 - ❖ Regional aspects
 - ❖ Field of activity / objectives / subjects
 - ❖ Services
 - ❖ Target groups
 - ❖ Clusters
 - ❖ Size / regional coverage / type of membership

Characteristics of the communities III

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Profile of

nestor - Kompetenznetzwerk digitale Langzeitarchivierung /
German network of expertise in digital preservation

Data base: own disclosure

The community agreed in letting nestor publish the individual results of the survey for this community

General characteristics

- | Located in: Germany
- | Regional focus: entire country
- | Subjects the community is working in: digital preservation with all of its aspects
- | Exists since: 2009

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Characteristics of the communities IV

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Mission and scope

- | The 3 most important objectives of the mission statement: education, certification & training, standardisation
- | Services the community offers for its members and if applicable for non-members: knowledge transfer, community building, certification, standardisation, lobbying

Governance structure and financing

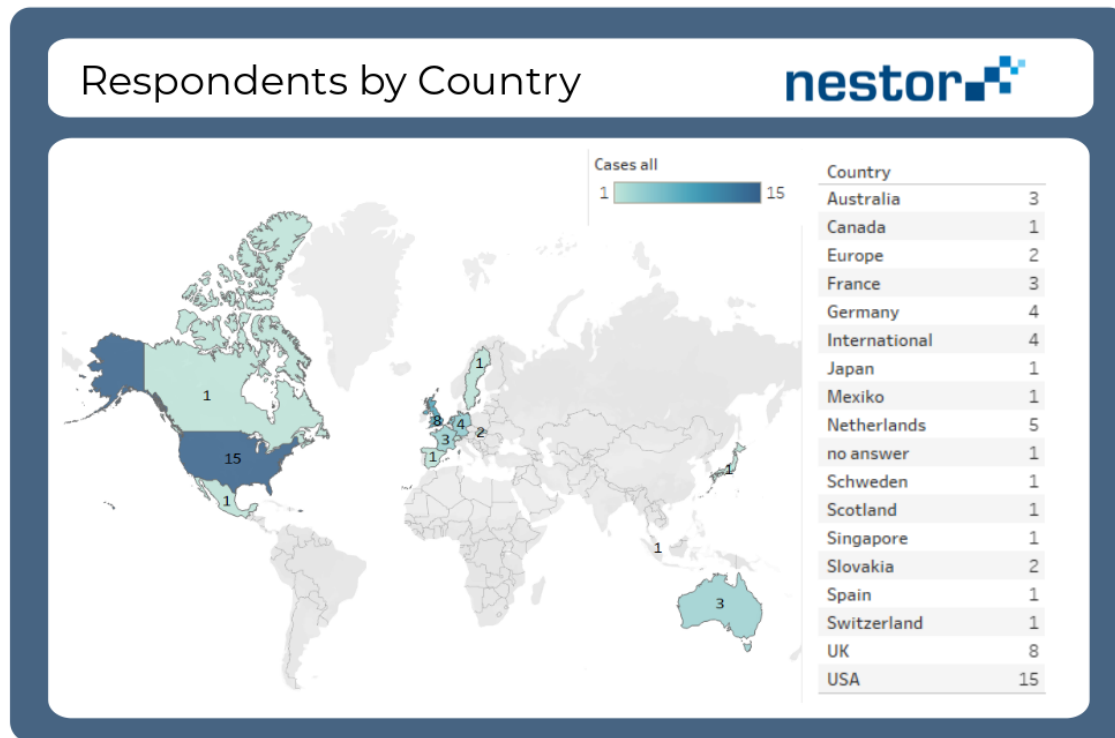
- | The community is a non-profit organisation.
- | Legal status: cooperation network with a cooperation agreement between the partners
- | Kind of bodies / internal organisation: steering entities, meeting of members, regular working groups, central community office
- | Type of financing: membership fees, revenues from services to the community, in kind contributions

Organisational structure

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Further evaluation of data on communities I

Question 6: In which country is it located? 55 / 98%

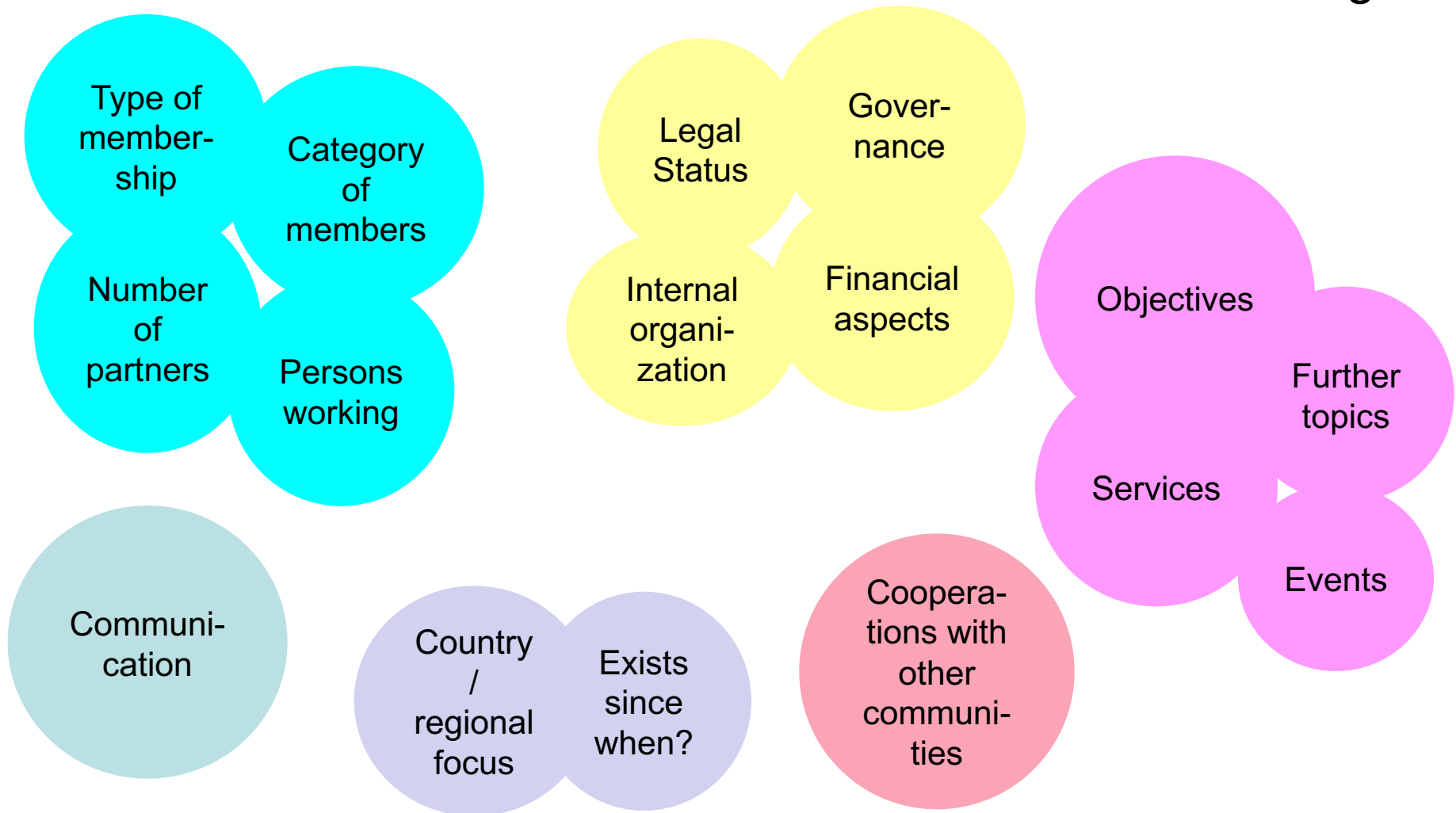


■ Further evaluation of data on communities III

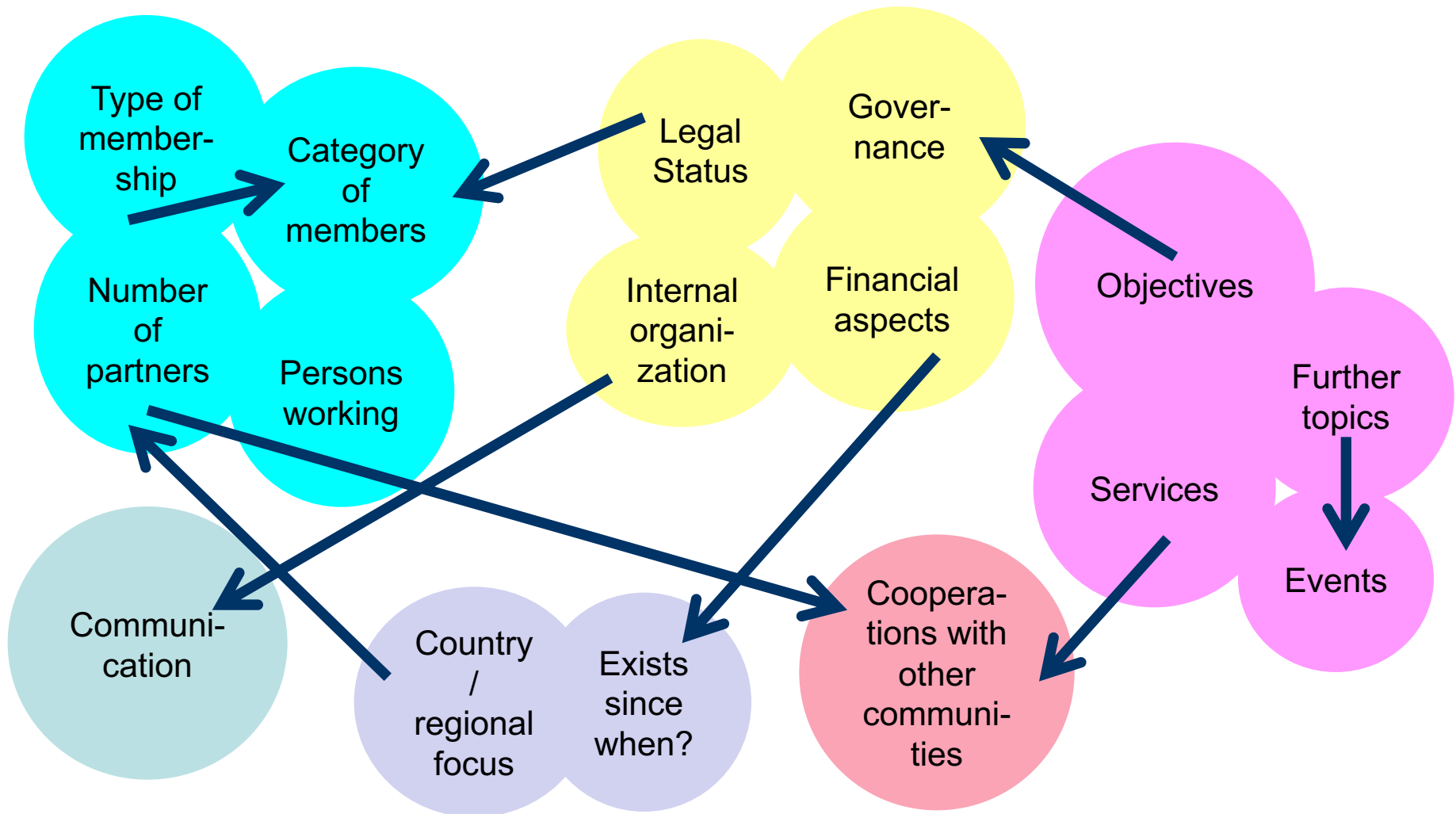
Question 13: Concerning the internal organisation, what kind of bodies does your community have? – 55 / 100 %

Body	Cases	% of answers
Steering entities / board of directors	36	65,45%
Advisory committee (e.g. board of experts)	24	43,64%
Meeting of members (on a fairly regular basis)	37	67,27%
Regular working groups	30	54,55%
Central community office	19	34,55%
Other units	15	27,27%

Further evaluation of data on communities II Clustering



Further evaluation of data on communities III relations



- ❖ Future of the survey

- ❖ Evaluation and interpretation of the data – where are its limits?
- ❖ Repetitions of the survey every 3 – 5 years
- ❖ Survey, characteristics and nestor-material are services of nestor for an international target group
- ❖ Marketing to augment the number of communities which participate in the (next) survey

- Do you have Questions?
- Do you have suggestions, hints, new ideas?
- We will be happy about each mail you send to:

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