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NSTA's role and focus areas

Regulating to deliver decommissioning

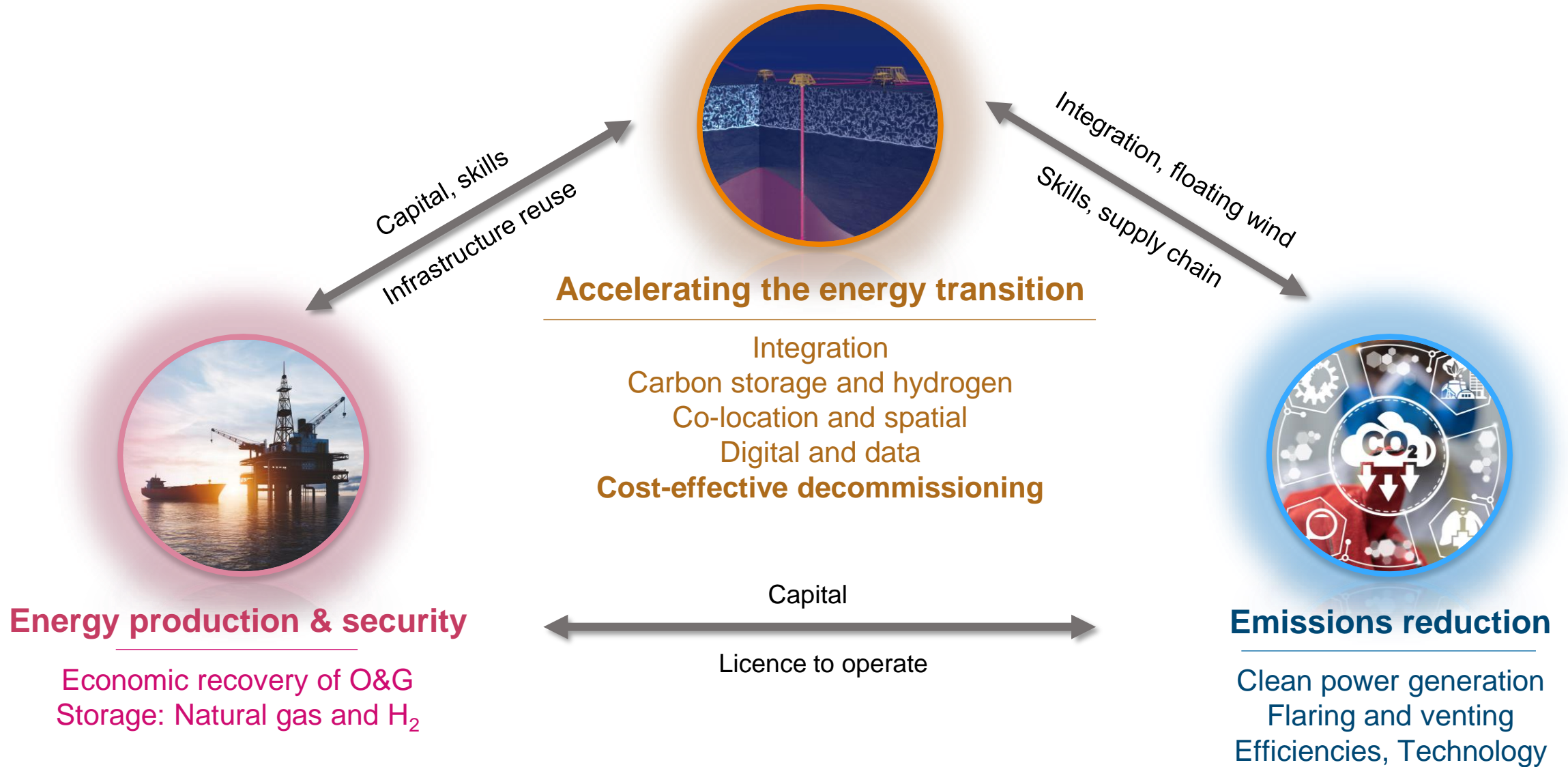
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NSTA's Strategic Focus Areas



Planning for
Decommissioning



Commercial
Transformation



Supporting
the Energy
Transition



Technology,
Processes &
Guidance

Decom Stewardship – Industry Engagement



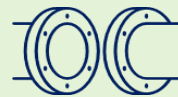
Using **data, guidance and legislation** to inform, influence and regulate **decommissioning**



Progressed in parallel for effective planning and execution



Assessing, screening and communicating opportunities for **reuse and repurposing**



Appraise phase

Assess phase

Define phase

Execute phase

≥6 yrs to 3 yrs before CoP
≥3 yrs before CoP
Post CoP

Tools for industry activity and data visibility, to support effective planning and aid with delivery.



Data Visibility Dashboard



Decom Glidepath (SE10)



Decom Cost Report



Benchmarking Report



SCAPs



Energy Pathfinder



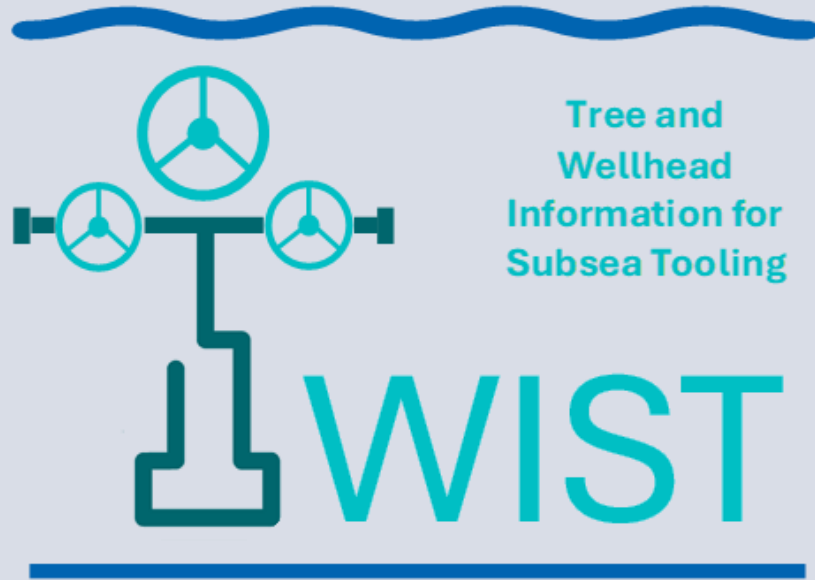
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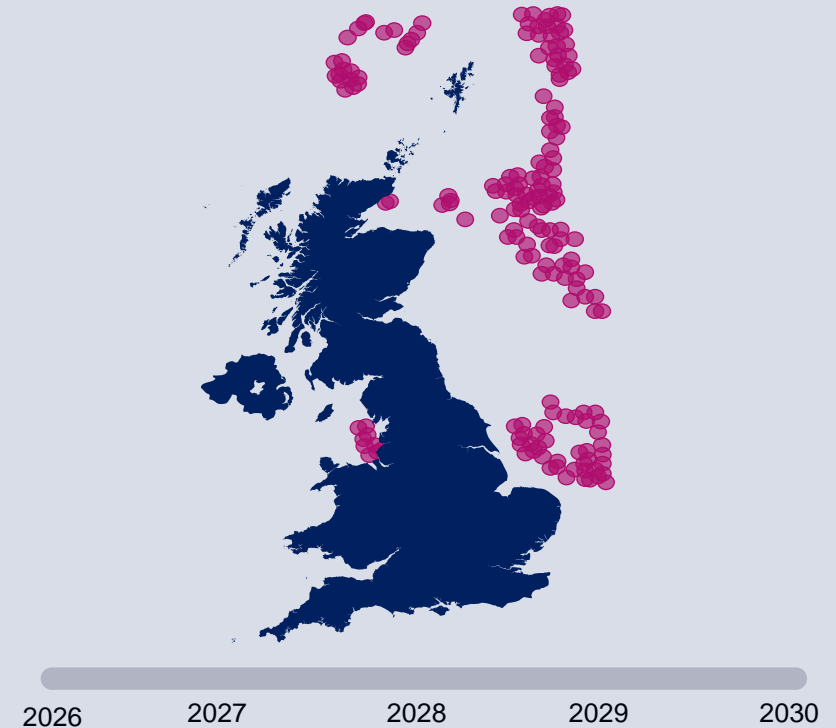
Well P&A Area Plan



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Developing P&A Area Plan



Engaging with operators to review P&A plans and drive improved cost performance



Identifying campaign and collaboration opportunities and sharing best practice



Engaging with the supply chain and understanding their needs and challenges



Managing well abandonment licence obligations (WONS consents) and dates

The Current Landscape....

Delivering the commitment



>1,500

wells to be decom'd
before 2030



£10bn

Forecast well decom
spend by early 2030s



2-5yrs

Post CoP window for
WONS compliance

Ongoing challenges



Licenses & Consents:
Legal & Contractual
Challenges



Supply Chain:
Global demand & lack
of UKCS certainty

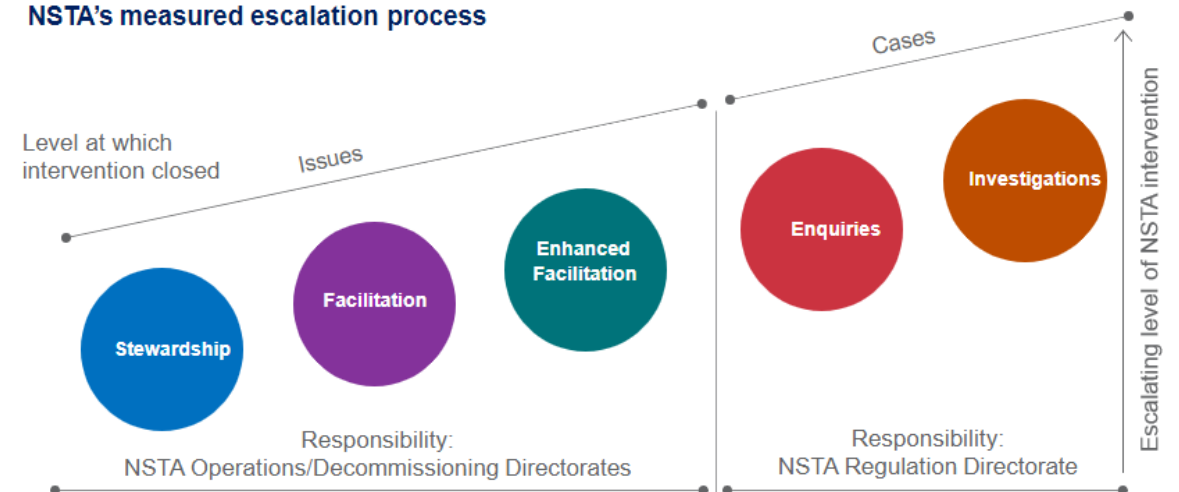


Funding Priorities:
Inflation impacting
budgets/spend

Performance & Accountability

- Developing tools and publishing key data
- Stewarding to agreed plans and milestones
- Using sanction process & regulatory powers
- Aligning with other regulators on legislation
- Making operator performance more visible

NSTA's measured escalation process





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Thank you
