

# Course title: International financial regulation

Lesson 1. The Rational of International, EU and UK  
Regulatory Structures

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# Outline

- **EU Regulatory Environment**
  - EU pharmaceutical legislation: basic principles
  - EU Clinical Trials Directive
  - EU Registration Procedures: CP & MRP/DCP
  - Post-Authorisation Variations
  - EU Paediatric Regulation: impact on development and registration
  - New Pharmacovigilance legislative requirements
- **US Regulatory Environment**
  - FDA & relevant legislation
  - IND & BLA
- **Japanese Regulatory Environment**
  - Law and relevant authorities (MHLW, PMDA, NIID)
  - Clinical Trials Notification & JNDA
- **International Regulatory Environment**
- **Global Harmonisation**

A representative sample of the slides that will be presented and discussed during the course is displayed hereafter.

# EU Regulatory Environment



# Evolution of the European Regulatory Environment since 1995...



Birth of the EMEA



EMEA Centralised Procedure

Orphan Drugs Regulation

Annex I (to Directive 2001/83/EC) (CTD)

New Legisl. Title IV of Reg. 726/04 immediate

New Legisl. fully into force

Paediatric Regulation

Legisl. on Advanced Therapy

Enlarged Scope of CP

New Variation Regulation

Implem. of New PV Legisl.

Mutual Recognition Procedure

New Pharmacovigilance legislation

PRAC (July 2012)

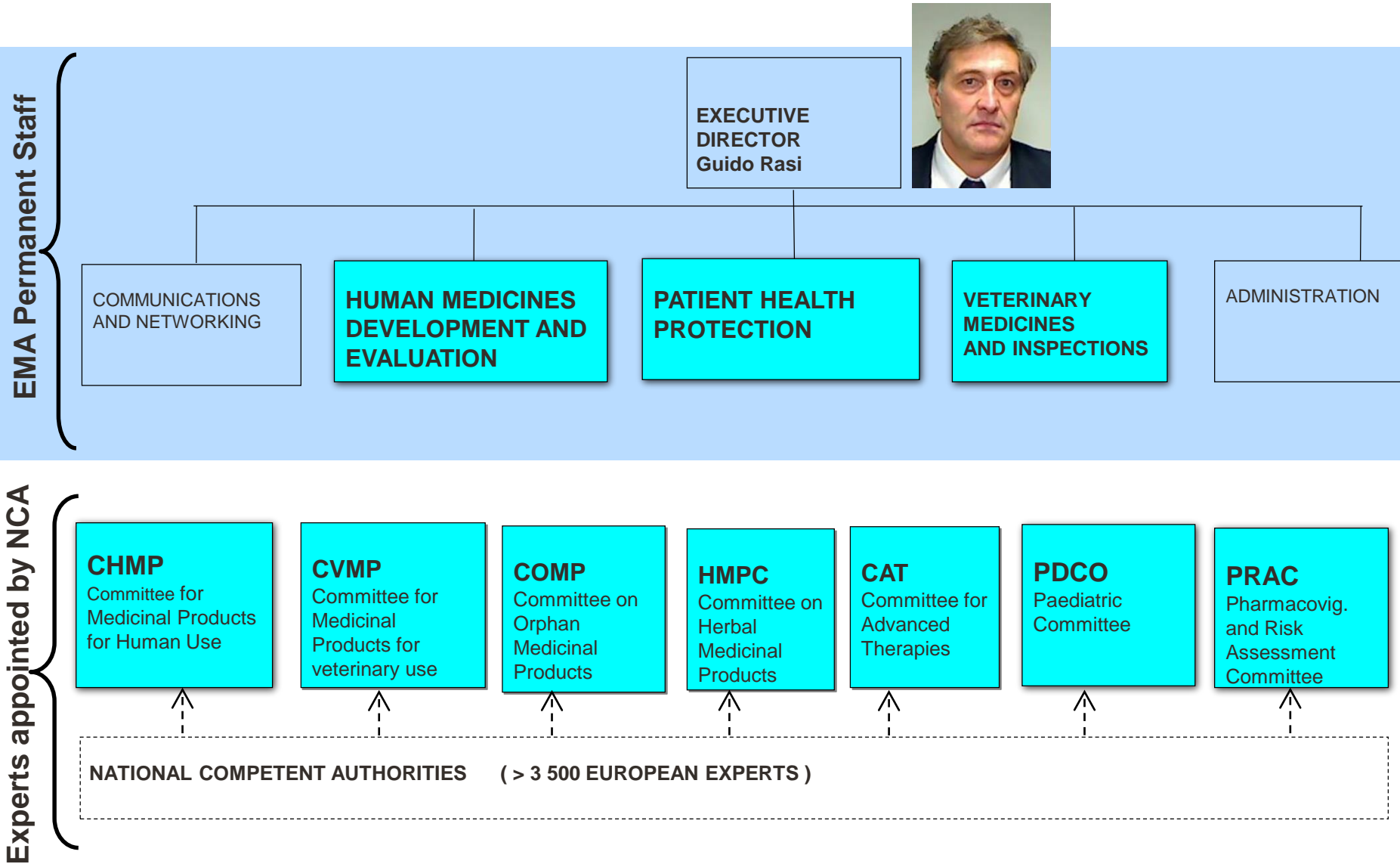
Enlargement (to 15 MS)

Enlargement to 25 MS (CY, CZ, EE, HU, LT, LV, MT, PL, SI, SK)

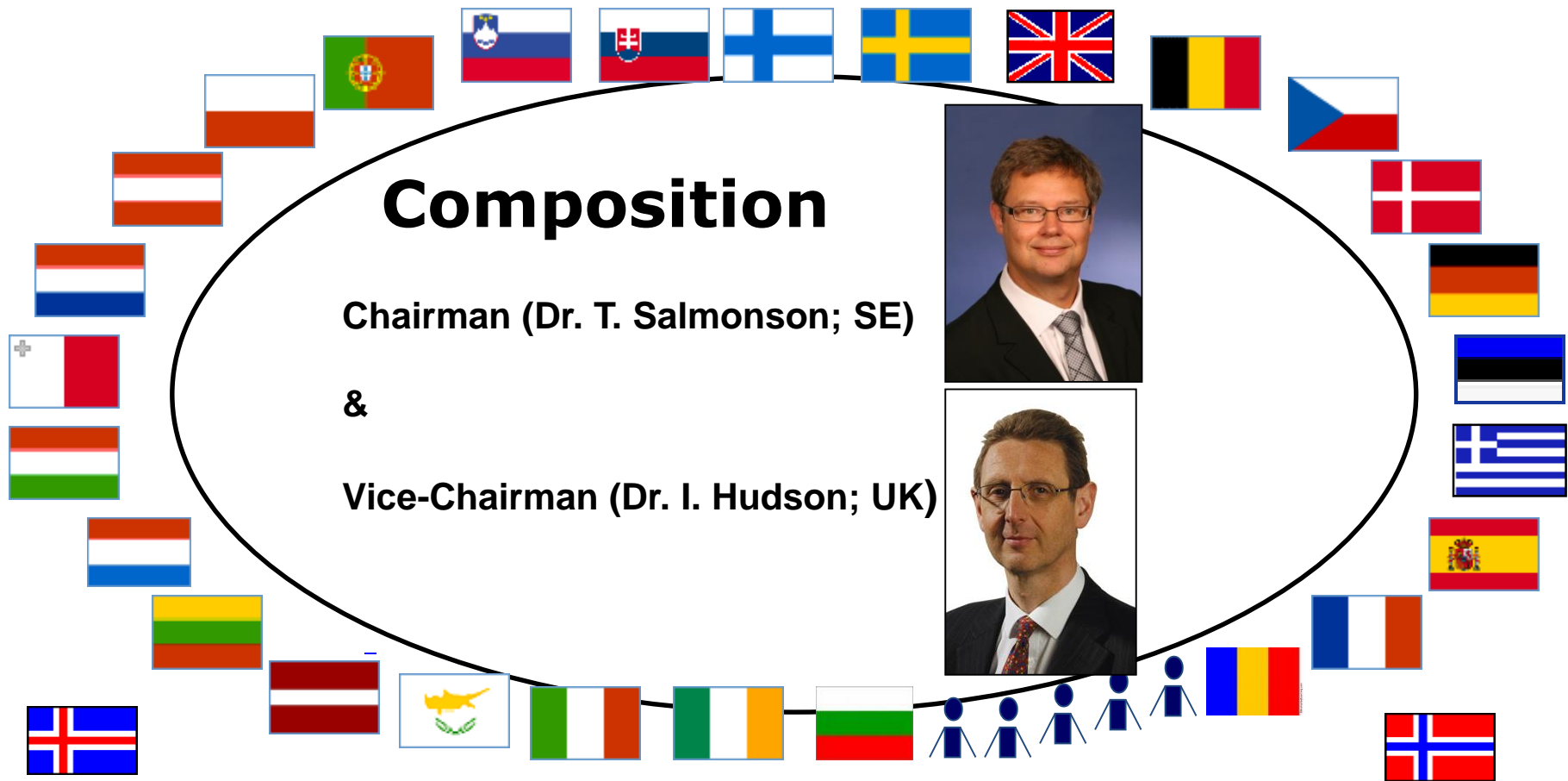
Enlargement to 27 MS (BG & RO)

Future...  
Accession of Croatia

# Structure of the European Medicines Agency (EMA)



# CHMP (Committee for Human Medicinal Products)

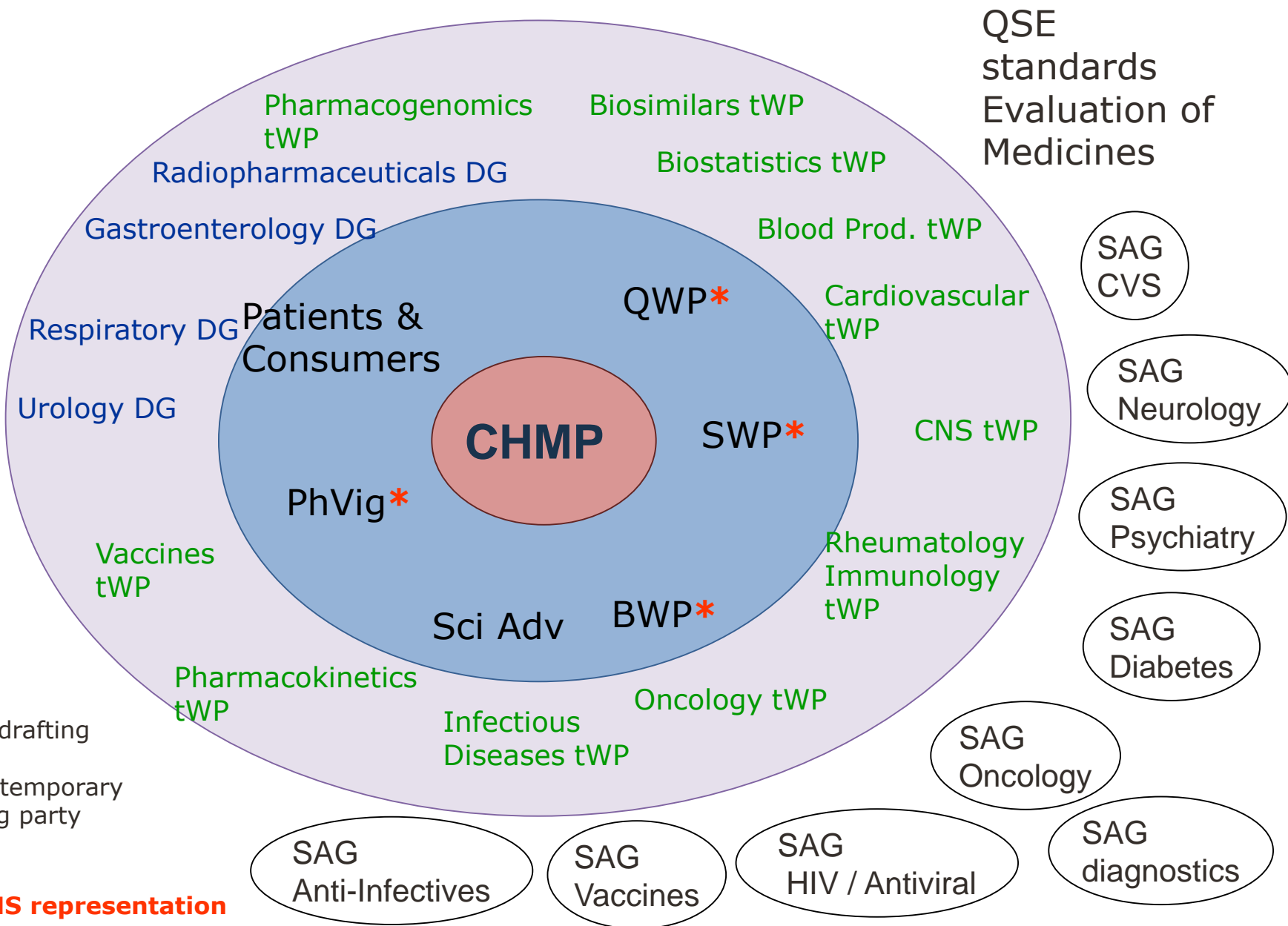


- **27 MSs + NO/IS (EEA Countries)** - 22 Languages (Working Language EN)
- **1** scientific expert **member** nominated by each MS **and 1 alternate**
- 1 scientific expert member from NO and IS and 1 alternate (**observers**)
- **5 co-opted members** as appointed by Management Board
- 3 years Mandate renewable

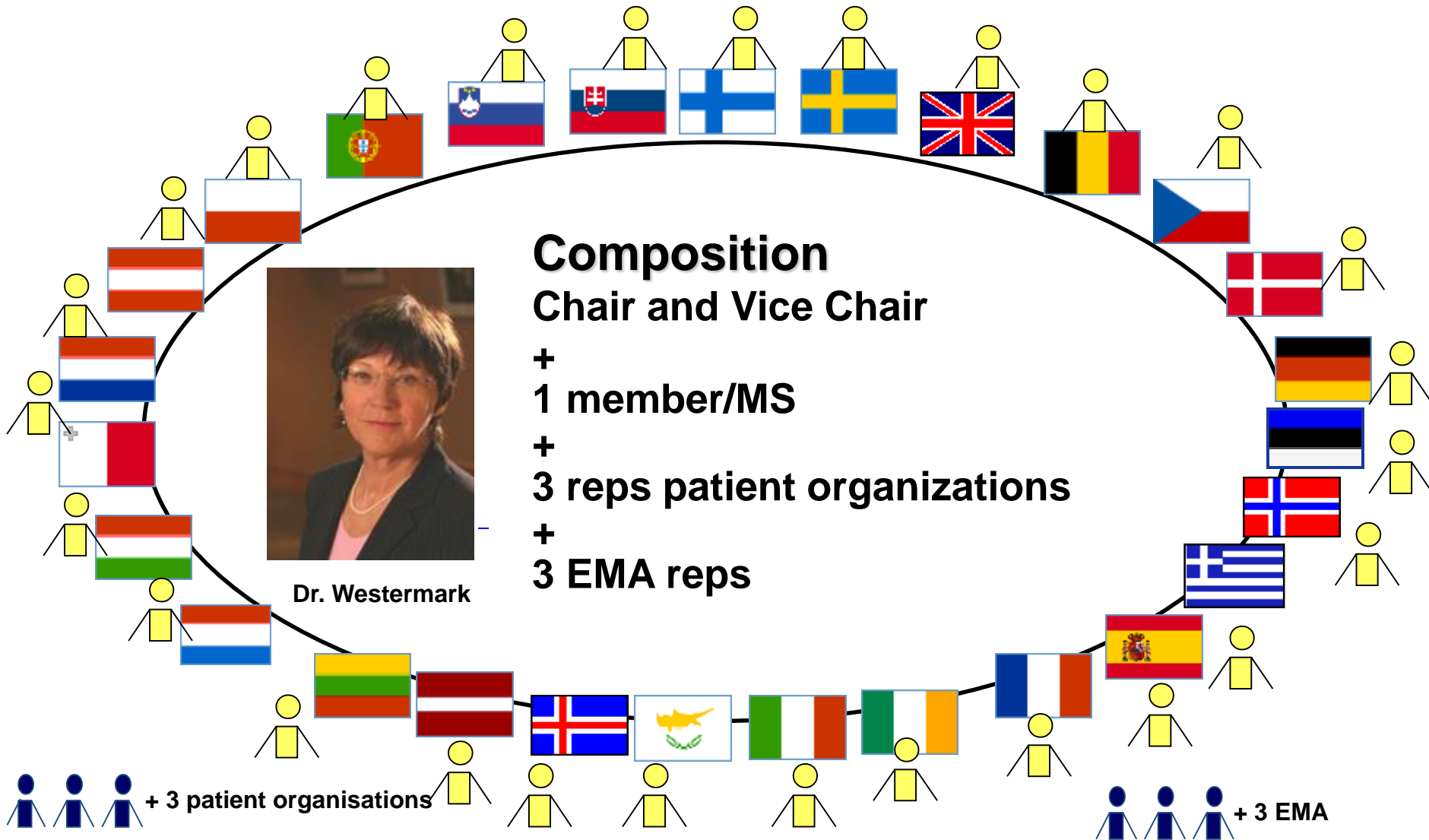
# CHMP main tasks & responsibilities

- Delivering opinions to the European Commission
  - on new medicinal products/variation/renewal/line extension
  - on arbitration/referral procedures
- Advising on general EU guidelines/policies
- Scientific Advice & guidelines to companies
- Opinions on Compassionate Use to MSs
- Contribution to ICH process
- Establish Working Parties, SAGs & Expert Groups
- Delivering opinions to WHO

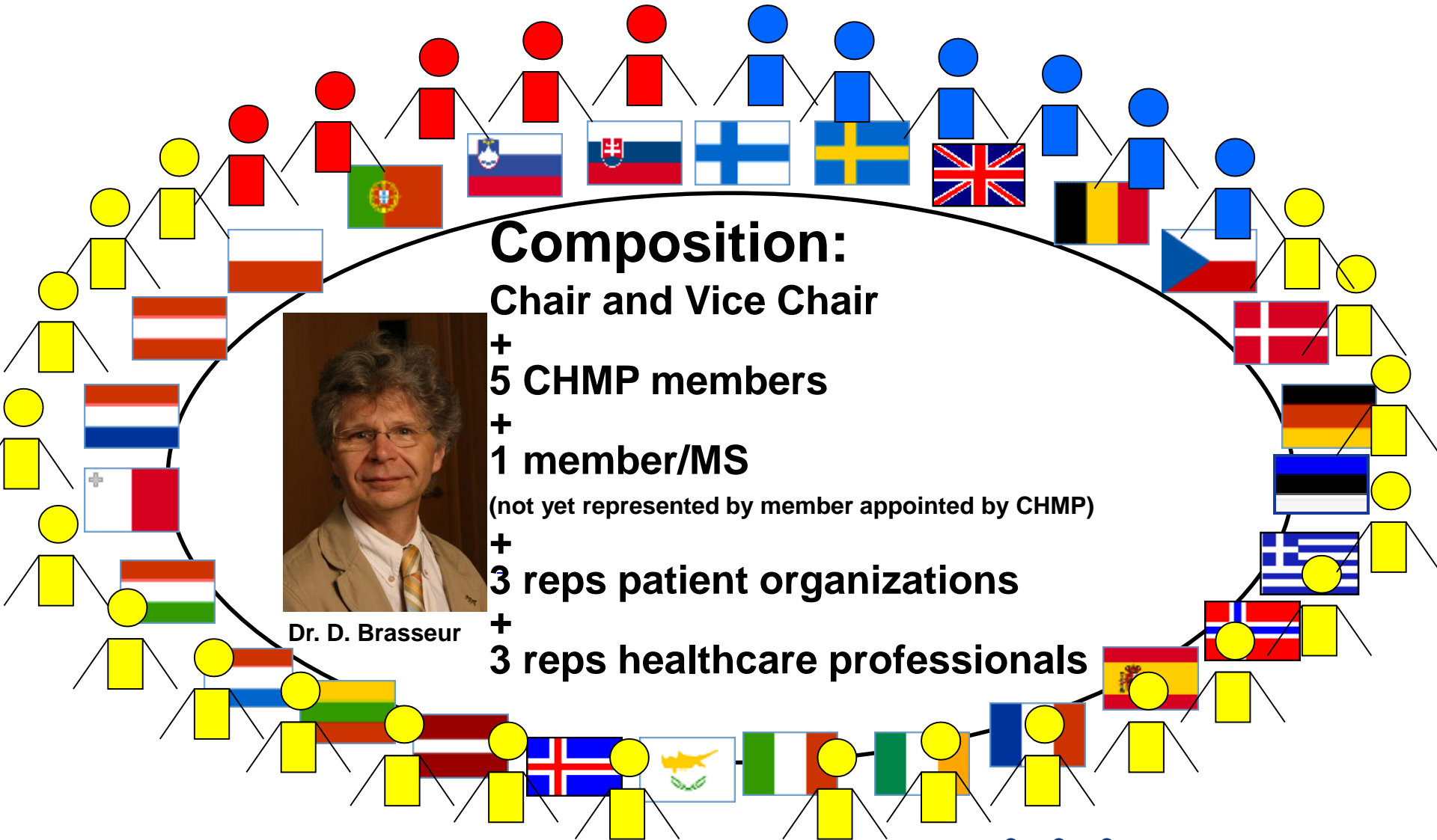
# Working Party Constellation



# COMP (Committee for Orphan Medicinal Products)



# PDCO (Paediatric Committee)



## Composition:

Chair and Vice Chair

+  
5 CHMP members

+  
1 member/MS

(not yet represented by member appointed by CHMP)

+  
3 reps patient organizations

+  
3 reps healthcare professionals



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+ 3 patient organisations



+ 3 healthcare prof.

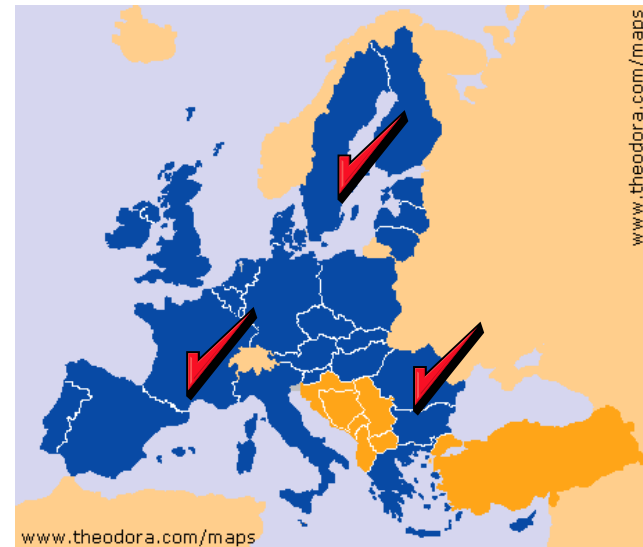
# Registration in Europe Post Nov 2005 :

## → Three European Systems

**Centralised  
Procedure  
(via EMA)**

**Mutual  
Recognition  
procedure**

**Decentralised  
Procedure**



# EU Centralised Procedure

- **Legal Basis:** Regul. (EC) No 726/2004 (also establishing “EMA” European Medicines Agency)
- **Principle: single application / evaluation → single authorisation**  
→ direct access to all EU(27MSs) + Norway, Iceland and Liechtenstein
- **Scope:**
  - **Compulsory for:**
    - **Biotech** (recombinant DNA, gene expressed proteins, hybridoma & monoclonal antibodies)
    - New Active Substances in **Specific Therapy Areas:** AIDS, Cancer, Neuro-degenerative disorder, Diabetes, Auto-immune disease, other immune deficiencies, Viral diseases
    - **Orphan Drugs**
  - **Optional for:**
    - Any Other New Active Substance
    - significant innovation (therapeutic, scientific or technical)
    - in the interests of patients at community level
    - Generic of Centralised reference prod. (may use CP or MRP/DCP)

# Members states

1 per MS + 5 Co-opted members. Each MS has an Alternative.

# EU Commission

Driving & adoption of the decision (EU license)

EMA

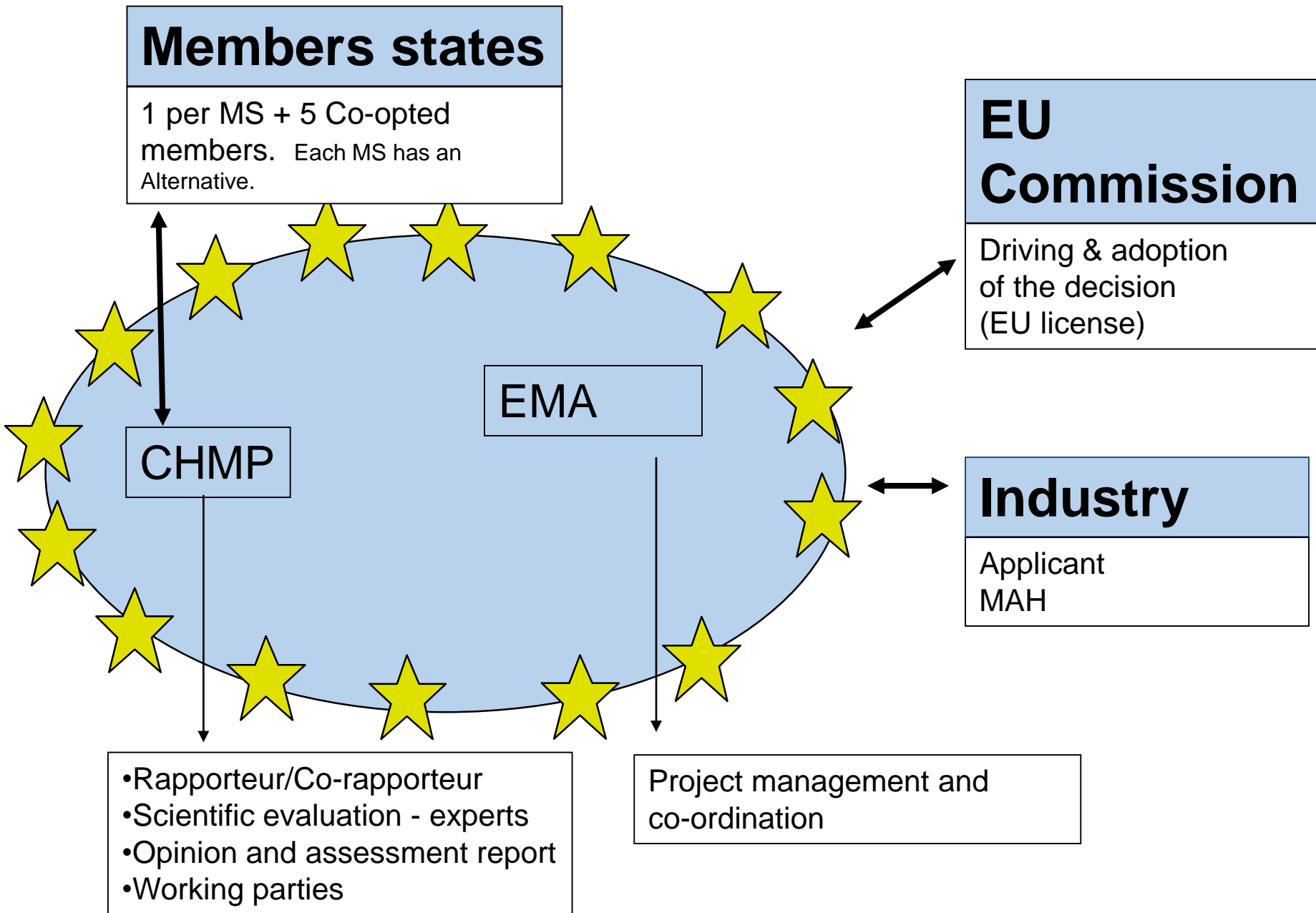
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# Industry

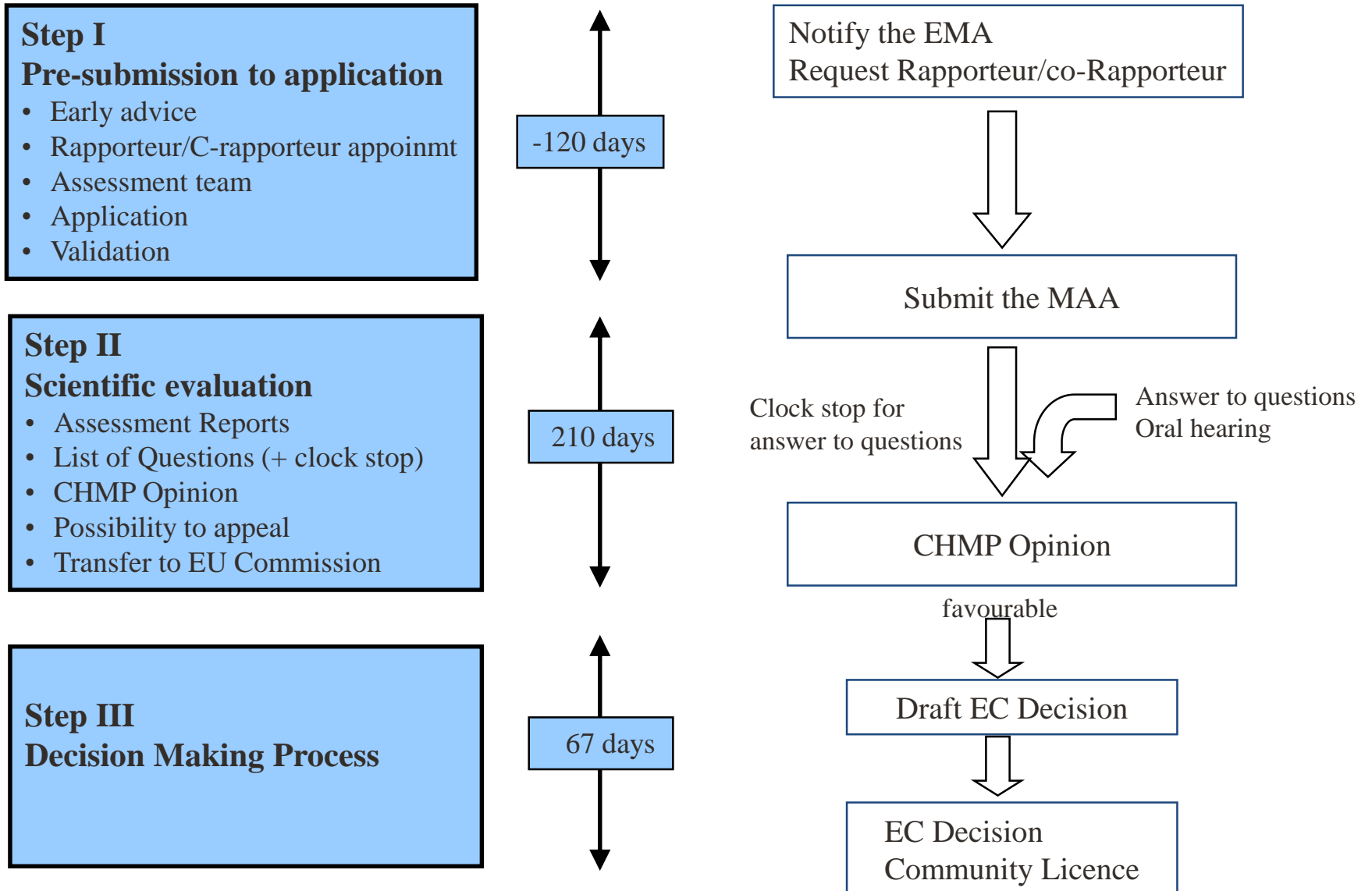
Applicant  
MAH

- Rapporteur/Co-rapporteur
- Scientific evaluation - experts
- Opinion and assessment report
- Working parties

Project management and co-ordination



# The 3 steps of the Centralised Procedure



## Two options

### Mutual Recognition Procedure



- Art. 28 para. 2 of Dir. 2001/83/EC
- For products with an existing MA

### Decentralised Procedure



- Art. 28 para. 3 of Dir. 2001/83/EC
- Only possible, if no authorisation has already been granted
- Most significant difference with MRP = consultation between MS's before 1st MA issued

## MRP & DCP: key authority stakeholders

- **CMDh** ("Coordination group for mutual recognition and decentralised procedure for human medicinal products"):
  - Mixed responsibilities: procedural, regulatory and scientific
  - One representative from each MS, appointed for 3 years (renewable)  
+ observer from EMA and Commission
  - CMD(h) Chair appointed for 3 years  
+ Vice-chair representative of MS that has presidency of Council
- **RMS** ("Reference Member State")
  - Selected by the applicant
  - Has to prepare the assessment report (AR)
  - Acts as central point between MS and MAH
- **CMS** ("Concerned Member State(s)")
  - All other MS's where the Company has submitted the dossier

# Overview of the MRP



Application to Reference Member State (RMS)

RMS Approval (Day 210)

Submit MR application to Member States

Closure of procedure  
(AR, SPC, labelling, PIL)

National licences  
granted within  
MSs

CMDh

Arbitration by CHMP (Art.32, 33, 34)  
60 days (CHMP opinion) + 30 days (Commission decision)

**National  
Submission  
210 days**

**Mutual  
Recognition  
90 days**

**Arbitration  
By CMDh  
(60 days)**

**National Step  
(30 days)**

*Serious objections  
Referral to CMDh*

*Approval*

*Approval*

*Serious objections  
Referral to CHMP*

# Overview of the DCP



**DCP Step 1**  
**120 days**

Submission of dossier to Reference Member State (RMS) and Concerned Member States (CMSs)

RMS starts evaluation, and issues preliminary Assessment Report (AR) for comments by CMSs  
RMS sends consolidated list of questions to Applicant

**Clock stop** (recommended 3 mths)

**DCP Step 2**  
**90 days**

RMS prepares draft AR, draft SPC and draft labelling/package leaflet  
Submit MR application to Member States

Closure of procedure (AR, SPC, labelling, PIL)

National licences granted within MSs

*Serious objections*  
*Referral to CMDh*

*Approval*

*Arbitration*  
*By CMDh*  
(60 days)

*Serious objections*  
*Referral to CHMP*

*Approval*

*National Step*  
(30 days)

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# The “Pharmacovigilance and Risk Assessment Committee” (PRAC)

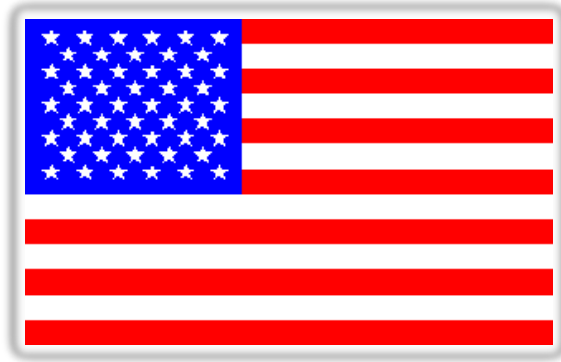
- Replacing Pharmacovigilance Working Party (PhV WP)
- Mandate: Risk detection, Benefit-Risk Assessment, Communication of risk and benefit/risk, Risk Minimisation and Analysis Impact, Design and Evaluation of PASS
- CHMP & CMDh to “rely upon” recommendations from PRAC but retain responsibility for benefit-risk assessments
- PRAC started in July 2012
- Membership:
  - 1 member (& 1 alternate) from each MS
  - Chair: June M. Raine (UK – MHRA)
  - Vice-Chair: Almath Spooner (Ireland – HSE) -----
- Interaction between PRAC & CHMP:
  - About 30% of CHMP agenda would go to PRAC
  - Aiming that PRAC Rapporteur could come from same MS as CHMP Rapporteur
  - Challenge with timing of PRAC opinions: i.e. trying to fit the PRAC 60 day review timeframe into overall timelines and still allow CHMP time to consider PRAC input before adopting their opinion



# New requirements for the Marketing Authorisation Application (MAA)

- **Pharmacovigilance System Master File (PSMF)**
  - MAH must prepare and maintain “**Pharmacovigilance system master file**” (PSMF): replaces former “Detailed Description of Pharmacovigilance System” (DDPS), and **must be held at MAH site**
  - Summary of the Pharmacovigilance System must be included in the MAA dossier
  - Full PSMF **to be provided within 7 days of request** from a competent authority
- **Risk Management Plan (RMP)**
  - ‘detailed description of risk management system’
  - RMPs to be included **in MAAs for all new products**
    - N.B. Authorities can impose need for Risk Management System on already authorised products if concerns about Benefit/Risk balance
  - Format and content of RMPs addressed in Commission’s implementing measures

# US Regulatory Environment



# The US Regulatory Environment (1)

## The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

- **FDA's Role and Responsibilities:**
  - FDA is regulating drugs, foods, cosmetics, biologics, medical devices
  - FDA is responsible for administration, enforcement, interpretation of US drug law and has power to establish regulations which have the force and effect of law
  - FDA has developed policies, procedures and regulations to implement its Regulatory initiatives, some going beyond the intent of the original laws

Drug Registration in the US = one of the most rigorous systems in the world

## The US Regulatory Environment (2)

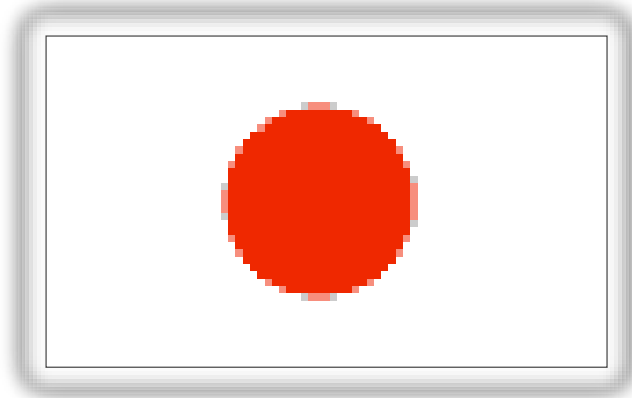
- Overview of FDA Organization – top level
  - Office of the Commissioner (OC)
  - Office of Regulatory Affairs (ORA)
  - Centers for Product Jurisdiction
    - **CDER (Center for Drug Evaluation and Research)**
    - **CBER (Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research)**
    - CDRH (Center for Devices and Radiological Health)
    - CVM (Center for Veterinary Medicine)
    - CFSAN (Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition)
    - NCTR (National Center for Toxicological Research)

# The IND Process :

## *What is an IND? Where are regulations found?*

- IND = Investigational New Drug application
- Seeks permission to test a new drug or biologic in humans
- Usually begins in Phase I; can begin in Phase II or III if have adequate human experience
- FDA's review of IND focuses on:
  - Phase I: Patient safety
  - Phase II/III: also includes assessment of the scientific quality of the clinical evaluation (data supportive or not for BLA?)
- IND Regulations are contained in Title 21, CFR, Part 312

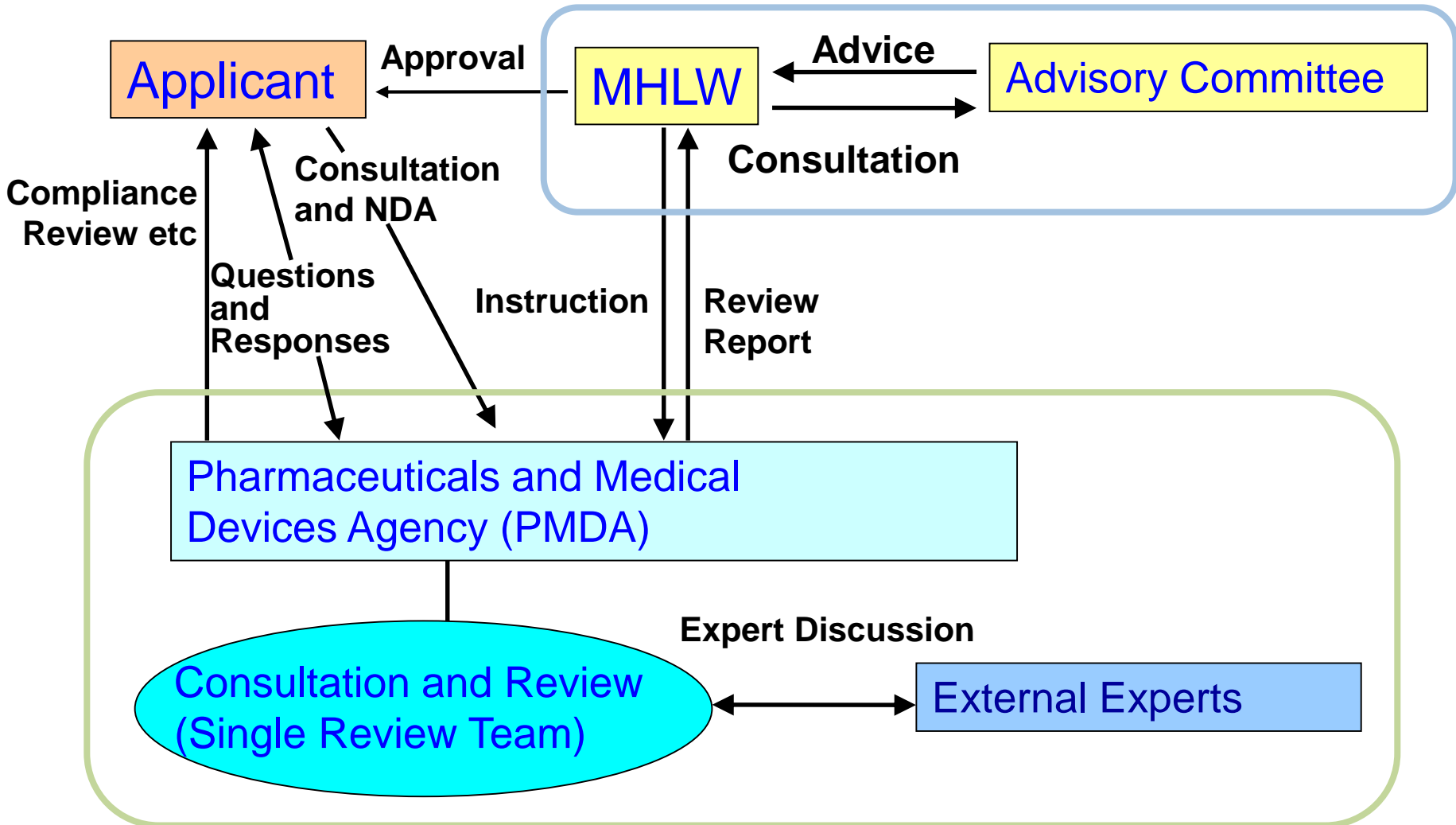
# Japanese Regulatory Environment



# Japanese law and relevant authorities for medicines registration

- Pharmaceutical Affairs Law (PAL) – April 2005
- MHLW (Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare)
  - Responsibility for approvals and licensing
  - <http://www.mhlw.go.jp/english/index.html>
- PMDA (Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency)
  - Responsibility for scientific review (incl. audit for GMP, GLP, GCP)
  - Branch under MHLW, created in 2004
  - <http://www.pmda.go.jp/english/index.html>
- NIID (National Institute of Infectious Diseases)
  - Responsibility for national testing
  - <http://www.nih.go.jp/niid/index-e.html>

# Relationship between MHLW and PMDA



# **INTERNATIONAL REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT**

## Scope

**More than 70% of the world's population are:  
Asia Pacific and Emerging Markets (APEM )**

# International & Emerging Regions

## Key markets

- Asia Pacific:
  - India, Philippines, South Korea, Taiwan
- China / Hong Kong / Macau:
  - China
- Latin America :
  - Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Mexico
- Middle East and North Africa (MENA):
  - Egypt, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Turkey
- Sub Saharan Africa (SSA):
  - South Africa

# Models for drug regulatory assessment

## Countries can be categorised in 2 licensing models:

- model of licensing system based upon submission of evidence of registration in reference countries
- model of licensing system based upon a full assessment of new drug applications (including biological products)

# **Global Harmonisation Initiatives**

# ICH Definition and Background

- *“International Conference on Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for the Registration of Pharmaceuticals for Human Use”*
- Joint **regulatory/industry** project
- **EU, Japan** and the **United States**
- To improve (through harmonisation), efficiency of development/registration of new medicinal products
- Based on **scientific consensus**
- **Commitment by regulatory parties** to implement ICH recommendations

- **6 official parties (co-sponsors) directly involved :**

Authorities and research based industry from

- **EU:** { - European Commission + EMA and CHMP  
- EFPIA (Eur.Feder.Pharmac.Industries&Associations)
- **Japan:** { - MHLW (Ministry of Health and Welfare)  
- JPMA (Japanese Pharmaceutical Manuf. Association)
- **USA:** { FDA (US Food and Drug Administration)  
- PhRMA (Pharmaceut. Research and Manuf. of America)

- **Official "Observers"**

- World Health Organisation (WHO)
- European Free Trade Area (EFTA)
- Canada (Health Protection Branch)

- **"Interested Parties" also involved**

- Pharmacopoeias (Eur.Ph., J.P., U.S.P.)
- other industry sectors (OTC and Generics)

# ICH CTD (Common Technical Document)

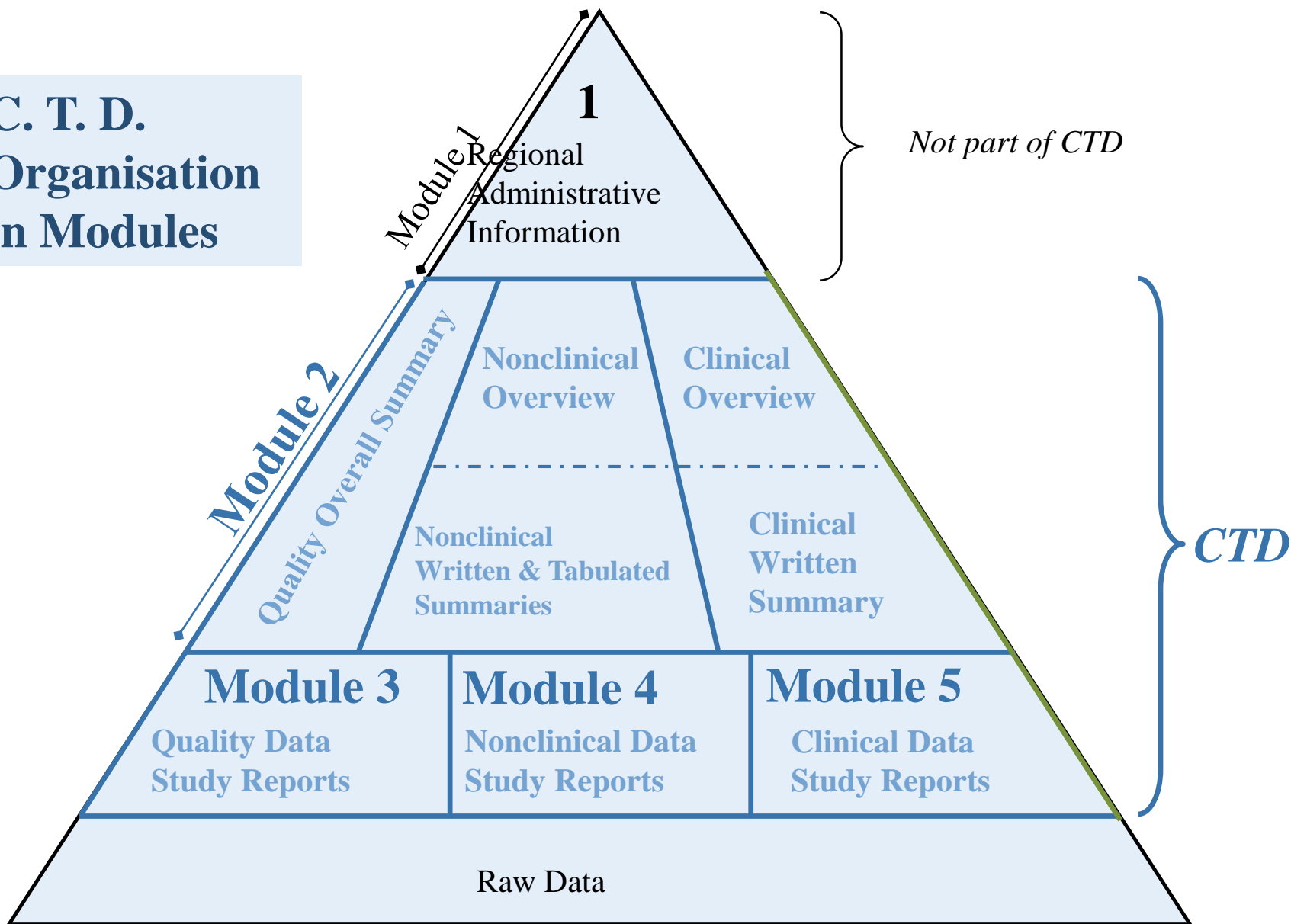
## Scope

- Harmonised format for Registration Applications
  - Acceptable by Regulatory Authorities in the 3 regions
  - **Does not define content** ( e.g. what studies are required, etc.)
  - Applicable to: - new pharmaceutical products (incl. biotech)
    - abbreviated (abridged) applications and variations

## Objectives

- For Industry
  - Reduce time and resources needed to compile applications
  - Ease preparation of electronic submissions
- For Regulatory Authorities
  - Facilitate reviews
  - Improve communication with applicant
  - Simplify exchange of information between Regulators

# C. T. D. Organisation in Modules



- **New areas to develop ICH guidelines:**
  - Post-marketing pharmacovigilance
  - Pharmacogenomics
  - Biomarkers
  - Gene Therapy
- **Continued Harmonisation: prevention of new interregional disharmony**
  - Avoid unilateral development of requirements in specific areas

## ...Globalising ICH

- ICH Global Cooperation Group (**GCG**)
  - Representatives from other Regional Harmonisation initiatives
    - APEC (Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation)
    - ASEAN (Association of the Southeast Asian Nations)
    - GCC (Gulf Cooperation Council)
    - PANDRH (Pan American Network for Drug Regulatory Harmonization)
    - SADC (Southern African Development Community)
  - Evolution in ICH and understanding that some non-ICH countries are now major contributors/consumers to the global pharmaceutical market
- **Regulators Forum** - started in 2008
  - Including representatives from **Australia, Brazil, China, Taiwan, India, Russia, Singapore and South Korea** most of which are not part of *Harmonisation Initiatives* already
  - Key areas of focus: API GMP; clinical trials; pharmacovigilance

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