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# NOW IS THE TIME TO REVISIT DATA GOVERNANCE POLICY

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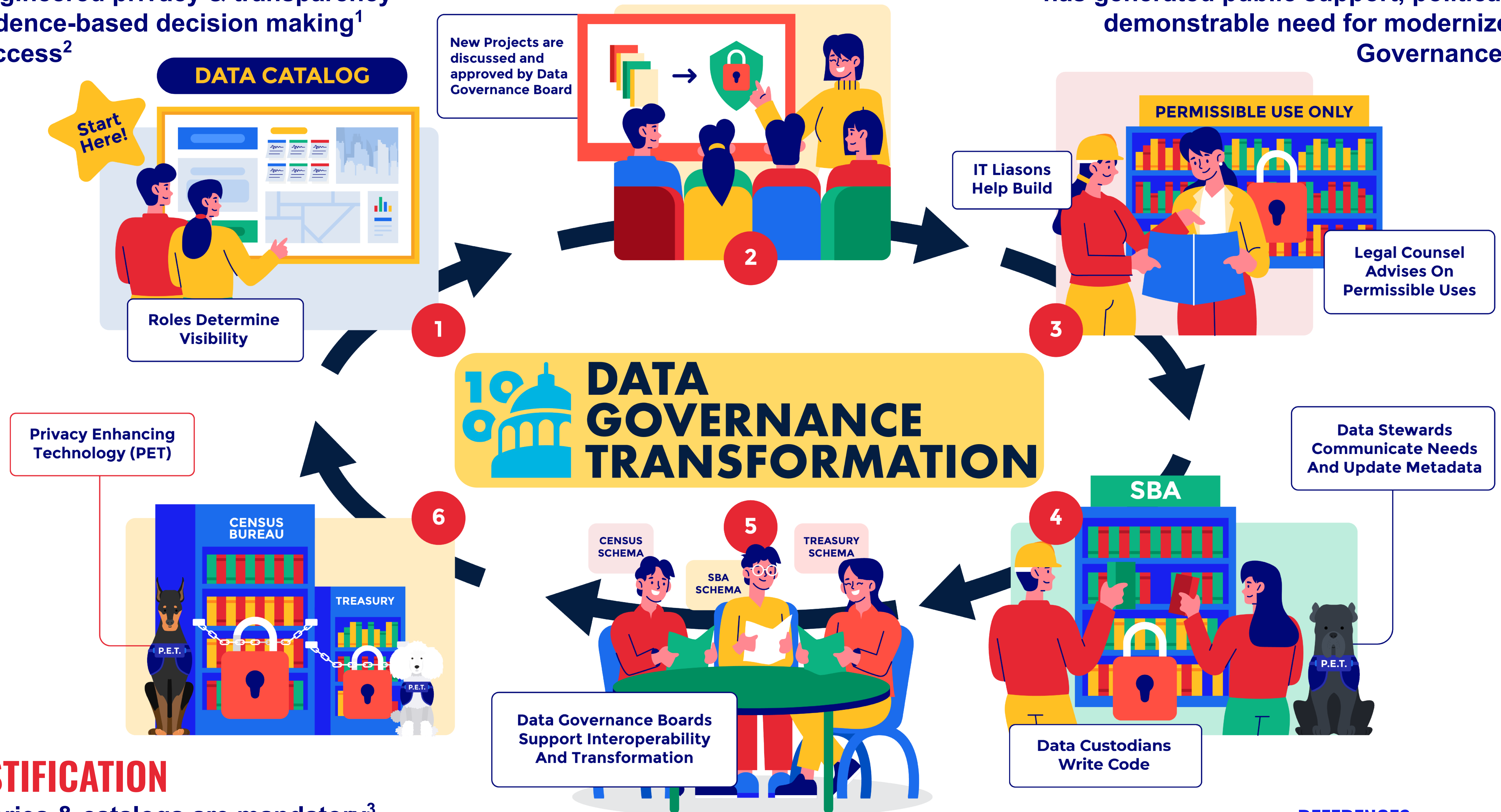
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## MOTIVATIONS

1. Restore public trust in government data systems
2. Improve efficiency & user experience of digital services
3. Robustly engineered privacy & transparency
4. Support evidence-based decision making<sup>1</sup>
5. FAIR data access<sup>2</sup>

## WHY NOW?

The shattering of long-held data use & privacy precedents, along with accelerating use of AI has generated public support, political will, & demonstrable need for modernized Data Governance policy.



## POLICY JUSTIFICATION

- Data inventories & catalogs are mandatory<sup>3</sup>
- GAO recommends creation of a Data Governance Structure<sup>4</sup>
- Mandatory DCAT v3.0 Data Catalog standard<sup>5</sup>
- Federal & State CDOs lack clear authority, guidance, & organizational standards<sup>6,7</sup>

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