

# Social Sustainability in Tech

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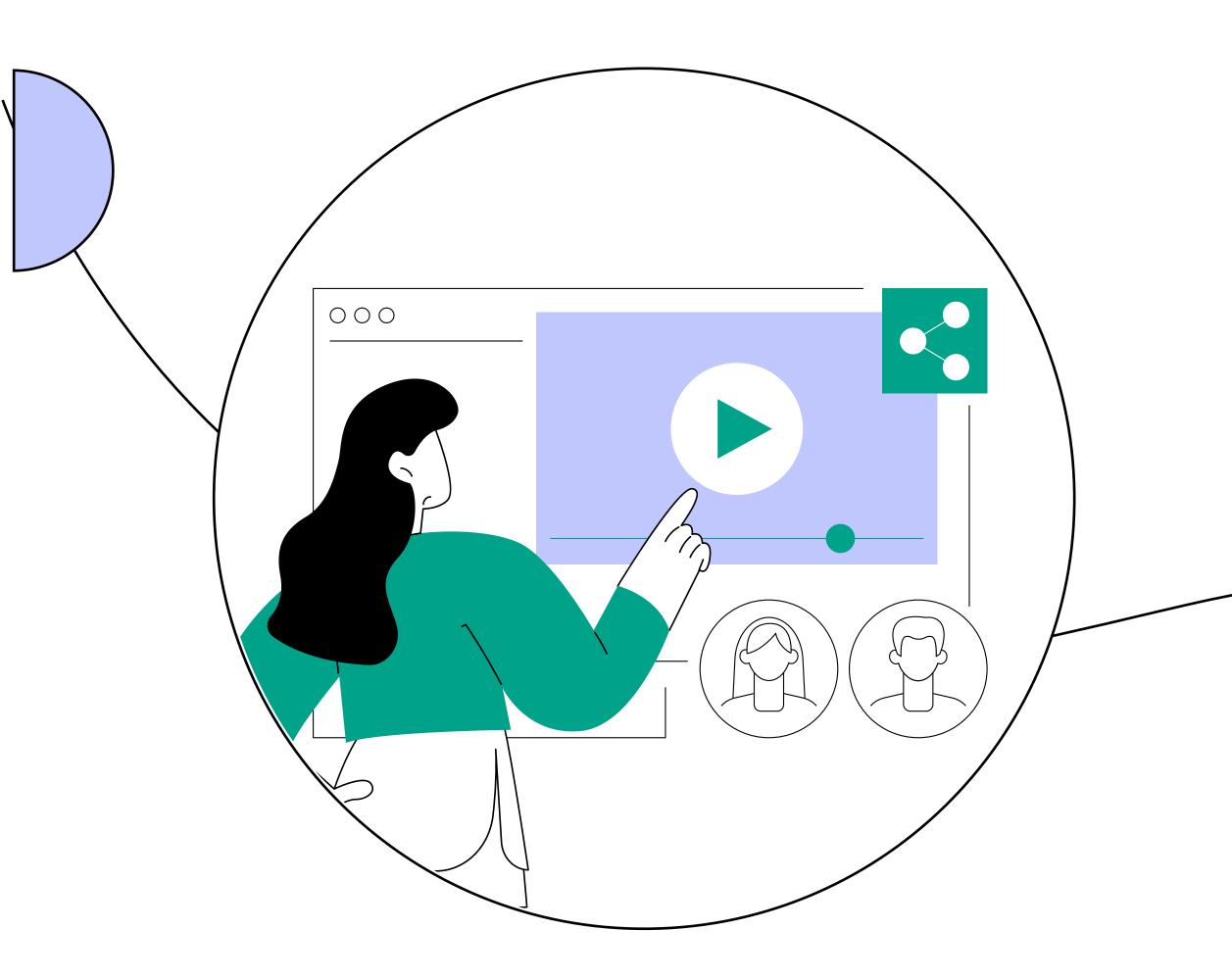


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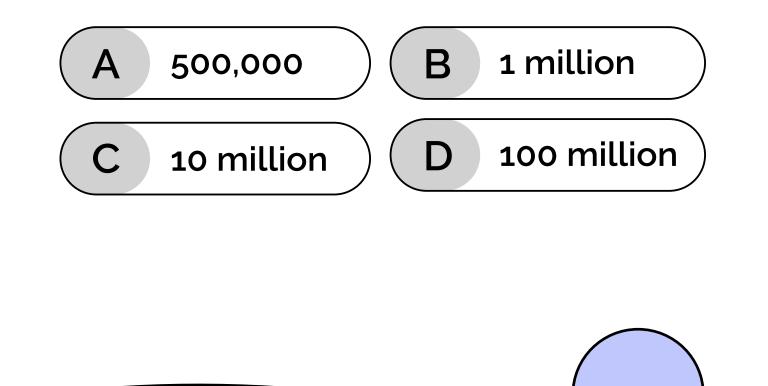


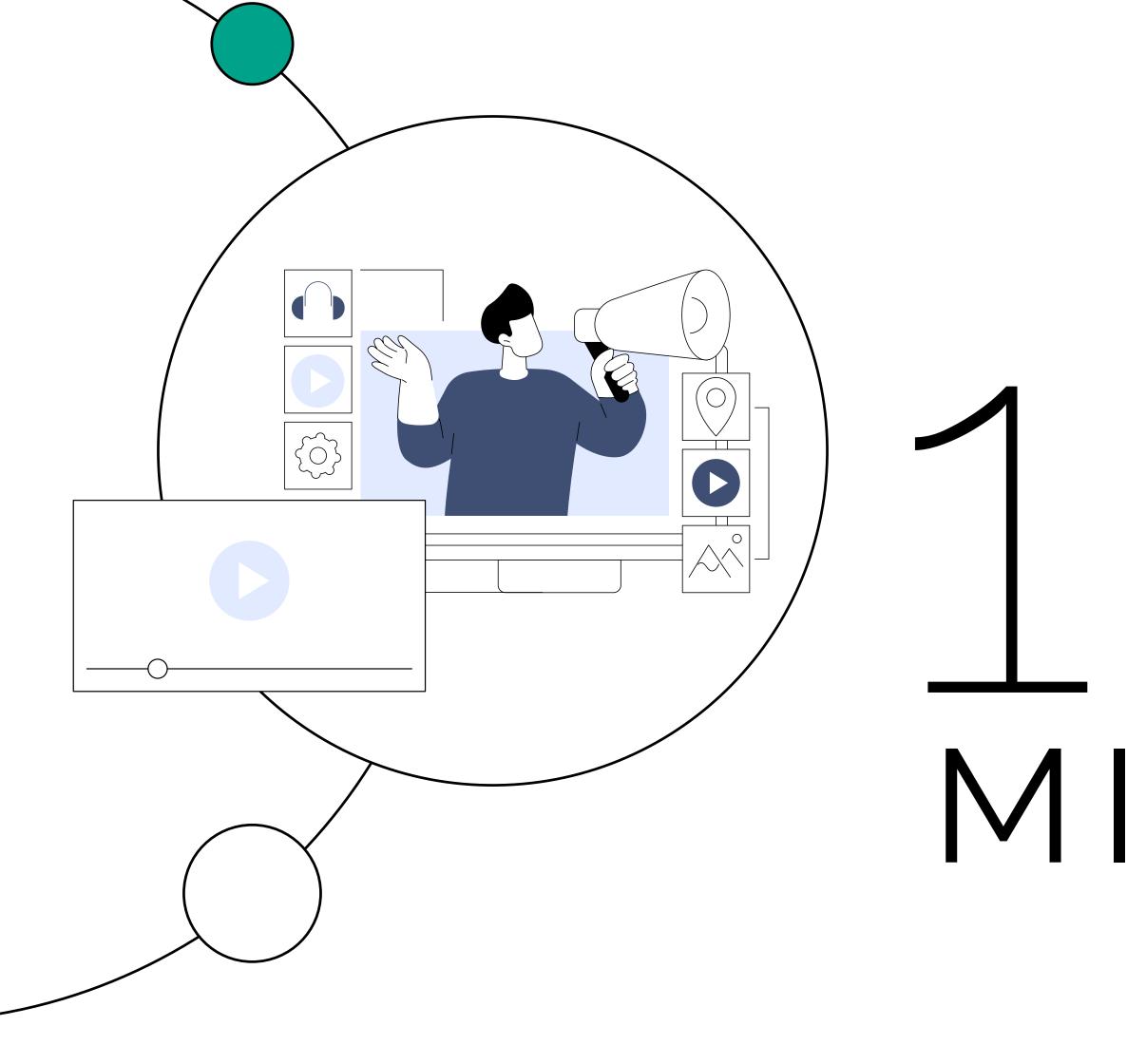
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Q. In just one year from 2019 to 2020, the number of deep fakes grew from 14,678 to how many videos

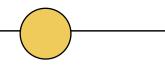






The Asia-Pacific region saw a 1530% increase in deepfake cases between 2022 and 2023

Vietnam had the **highest increase** in deepfake fraud in the region





## Better never means for some.

Margaret Atwood

- It always means worse
- better for everyone.

### **REALITY TODAY**

## Impact on Data Privacy & Safety

The number of data breaches in the U.S. has increased, from **447** in 2012 to more than **3,200** in 2023 (Statista).

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## "All I can do is check her account regularly and know who is she talking to?"





### **REALITY TODAY**

## Impact on Addiction & Emotional Wellbeing

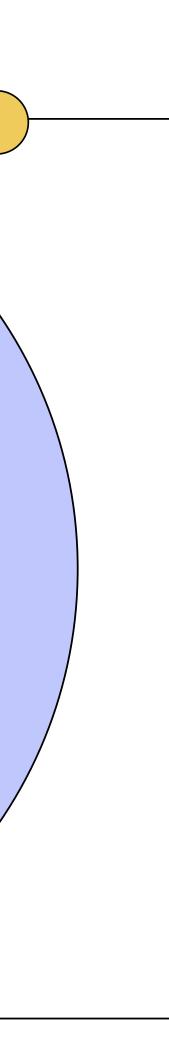


## The Al companion who cares

## How are you feeling today?

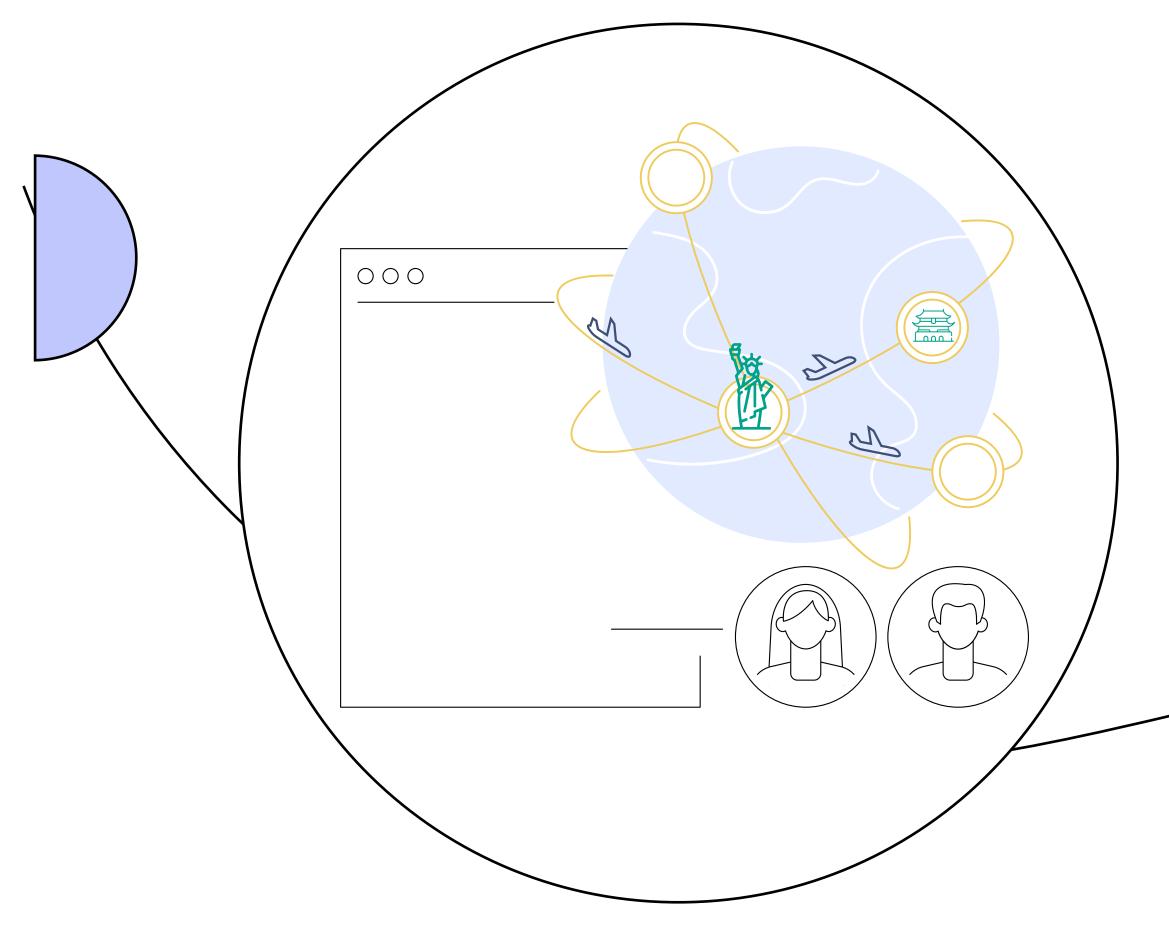
Its a huge, huge risk if we continue to build AI companions that are optimized for engagement. This will potentially keep you away from human interactions..We have to think of the worst case scenarios now... in a way this tech is much more powerful than social media and we have sort of dropped the ball there.

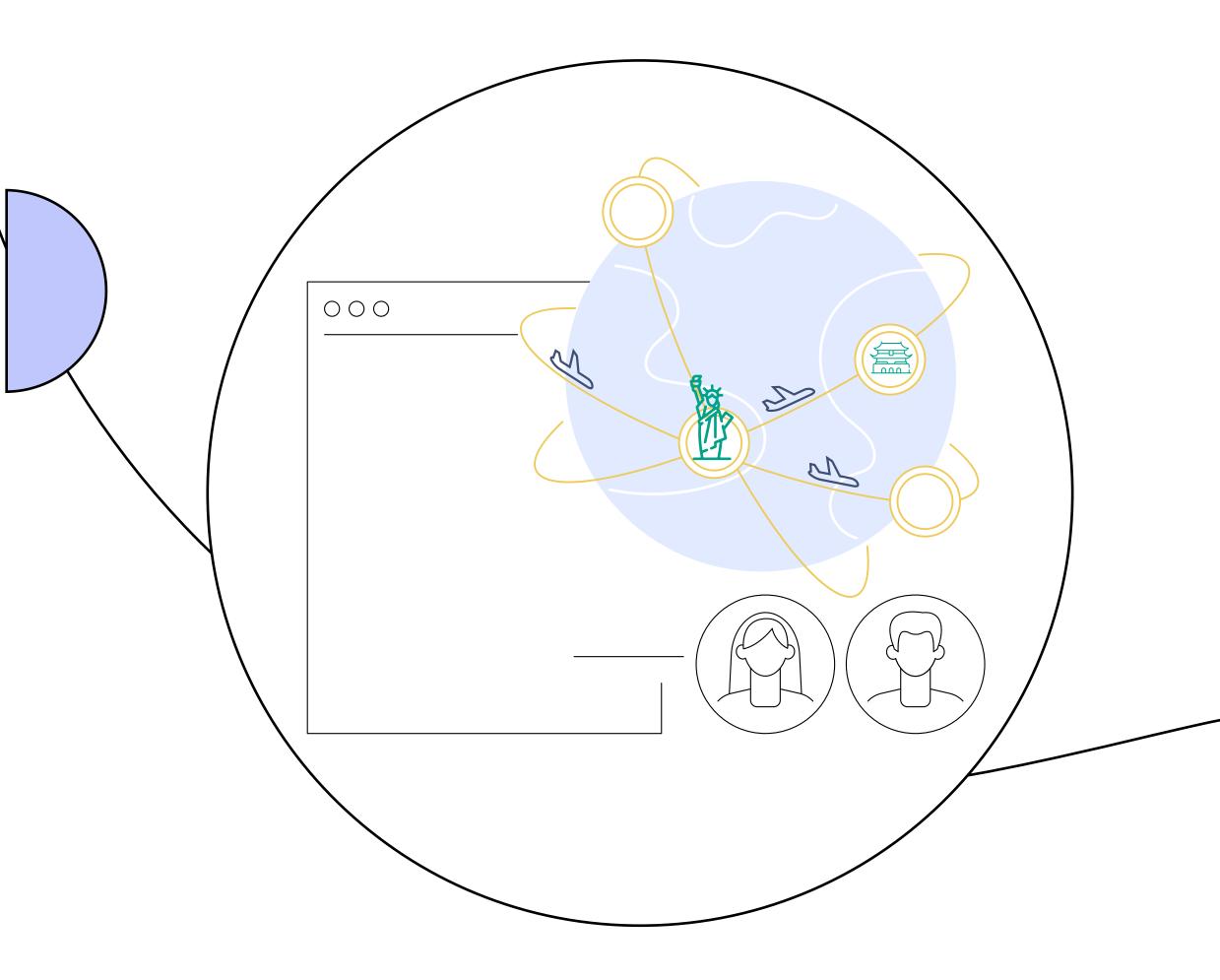
### Eugenia Kuyda, CEO of Replika



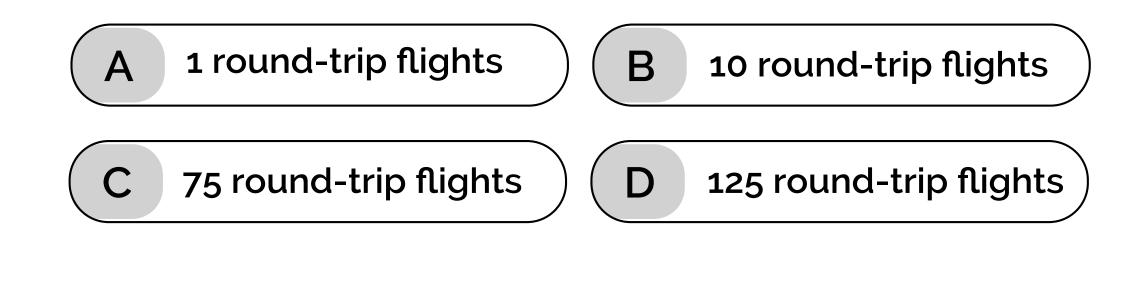
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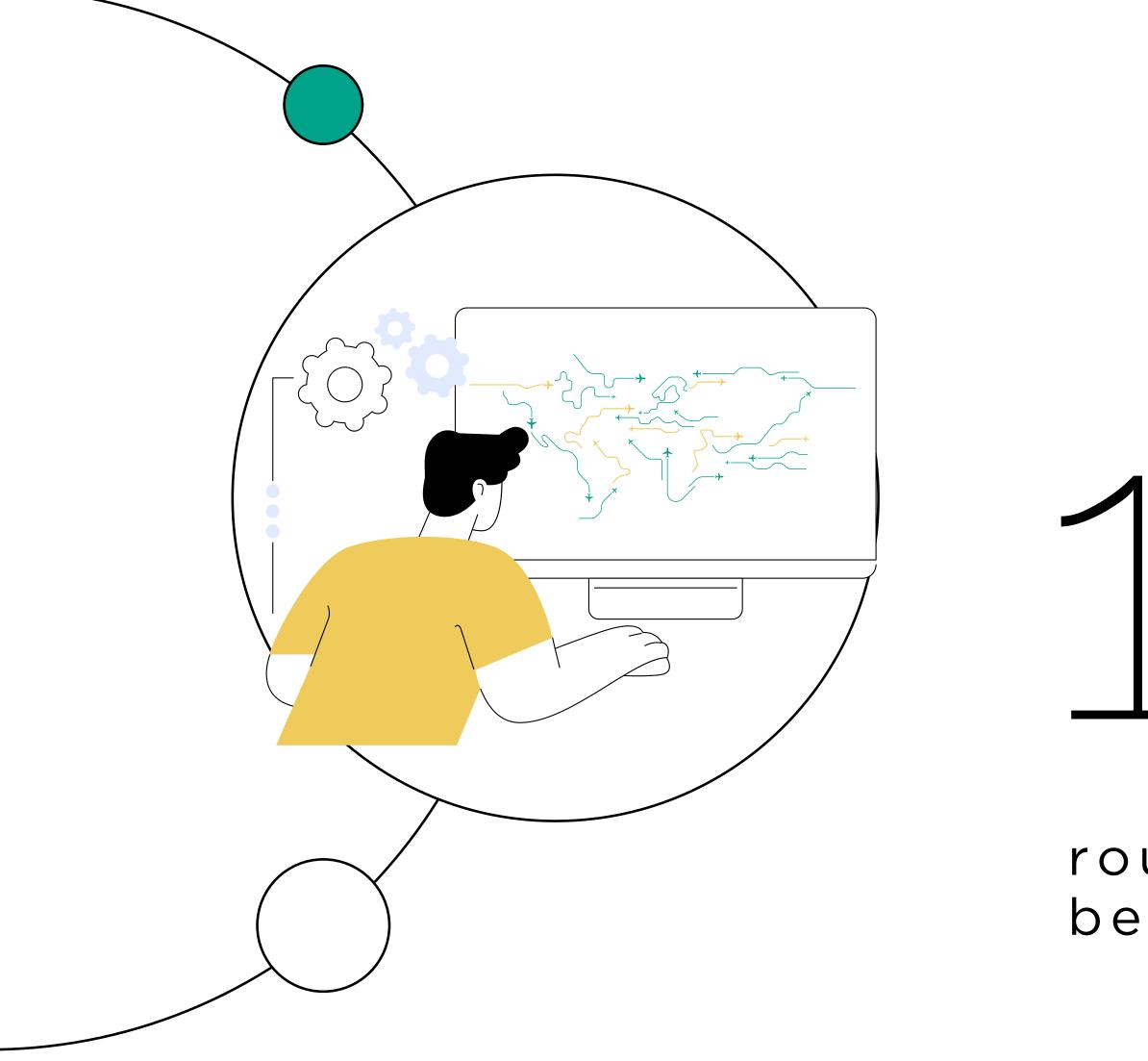
## Impact on Environment





Q. Training a single LLM in natural language processing (NLP) produces a carbon footprint equivalent to how many round-trip flights between New York and Bejing





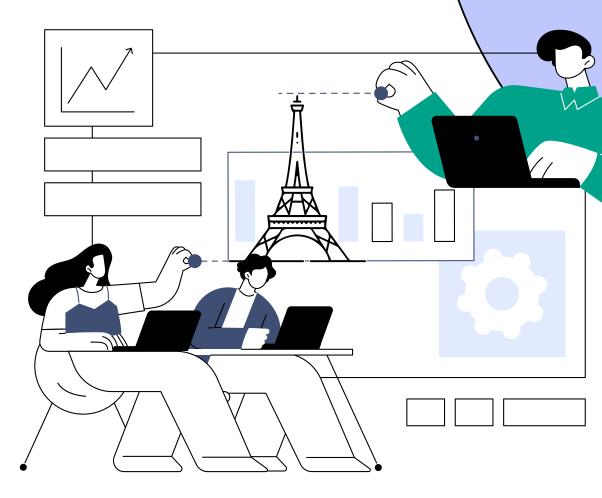


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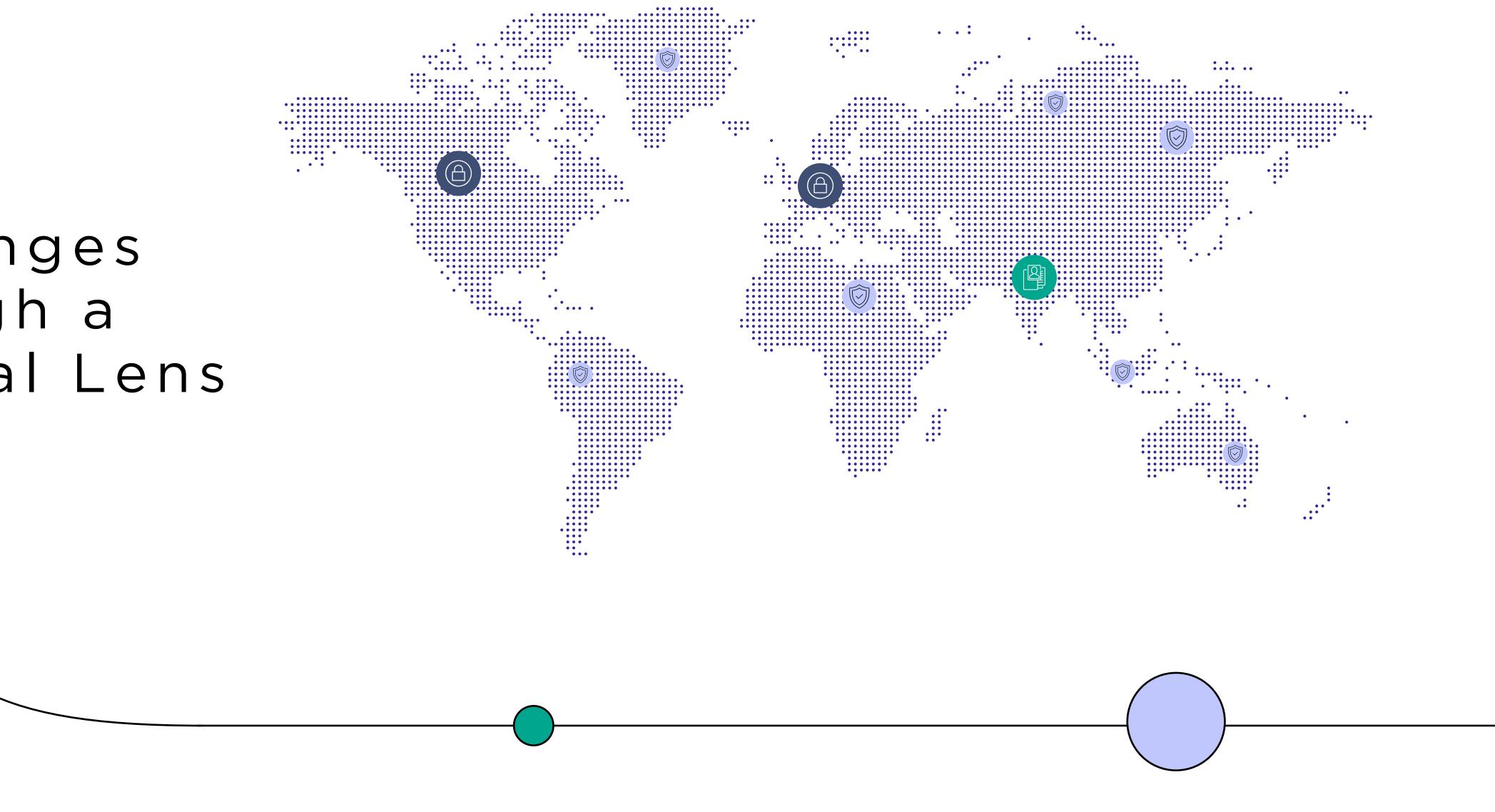
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## Impact on Environment



A Chat GPT query requires **10 times** as much energy to process as a Google search. (Goldman Sachs)

### Challenges Through a Cultural Lens



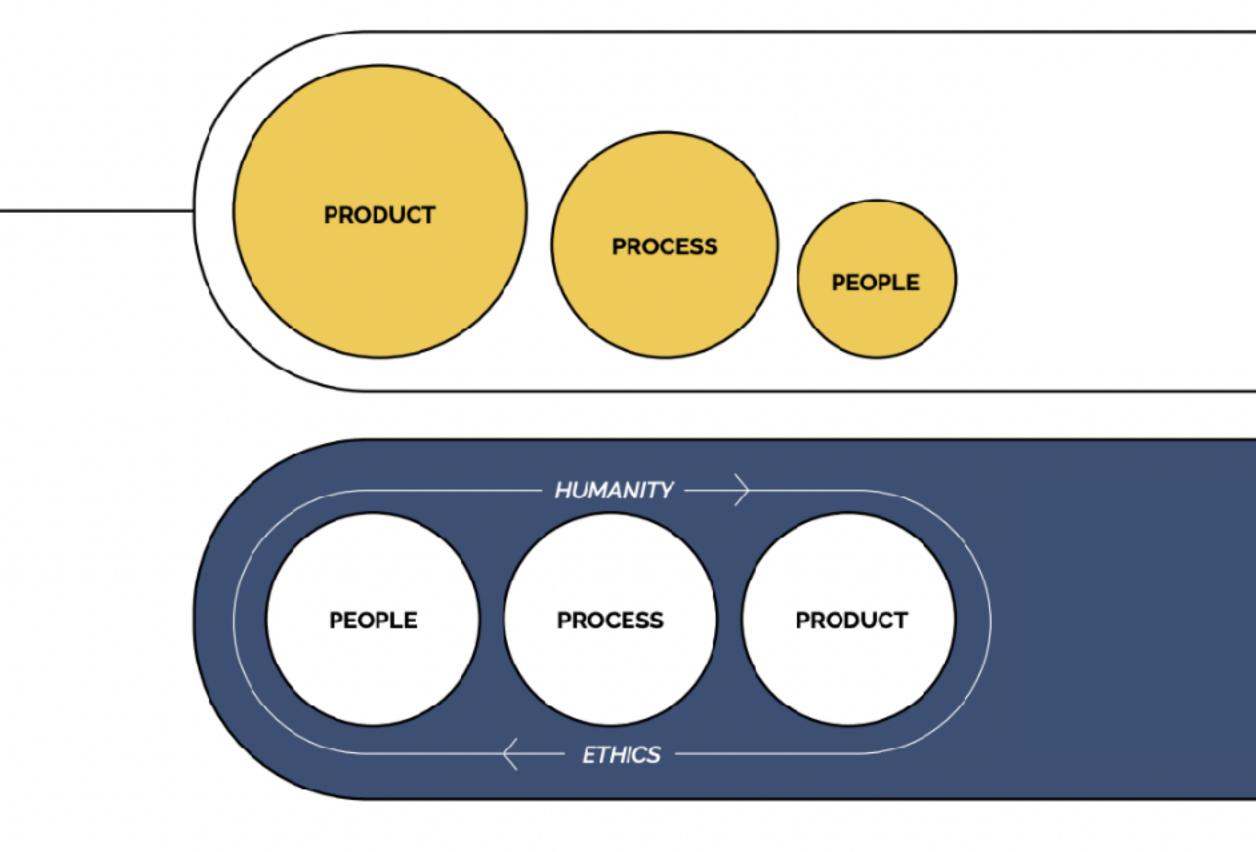


Ethical tech should not be a privilege that is understood by few. It is non negotiable that it should be built for all.



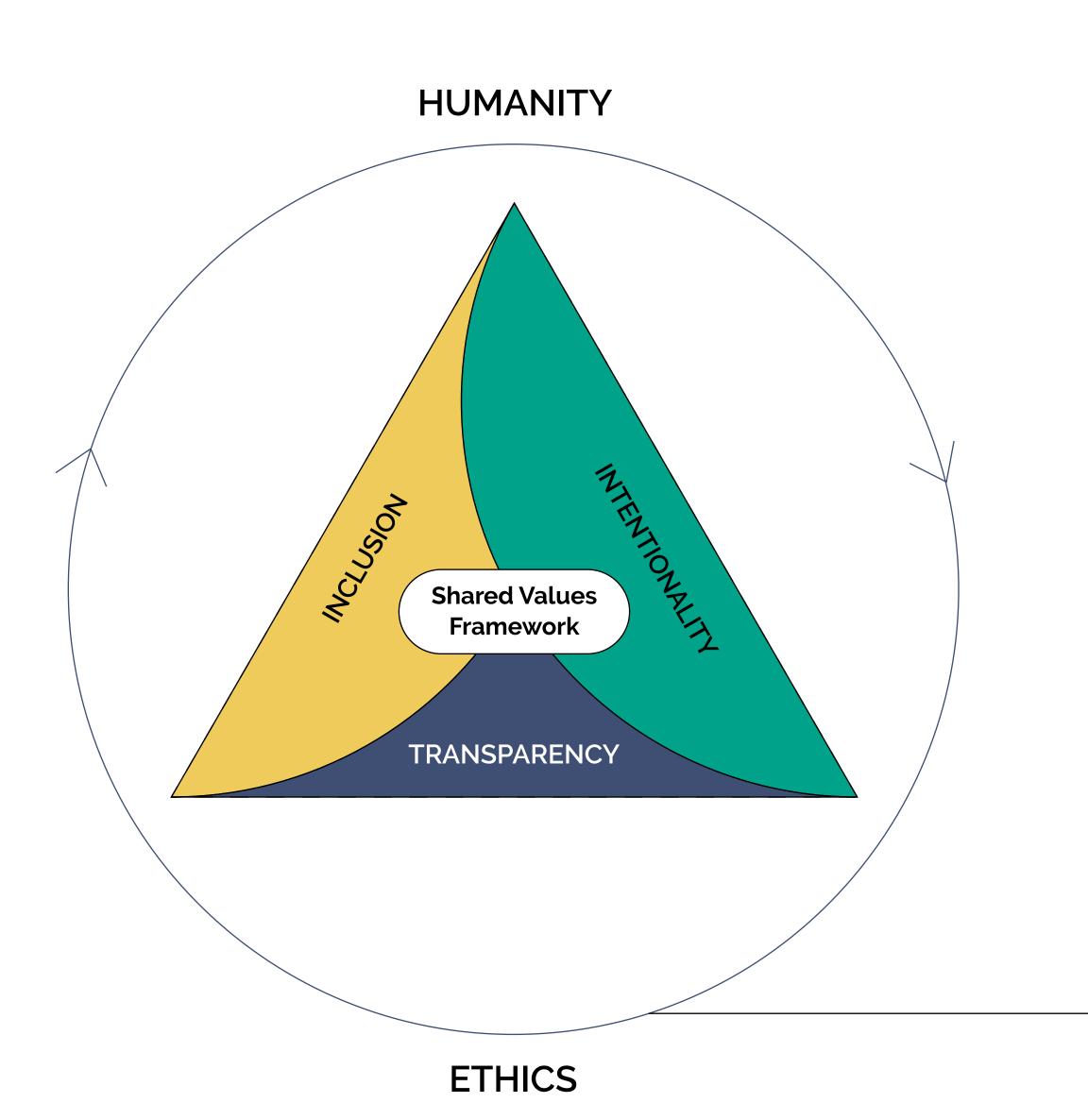
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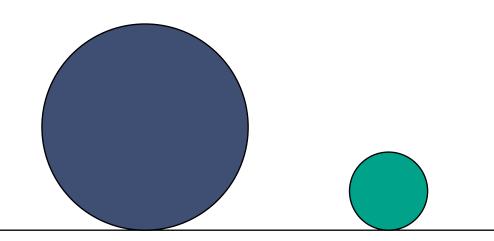


### CURRENT VIEW

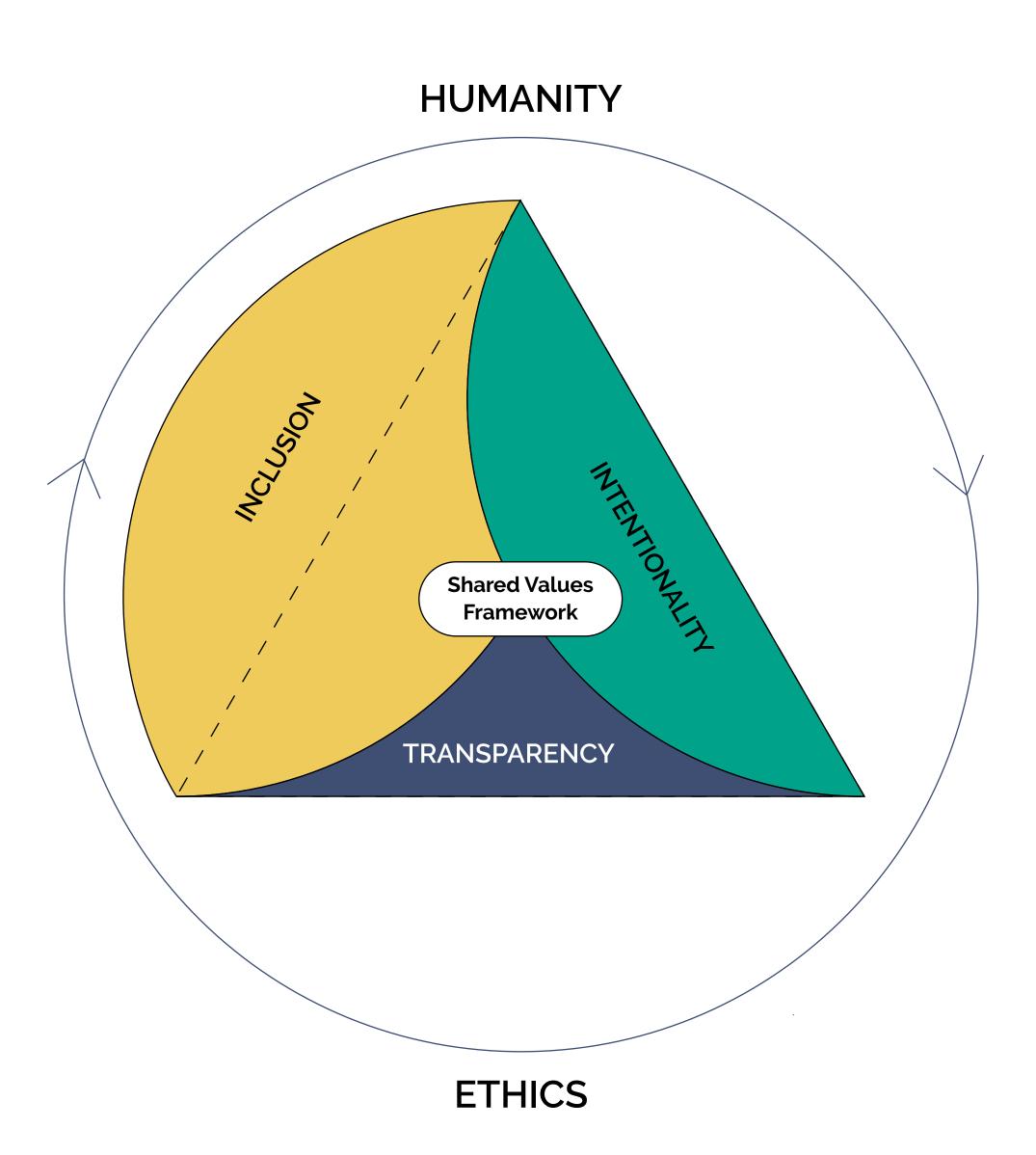
### **DESIRED VIEW**



### Introducing the 3 Principles of SST







### Inclusion

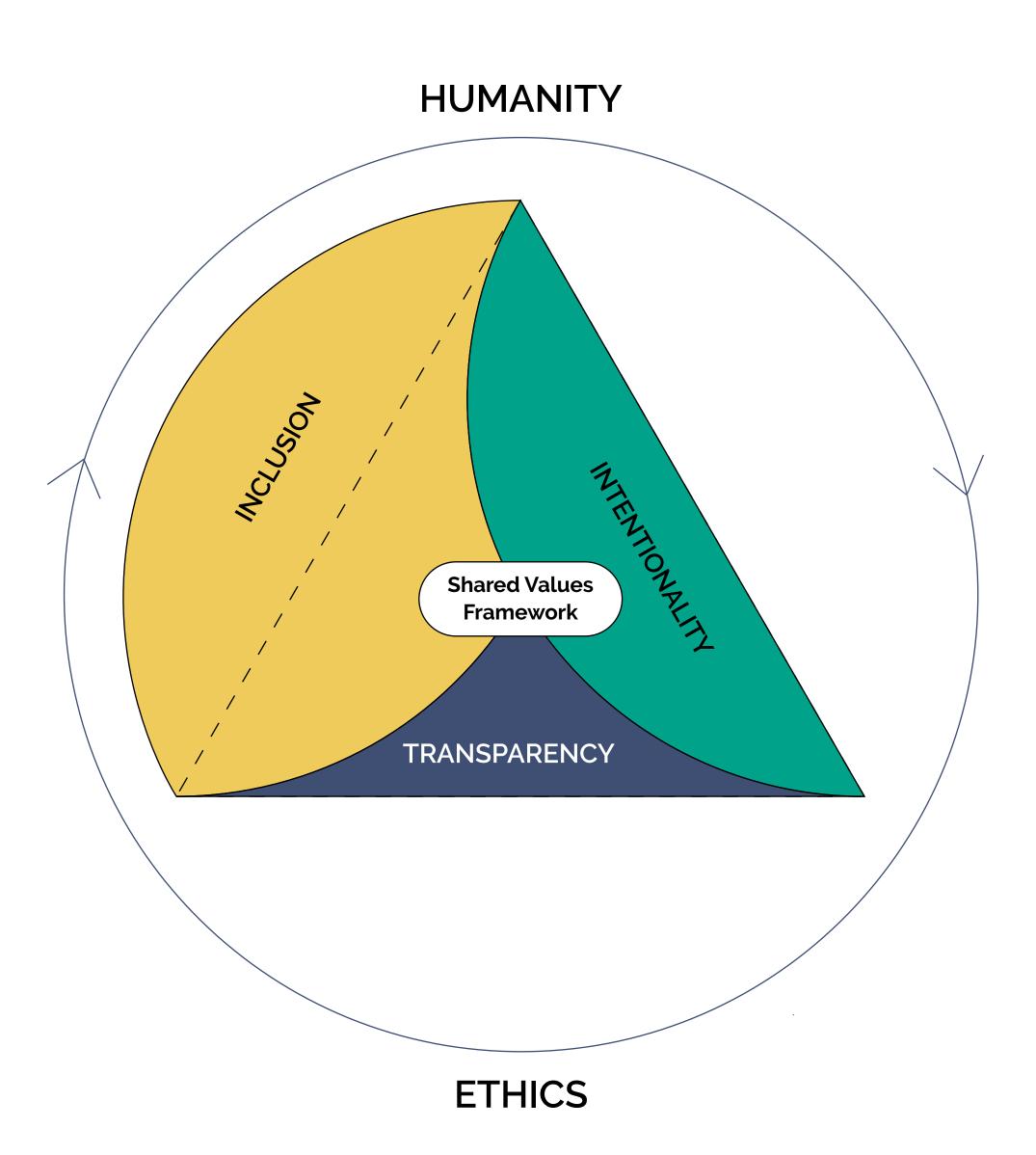
Improving representation and reducing bias

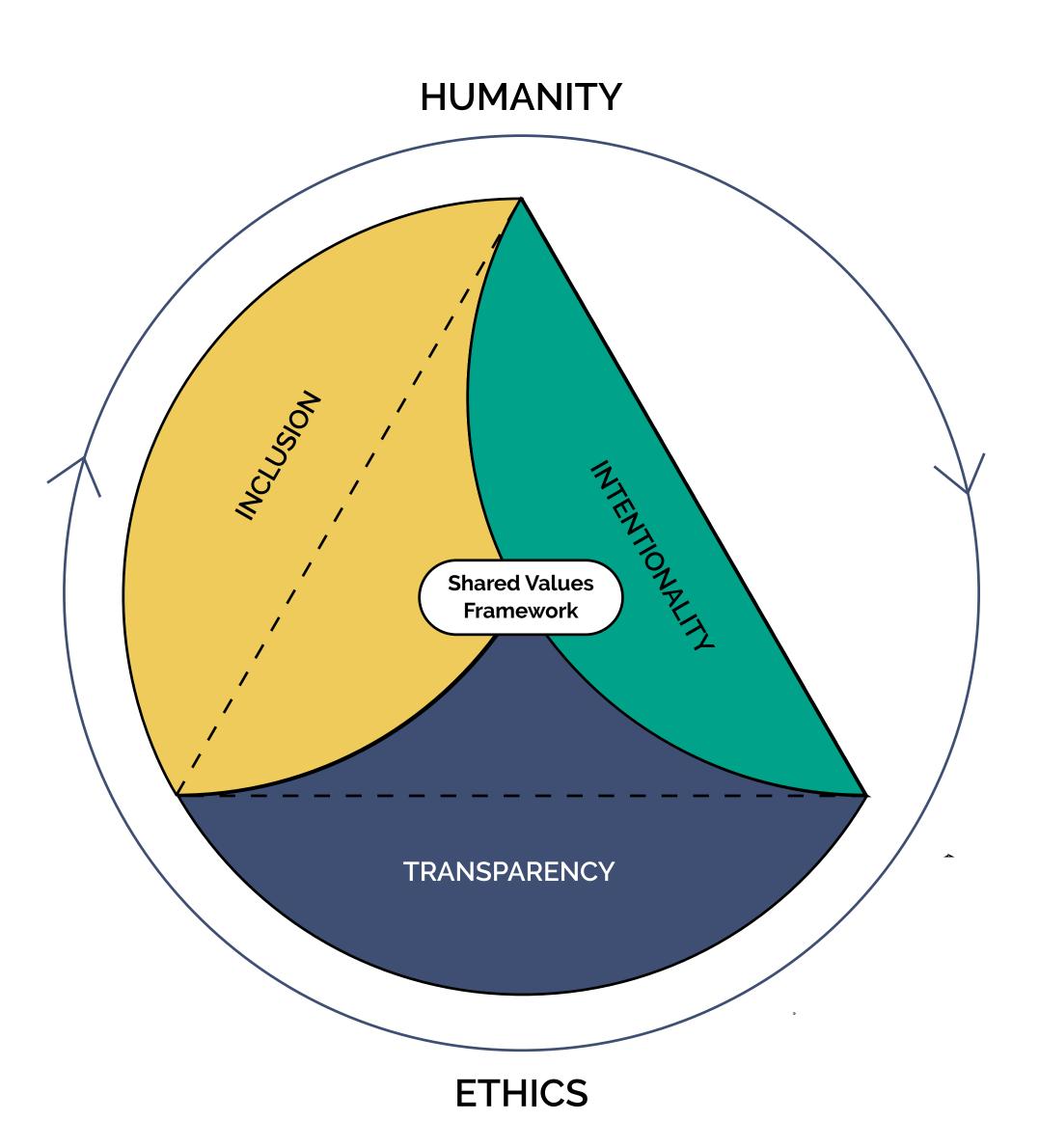
Cash Flow Per Employee and Inclusive

### Inclusion

## Diverse Companies Earn 2.5 Times Higher Teams Are More Productive by Over 35%







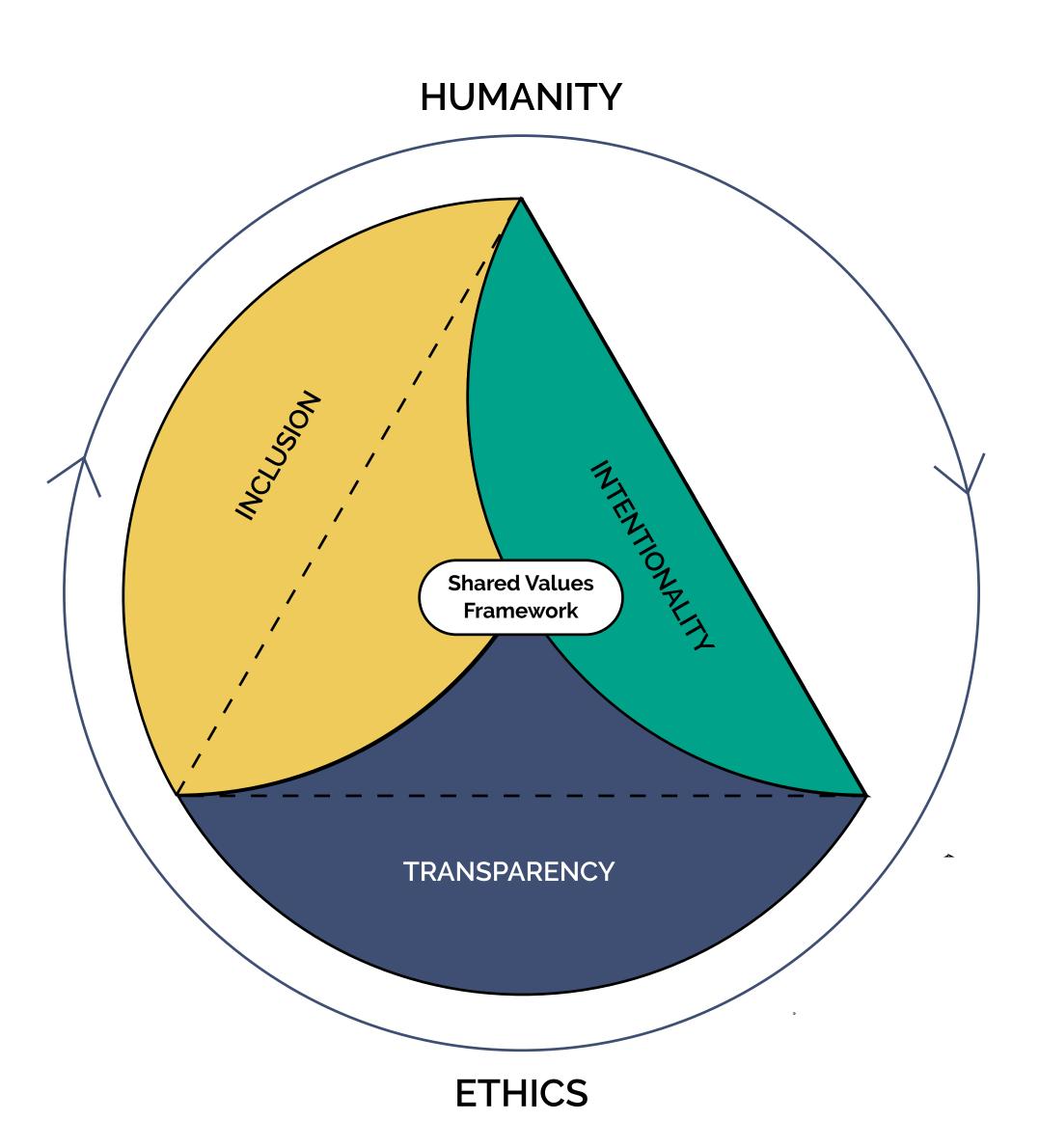
### Transparency

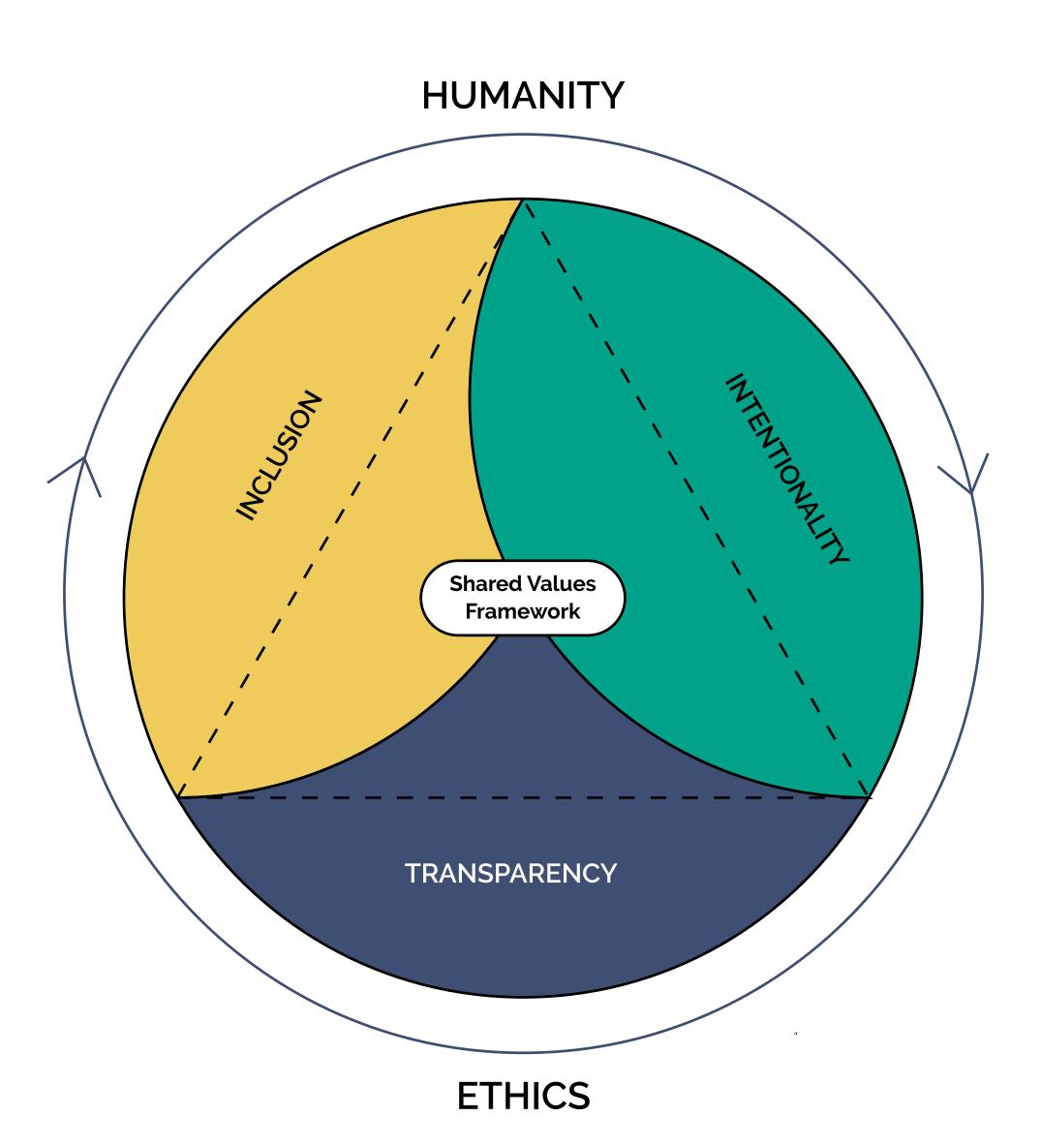
Offering information and choices for consumer empowerment

The way companies handle consumer data and privacy can become a point of differentiation and even a source of competitive business advantage.

### Transparency







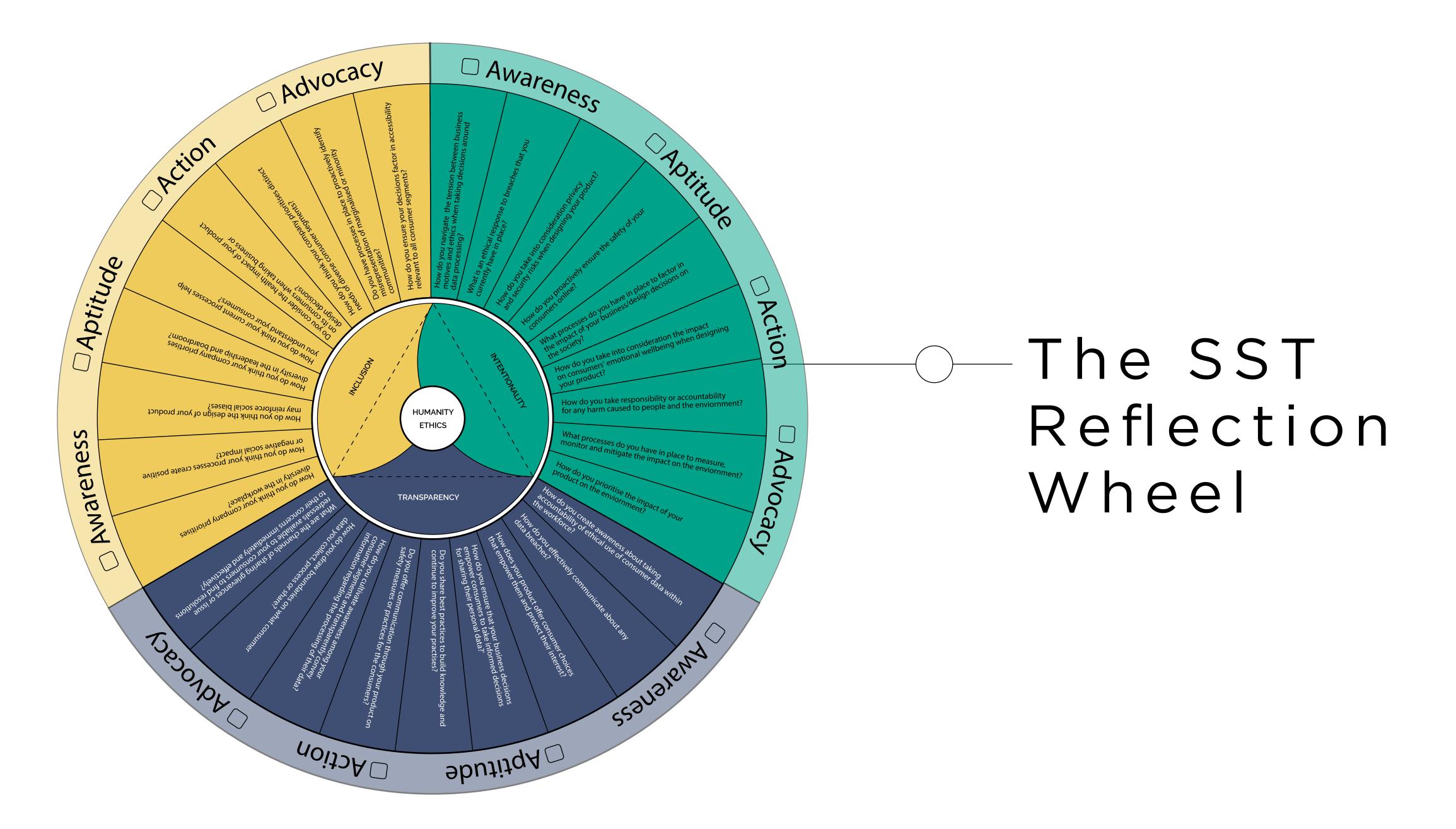
### Intentionality

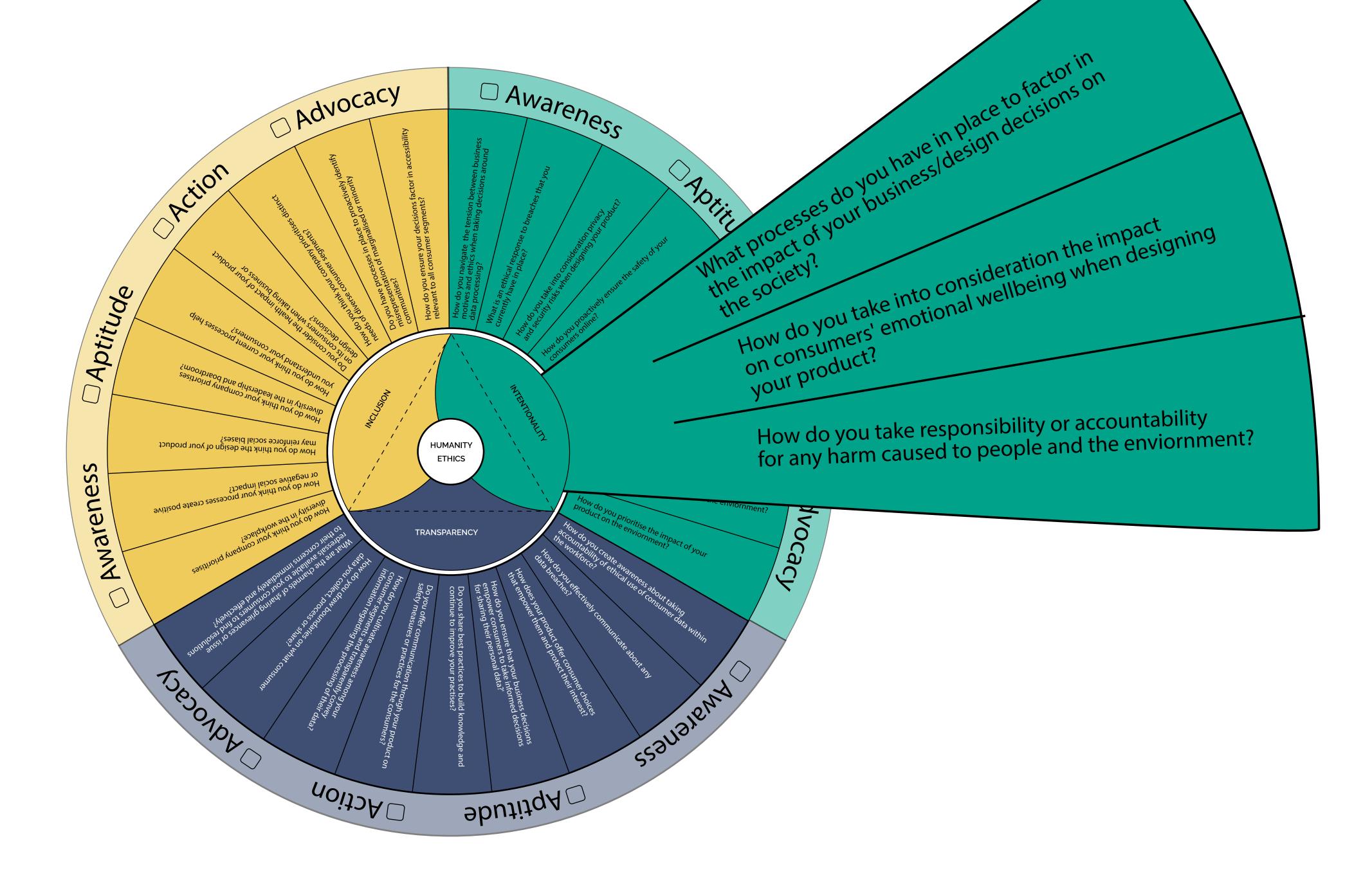
Proactively linking positive impact to business goals

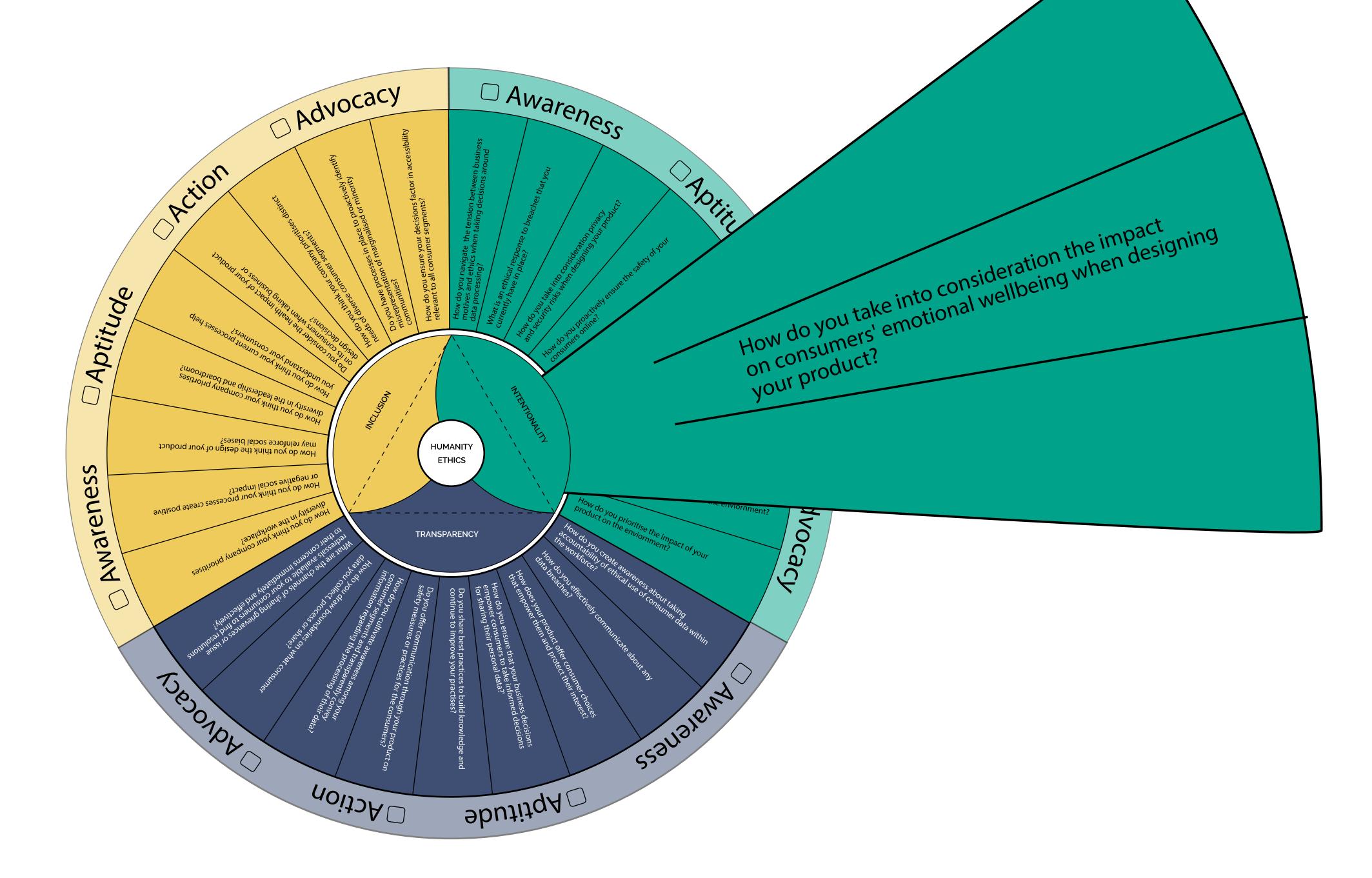
Products making ESG related (environmental, social, and governance) claims averaged 28% cumulative growth over the past five-year period, versus 20% for products that made no such claims.

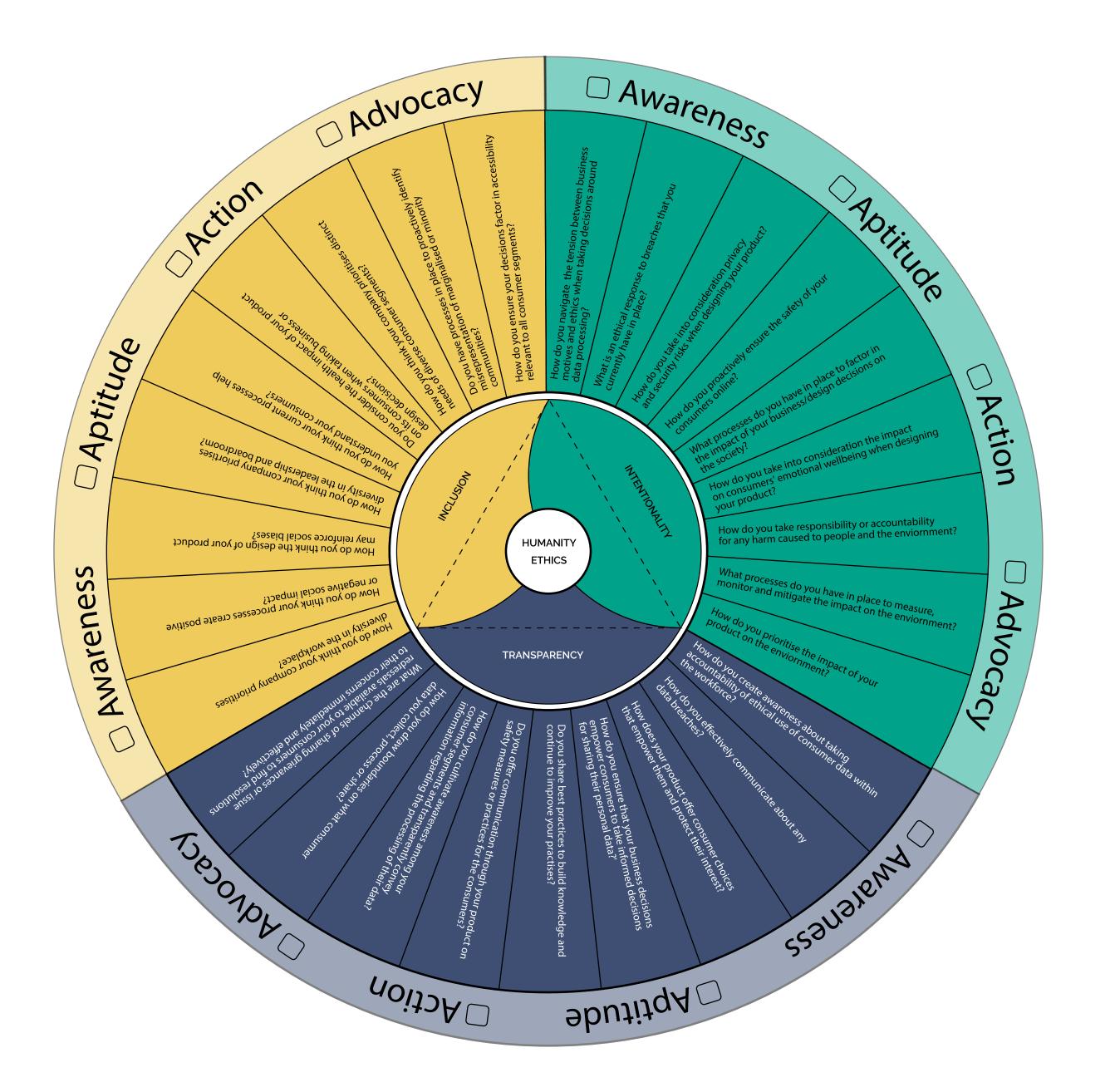
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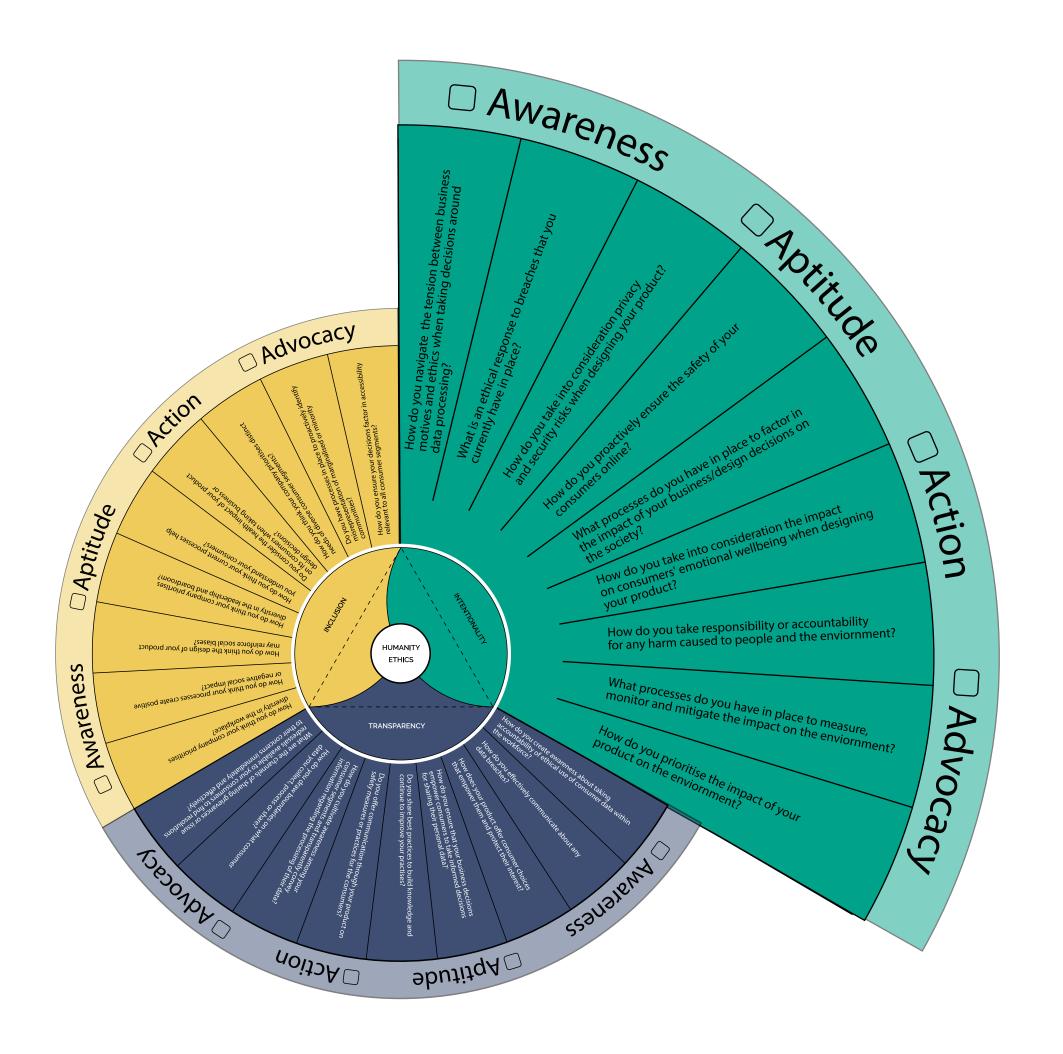


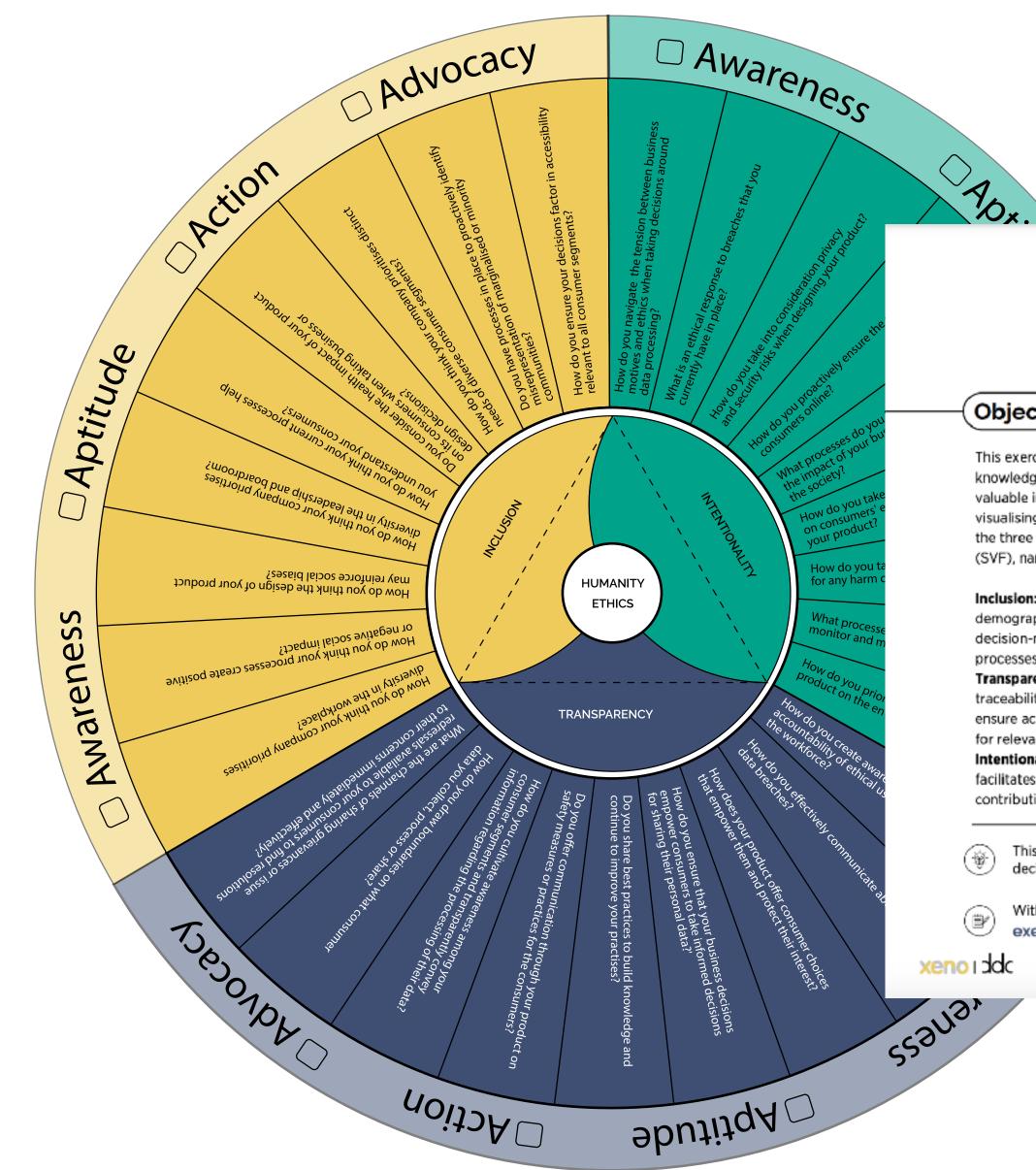














### SST Reflection Wheel



**Key Pointers** 

Duration: 30 to 45 mins for each principle

### Objective

This exercise advocates for leveraging intuition and existing knowledge to perform an initial assessment, offering valuable insights to guide subsequent actions. It aids in visualising the present state of the company concerning the three principles of the Shared Values Framework (SVF), namely:

Inclusion: Ensuring representation from a variety of demographics and communities at boardroom and decision-making levels is essential for developing inclusive processes and policies.

Transparent: Transparent and clear accountability and traceability should be integrated across various levels to ensure accurate data and appropriate access to information for relevant teams.

Intentionality: Access to clean and structured data facilitates informed decision-making, ultimately contributing to the development of suitable solutions.

- This exercise is designed for executives, decision-makers, or managers seeking to appraise the present state of company operations and products.
- 2. Respond to the questions to the best of your understanding. This exercise provides an opportunity for you and your team to engage in reflective and simulated contemplation on these aspects.

3. As you discuss each of the prompts internally, think of the current state your organization is in, challenges and barriers that you face to make the change and possible enablers to make the change happen. You could use Awareness, Aptitude, Action and Advocacy as buckets to instigate the discussions.

Next Steps

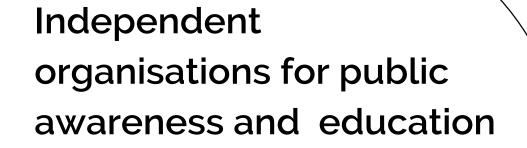
- Leaders can engage in discussions regarding the depicted current state of the company, its underlying reasons and strategies for prioritising elements to enhance progression towards social sustainability.
- 2. Subsequently, proceed to the SST Quotient Maturity Canvas for a qualitative assessment.

This evaluative exercise serves as an initial step in gaining an understanding of the company's current standing within the SVF framework, thereby facilitating informed decision-making and strategic planning moving forward.

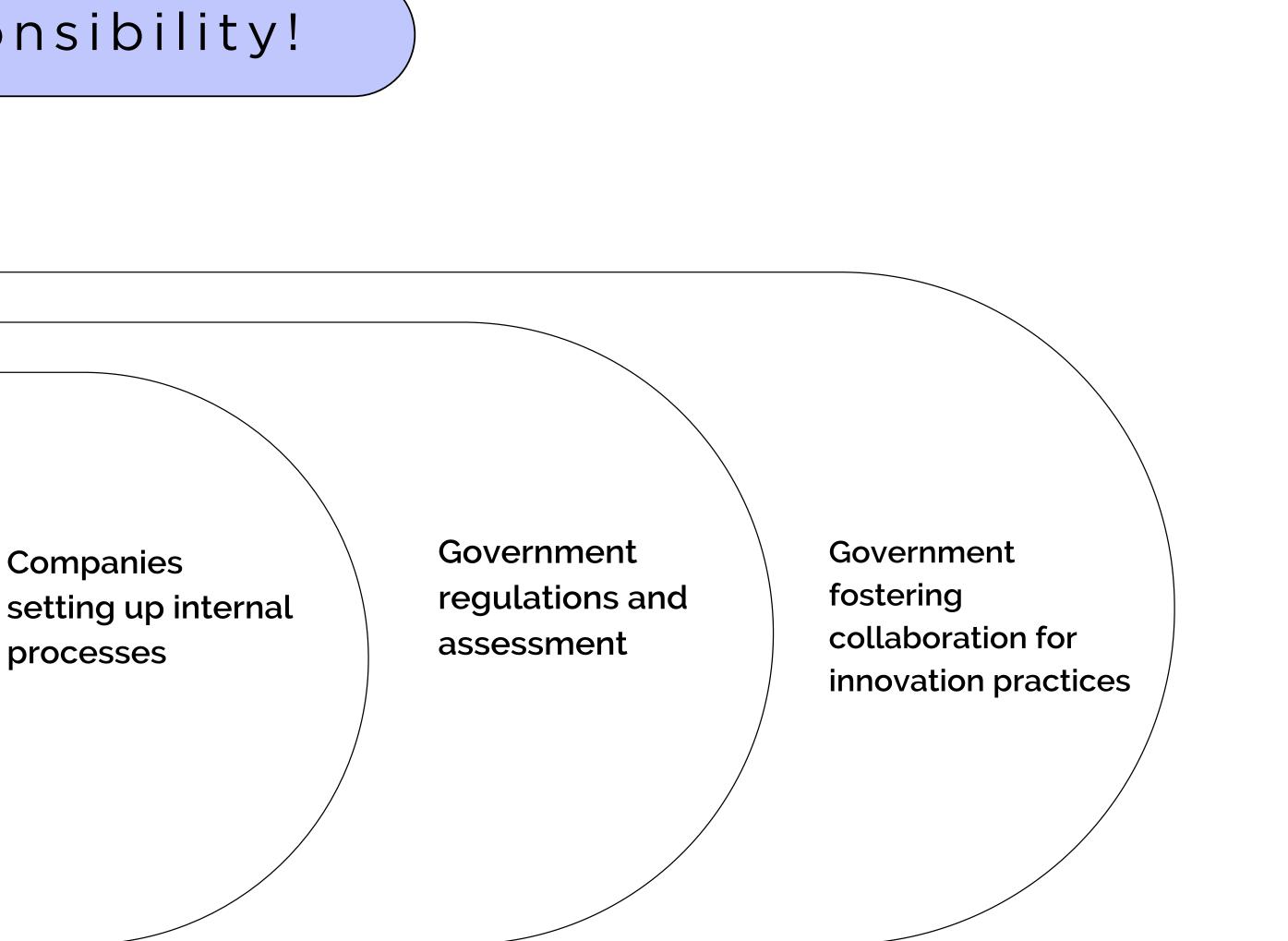
Within the subsequent pages, you will find ideal answers that can serve as a benchmark for comparing your answers to. Additionally, you have the option to download this exercise and obtain a printed version of the visual representation, enabling you to conduct it offline with your team.



### It's a shared responsibility!



Companies creating open source frameworks





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