

The Infinite Narrative

Conceptschetsen voor een nieuw webplatform

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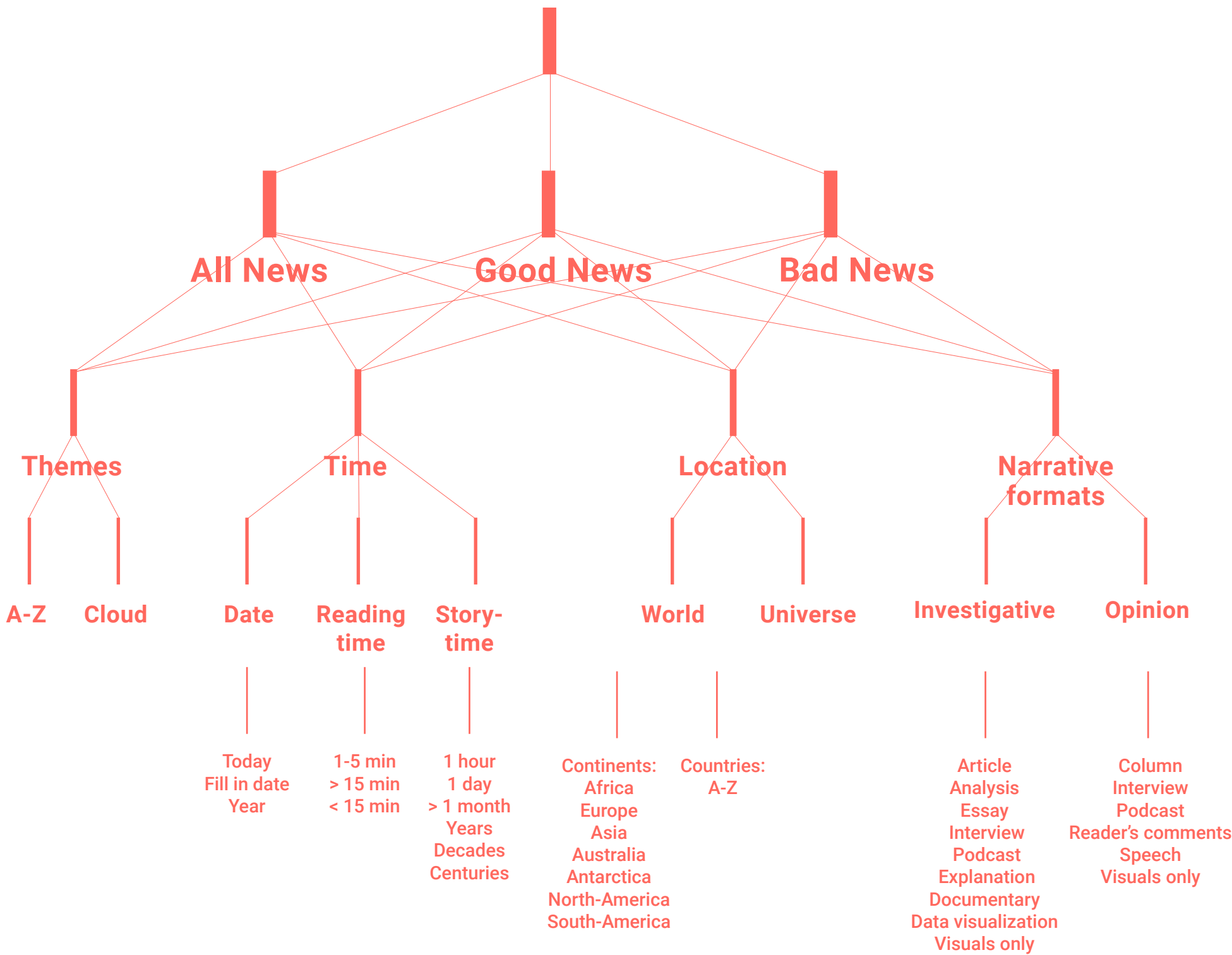
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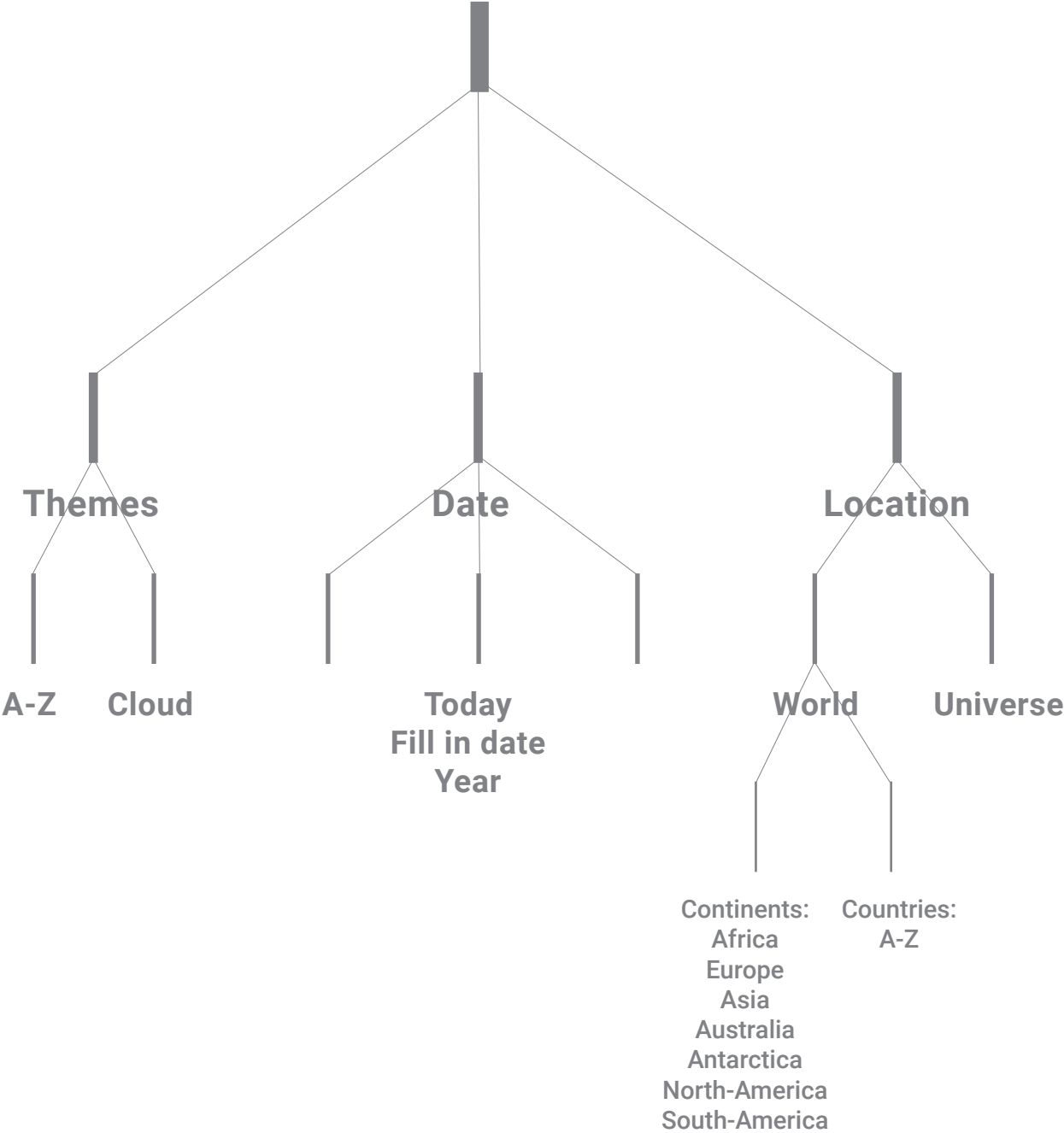


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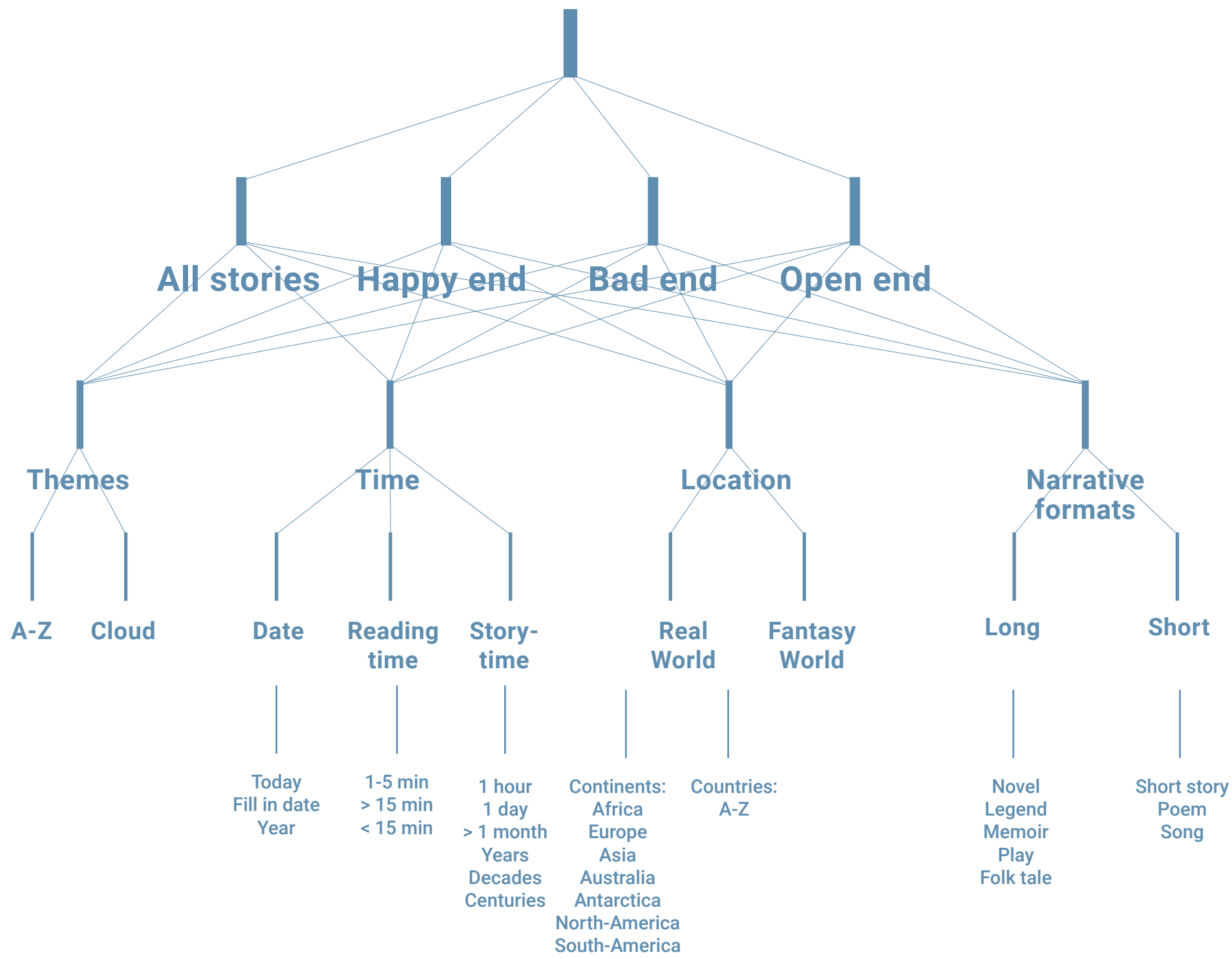
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Components are flexible and interchangeable.
All dossiers and articles have the same structure.
Components are divided in ‘must have’ and ‘possible’*.

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(longterm research/investigative journalism)

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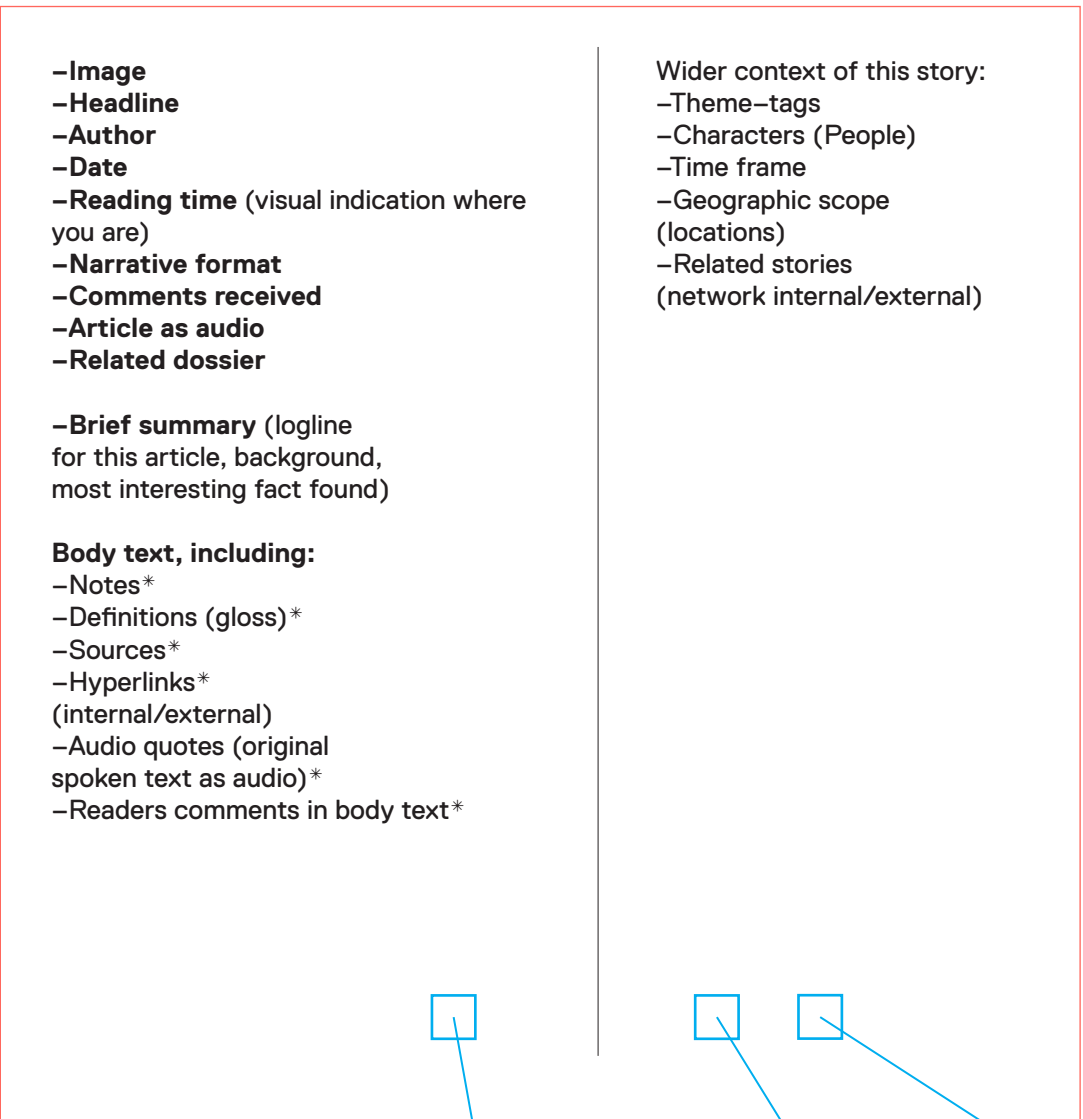
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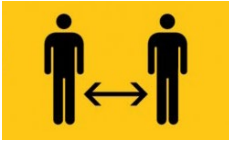
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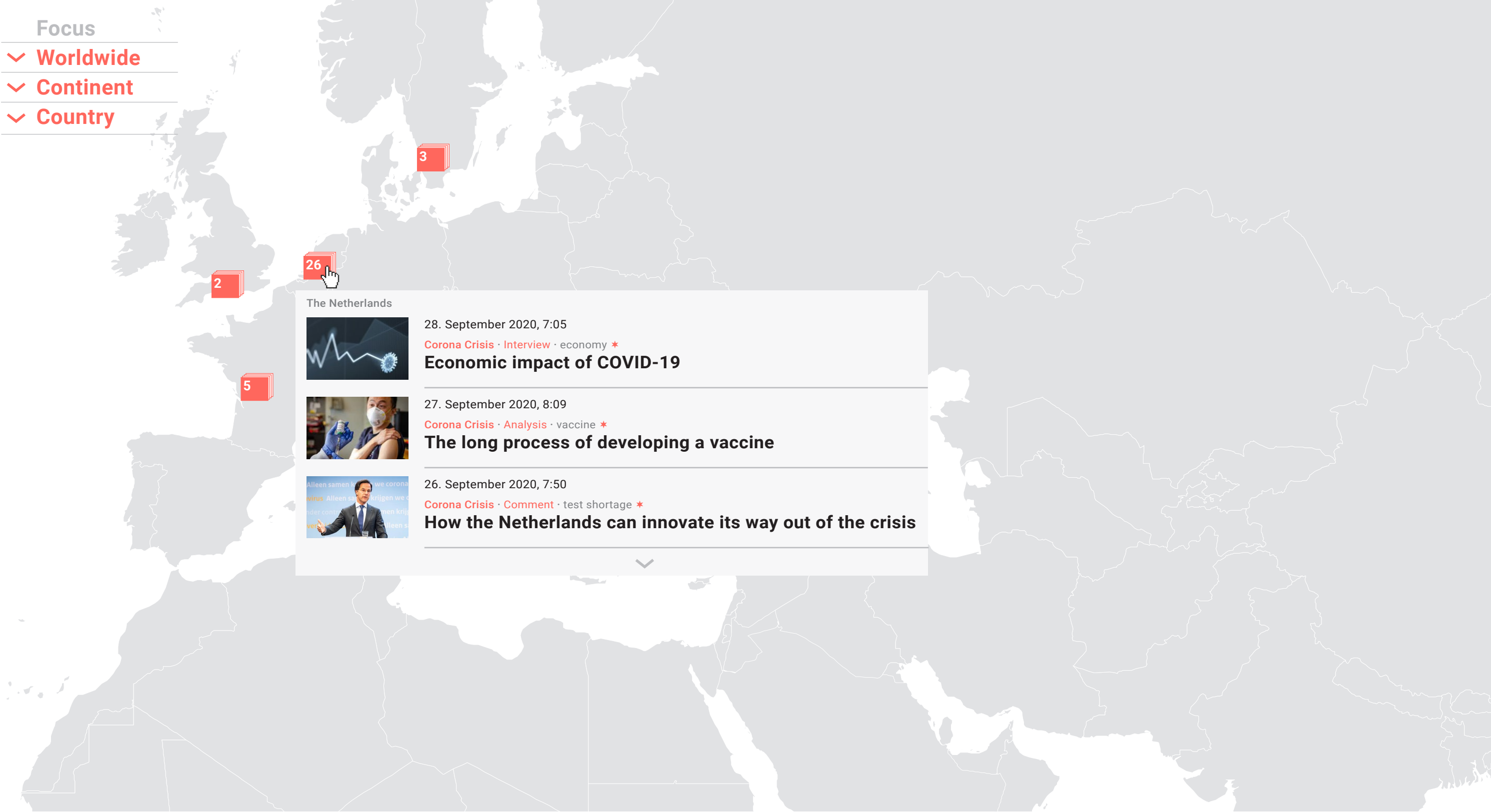


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“In retrospect, we would not have foreseen that huge increase in test demand in September.”

– Edwin Boel, Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport

Despite the “very hard” work, Boel was unable to make sufficient tests available this summer. How is that possible, Huys wants to know. Wasn’t it already talked about in May that 70,000 tests per day would be needed in the autumn? “For a long time the test question lagged behind. Especially in June and July,” says Boel. He says he has foreseen the increase, but only for later in the fall - when the cough season ▼ was to start. Commercial labs have been kept out, says Huys. His question: is that related to economic interests?

Error of estimation

That question did not come out of the blue. In August, we revealed that the doctors in charge of testing policies are wearing double hats. They strongly opposed the arrival of large, foreign test labs and mainly wanted to test within the network of the hospital labs to which they themselves are connected.

That would be better for “quality”, but economic interests also play a role. As competition from “test factories” increases, doctors fear that small labs will have to close their doors. The doctors also have their doubts about the large-scale testing that is now the spearhead of De Jonge’s policy: it would make little sense to combat the pandemic. “You don’t prevent infections with testing,” Boel told Huys in Buitenhof.

Readers Comment

“Director-general Ghebreyesus has also said several times that ‘testing, testing, testing’ is key to public health efforts as well as individual concerns. I would say that we should listen to the testing concepts of global experts such as the WHO. National governments lack the big picture and vision.”

P.T. Maasen, 3 hours ago

With his comments, Boel follows the line of Ann Vossen. She is a member of the Outbreak Management Team (OMT) ▼ , the government’s main advisory body on pandemic control, and at the same time chair of the Dutch Association for Medical Microbiology (NVMM). She is also the initiator of the Taskforce Diagnostics; in that capacity she is in charge of the coordination and scaling up of the test capacity.

After television program *Zondag met Lubach* had targeted her in response to our article about these double hats, Vossen joined talk show *Jinek* on 20 September to defend themselves. Her defense: this was an error of judgment. “In retrospect, we would not have foreseen that huge rise in test demand in September,” said Vossen. “And if you had known that beforehand, yes, you would have just started those contract negotiations five weeks earlier. But that is always easy to talk afterwards, of course. “

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March-September 2020

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Boel, normally a microbiologist at the UMC Utrecht, is responsible at the Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport for the implementation of the testing policy of Minister Hugo de Jonge. Since April, that policy has been: “test, test, test”. It is Boel’s job to arrange that, but at the moment it is not going smoothly. Due to the scarcity, people with complaints sometimes have to wait days for a test, and then wait another days for a result.

“The consequences are immense,” Huys tells his guest. The Netherlands is heading for a second lockdown, with all the consequences that entails.

Despite the “very hard” work, Boel was unable to make sufficient tests available this summer. How is that possible, Huys wants to know. Wasn’t it already talked about in May that 70,000 tests per day would be needed in the autumn? “For a long time the test question lagged behind. Especially in June and July,” says Boel. He says he has foreseen the increase, but only for later in the fall - when the cough season was to start.

Commercial labs have been kept out, says Huys. His question: is that related to economic interests?

Error of estimation

That question did not come out of the blue. In August, we revealed that the doctors in charge of testing policies are wearing double hats. They strongly opposed the arrival of large, foreign test labs and mainly wanted to test within the network of the hospital labs to which they themselves are connected.

That would be better for “quality”, but economic interests also play a role. As competition from “test factories” increases, doctors fear that small labs will have to close their doors. The doctors also have their doubts about the large-scale testing that is now the spearhead of De Jonge’s policy: it would make little sense to combat the pandemic. “You don’t prevent infections with testing,” Boel told Huys in Buitenhof.

“In retrospect, we would not have foreseen that huge increase in test demand in September.”

– Edwin Boel, Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport

Boel is also a representative of the conservative hospital system. When he was appointed project leader of the National Diagnostic Chain Coordination Team (LCDK) in mid-April, he is still chairman of the Association of Medical Microbiological Laboratories (VMML), a pure advocate. Nevertheless, Boel is “convinced that profit motive does not play a role here,” he replies to the question about Huys’ interests. “Finally, we have also been busy connecting large foreign labs to get more capacity. It’s not like labs are kept out. “

With his comments, Boel follows the line of Ann Vossen. She is a member of the Outbreak Management Team (OMT), the government’s main advisory body on pandemic control, and at the same time chair of the Dutch Association for Medical Microbiology (NVMM). She is also the initiator of the Taskforce Diagnostics; in that capacity she is in charge of the coordination and scaling up of the test capacity.

After television program *Zondag met Lubach* had targeted her in response to our article about these double hats, Vossen joined talk show *Jinek* on 20 September to defend themselves. Her defense: this was an error of judgment. “In retrospect, we would not have foreseen that huge rise in test demand in September,” said Vossen.

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