

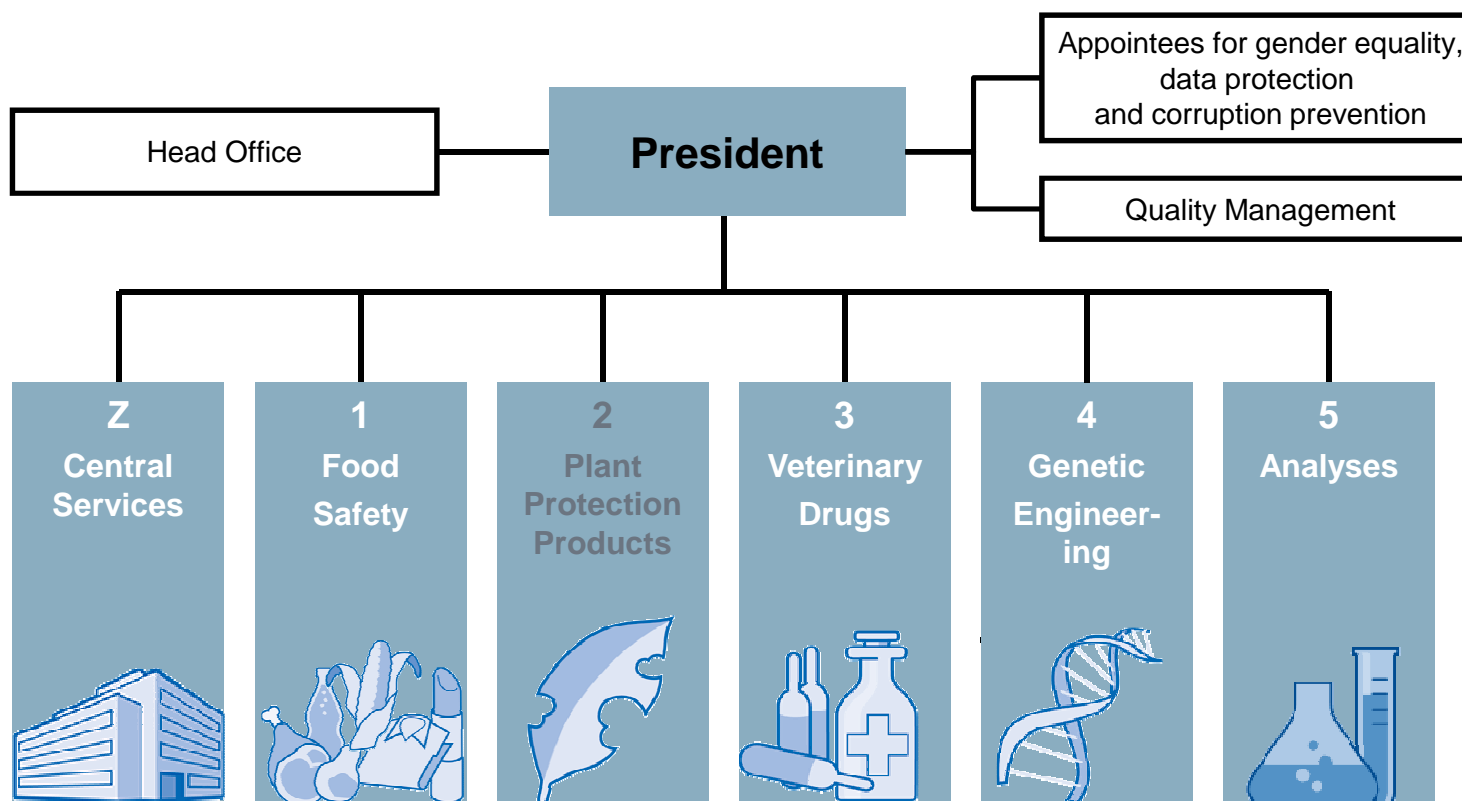


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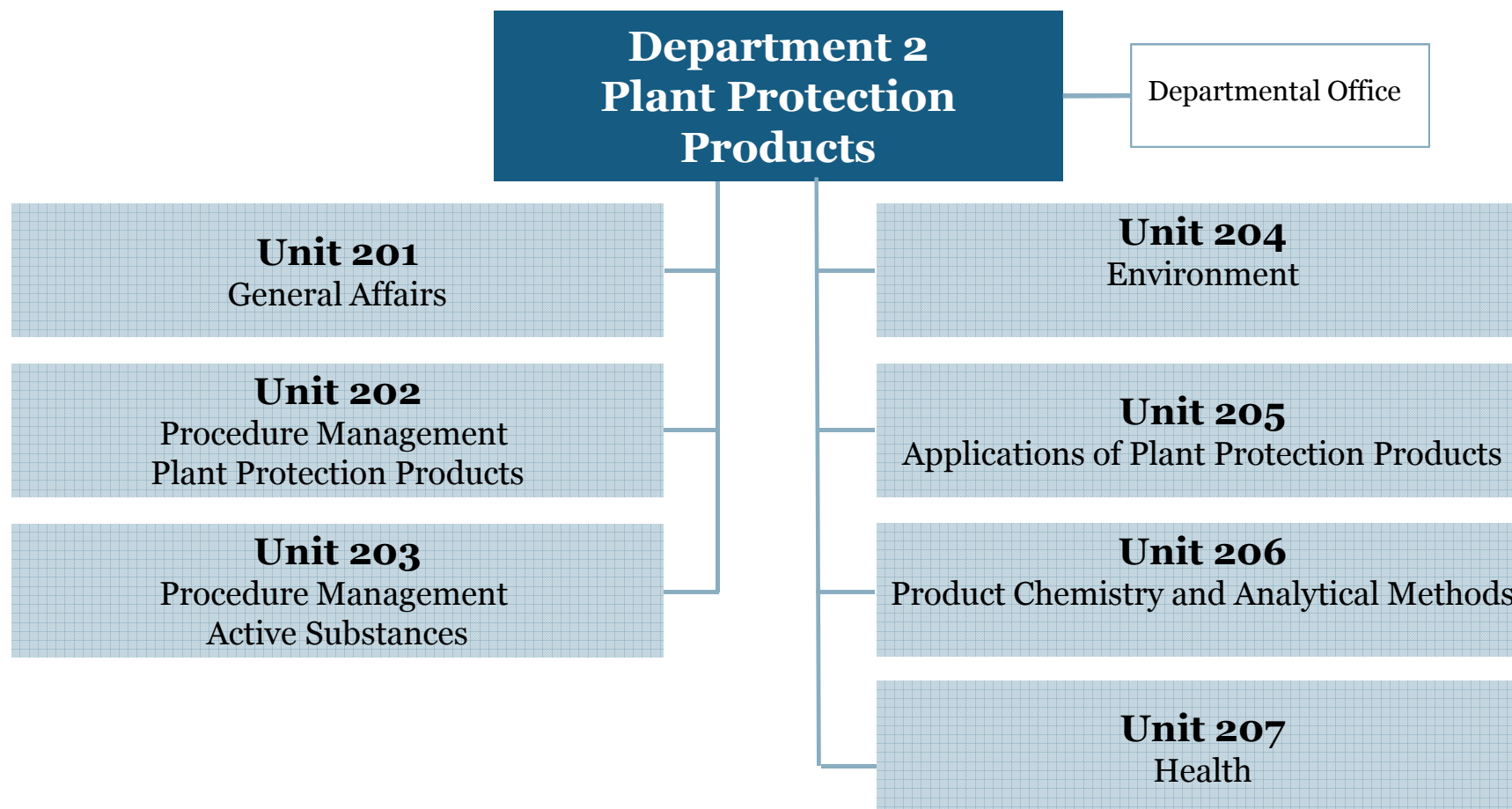


# **Federal Office of Consumer Protection and Food Safety – BVL – Department 2 –**

# Federal Office of Consumer Protection and Food Safety (BVL)



# Department Plant Protection Products



## Department 2: Plant Protection Products

### Tasks

- **Authorisation authority for plant protection products in Germany**
- **Designated authority for the EU assessment of active substances**
- **Official contact point for the EU procedure on establishing MRL's**
- **Approvals for parallel trade**
- **Approvals for plant resistance improvers und adjuvants**

## Department 2: Plant Protection Products

### Tasks

- **Management of the Plant Protection Control Programme (sales and use surveillance)**
- **Designated authority for plant protection products under the Rotterdam Convention**
- **Provision of information to stakeholders and the public**
- **Policy advice**

## Legal framework in the EU – Overview

- **Active substances assessed on community level**
  - List of approved active substances
- **Plant protection products subject to an authorisation**
  - Authorisations granted by Member States
  - worksharing and mutual recognition
- **Harmonisation of**
  - Data requirements
  - Decision criteria
  - Packaging and labelling rules
- **Maximum residues levels (MRLs) established on community level**

## Legal framework in the EU

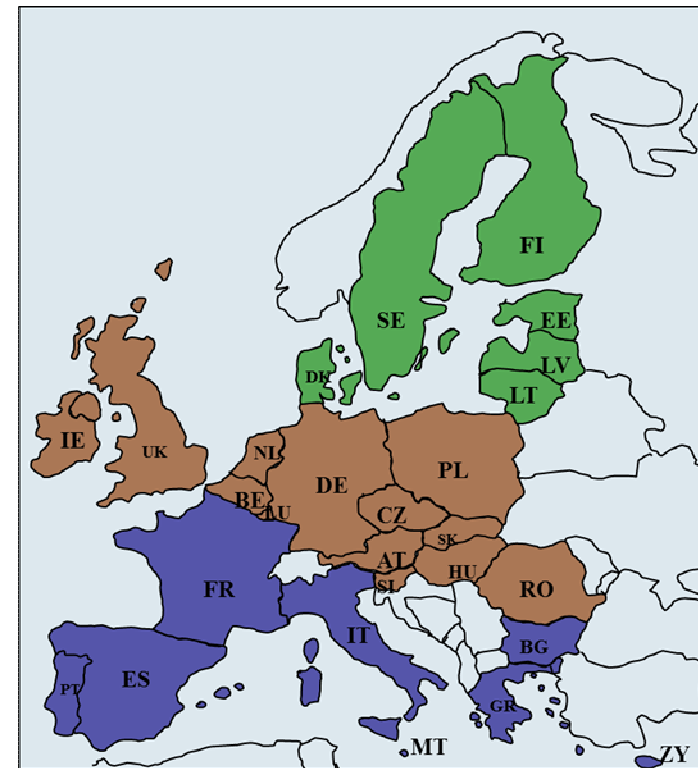
Changes owing to Regulation (EC) 1107/2009

- **Detailed criteria for the approval of active substances**
- **Community assessment also for**
  - Safeners and synergists (positive list)
  - Co-formulants (negative list)
- **Comparative assessment of plant protection products**
- **Rules for parallel trade**
- **New data protection rules**

## Legal framework in the EU

Changes owing to Regulation (EC) 1107/2009

- **Zonal authorisation** *[assessment]*
  - 3 Zones: North, Central, South
  - One application for several Member States
  - Work-sharing between Member States – one acting as rapporteur
- **Mutual recognition compulsory**





# Legal framework in the EU

## Timelines



# Legal Framework in the EU

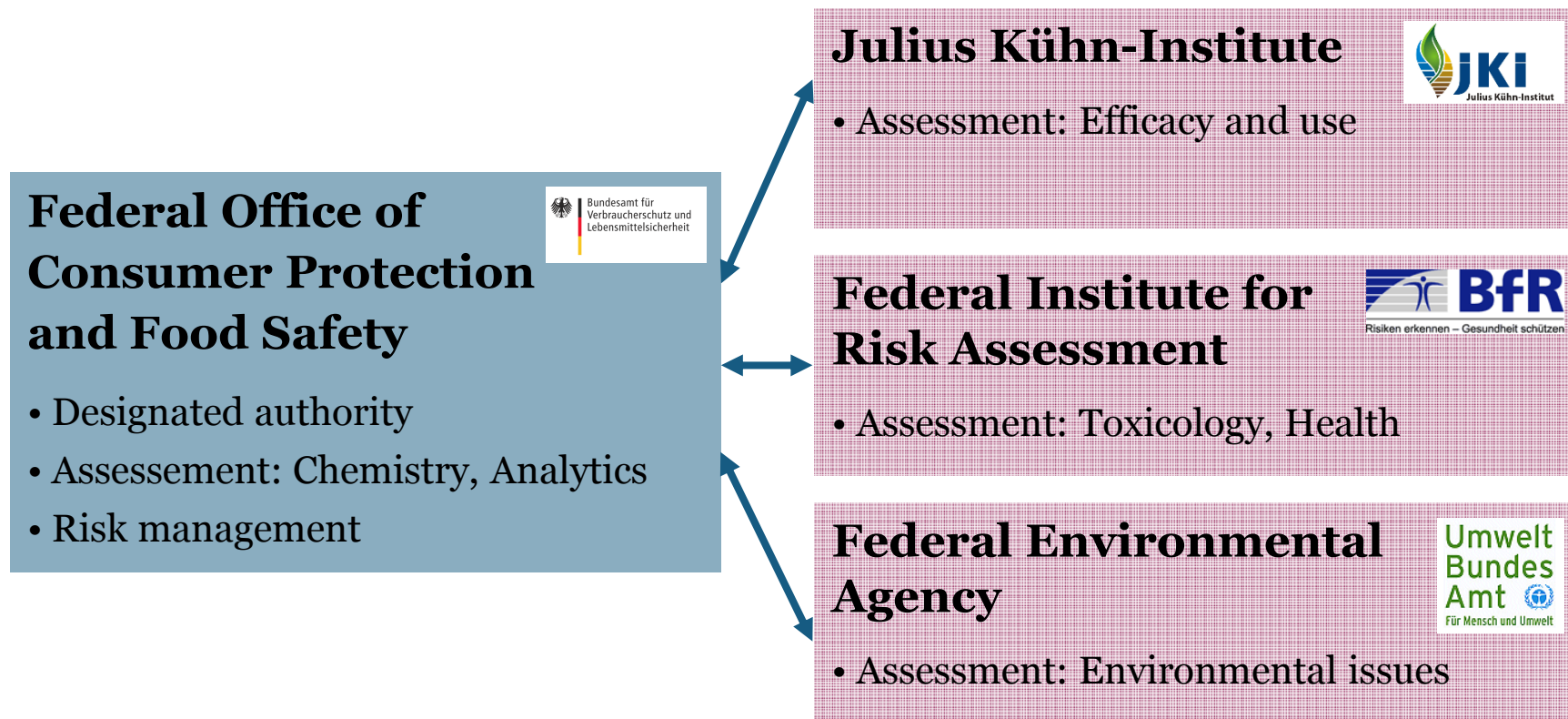
## Summary of responsibilities

	EU	Member States
Active substances	X	
Formulated products		X
Use		X
Maximum residue levels	X	
Controls		X

## Legal Framework in Germany

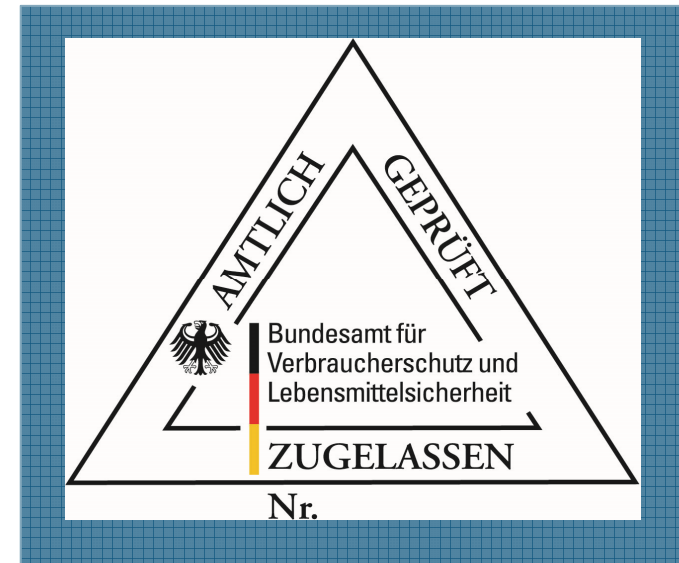
- **Plant Protection Act containing rules on**
  - Use of plant protection products
  - Plant protection equipment
  - Monitoring and surveillance
  - Designated authorities and responsibilities
- **Ordinances regulating further details**
  - Authorisation procedure and fees
  - Use restrictions
  - Aerial spraying

## Authorisation procedure – Institutions involved



## Risk management: Content of the authorisation

- Establishment of the uses (crop - pest)
- Description of the application (technique, dose, timing, etc.)
- Pre-harvest intervals
- Labelling phrases (e.g. safety instructions)
- Use restrictions (e.g. non-spray zones to surface water)
- Classification regarding hazard to bees
- Clearance for amateur gardening (non-professional use)

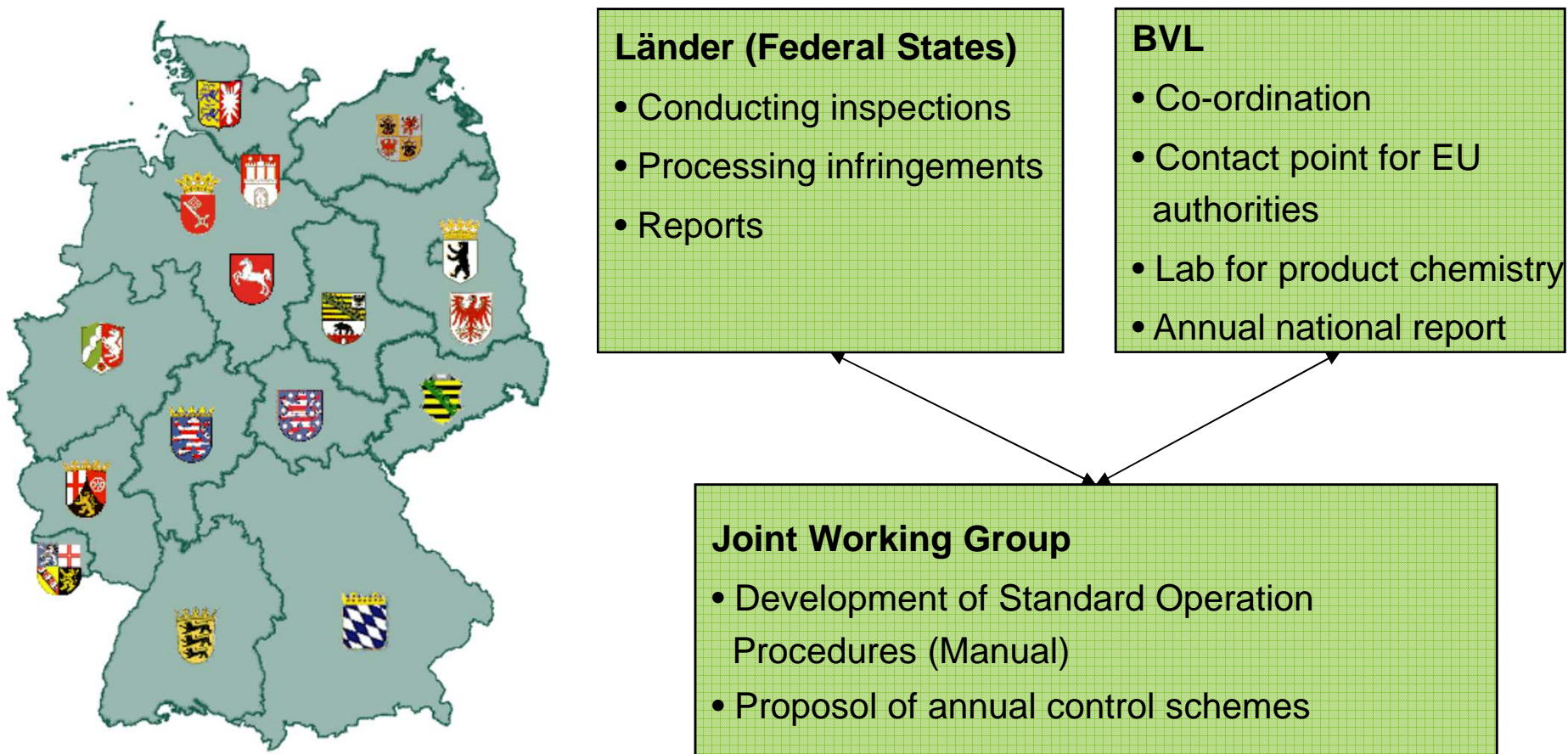


# Plant protection products

## The market in Germany

- **Authorisation statistics**
  - 270 active substances
  - 735 authorised products (marketed under 1389 trade names)
  - 95 authorisation holders
  - 3795 parallel trade approvals
- **Domestic sales (2013)**
  - 99.287 t formulated products (excluding inert gases)
  - 32.551 t active substance (excluding inert gases)

## Sales and Use Surveillance – Organisation



## Sales surveillance

### Focus of inspections

- Trade of non-authorized products
- Identity of the products
- Labelling
- Qualification of sales personnel

### Emerging problems

- Internet trade
- Illegal trade





## Use surveillance

### Focus of inspections

- **Use of non-authorised products**
- **Compliance with use restrictions**
- **Use of appropriate machinery**
- **Disposal of outdated products**

### Particular problems

- **Illegal herbicide use on sealed surfaces**



# Further information

[www.bvl.bund.de](http://www.bvl.bund.de) > Plant Protection Products

