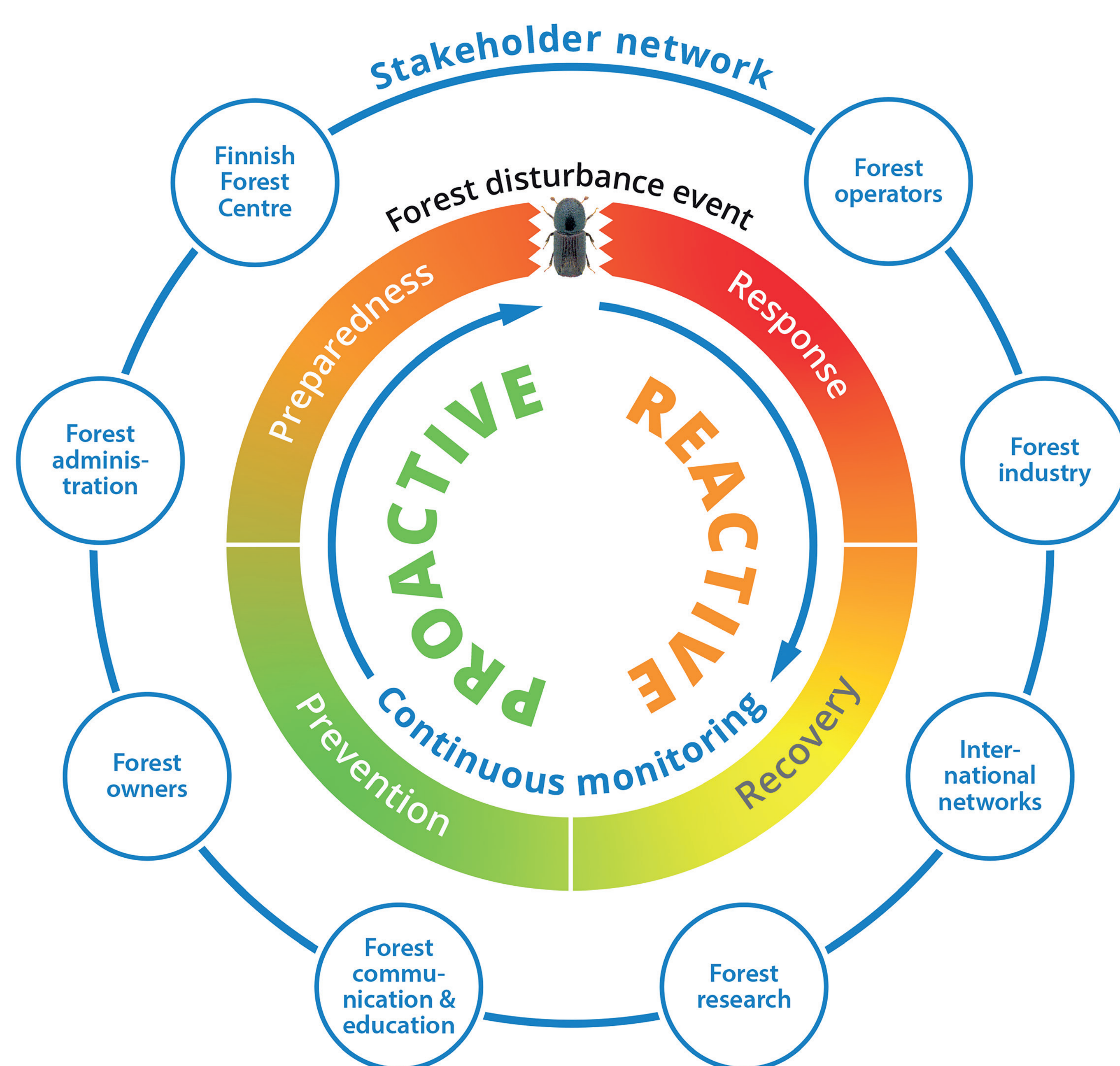




Preparedness for emerging forest pest risks in Finland

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- In Finland, forest health is crucial for economic, social and environmental sustainability.
- *Ips typographus* (SBB) has caused severe damage in Central Europe and southern Sweden. The risk is increasing in Finland due to climate change.
- The objective of the project is to suggest a new organization and a new *modus operandi* to prepare a new SBB Risk Management System for Finland.
- The approach is to describe tasks and responsibilities for the stakeholders in various stages of the Risk Management Cycle.



Preparedness

Planning in advance the response to SBB disaster, including contingency plans, training, infrastructures, legislation

Response

Actions taken to counter SBB disasters (e.g. salvage wood removals)

Recovery

Returning back to normal with aim to improve post SBB disaster situation in the forest (e.g. replanting)

Prevention

Measures adopted that support minimizing the risk of SBB disaster (e.g. adapted forest management, tree species composition, removing logged trees early from the forest)

Lessons learned reports from Sweden, Austria, Slovenia, Czech Republic, Germany and Slovakia

