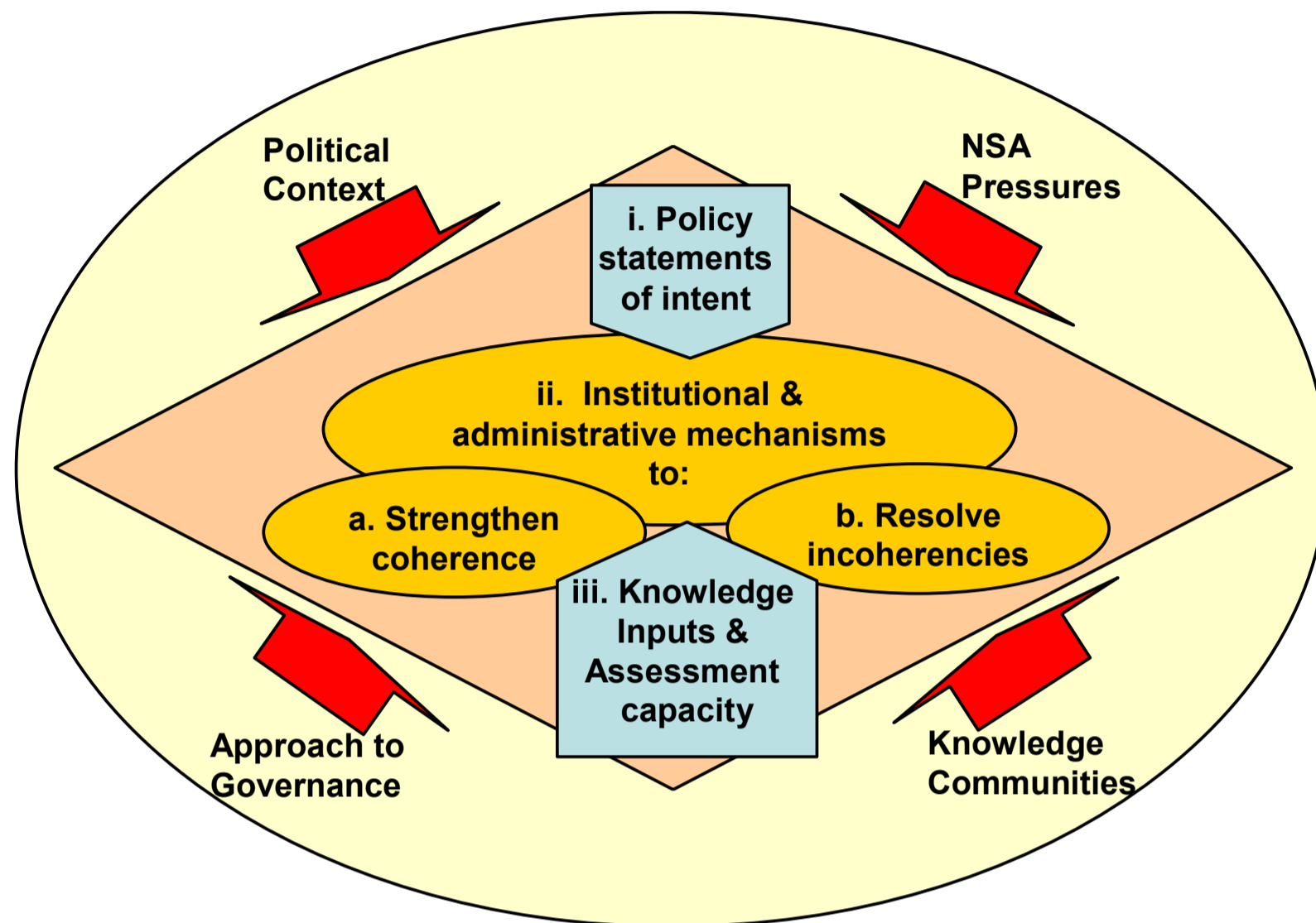


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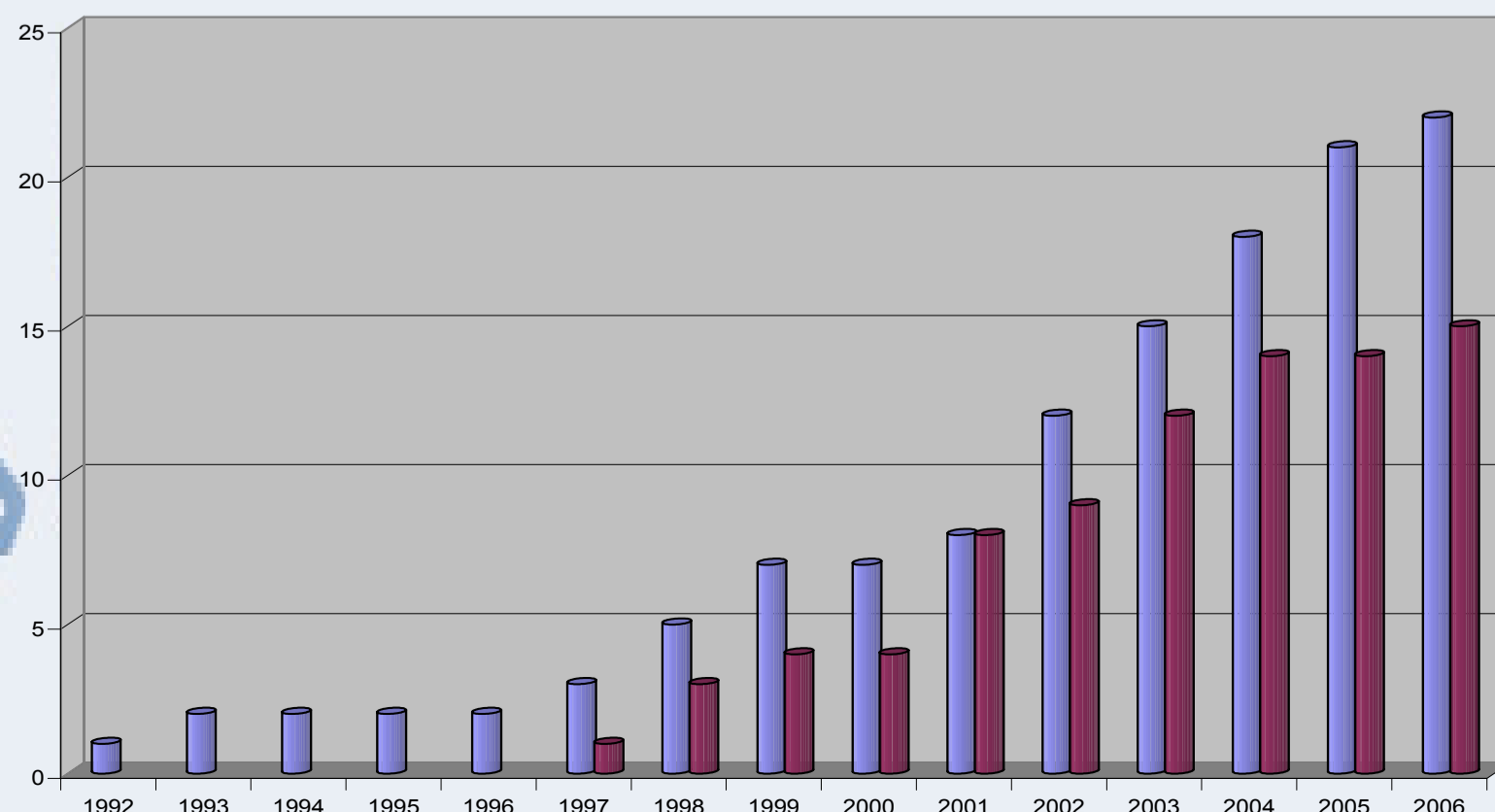
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- 3 types: but few KM/assessment mechanisms found



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Blue: Number of EU MS and Institutions who have referred to PCD in official documents.
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