



EUROPEAN MEDICINES AGENCY  
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# **EU28: Science, Medicines, Health**

## **A regulatory system fit for the future**

### **Session: Going Digital**

### **Presentation: Current Initiatives**

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# Current initiatives

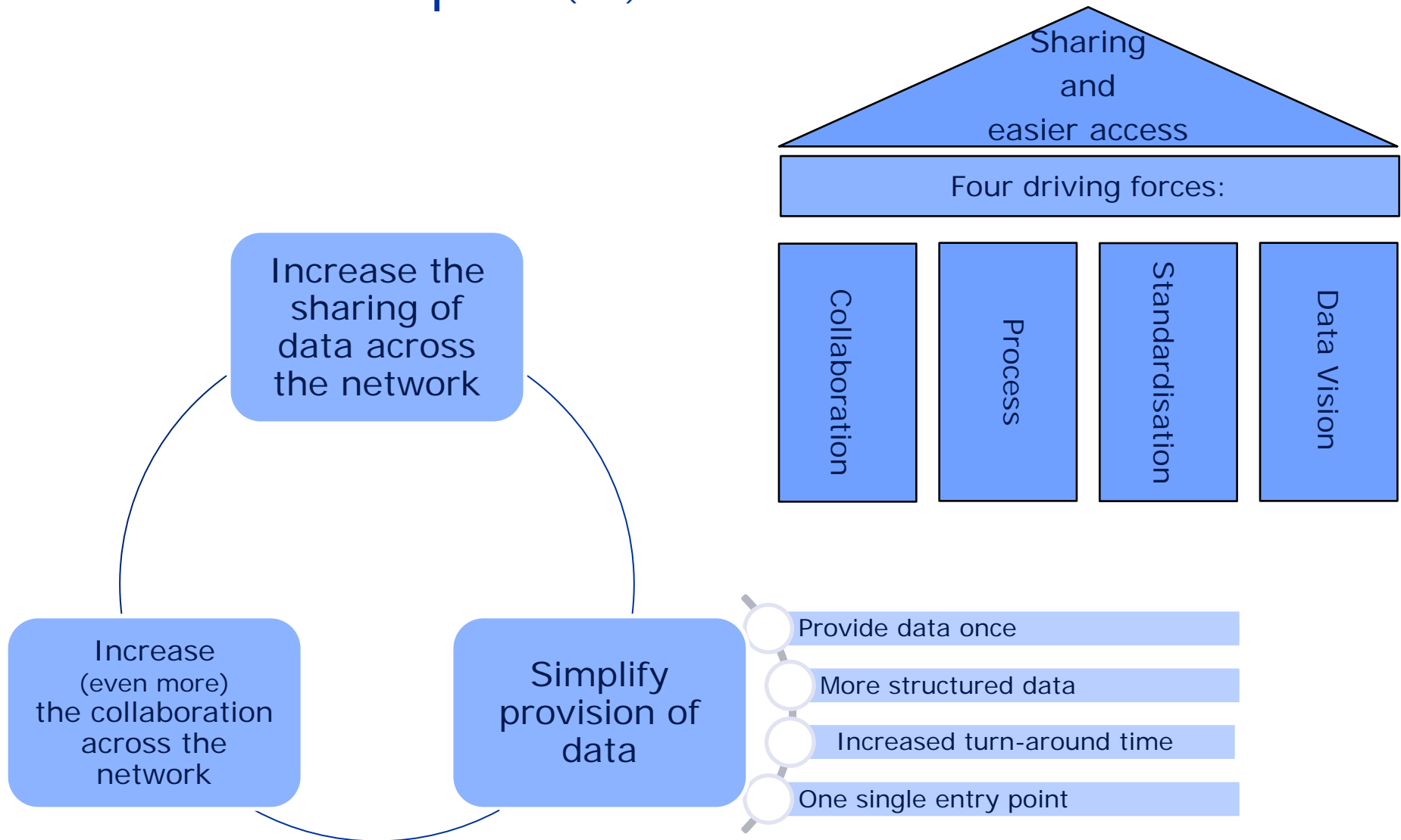
## Objective of the presentation:

Provide an overview of the current initiatives in digital provision of electronic information within the EU Medicines Regulatory Network

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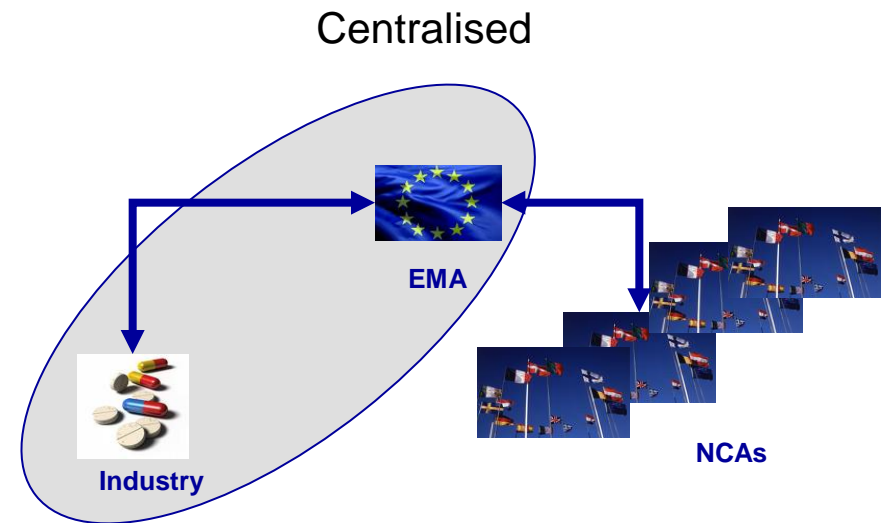
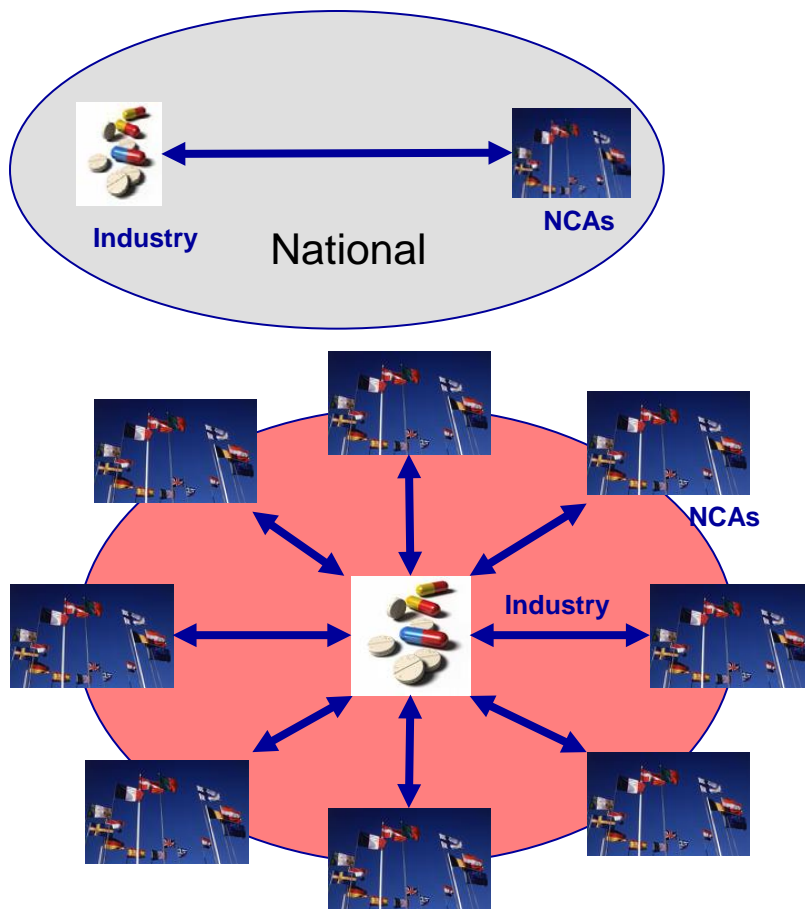
# General Principles (1/5):



# General Principles <sup>(2/5)</sup>:

Challenges for integration and collaboration in Europe:

Processes vary



De-Centralised

# General Principles <sup>(3/5)</sup>:

## The EU regulatory environment



Size is strength...



...but...

...the chain is only as good as  
the weakest link

## General Principles (4/5):

How do we effectively share?



# General Principles (5/5):



## Options

- Collaborate across EU
- Tactical collaborations
  - Go Commercial...

What do each of these look like and when are they planned for?

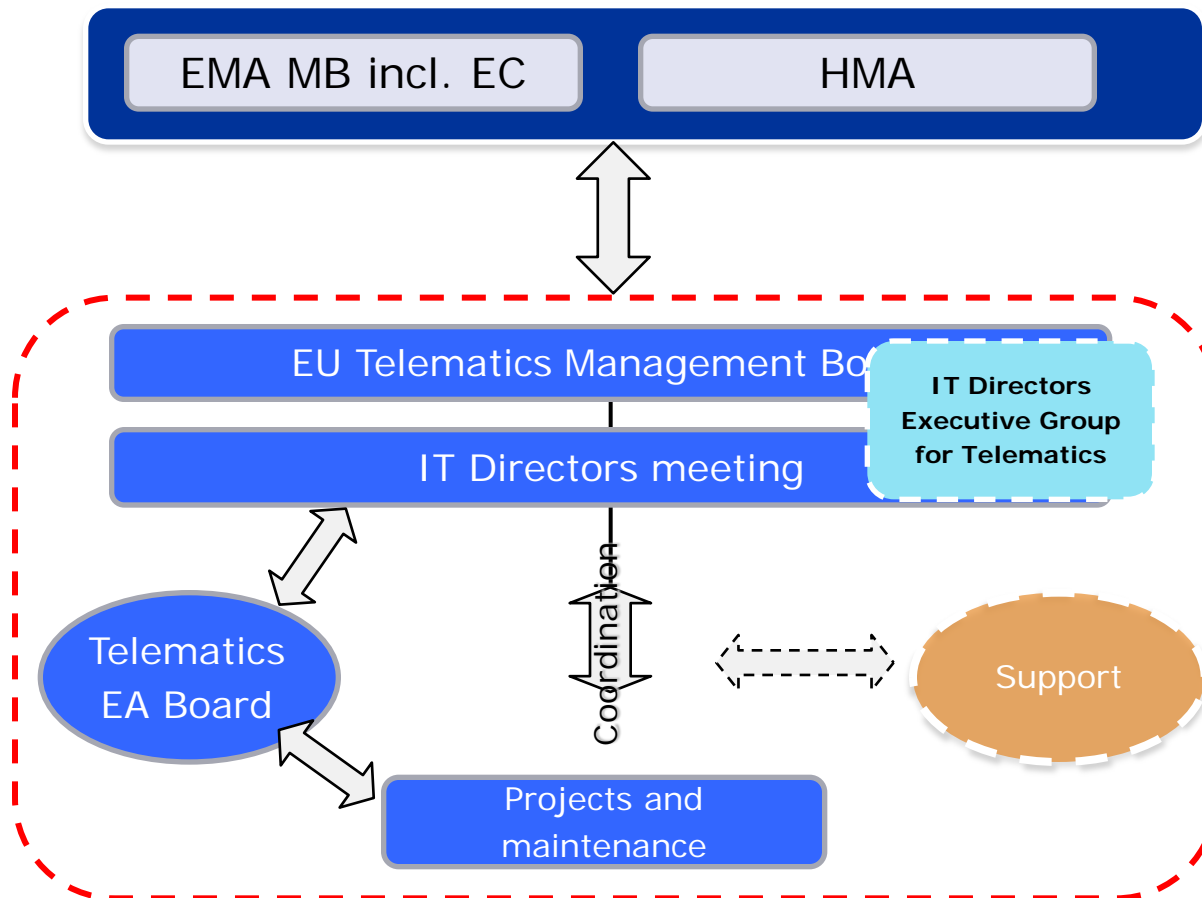


## Short term (next few months) (1/7):

- Next version of MAA H eAF implementing AF V10: June 13
- Pilot electronic submission of CT results (Pilot 2): June 13
- Pilot esignatures of EMA forms: Q3 13
  - Initially in the area of orphan drugs, paediatrics and scientific advise
  - Set of forms to be extended next
- Electronic submission of GMDP (V 5) information: May 13

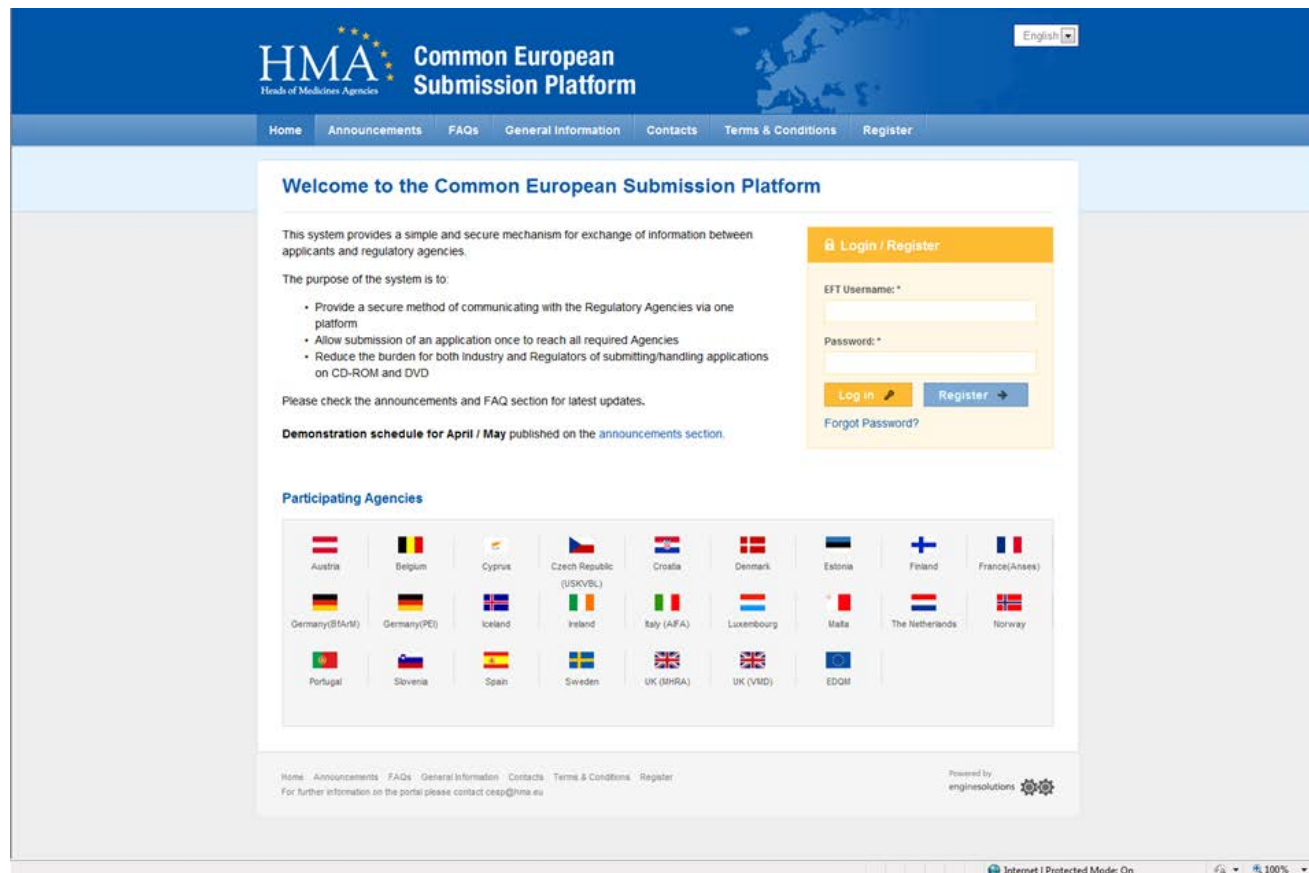
## Short term (next few months) <sup>(2/7)</sup>:

- Implementation of the new EU Telematics governance structure: Q2 13



# Short term (next few months) (3/7):

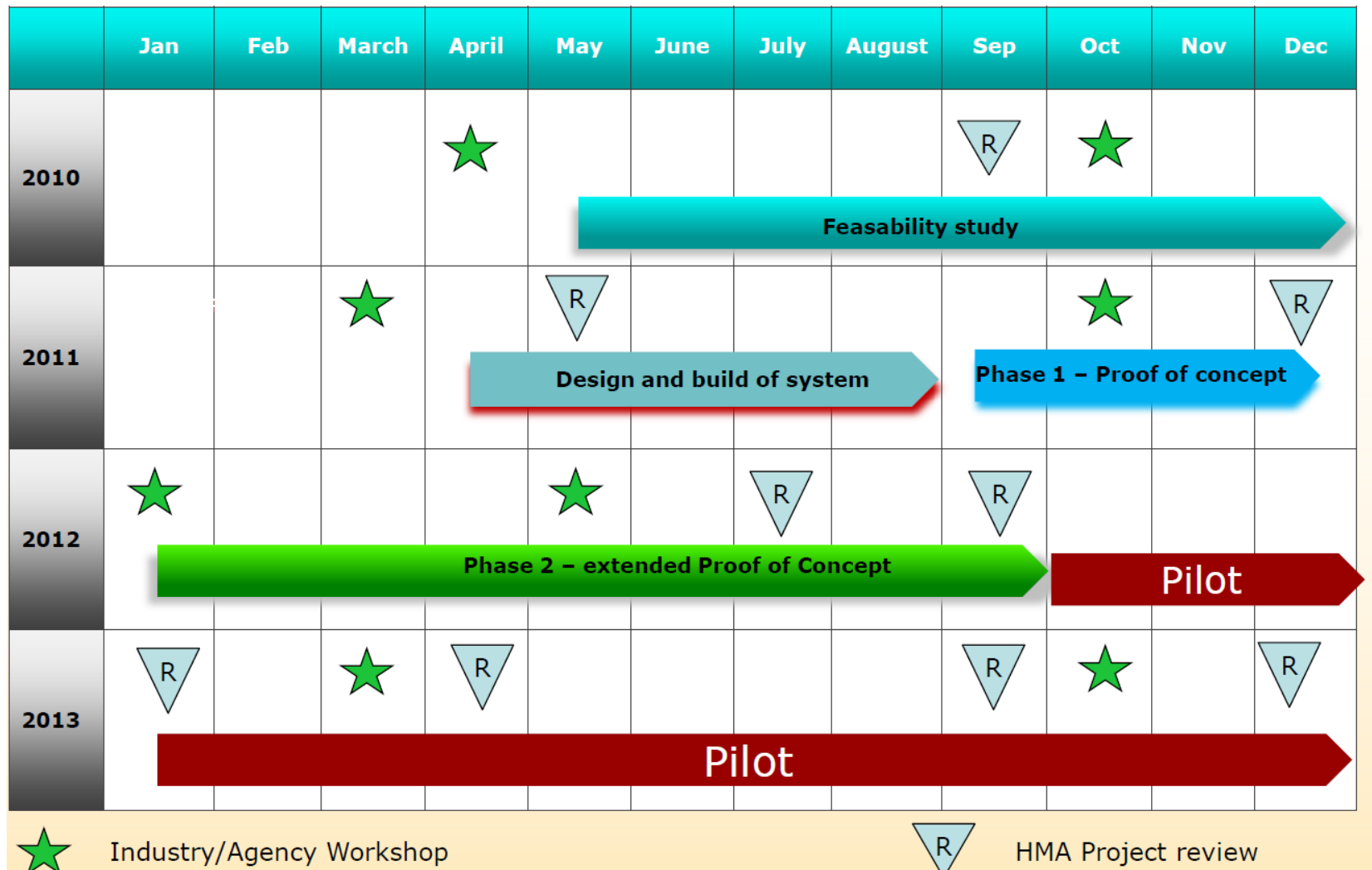
- CESP – A portal for Europe



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Common European Submission Platform (CESP). The header features the HMA (Heads of Medicines Agencies) logo and the title 'Common European Submission Platform'. A navigation bar includes links for Home, Announcements, FAQs, General Information, Contacts, Terms & Conditions, and Register. The main content area welcomes users and explains the system's purpose: to provide a secure method of communicating with Regulatory Agencies via one platform, allow submission of applications to all required Agencies, and reduce the burden of submitting/handling applications on CD-ROM and DVD. A 'Login / Register' box on the right contains fields for EFT Username and Password, with 'Log in' and 'Register' buttons. Below this, a 'Participating Agencies' section displays flags and names for 18 countries: Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Czech Republic (USKVB), Croatia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France (ANSM), Germany (BfArM), Germany (PEI), Iceland, Ireland, Italy (AIFA), Luxembourg, Malta, The Netherlands, and Norway. The footer includes a 'Powered by enginesolutions' logo and contact information.

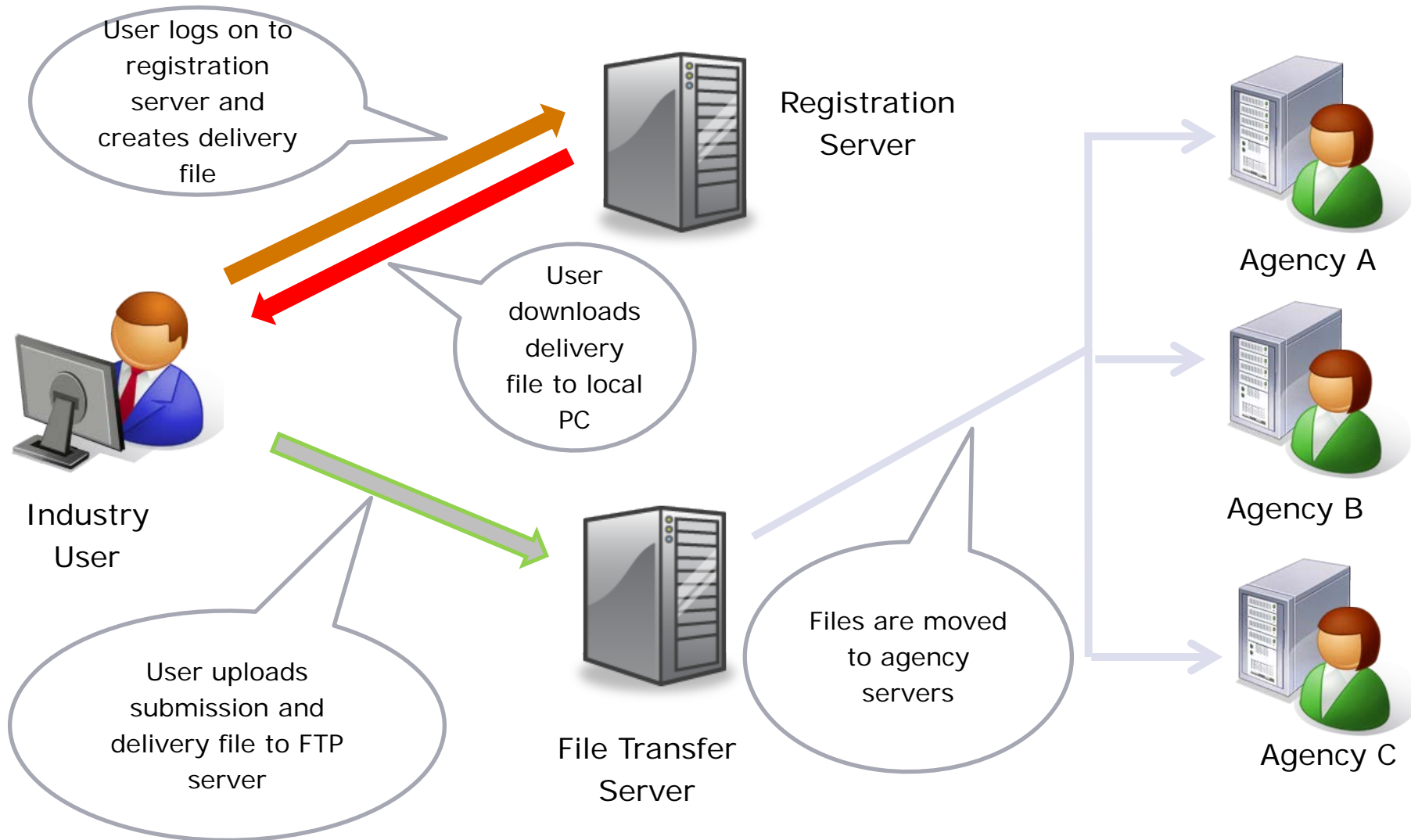
# Short term (next few months) (4/7):

- CESP -Overview of Activities:



## Short term (next few months) (5/7):

- CESP - Current operation:



## Short term (next few months) (6/7):

- CESP - general statistics: November 2012 to March 2013:
  - Number of weeks in operation : 21
  - Number of registered companies : 420
  - Total number of submissions delivered : 9259
  - Largest submission to date : 8Gb to 18 agencies

## Short term (next few months) (7/7):

- Falsified Medicines Directive (FMD)
  - Initiative to look at Broker Registrations across Europe
  - Spanish and UK are leading on this initiative working with other interested MS
  - Concept:
    - XML forms
    - Central data repository for MS interrogation
  - Possible EMA involvement

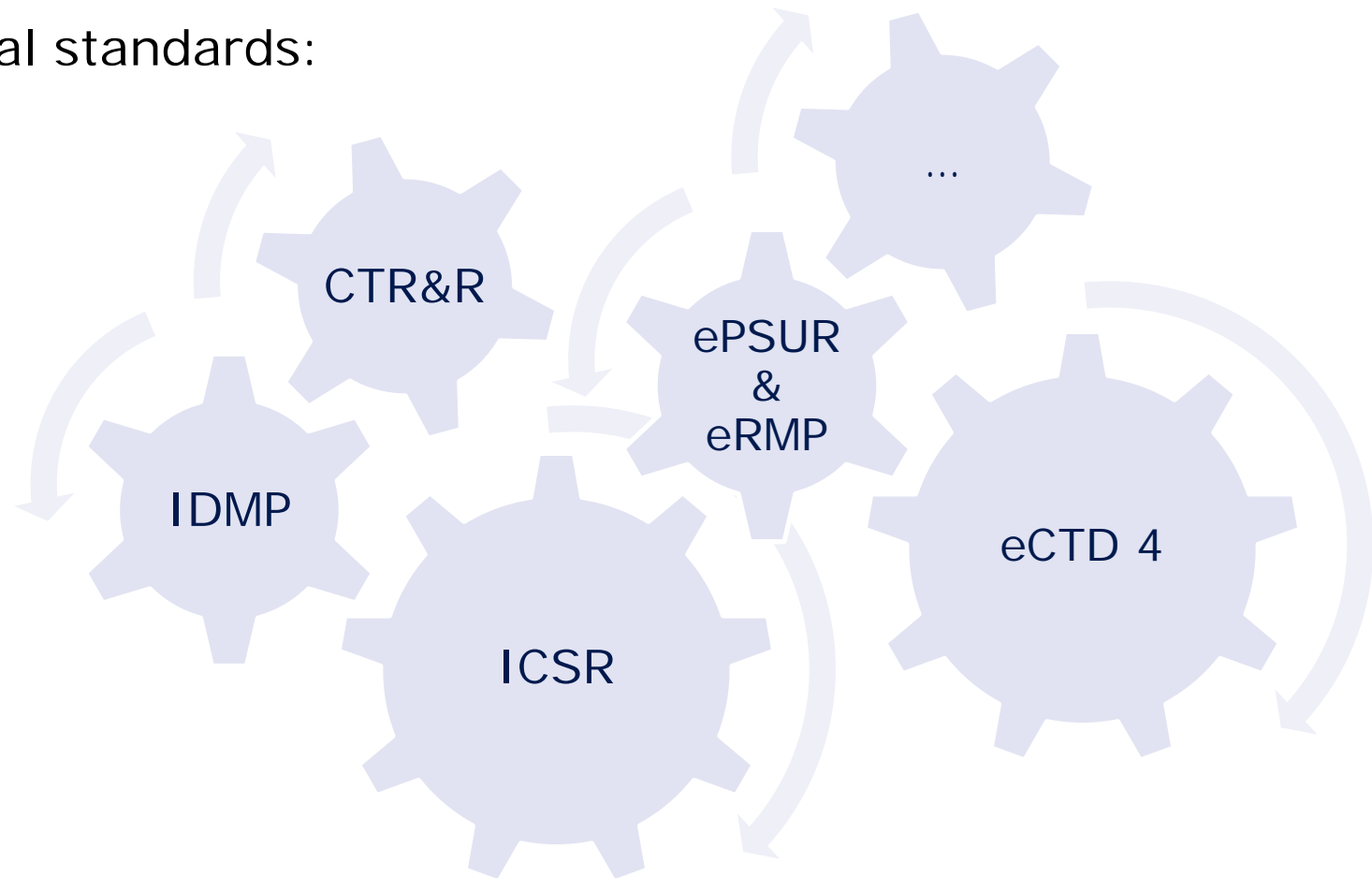


## Medium term (one year from here) (1/2):

- Introduction of esignatures of more EMA forms
- EU Medicines web portal
- Electronic submission of updates of product information according to art 57 (of Reg 2012/1235)
- Common Repository: Access for NCAs to CAP MAA info

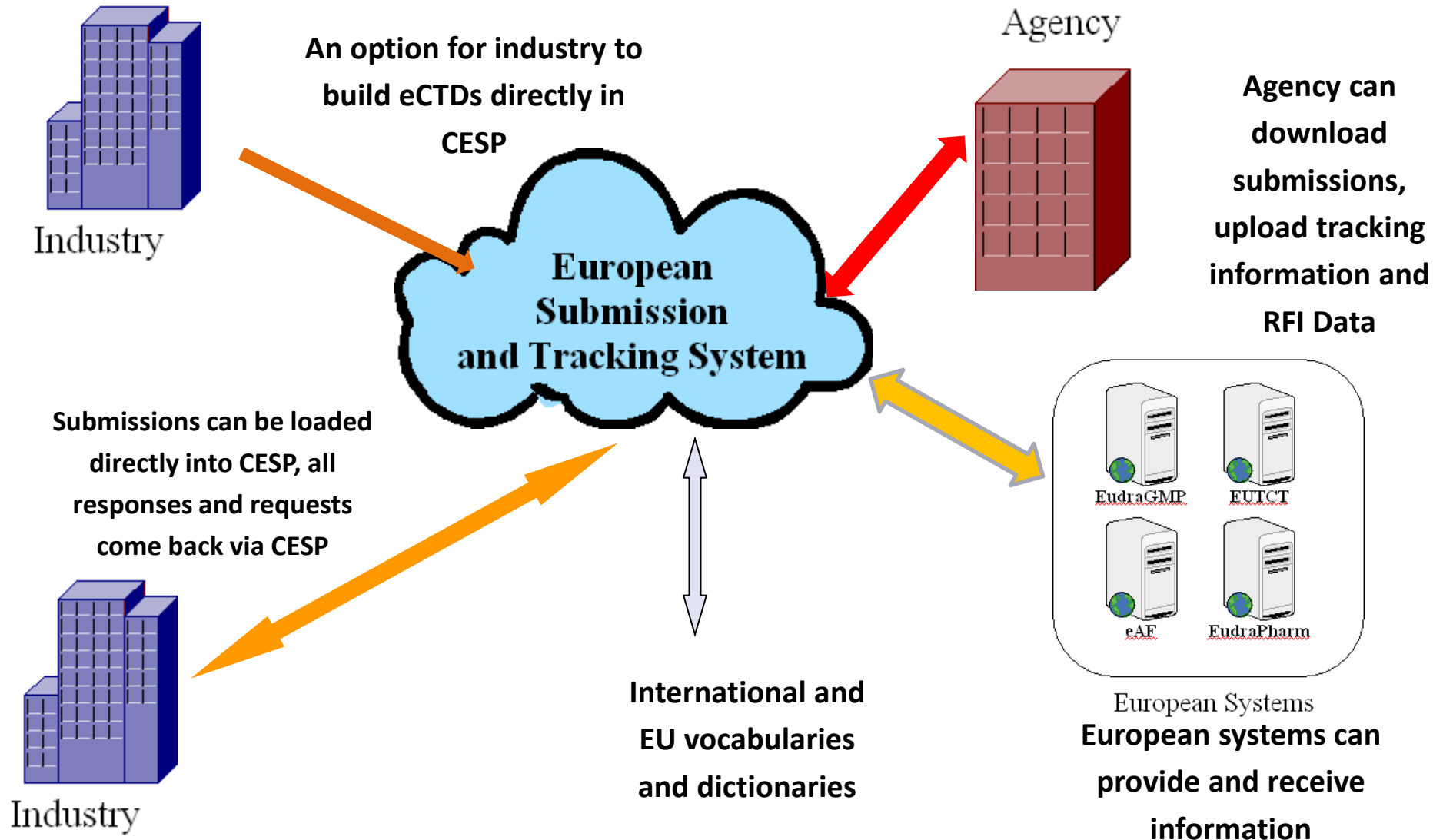
## Medium term (one year from here) (2/2):

- International standards:



## Long term <sup>(1/3)</sup>:

- CESP medium-to-long term initial vision:



## Long term (next few years) (2/3):

- Common Repository *should* contain also PSURs, RMPs and MRP/DCP submissions
- Integration CESP and EMA eSub GW
- EU Medicines Submission Portal *should*:
  - Combine CESP and eSubmission Website
  - Be published by EMA and HMA
  - Allow Submission of National Procedure, MRP/DCP, Centralised Procedure Applications
  - Contain information on all subjects: Submission, eAF, eCTD Standards, etc.

## Long term (next few years) (3/3):

- Use of RPS (eCTD 4) for esubmission of MAA information
- Completion of EMA Online strategy: New B2B portal; EU Medicines Web portal; New extranet for extended collaboration with NCAs
- Implementation of EMA Data Architecture roadmap (tier 1)
- eSubmission vision
  - One submission mechanism, entry point, process, output
  - “The ultimate aim of eSubmission is **full dematerialisation** of the exchange of regulatory information between applicants and the Network and between regulatory authorities within the Network, enabling **electronic collaborative processes** and **transparency** throughout the medicinal product life-cycle. ”

# MHRA-Specific Initiatives (1/5):

## Options for effectively sharing

- Collaborate across EU
- **TACTICAL COLLABORATIONS**
- Go Commercial...

# MHRA-Specific Initiatives (2/5):

MHRA Medicines IT strategy  
developed in 2002 and  
implemented 2003-6 as the  
**Sentinel** system

## Key principles

- transparency of data across business processes
- Electronic information is the master



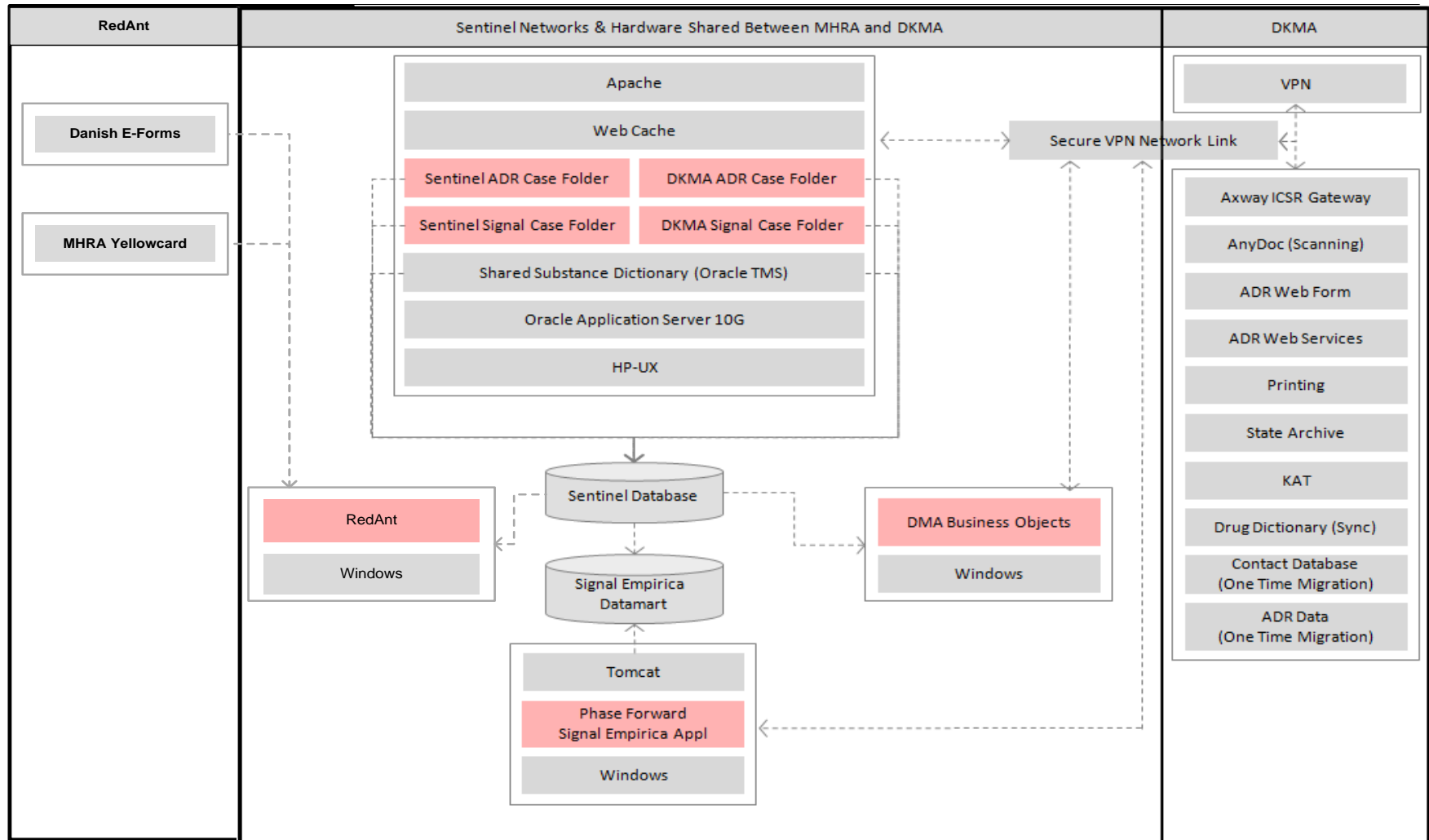


# MHRA-Specific Initiatives (3/5):

# Sentinel



## Sharing Short-long term



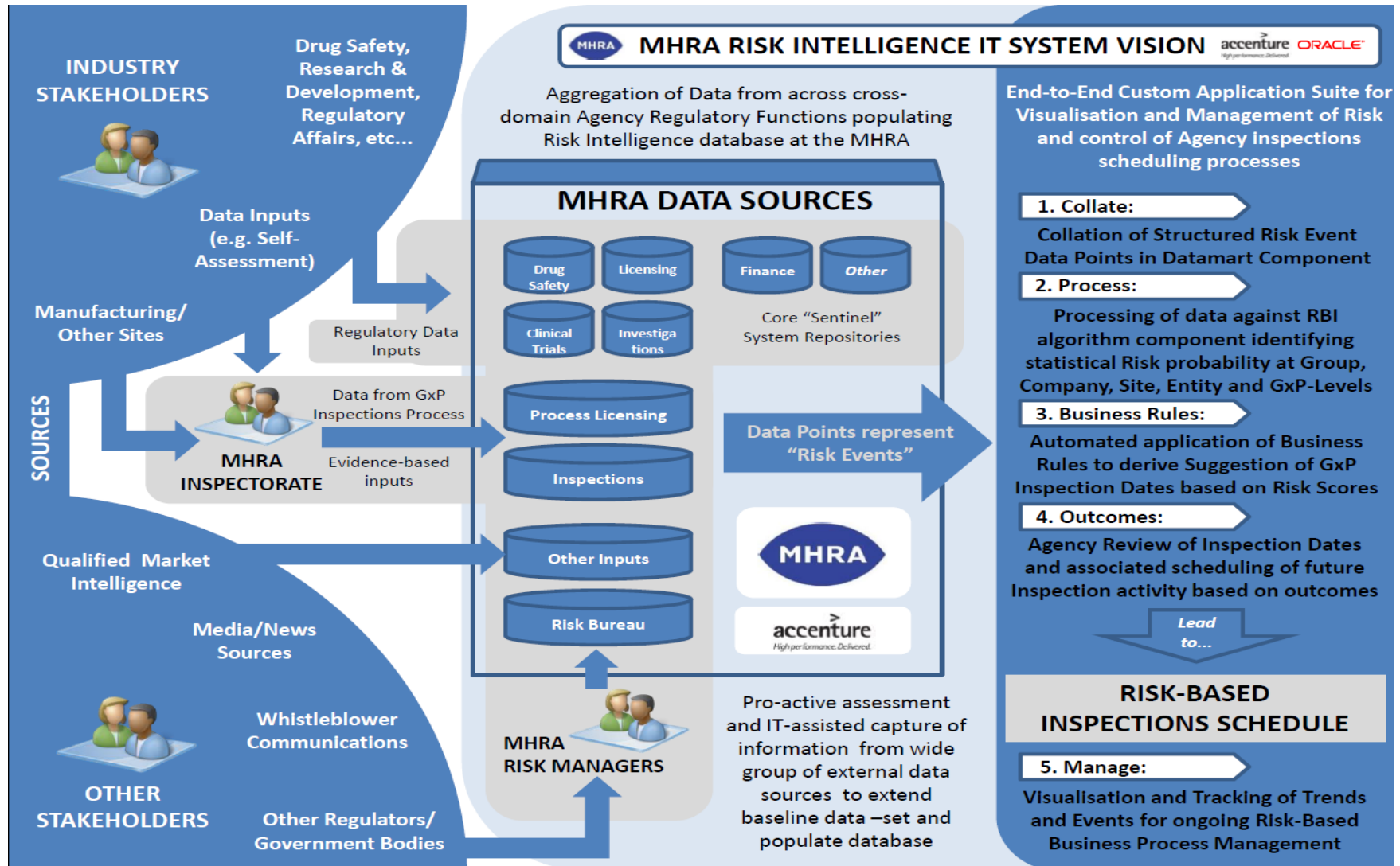
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# MHRA-Specific Initiatives (5/5):

## Medium to Long term – Risk Based Inspections



# Thank you