

POP3: Performance Optimisation and Productivity Center of Excellence in HPC

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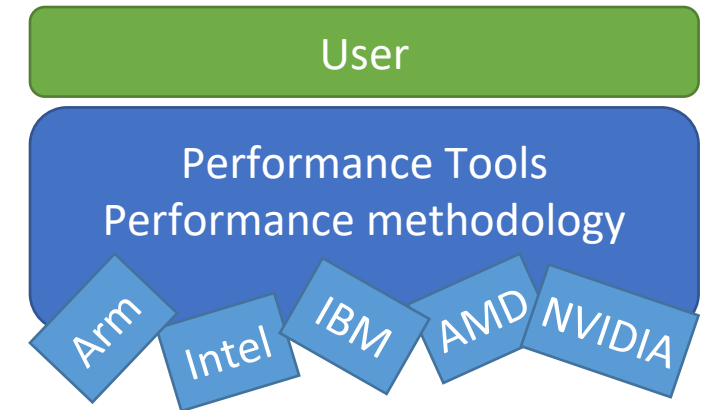
POP CoE

- A **Centre of Excellence**
 - On **Performance Optimisation and Productivity**
 - Promoting **best practices in parallel programming**
- Providing **FREE Services**
 - Precise understanding of application and system behaviour
 - Suggestion/support on how to refactor code in the most productive way
- **Horizontal**
 - Transversal across application areas, platforms, scales
- **For (EuroHPC) academic AND industrial codes and users !**



Context and history

- **POP-CoE** starts in 2015
- Objectives:
 - To offer performance analysis services to European HPC users.
 - To develop a common methodology for performance analysis
- **POP1** runs from October 2015 to March 2018
- **POP2** runs from December 2018 to June 2022
- **POP3** will run between January 2023 and December 2026



Partners

• Who?

- BSC, ES (coordinator)
- HLRS, DE
- INESC-ID, PT
- IT4I, CZ
- JSC, DE
- RWTH Aachen, IT Center, DE
- TERATEC, FR
- UVSQ, FR

A team with

- Excellence in performance tools and tuning
- Excellence in programming models and practices
- Research and development background AND proven commitment in application to real academic and industrial use cases



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Why it works?

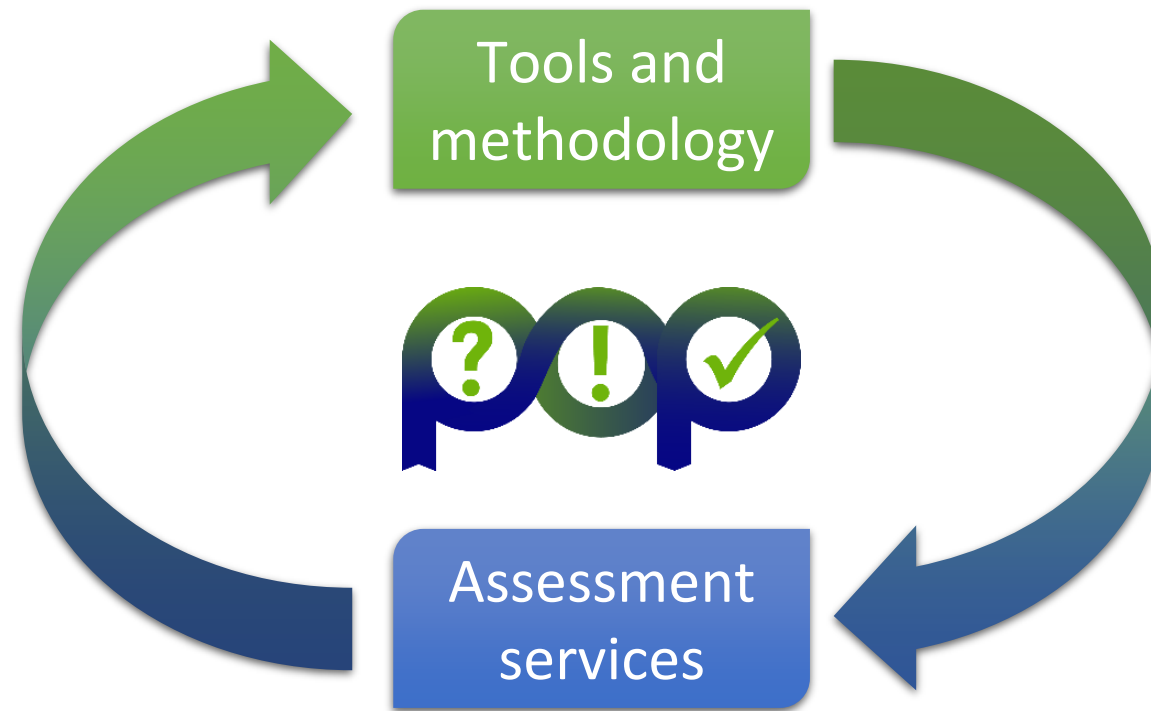
- Diversity of expertise to cover all areas
 - Some of them tool developers, some of them analysts, some customer advocate
- Diversity of tools for resiliency
- Diversity of backgrounds to design a common methodology



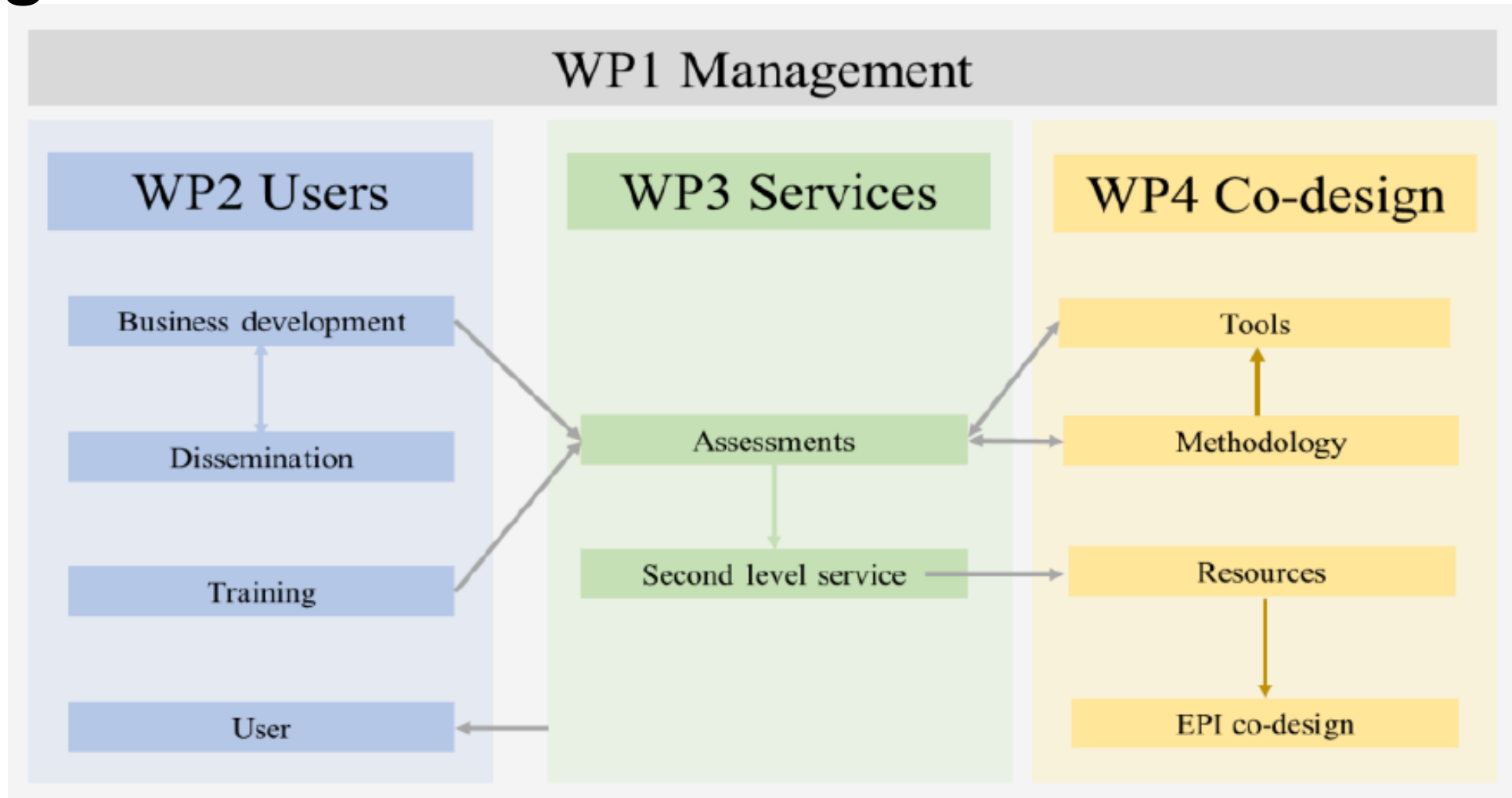
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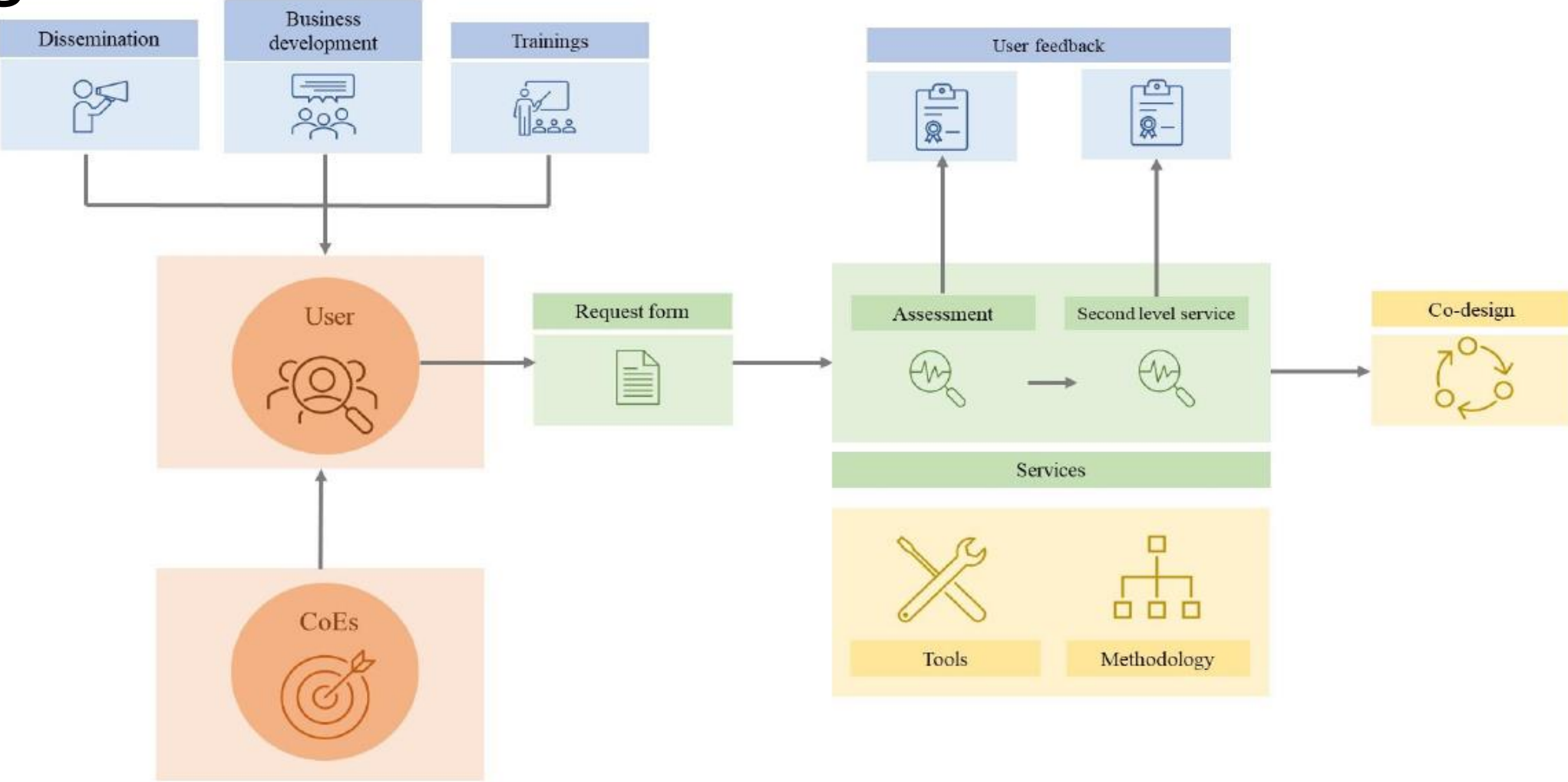
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FREE Services provided by the CoE

- **Parallel Application Performance Assessment**

- Primary service
- Initial analysis measuring a [range of performance metrics](#) to assess quality of performance and identify the issues affecting performance (at customer site)
- If needed, undertakes further performance evaluations to identify the root causes of the issues found and qualify and quantify approaches to address them (recommendations)

- **Second Level Services**

- Second level services may follow after conclusion of an initial performance assessment:
 - **Proof-of-concept**: explore the potential benefit of proposed optimisations by applying them to selected regions of the applications
 - **Correctness-check**: evaluate the correctness of hybrid MPI + OpenMP applications
 - **Energy-efficiency study**: investigate improvements of energy consumption or efficiency
 - **Advisory study**: ongoing consultancy for customers that choose to implement proposed optimisations on their own

- **Note: Effort shared between our experts and customer!**



Target Customers

- **Code developers**

- Assessment of detailed actual behaviour
- Suggestion of most productive directions to refactor code

- **Users**

- Assessment of achieved performance in specific production conditions
- Possible improvements modifying environment setup
- Evidence to interact with code provider

- **Infrastructure operators**

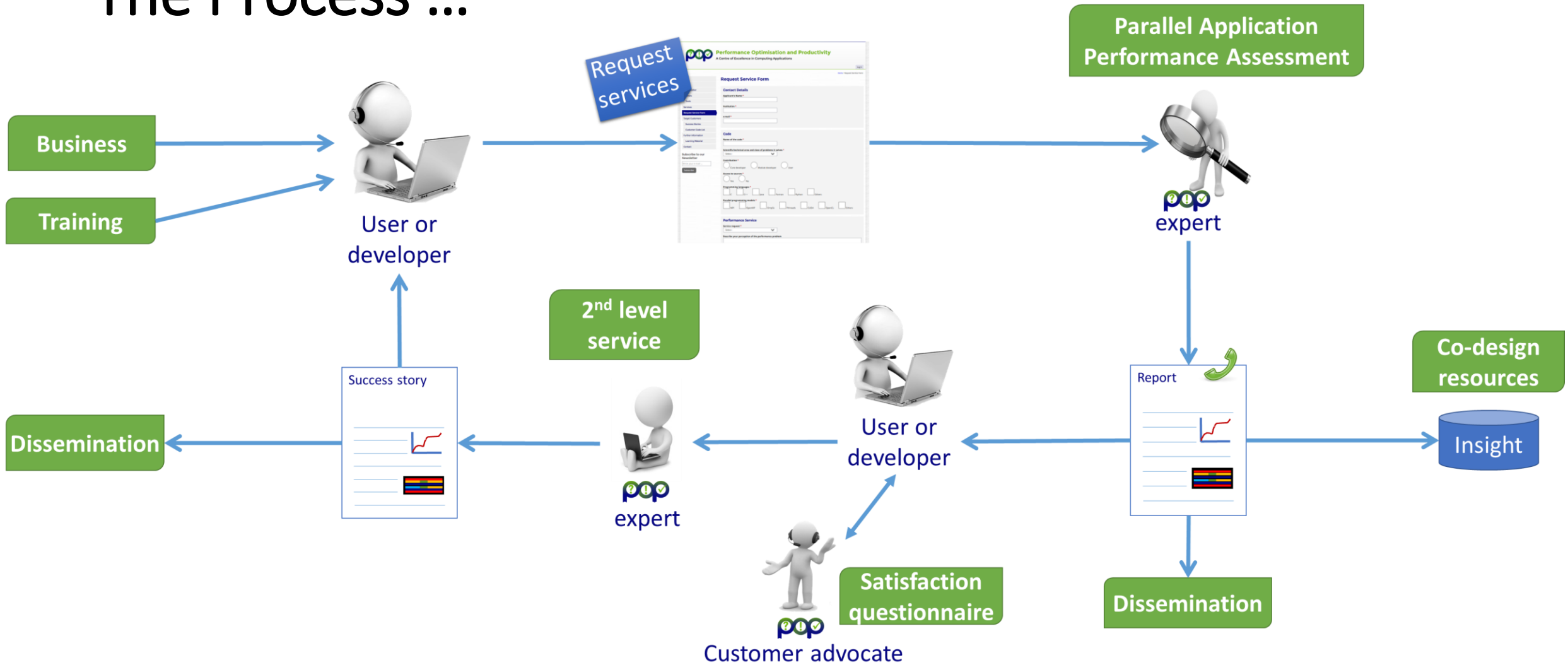
- Assessment of achieved performance in production conditions
- Possible improvements from modifying environment setup
- Information for time computer time allocation processes
- Training of support staff

- **Vendors**

- Benchmarking
- Customer support
- System dimensioning/design



The Process ...





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