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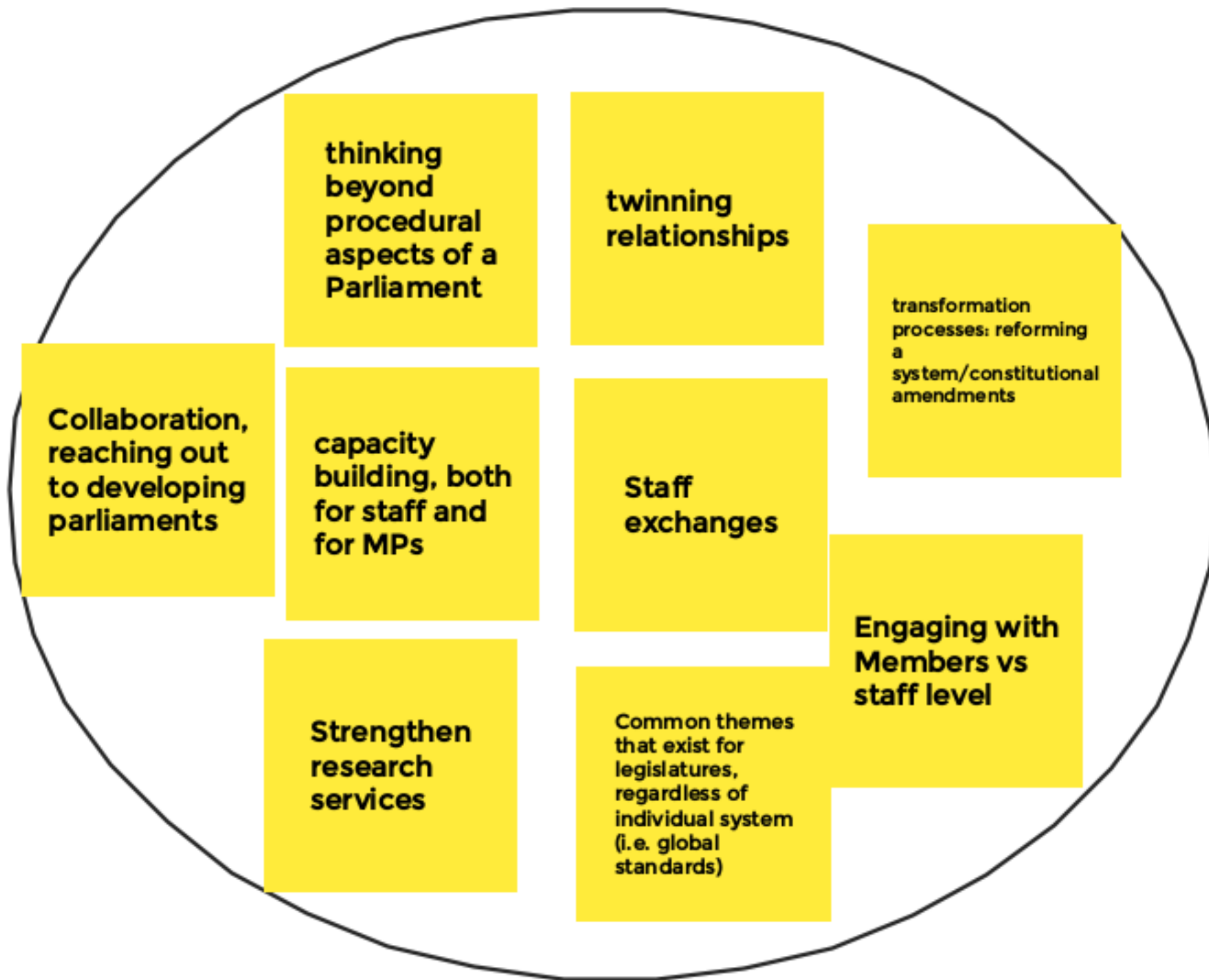
PSP-relevant differences between Parliamentary systems



Field	Presidential	Semi-Presidential	Westminster tradition	Continental tradition	Relevant?
Plenary: agenda setting	Separation of powers	Parliamentary administration (civil service laws) Distinction of powers in a transition	Strong committee system	Slow Bicameral system	more legislating committees, less oversight
Voting system: role of MPs and constituency	Legislative oversight of executive	Constituency-Member relations	murky separation of powers	Bicameral (often)	strong minority rights
Budget right	Presidential System-- GLOBE Nigeria	Appointments/nomination/confirmation process	Question time with Ministers/PM	Dominance of the Executive	
			Impartial parliamentary service		

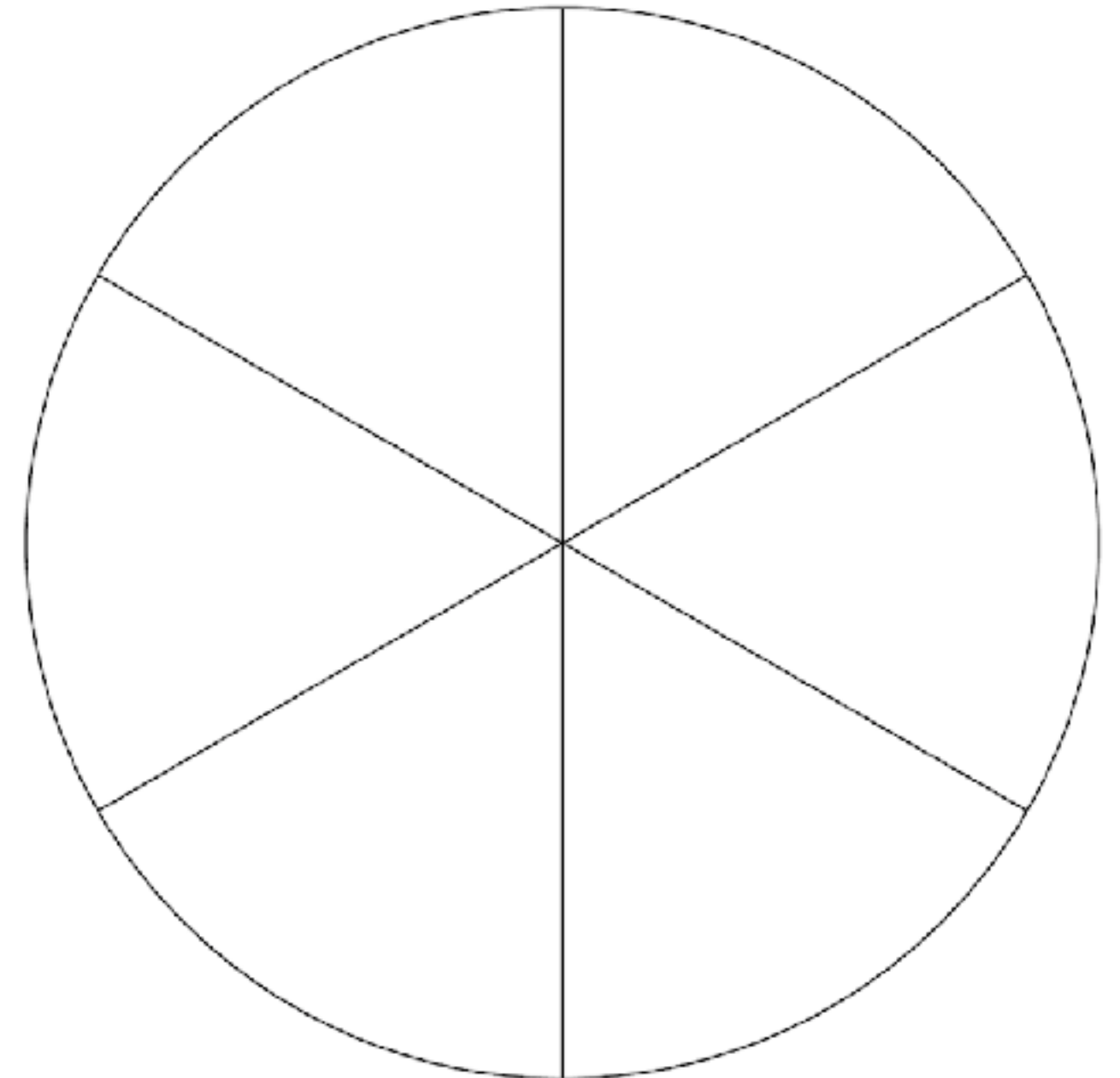


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Modes of support projects

Structure?





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Opportunities



Learn from the experiences of others across different regional/global examples.

Creating new solutions



Fresh perspectives/new ideas

Creating networks of parliamentary staff & experts

Additional options of solutions for longstanding problems

Greater scope for two-way learning.

Challenges



No peer knowledge existing

misunderstandings to lack of knowledge about system

systems are very different, little commonalities



Disturbing systemic checks and balances

Challenging to maintain relationships across borders without interoperable sharing mechanisms

conflicting support propositions

Maintaining confidentiality of MP information when creating networks for sharing/interconnectivity

Resource capacity to actively participate