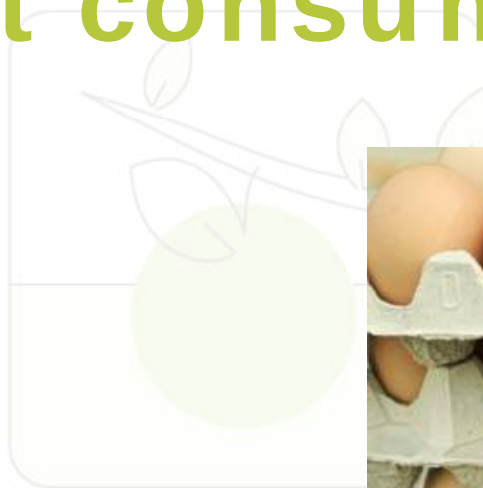
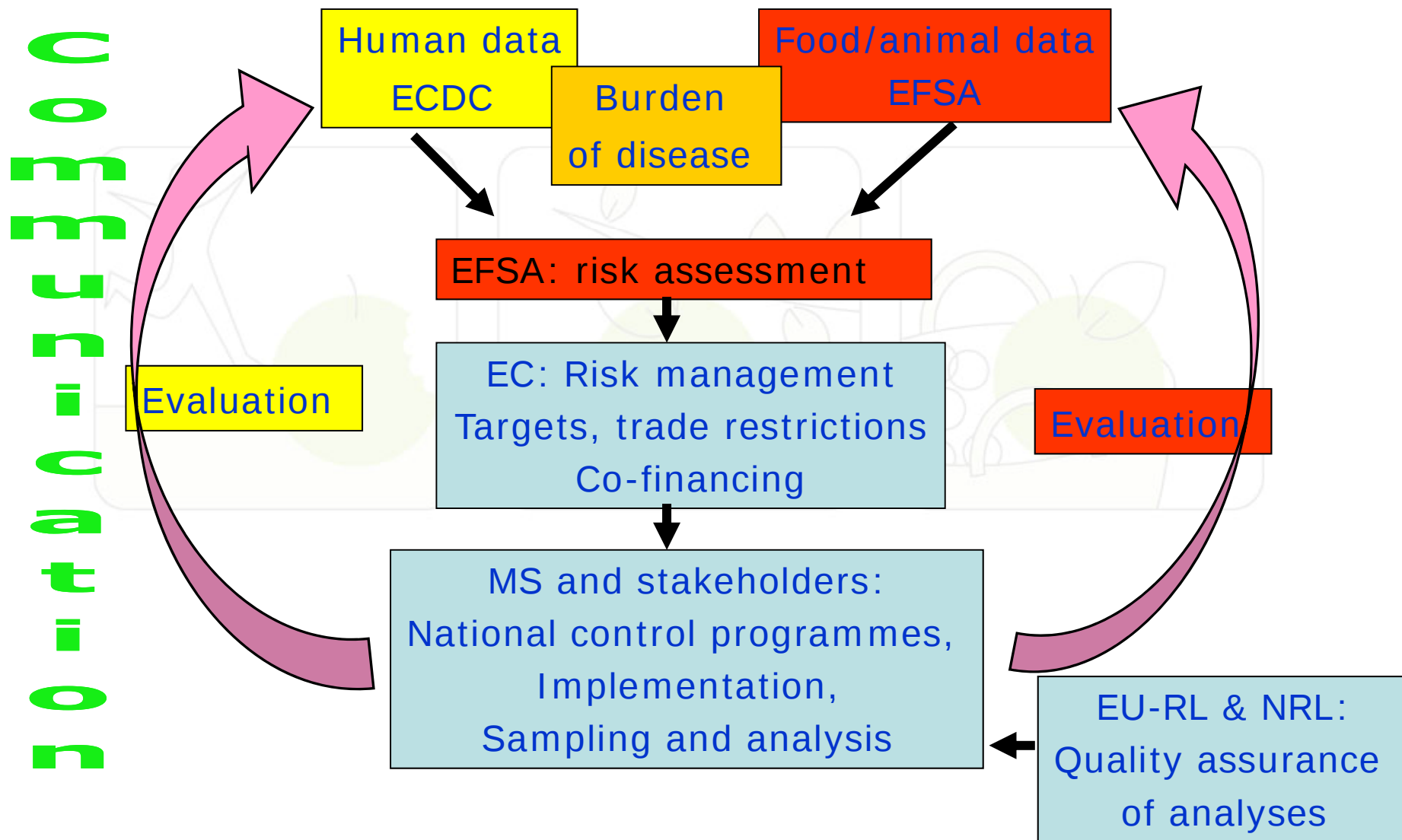


EU regulatory framework to protect consumers



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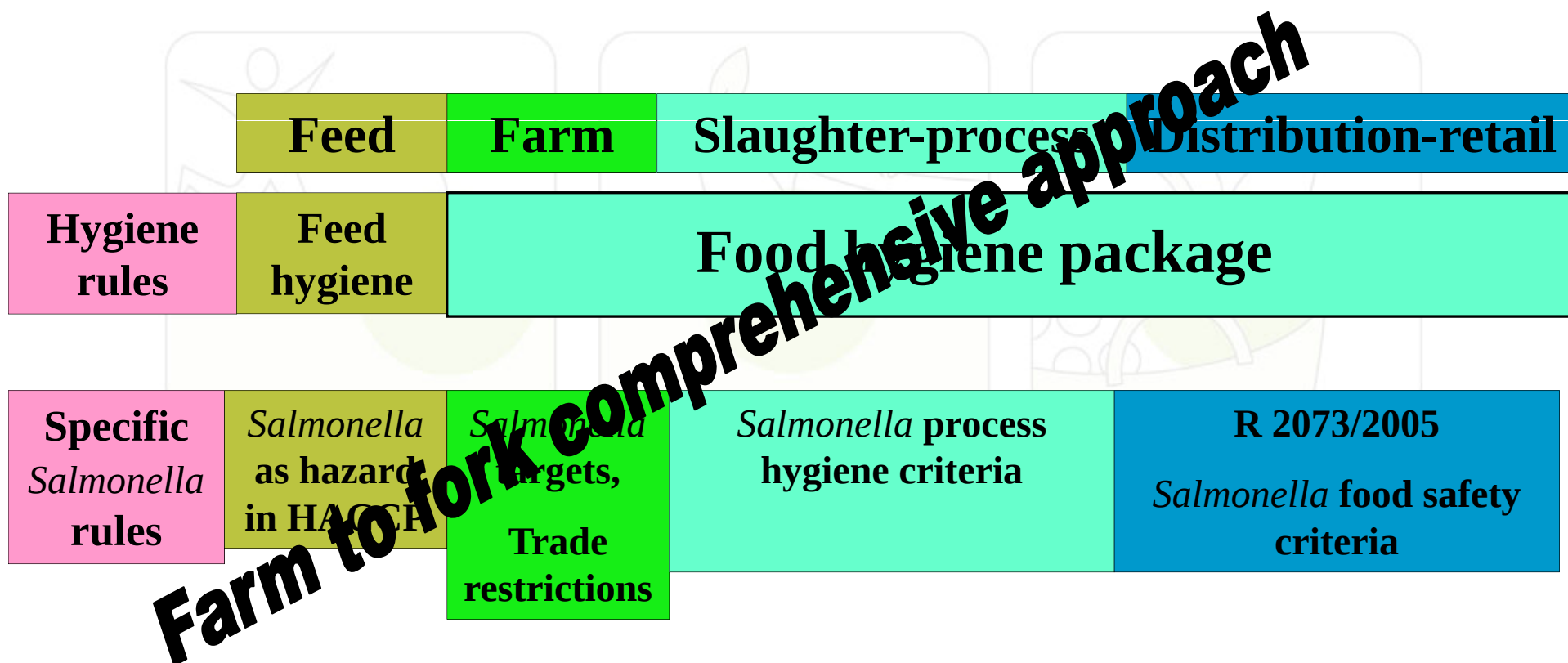
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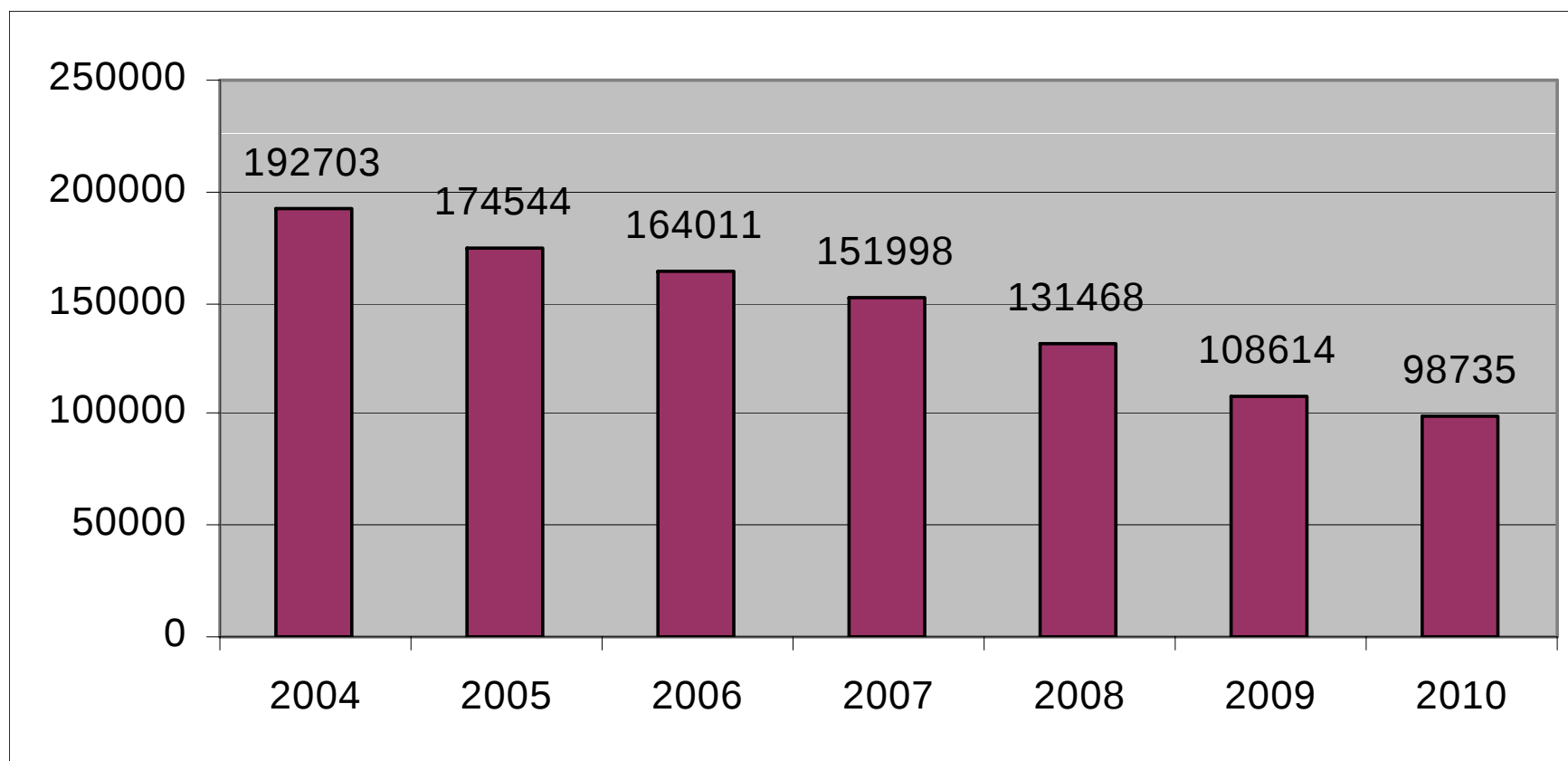
A “new” challenge: VTEC (*e-coli*)

- Last ECDC update of German outbreak (end of July): 3910 cases, 782 HUS, 46 deaths
- Losses farmers in first 2 weeks: At least 812 Mio € (source: Coga-Copega)
- Export ban of vegetables to Russia: annual value of 600 M€
- Commission support:
 - 210 Mio € emergency aid package +
 - 50% of 75 Mio € for promotion of agricultural products in next 3 years +
 - 15 Mio € additional promotional programmes specific, specific in the light of the VTEC crisis

Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 General Food law



Trend in decrease of the number of reported confirmed cases of human salmonellosis 2004-2010



EU Management measures for *Salmonella*

- Targets and control programmes in poultry flocks
- Specific measures
 - Mandatory vaccination if high prevalence
 - Ban of antibiotics
 - Restrictions on trade (of products) from flocks
- Co-financed by the Commission

EU financial contribution

■ National control programmes

- 2006: 1 164 884 €
- 2007: 3 349 147 €
- 2008: 13 260 205 €
- 2009: 13 534 731 €
- 2010: 24 427 000 € (foreseen)
- 2011: 23 290 000 € (foreseen)

■ EU reference laboratory for *Salmonella*: 419 000 €/year (2012)

EU Management measures for *Salmonella*

- Equivalent guarantees from third countries
- Collaboration with stakeholders' organisation
- EU reference laboratory
- Expanding to international context
- Quality assurance

Quality assurance

- Food & Veterinary Office inspects implementation in the MSs and TCs
- Reg 882/2004 on official controls
 - Accreditation of labs for official samples
 - EU Reference labs
 - Internal audits of competent authorities
- EC scientific research programmes
- Training within „Better-training-for-safer-food“ program of EC

EU training for control staff ('Better Training for Safer Food' programme)

- To ensure more uniform, objective and efficient controls throughout the EU
- Include a programme on “zoonoses/micro criteria”
 - Among the first training activities (since 2007)
 - 2010: 20 events - almost 750 participants
 - Renewed on 2011-12: 8 events – 280 participants
 - Focus on practical sessions (best practices, case study, simulations)
 - Focus on food borne outbreak investigation

International dimension

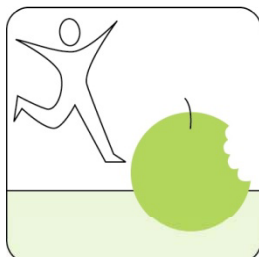
- Increasing interest by WHO, FAO and major trade partners to learn from our experiences.
- Active collaboration of OIE guidelines on *Salmonella* control in poultry (OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code)
- Acceptance of the farm to fork approach in the Codex alimentarius Guidelines for the Control of *Campylobacter* and *Salmonella* spp. in chicken meat.

Salmonella control in pigs: the next challenge

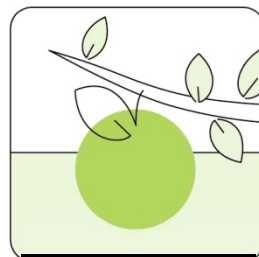
- Baseline surveys to collect harmonised and comparable data on prevalence in slaughter and breeding pigs (2007-2008)
- Cost/benefit analysis target for reduction
 - At farm: not favourable in most MS
 - After slaughter: study finalised mid 2012
- Certain decontamination to be considered

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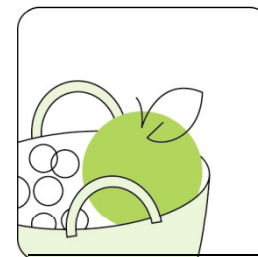
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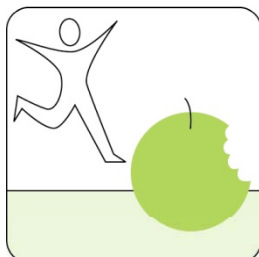


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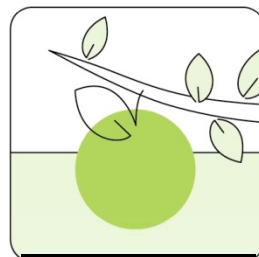
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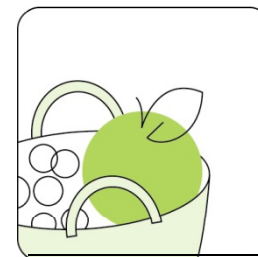
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