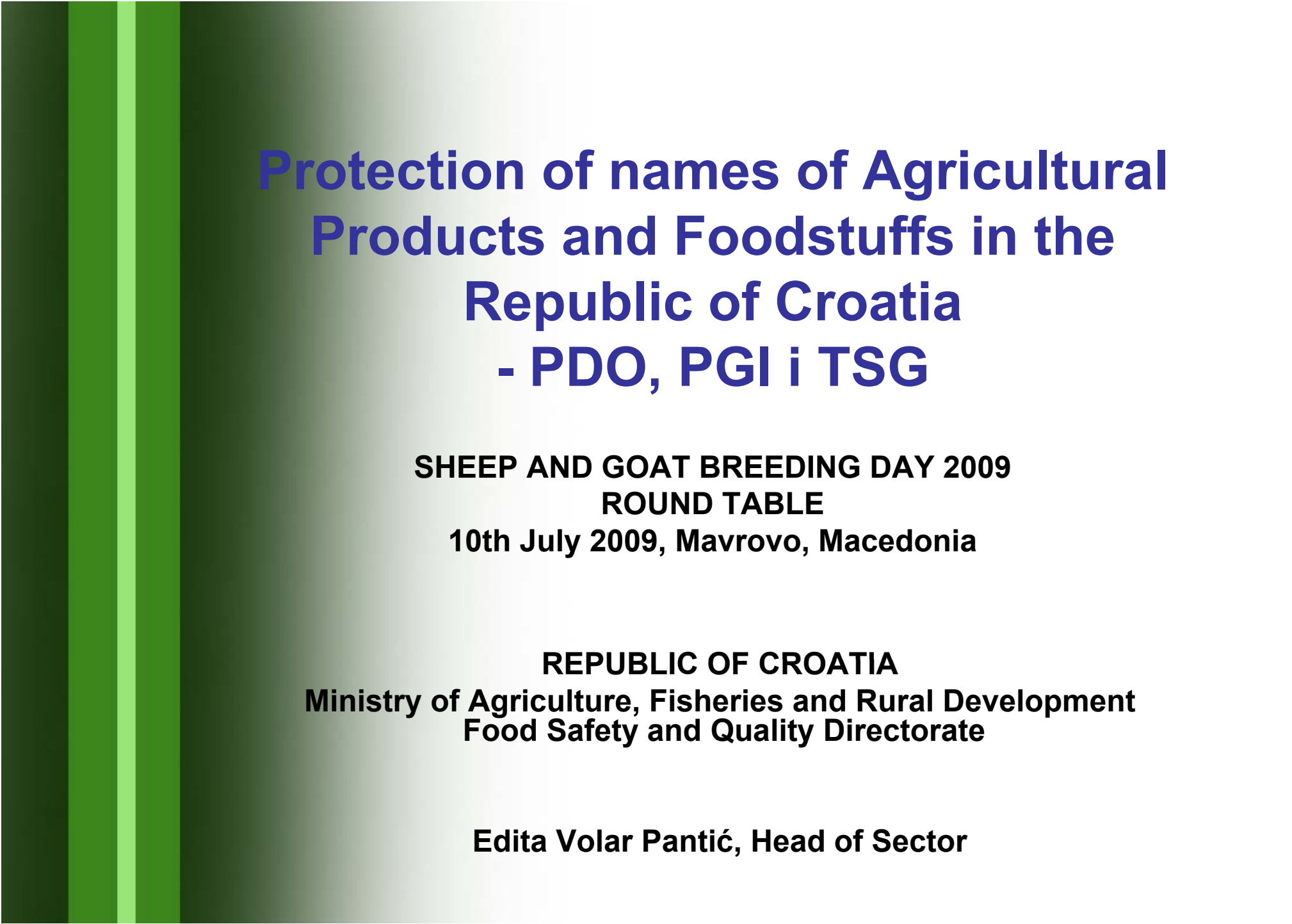




Protection of names of Agricultural Products and Foodstuffs in the Republic of Croatia - PDO, PGI i TSG

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Content of presentation

1. Development of the relevant legislation in the Republic of Croatia
2. Registration procedure in the Republic of Croatia
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4. Registered products in the Republic of Croatia
5. Activities conducted by MAFRD

1. Development of legislation 1991 - 2003

COMPETENT AUTHORITIES

Croatian Chamber of Economy and
State Office for Intellectual Property

RELEVANT LEGISLATION

- Act on Protection of Inventions, Technical Improvements and Districtive Names (OG No. 53/91)
- Act on Geographical Indications of products and Services (OG No. 78/99, 127/99)

1. Development of legislation 2003 - 2008

COMPETENT AUTHORITY

**Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and
Rural Development**

RELEVANT LEGISLATION

The Food Act (OG No. 117/03, 130/03, 48/04, 85/06)

- ✓ Ordinance on designations of origin and geographical indication (OG No. 80/05, 11/07)
- ✓ Ordinance on the recognition of specific characteristic of foodstuffs and designation of the marking “traditional reputation” (OG No. 127/05)
- *Harmonized with relevant EU legislation from 1992*

1. Development of legislation 2008/2009

COMPETENT AUTHORITY

**Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and
Rural Development**

NEW LEGISLATION

**Act on designations of origin, geographical indications and
the traditional specialities guaranteed for agricultural
products and foodstuffs (OG No. 84/08, 75/09)**

- ✓ Ordinance on designations of origin and geographical indication for agricultural products and foodstuffs
- ✓ Ordinance on the traditional specialities guaranteed for agricultural products and foodstuffs

➤ ***Harmonized with EU Regulations 510/2006 and 509/2006
and other implementing Regulations***

Act and Ordinances prescribe

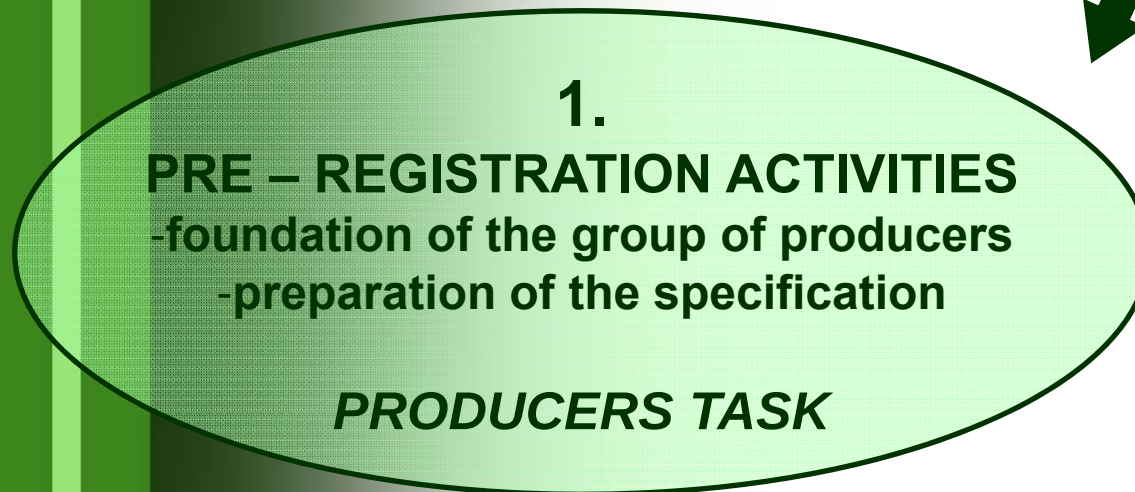
- ✓ Conditions and registration procedure of PDO, PGI and TSG for agricultural products and foodstuffs on the national level
- ✓ Rules for the applications of the request for registration of PDO, PGI and TSG on the EU level

Steps:

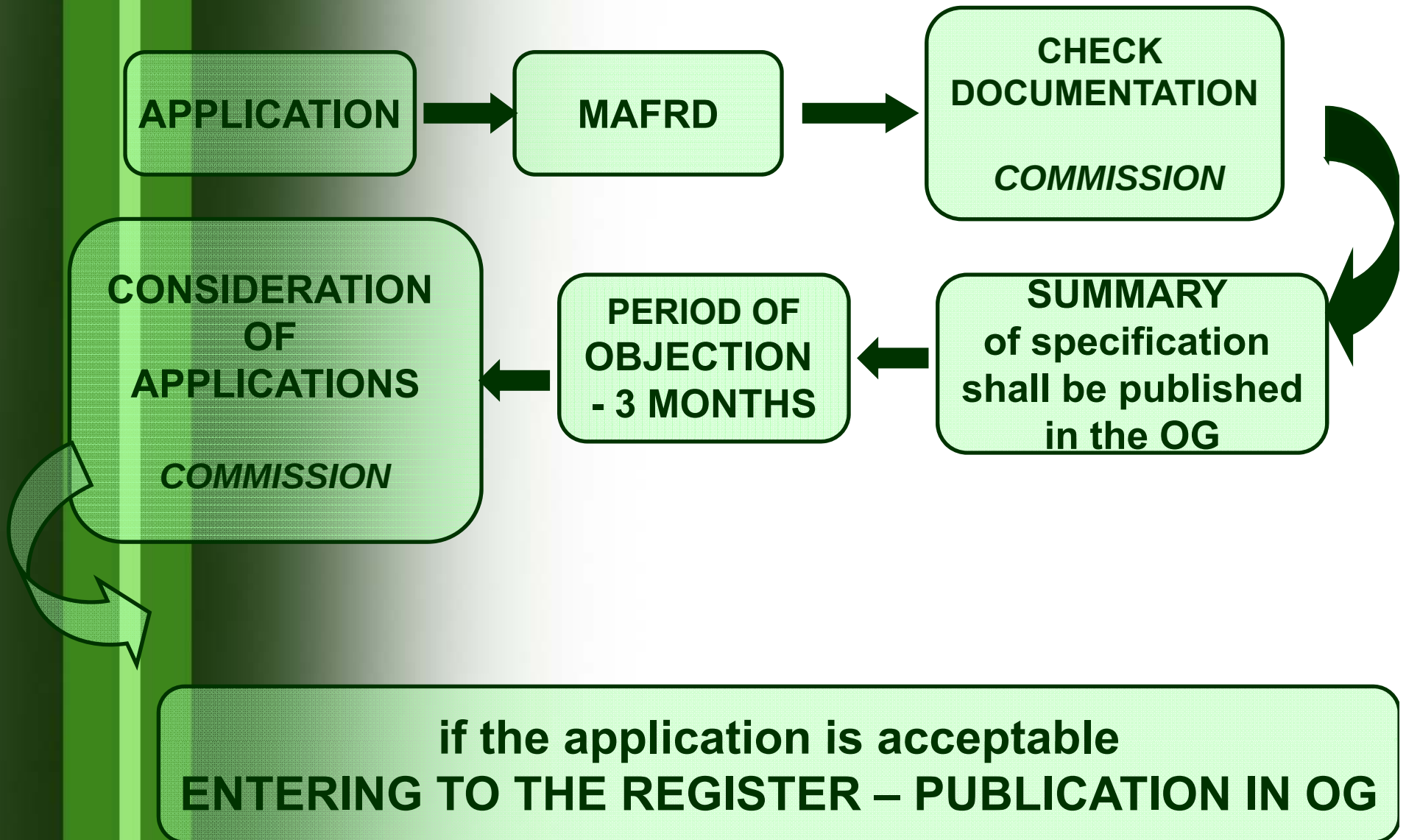
1. National registration
2. EU registration (application submitted by MAFRD)

- ✓ Verification of compliance with product specification and official controls

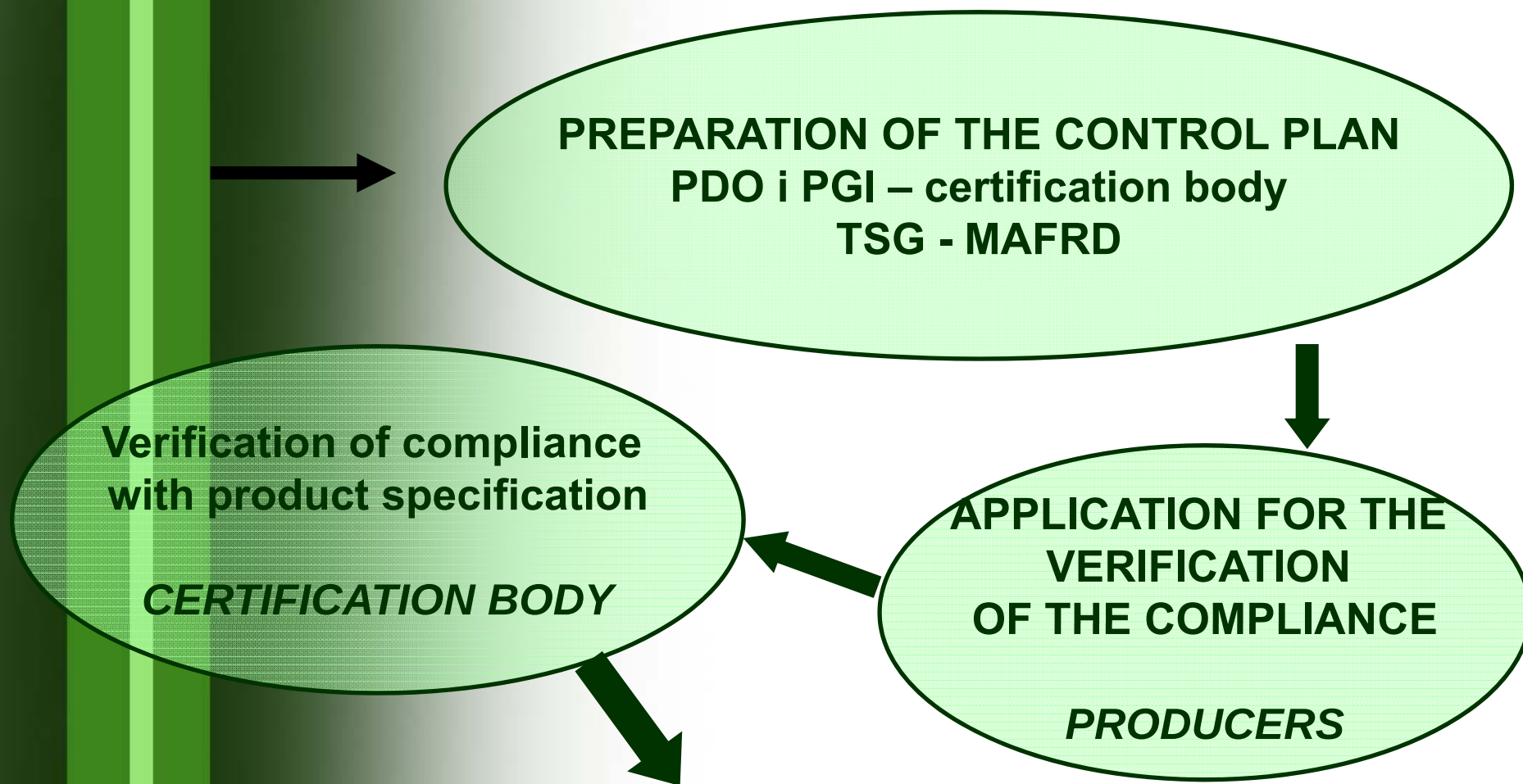
2. Registration proces



2. Registration procedure



3. Verification of compliance with product specification



ENTERING TO THE REGISTER - Book of users

3. Verification of compliance with product specification

- ✓ Carried out by certification body
- ✓ Certification body – legal person authorised by MAFRD
- ✓ Certification body must be accredited according to standard HRN EN 45011
- ✓ MAFRD performs supervision of certification bodies

3. Official controls

Official controls

- ✓ Production level
carried out by quality inspection from MAFRD – **part of the verification of compliance with product specification**
- ✓ Retail level
carried out by State inspectorate – **examination the rights of use the registered name**

Official control on food safety and hygiene

- ✓ carried out by veterinary (MAFRD) and sanitary (MHSW) inspectors

4. Registered indications in the Croatia

By SOIP:

1. Slavonski domaći kulen/kulin
2. Paški sir
3. Istarski pršut
4. Cetinski sir
5. Paški baškotin
6. Drniški pršut
7. Torkul

Registration for those indications must be renewed in accordance with the new Act - deadline for the submission of application was 31th December 2008

Reason:

1. Lack of the control system

4. Registered indications in the Croatia

**Paški baškotin i Torkul – give up,
registered the trademark by SOIP**

**The others are in the procedure of
renewable of registration.**

MAFRD

✓ **“PAŠKA SOL ILI PAŠKA MORSKA SOL”
is registered as PDO according to new
legislation**

**Status – preparation of the control
plan**

Activities conducted by MAFRD

- Co – finance the accreditation of the certification bodies authorised by the MAFRD – State Budget
- Co – finance the preparation of the product specification, improvement of the establishment for the production - State Budget, due to support programmes for rural development
- Activities performed through the projects:
 1. GTZ (support for the group of producers, education of the producers, preparation of guide for the implementation of the legislation etc.
 2. CARDS 2002 and 2004 – harmonization of Croatian legislation with relevant EU legislation, establishing of control system, education of inspectors etc.

Thank you for the Attention!

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