

# Future road of REACH

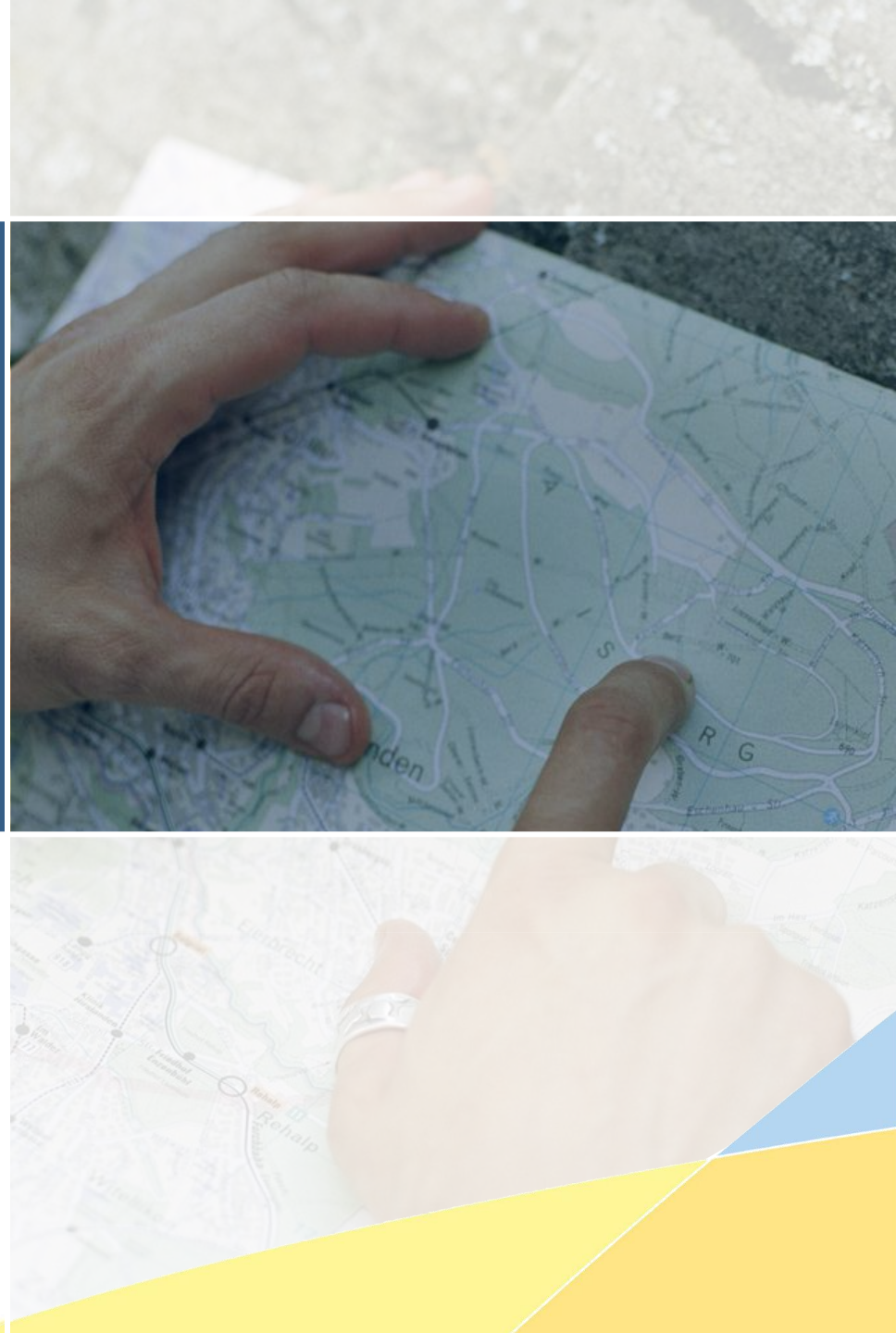
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## Checking out the map

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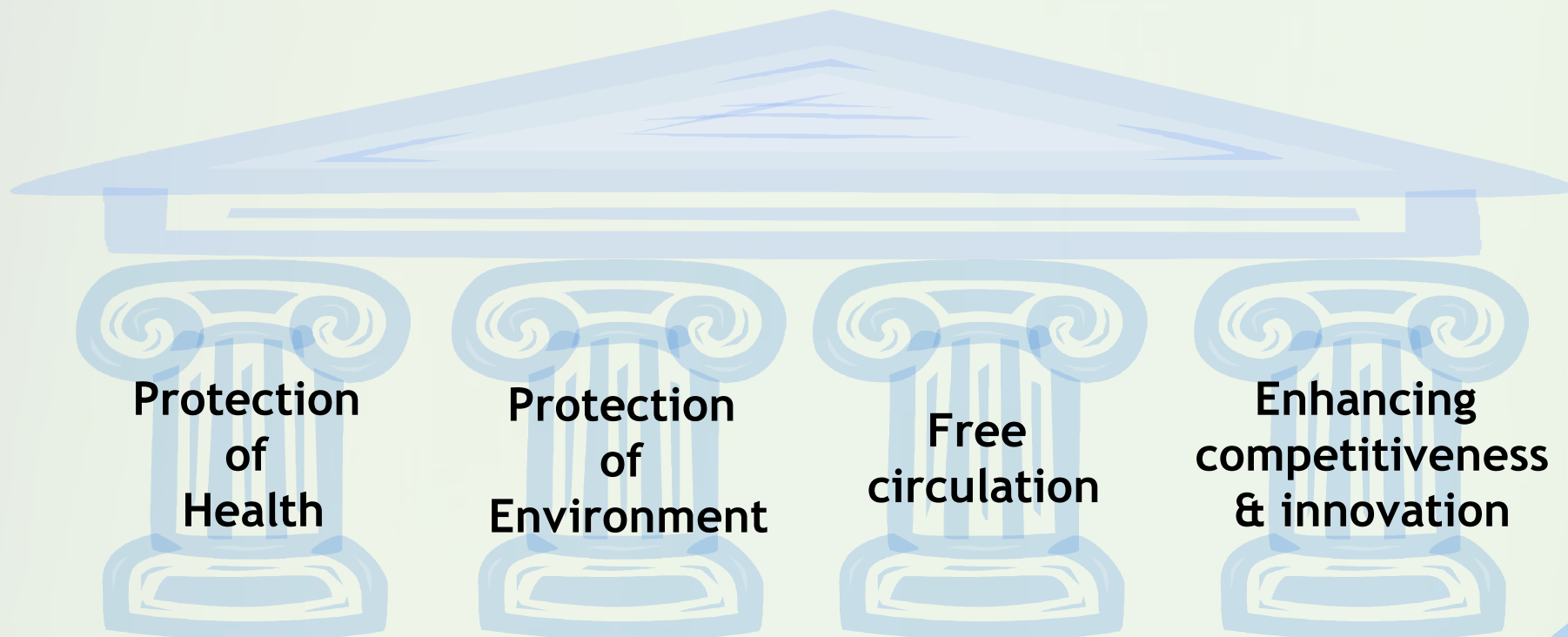
# In next 15 minutes:

- Core principles for review
- Our approach
- Where we stand
- What we know by now
- Next steps in the review



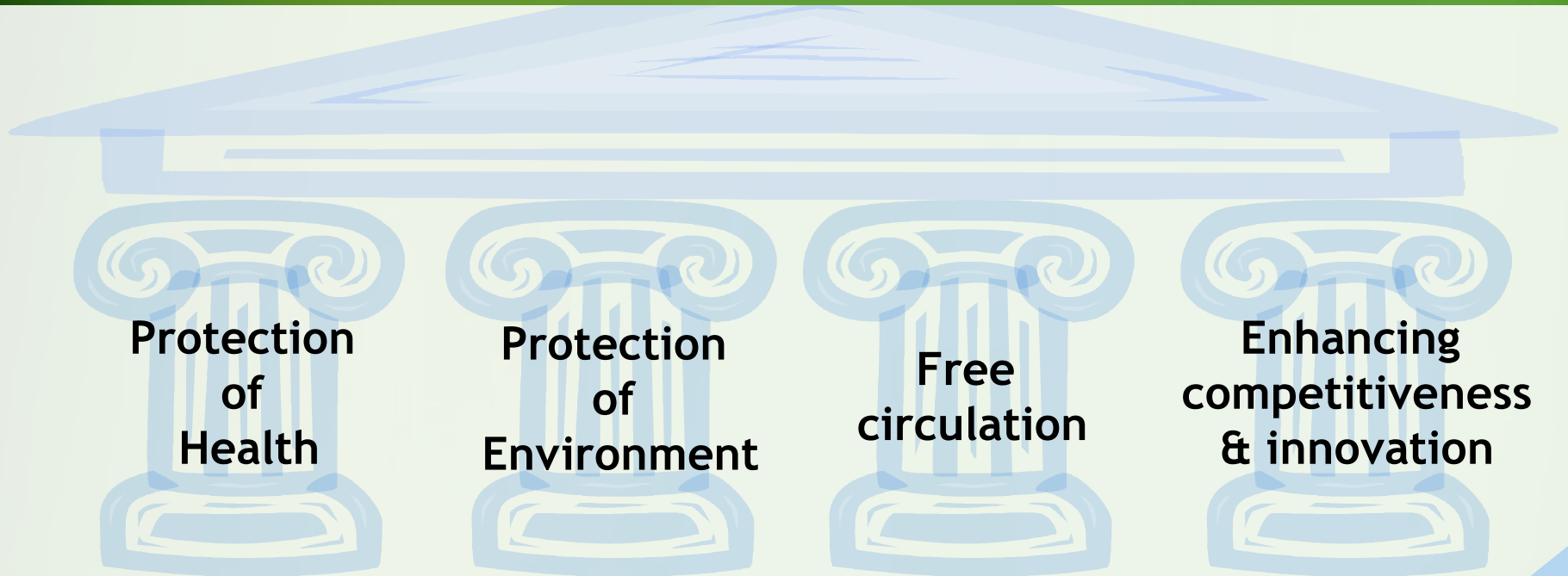
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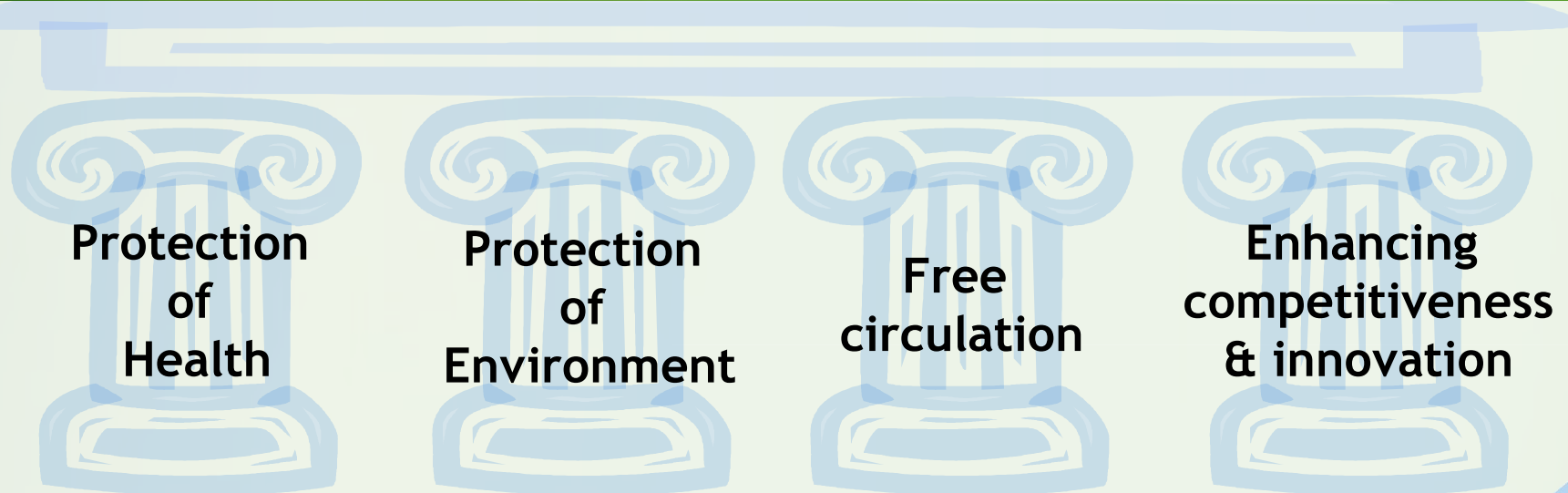
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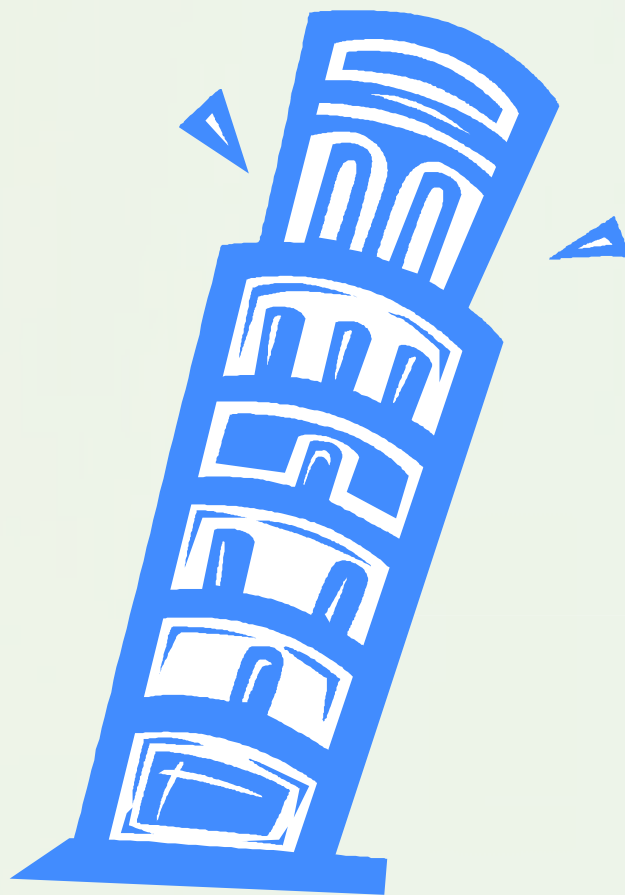


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- A unique mix of objectives
- Each with its indispensable contribution
- One fails - and other would follow



# Is our REACH temple stable?

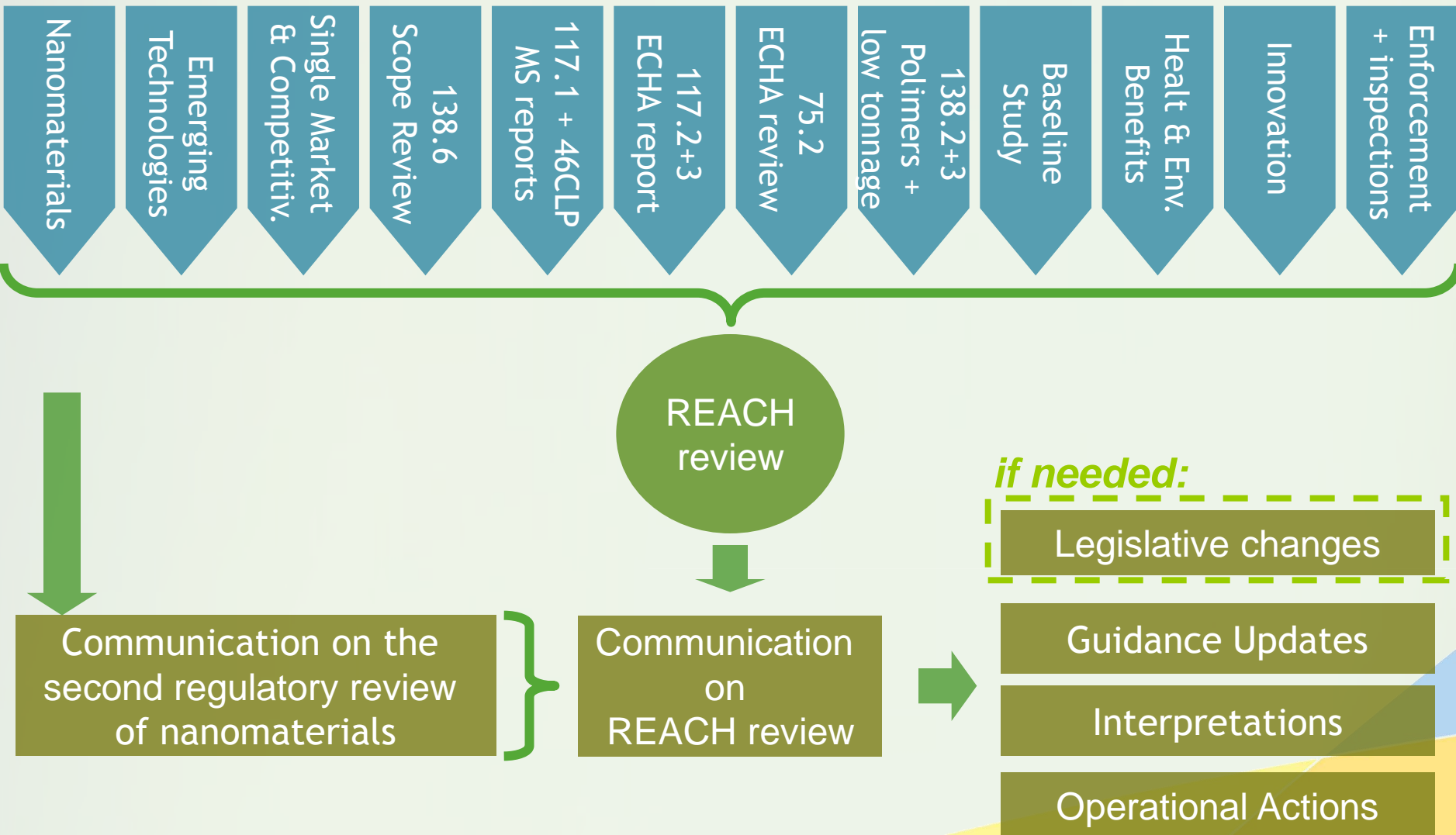


# We need to have a complete review:

- **Relevance** - would we do it again ?
- **Effectiveness** - do we see any difference ?
- **Efficiency** - was it (too)expensive ?
- **Sustainability** - will it last ?
- **Consistency** - any gaps / overlaps ?
- **Distribution** - who are the losers/winners ?
- **Acceptability** - is everybody happy ?



# The Review of REACH - design:





# Where are we:

- Baseline
- Competitiveness & Market
- Innovation
- ECHA review
- Emerging technologies
- Nano adequacy review
- H&E Benefits
- Enforcement of restrictions
- Inspection requirements
- Animal testing
- Polymers/Low tonnage
- CLP MS report analysis
- REACH MS+ECHA report anal.
- Scope review

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- Workshop on 6 December
- Workshop on 5 December
- Focus group meeting on 4 November (30 participants).
- Closed survey: 132 responses
- Interviews: 50



# What we know by now...

... from consultants based on 6th December workshop conclusions:

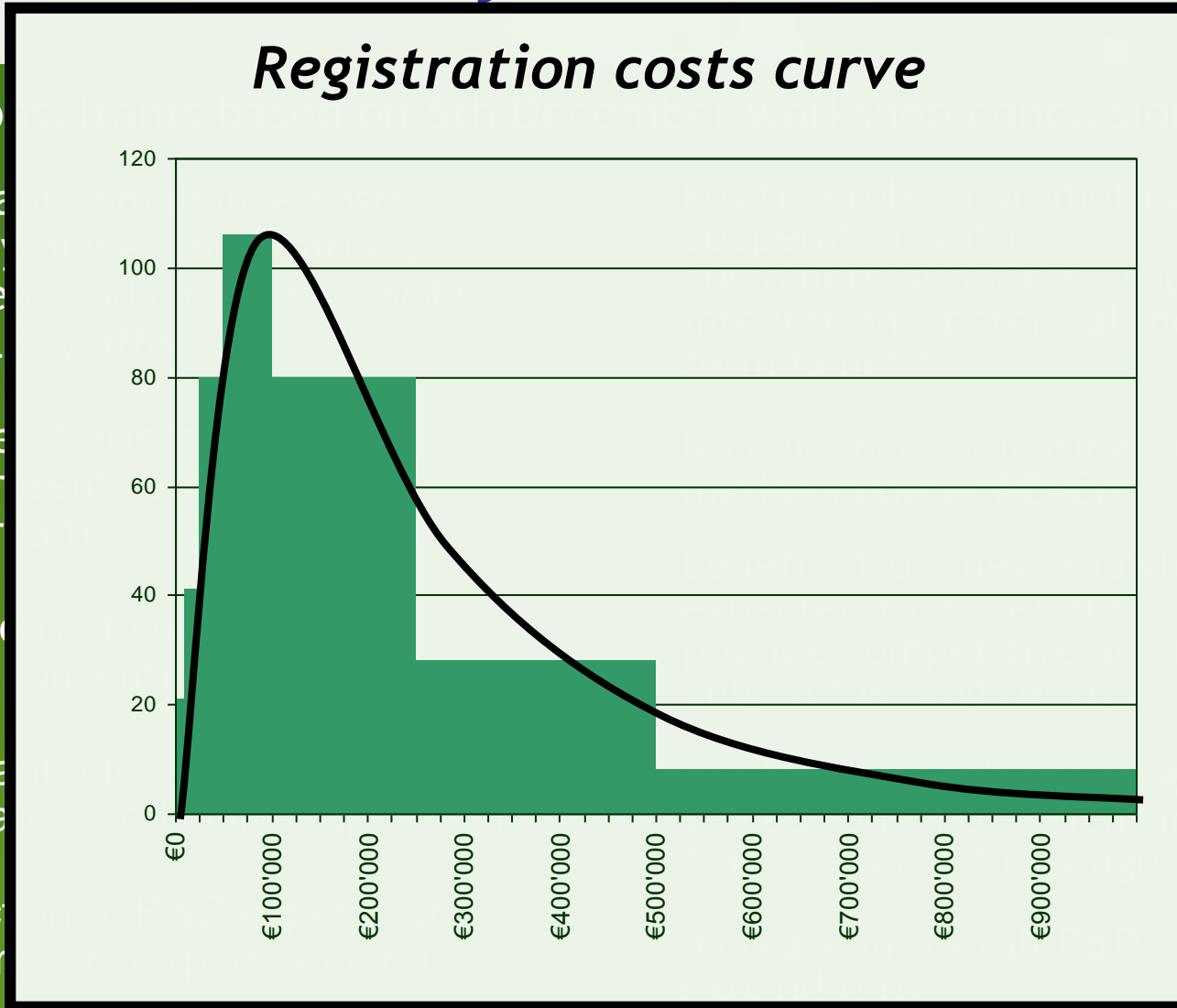
- Significant compliance costs, probably higher than initially expected - indication that SMEs particularly affected
- Increase of prices vs. non-EU firms present (but not widespread)
- Indications of contribution to market concentration
- Significant role of market surveillance and unified approach
- Redirection of R&D expenditure into compliance (permanent)
- Positive role in promoting cooperation with customers/suppliers, supply chain integration - potential medium-long term benefits
- No evidence indicating loss of markets due to REACH
- Benefits from new knowledge expected to materialise and provide competitive advantage (but only in the long term)
- Single Market objective generally served (but, no evident impact on trade flows at this stage)
- Increase in overall R&D expenditures



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# What is coming next?

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# What is coming next:

## Workshops & Conferences:

- Enforcement Conference > 1 March'12

## Documents:

- Review studies > January - March'12
- 2nd regulatory review of nanomaterials
- REACH Review Communication > June'12





# *Thank you*

*Any questions?*

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