



EFSA

Trusted science for safe food

What is EFSA?



HEADQUARTERS
in the **heart of Parma**

WHAT EFSA DOES



Provides independent scientific advice and support for EU risk managers and policy makers on food and feed safety



Provides independent, timely risk communication



Promotes scientific cooperation

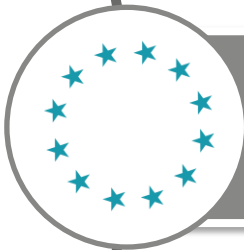
KEEPING FOOD SAFE IN THE EU



WHAT EFSA DOES **NOT** DO



Develop food safety policies and legislation



Adopt regulations, authorise marketing of new products



Enforce food safety legislation

EFSA AT A GLANCE

SINCE

2003



> 450 staff



> 1,500 experts



1,000 meetings/year



20% tele-meetings



5,000 outputs /
500 a year

How EFSA works

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS



ADVISE



**EU
Commission**



**EU
Parliament**



**Member
States**



**EFSA self
mandate**

EFSA receives a question

EFSA's scientists evaluate, assess, advise

**Adoption and
communication**



SCIENTIFIC EXPERTISE

Scientific Committee

- Ensures consistency
- Issues guidance
- Assesses emerging risks

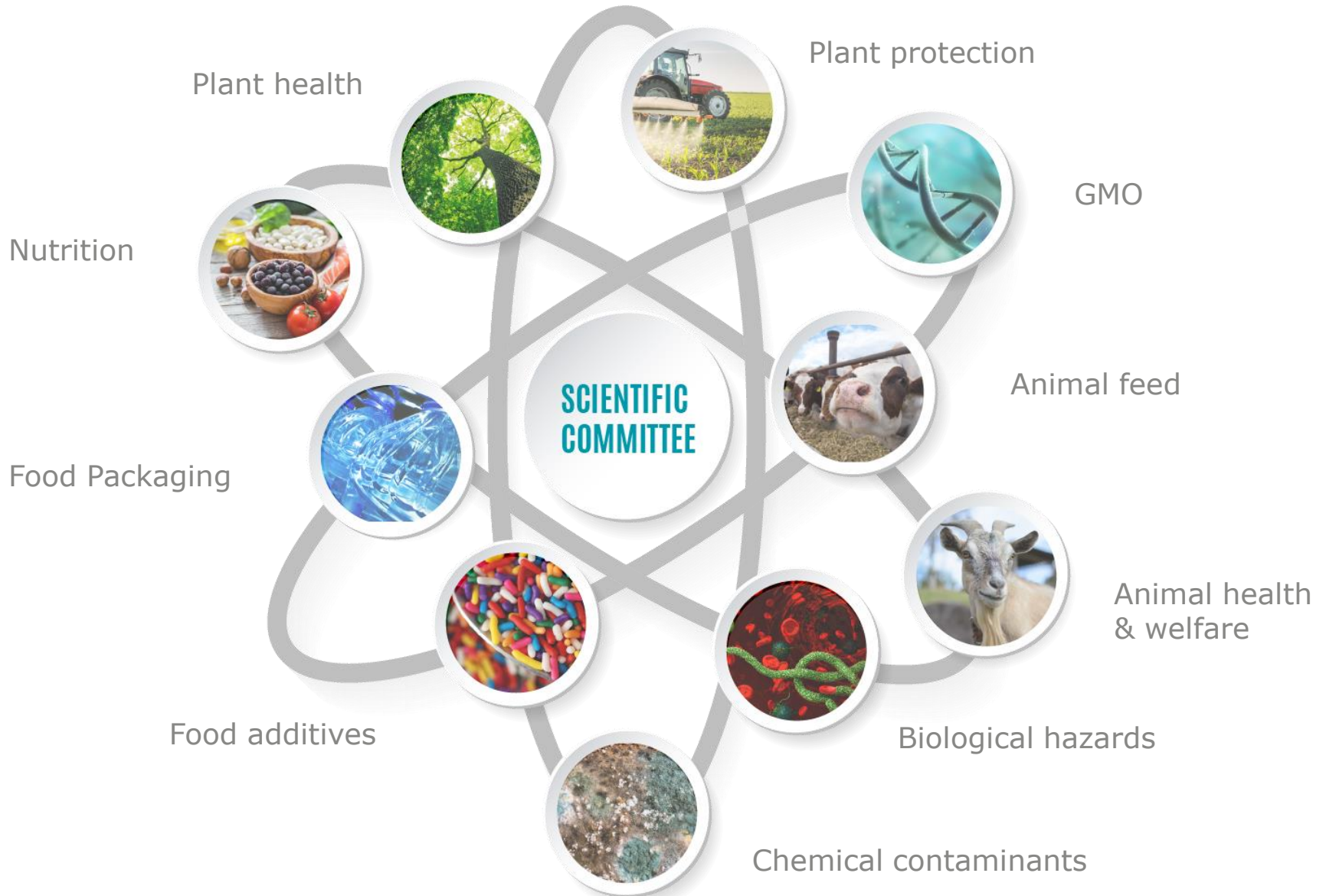
Scientific Panels

- Draft and adopt scientific outputs on general health issues and regulated products

Staff

- Support panel work e.g. data collection
- Produce scientific and technical advice
- Communication

THE SCIENTIFIC PANELS



INDEPENDENT SCIENCE

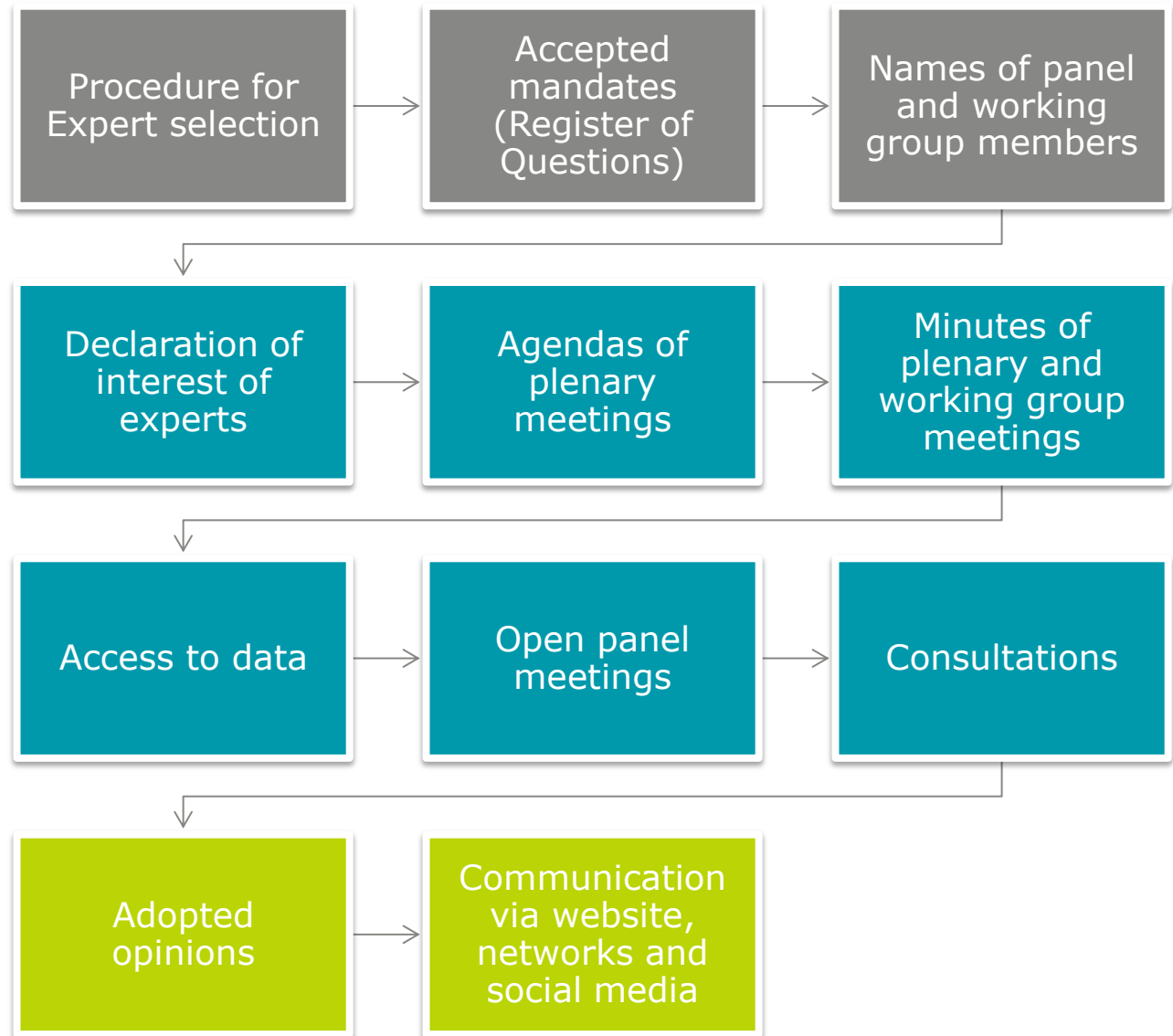
RECEIPT OF
REQUEST



ASSESSMENT



ADOPTION
&
COMMUNICATION



Who we work with

OUR PARTNERS



**Individual
experts**



**National food
safety
organisations**

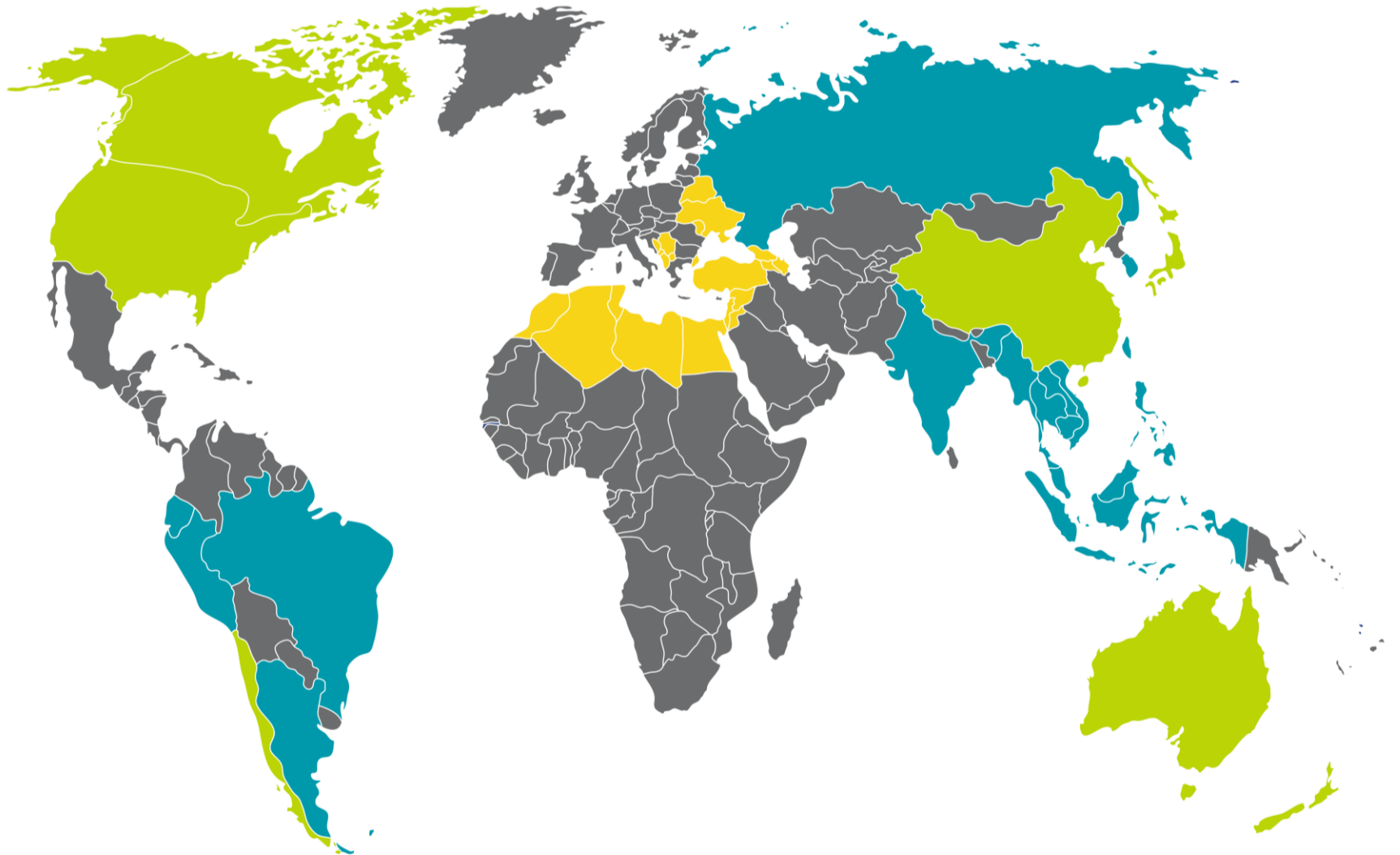


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organisations**



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