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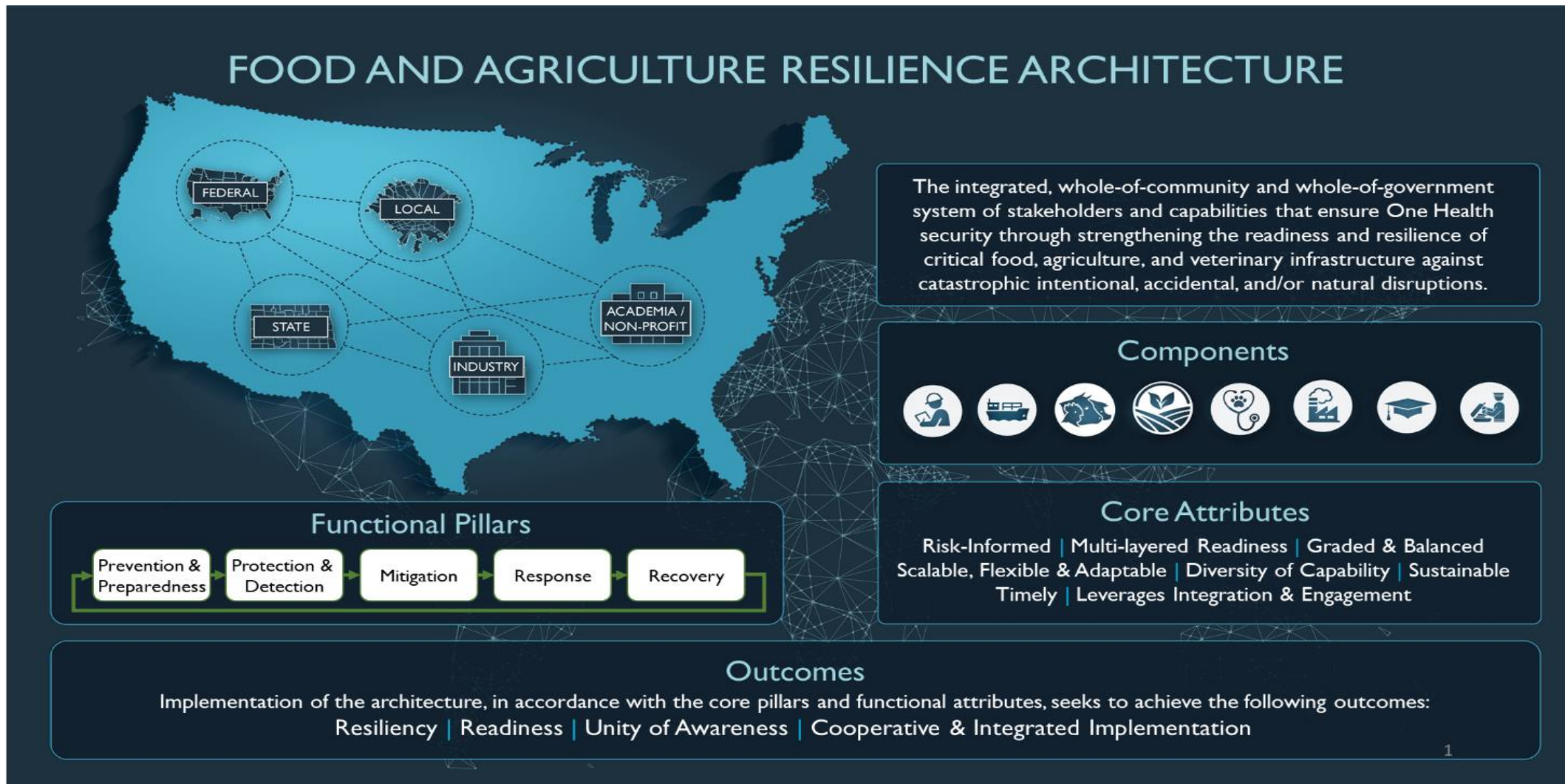
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Key Challenges in approaches to Threat/Risk Assessments, Data, Engagement:

- **Terminology:** food “defense”, food “safety”, food “protection”, food “fraud”, food “security”, agro-defense v. agro-terrorism, “One-Health”, etc.
 - “Food security” at a macro level and through lens of national / supply chain inputs in place; not just personal / family level
- **Messaging:** who owns what areas and how can we desensitize “turf” issues
 - How is this informed by tradeoffs of risk: regulatory vs. marketing
 - Need for shared language and understanding of both terminology and messaging
- **Data integration and information sharing:** how can we visualize a common operating picture? Over-classification, protecting information, proprietary
 - Need to create trusted environment and shared code of conduct
- **Integrated risk surveillance and identification:** do we have necessary capabilities in place to surveil for key indicators and warning?
 - can these result in process improvements?
- **Investments** – where do we start? R&D? messaging? Engagement? Frameworks and architectures?
- **Practical applications** – great at developing strategies. Myriad variables (public health, private sector self-interest, etc.)
- **Resilience** - How do we define food and agriculture “resilience” that can help establish key milestones to build / ensure resilient systems?



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