

# International Development Research Centre

## Research for International Tobacco Control (RITC)

### Setting Tobacco Control Research Priorities for Latin America & the Caribbean: Past, Present and Future

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# RITC: Past Action

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- 1995 Bellagio Statement
  - Stimulate research into causes/consequences of tobacco use
  - Mobilize funding & resources to respond to development implications of tobacco epidemic
  - Facilitate interaction and information exchange
  - Build capacity for tobacco control research, particularly in low and middle-income countries.

# RITC: Past Action

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- Since 1995:
  - 1998-1999: Formulation of 3 regional tobacco control research agendas: South and Southeast Asia; East, Central and Southern Africa; and Latin America and the Caribbean
  - 1999: Global Agenda for Tobacco Control Research
  - 2002: Bridging the Research Gaps in Global Tobacco Control
  - 2005: SWOT Analysis – LAC region

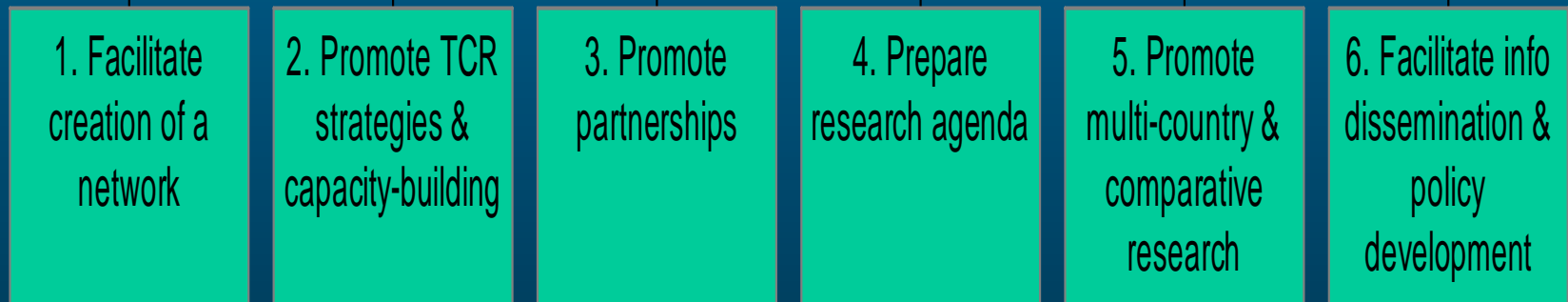
# 1998 Rio de Janeiro: Regional Meeting for LAC

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- General Objective:
  - Draft a multidisciplinary regional research agenda for tobacco control to foster strong and effective public policies in the Latin American and Caribbean region.

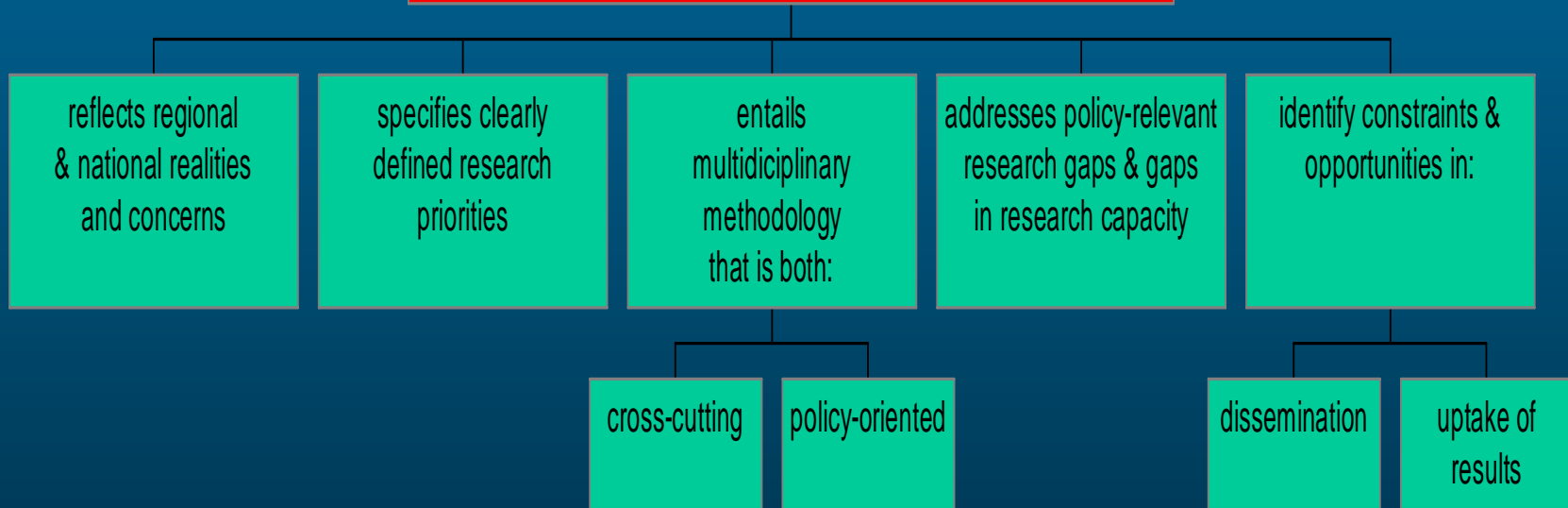
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## SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES



# 1998 Rio de Janeiro Meeting: Expected Outcome

## An Articulated Regional TC Research Agenda that :

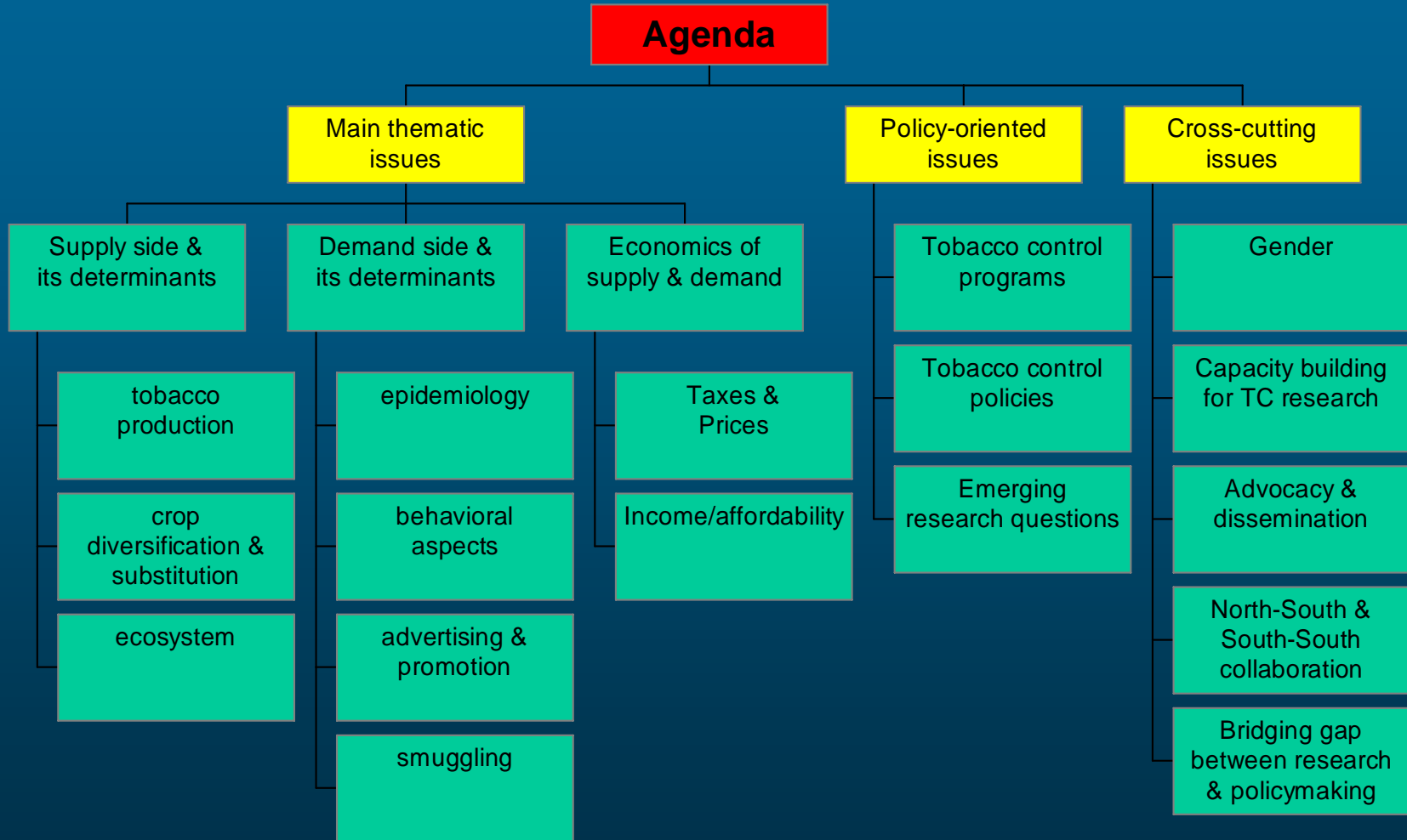


# 1998 Rio de Janeiro Meeting

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- Participating countries
  - Argentina
  - Brazil
  - Colombia
  - Uruguay
  - Venezuela
- Observers:
  - Canada
  - Thailand
  - USA

# 8 Tobacco Control Research Agenda





# Main Thematic Issues

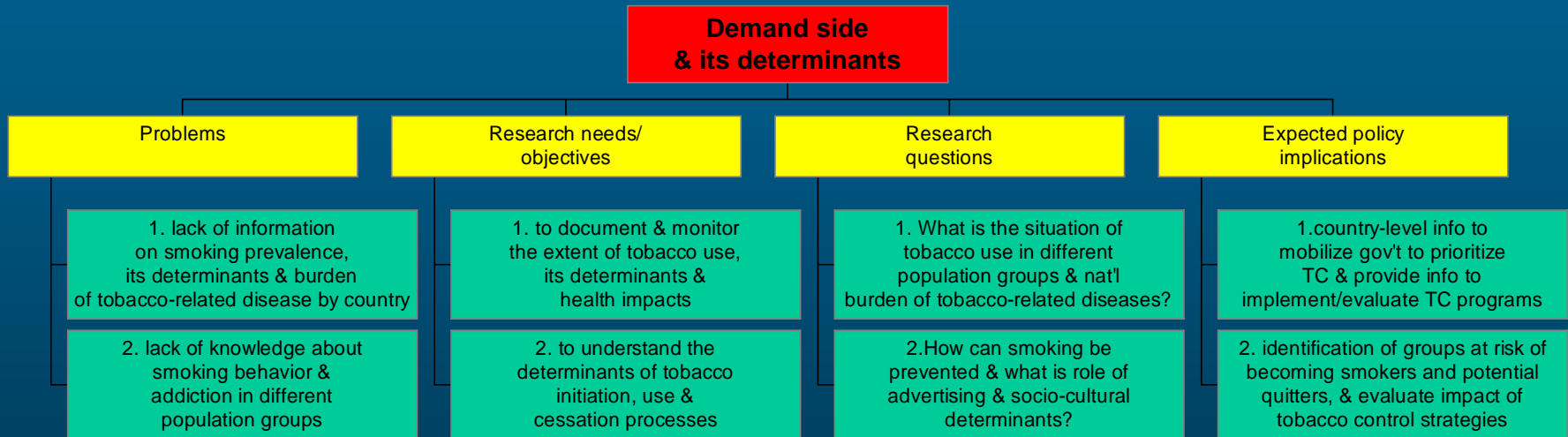
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## Supply side & its determinants



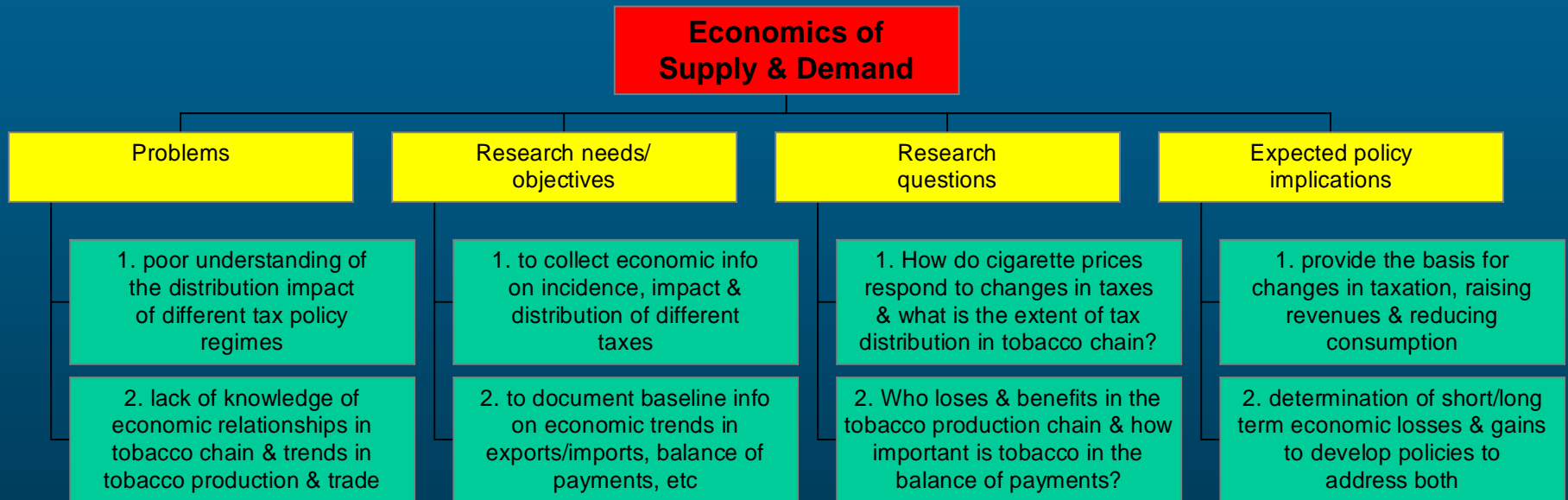
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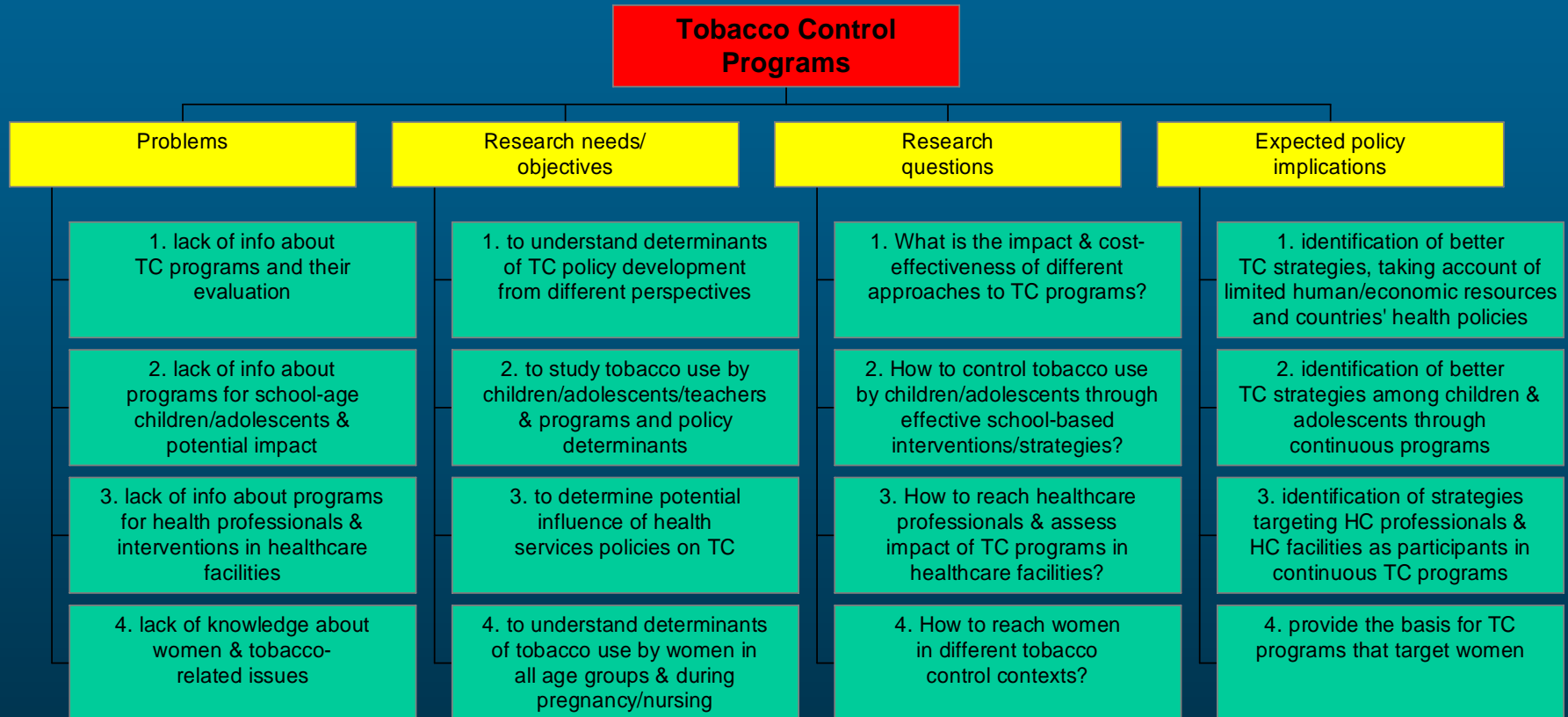
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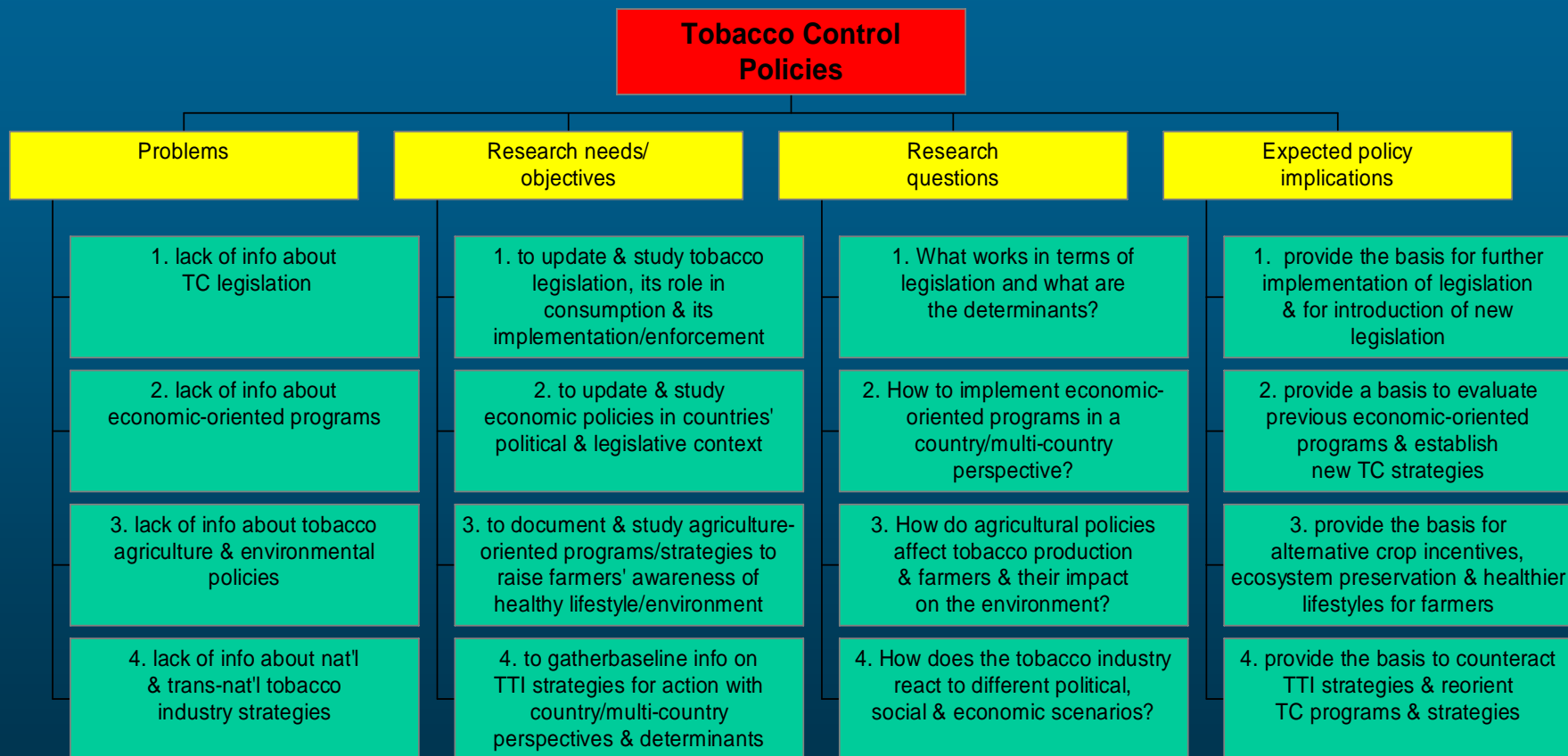
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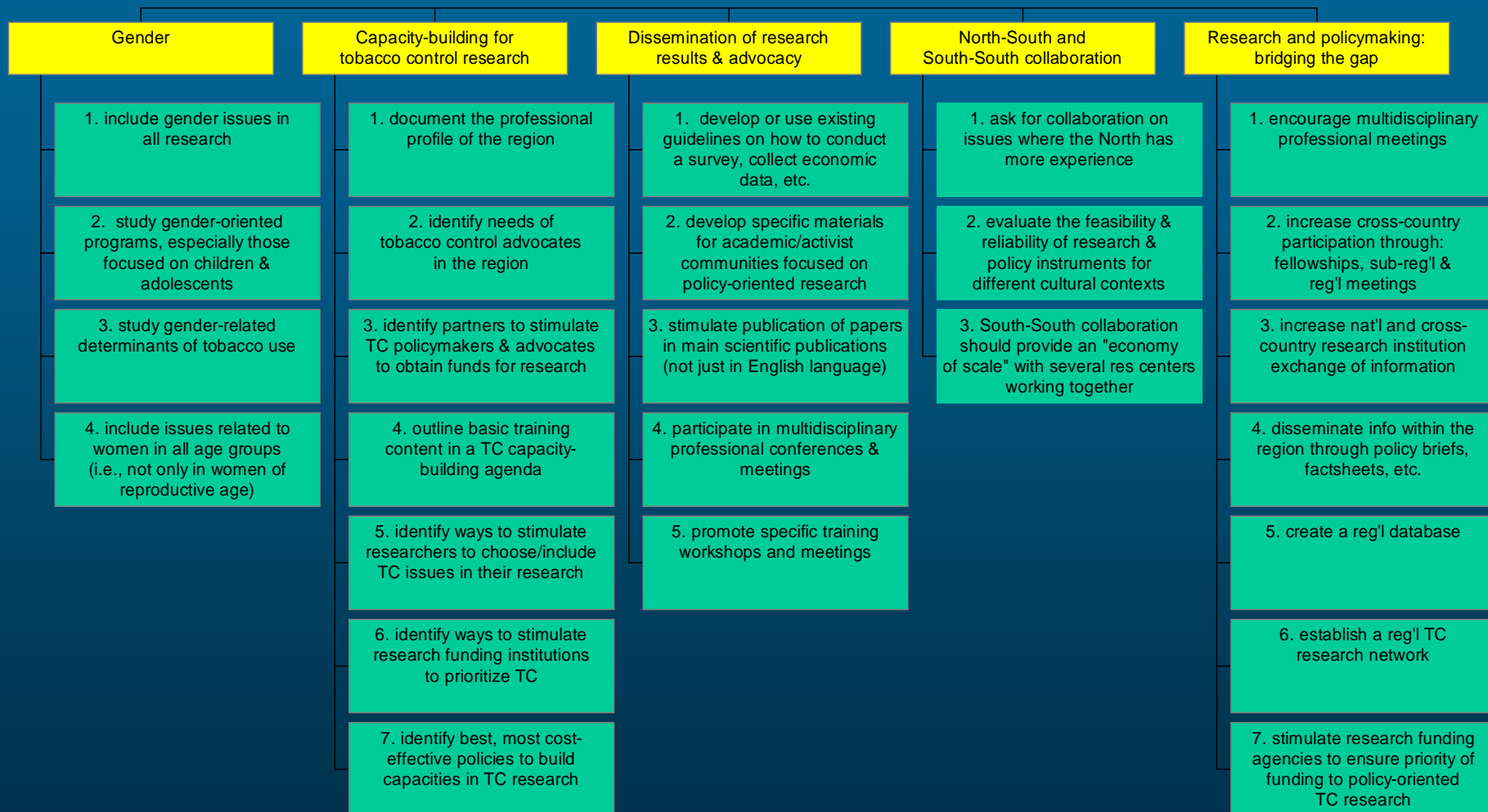


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# Cross-cutting issues



# 16 1998 Proposed Research Agenda for LAC

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## 1. Baseline information

- ETS, consumption, prevalence, # of farmers, economic & political determinants, promotion and marketing

## 2. Policy determinants

- What are the pressures – social, cultural, political, economic and legislative – playing a role in policy development?
- What is the role of the tobacco industry and what are its strategies for the region?

## 3. Intervention evaluation

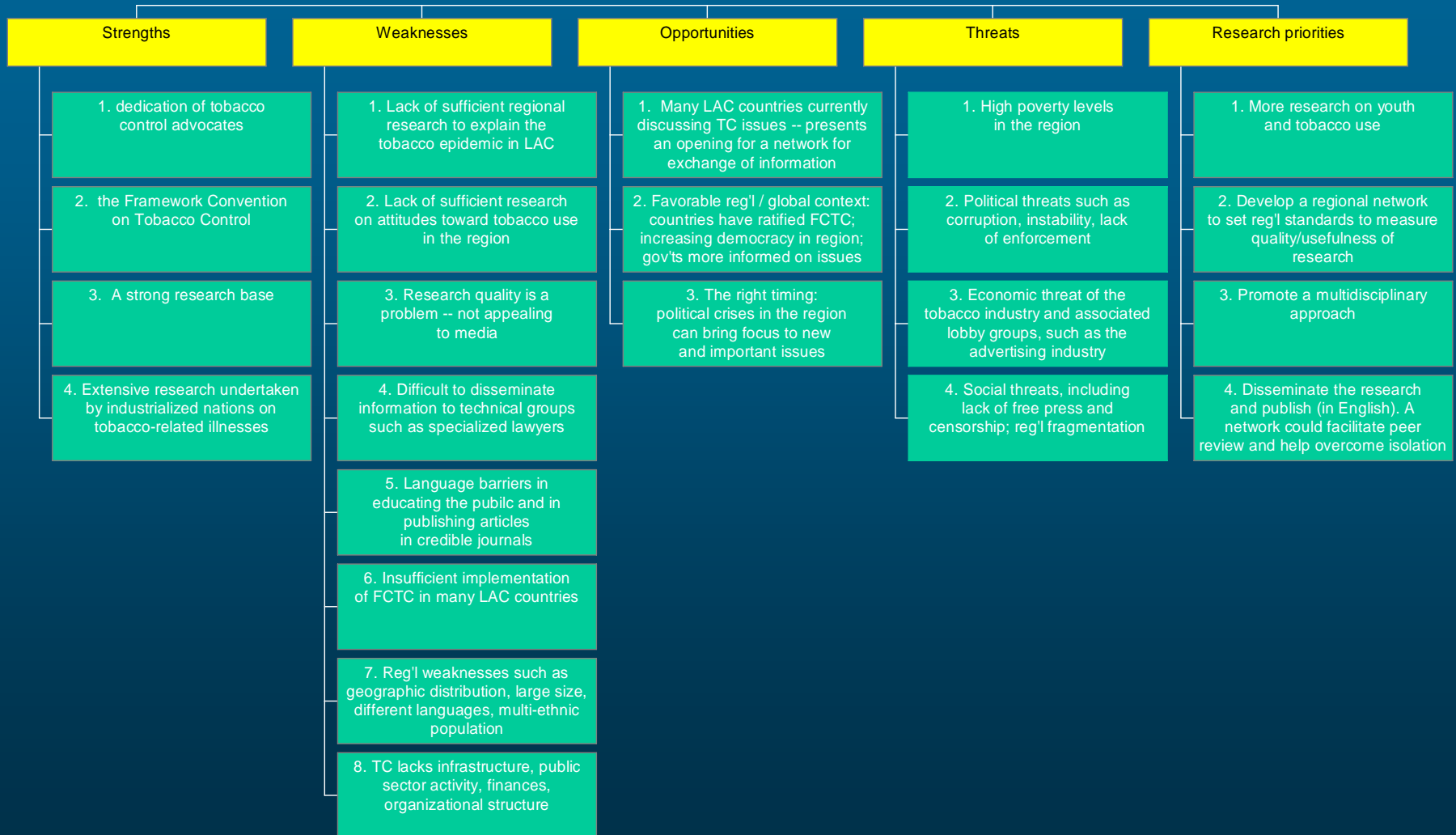
- Impact of crop diversification on farmers, economy etc
- Impact of school-based interventions etc

## 4. Regional differences

- Collaborative studies/comparable information
- Address common areas of interest etc



# 2005: SWOT Analysis of LAC region



# Present

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- Where are we now on the research agenda?
  - What progress have we made?
- Bloomberg and other initiatives?

# Future

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- What more do we need to do and how?