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Direction of Taiwan's New Organic Regulation





Definition by IFOAM

- Organic agriculture is a production system that sustains the health of soils, ecosystems and people. It relies on ecological processes, biodiversity and cycles adapted to local conditions, rather than the use of inputs with adverse effects.
- Organic agriculture combines tradition, innovation and science to benefit the shared environment and promote fair relationships and a good quality of life for all involved.

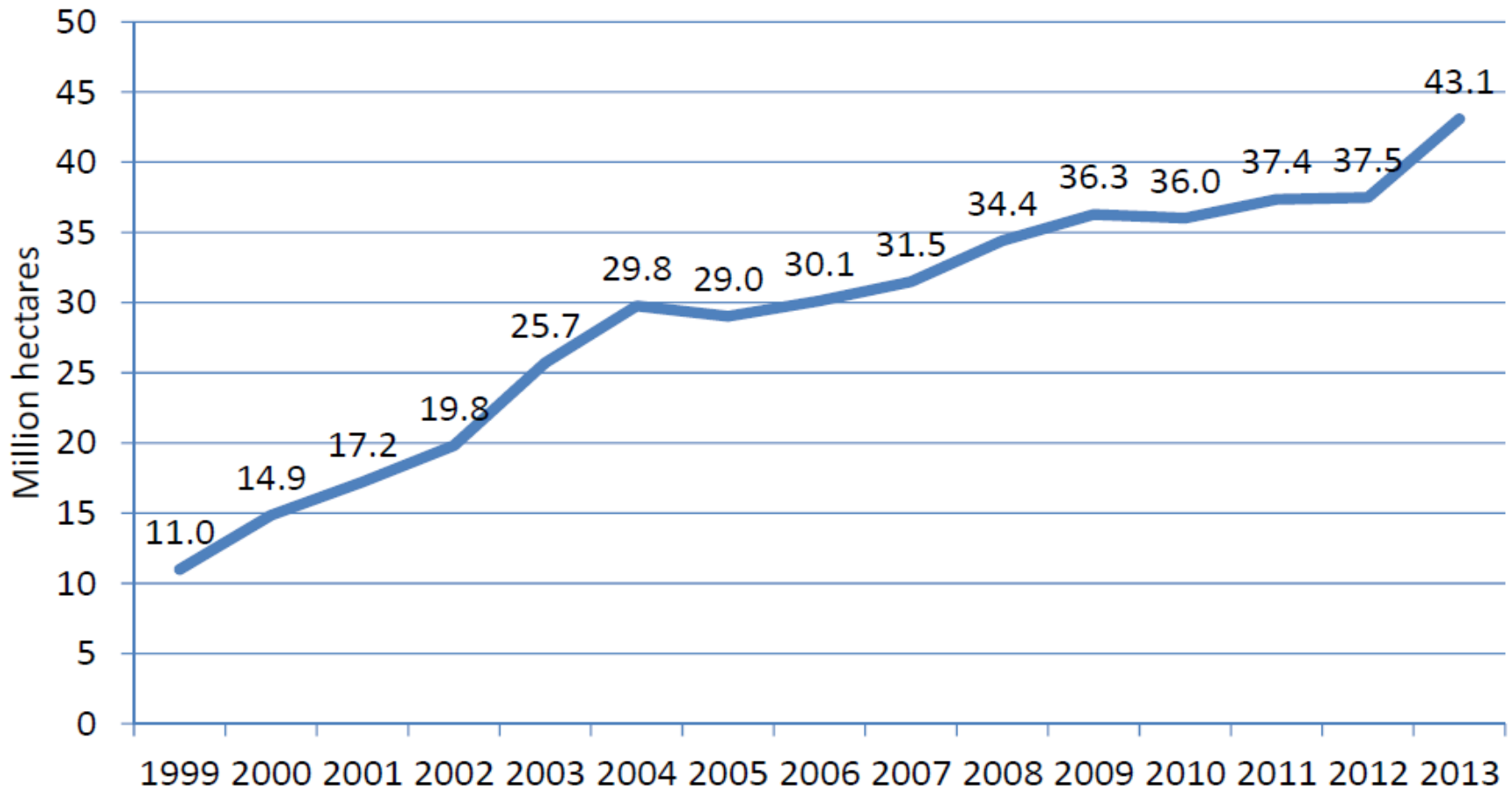




Growth of the International Organic Agricultural Land

Growth of the organic agricultural land 1999-2013

Source: FiBL-IFOAM-SOEL-Surveys 1999-2015

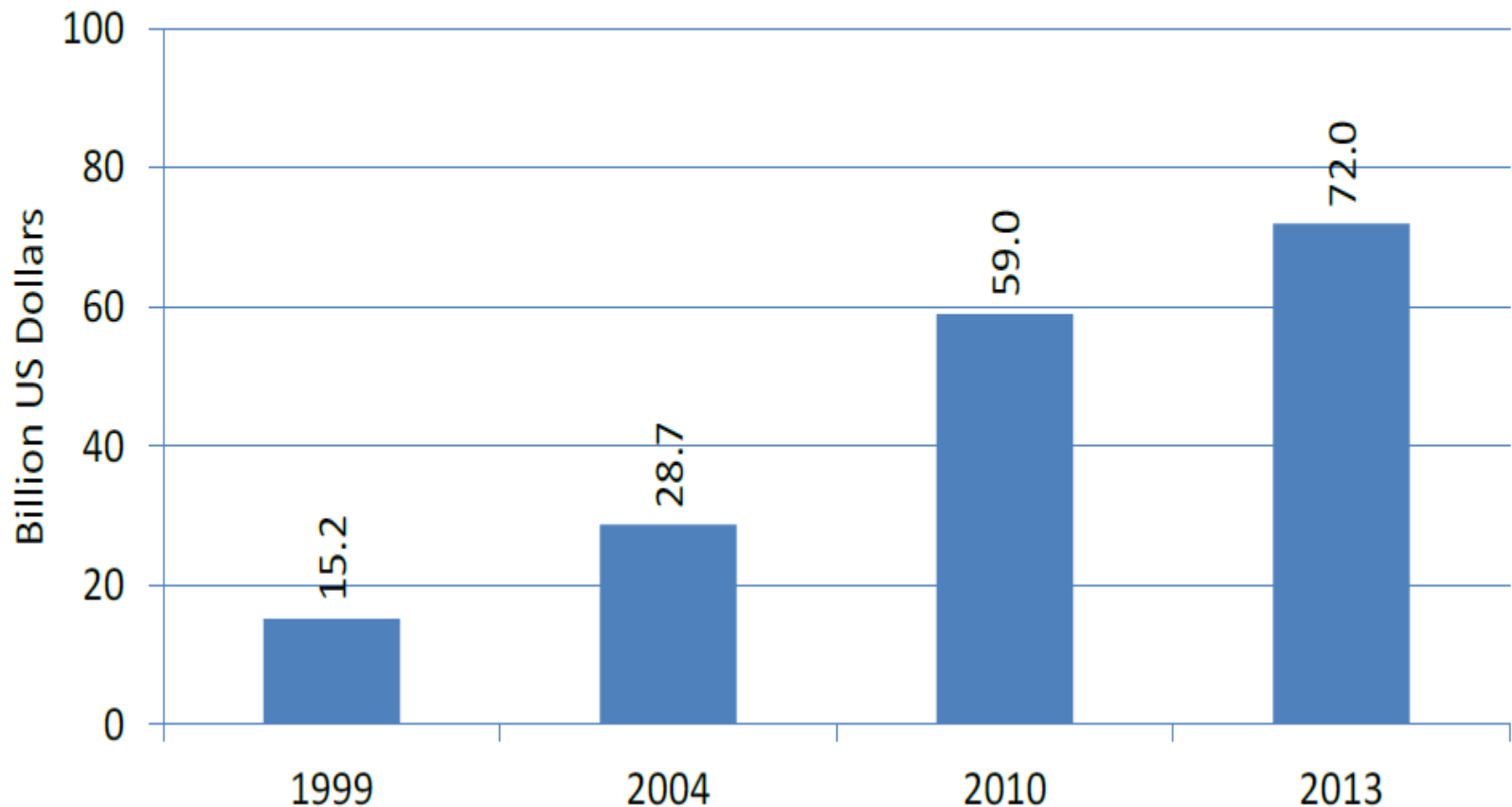




Growth of the Global Market for Organic Food and Drink

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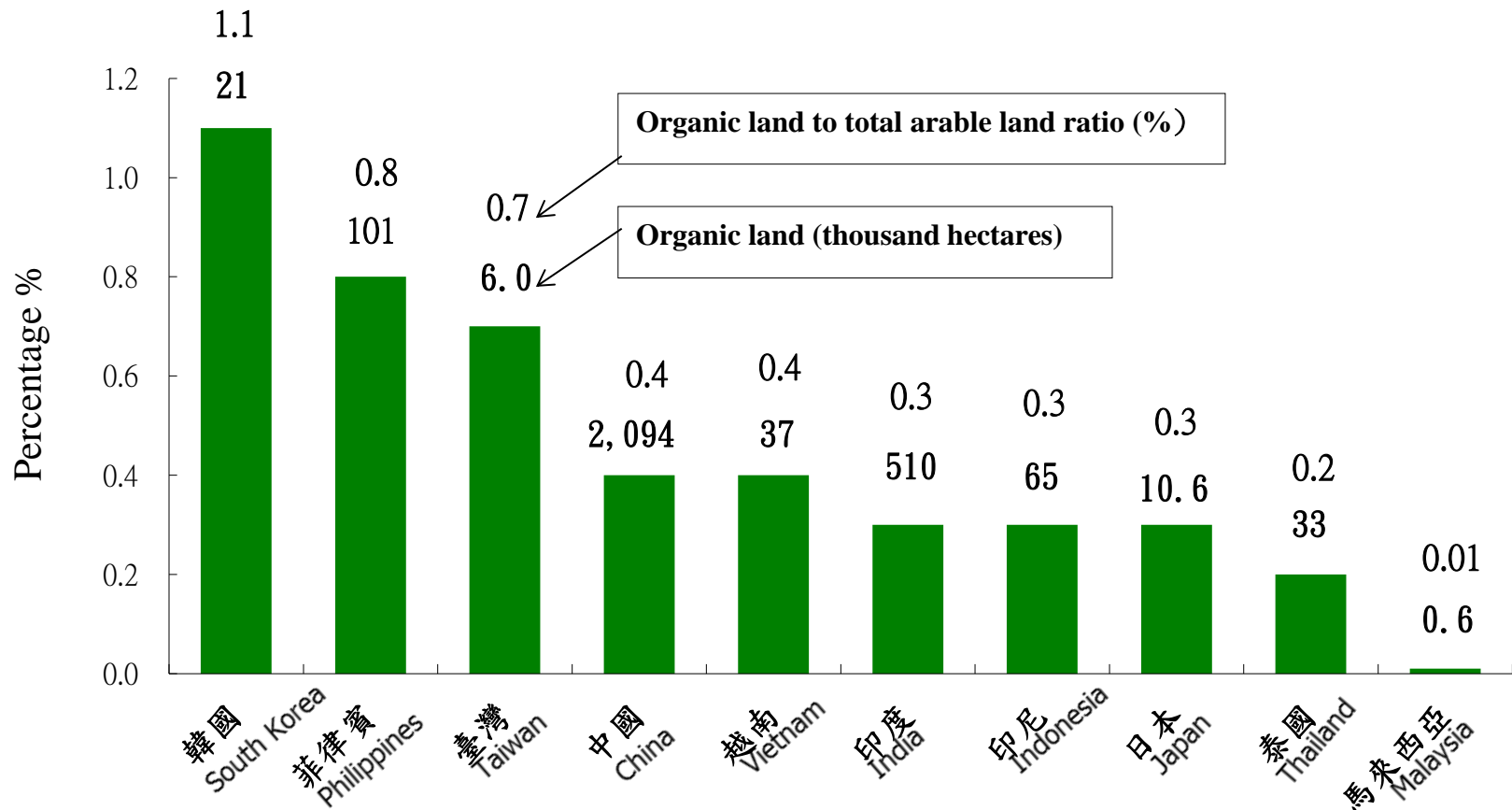
Source: Organic Monitor





The Development Status of Organic Agriculture for Asian-Pacific Countries

in 2013





Development Status of Taiwan's Organic Agriculture

- 1996 Taiwan started promoting organic cultivation
- 2007 the land of promotion reached 2,013 hectares and the number of organic farmers was 936.

- 2007 the "Agricultural Production and Certification Act" was official implemented to administer organic agricultural products.

- 2008 the Executive Yuan approved the "Quality Agriculture Development Program " to include organic agriculture as the main appeal in healthy agricultural policy, and set the goal of multiplying the land in 4 years.
- 2012 The Government incorporated "the Golden Decade -LOHAS Agriculture" to continue promoting.

- At the end of 2015 a total of 6,490 hectares of land have passed organic certification and the number of certified farmers is 2,598 with an average scale of 2.5 hectares. There are 360 organic process and distribution companies.





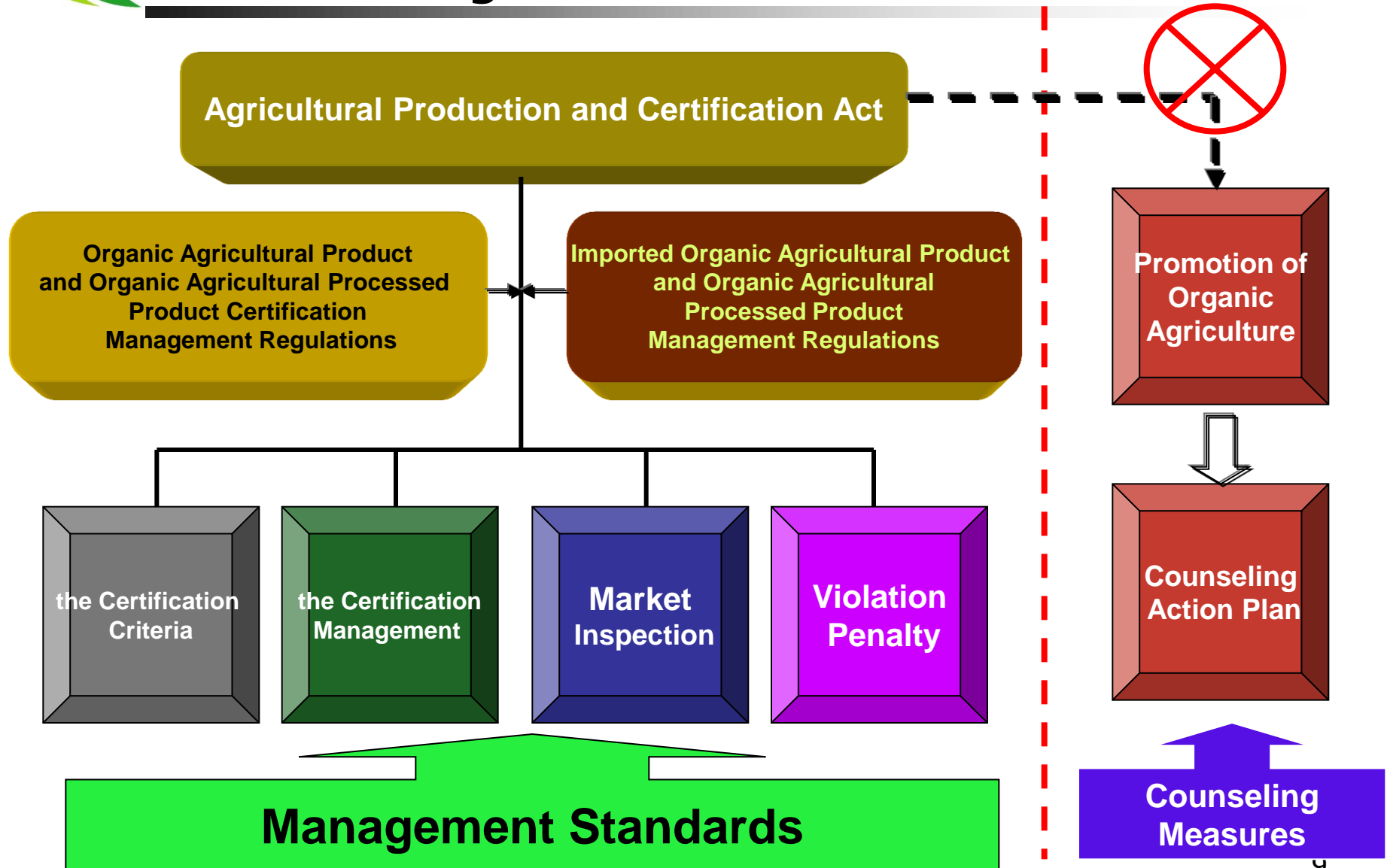
The Challenges

1. Serious aging and outflow labor force for rural village. Farmers are used to traditional cultivation which is difficult to change.
2. High initial investment costs in organic agriculture and farmers lack the relevant cultivation technology.
3. Organic field is subject to contamination risk from neighboring field.
4. Organic agricultural uses materials are with high costs and are with inconsistent quality.
5. Organic agricultural products need to expand market channels.
6. Consumers' knowledge on organic agricultural products are insufficient.





Current Regulatory Framework for Organic Agricultural Products



Formation of the Organic Agriculture Act



Agricultural Production and Certification Act

- ❑ chemicals shall not be used
- ❑ no uses any misleading expressions
- ❑ violation penalty

22 organic equivalence countries

- the problems of recognized unilaterally of organic equivalency
- the process of import review
- identify the quality of imported products

Management & Penalty

Development & Promotion

Follow International Trend

Industry Demand

Organic Agriculture Promotion Act Draft

- ✓ organic agricultural promotion solutions
- ✓ In pursuit of the harmony between agricultural production and ecosystem, establishing professional organic farming zones, helping organic operators, making production and marketing plan, researching and education
- ✓ The budget restructuring

Organic Stakeholder

- organic farmers
- organic experts
- consumers
- certification bodies



The Organic Agriculture Act New Direction



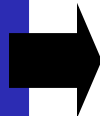
Include Promotion & Marketing Measures in the Act

Promote the development of organic agriculture



- In pursuit of the harmony between agricultural production and ecosystem
- Reduce stress on the ecosystem , maintain biodiversity

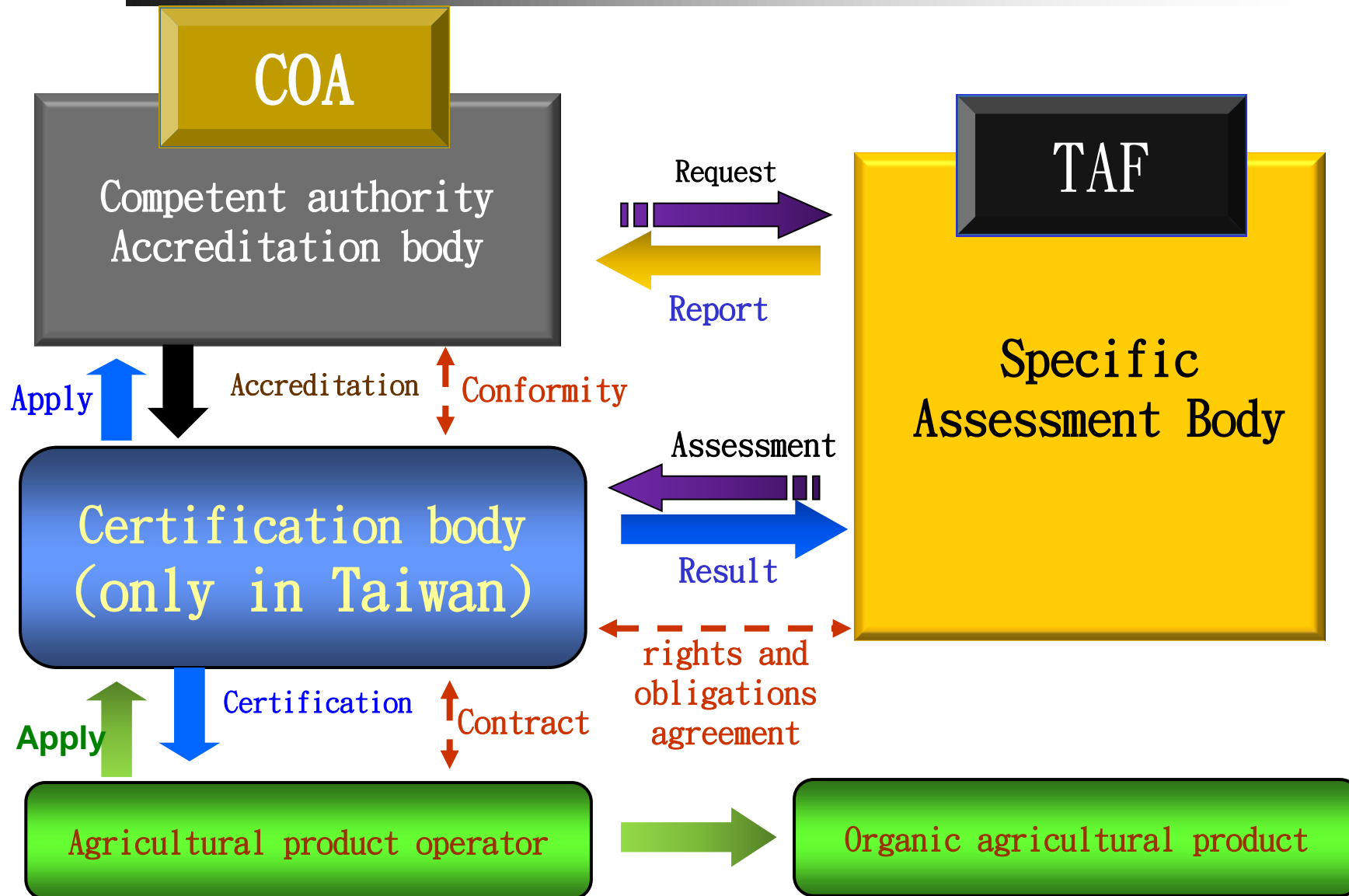
Counsel for organic products production& marketing



- Based on the balance between production& marketing
- Propose organic agricultural promotion solutions in every 4 years
- Establish professional organic farming zones
- Provide proper assistances for the certification fees, the technology upgrade, marketing channel expansion, production-marketing facilities (equipment), material loan
- Provide incentives for the breeding activities and seedling production of organic agriculture.
- Establish farmers' market
- Make the organic agricultural products accessible to consumers
- Improving production techniques
- Participate in international organizations and international cooperation affairs

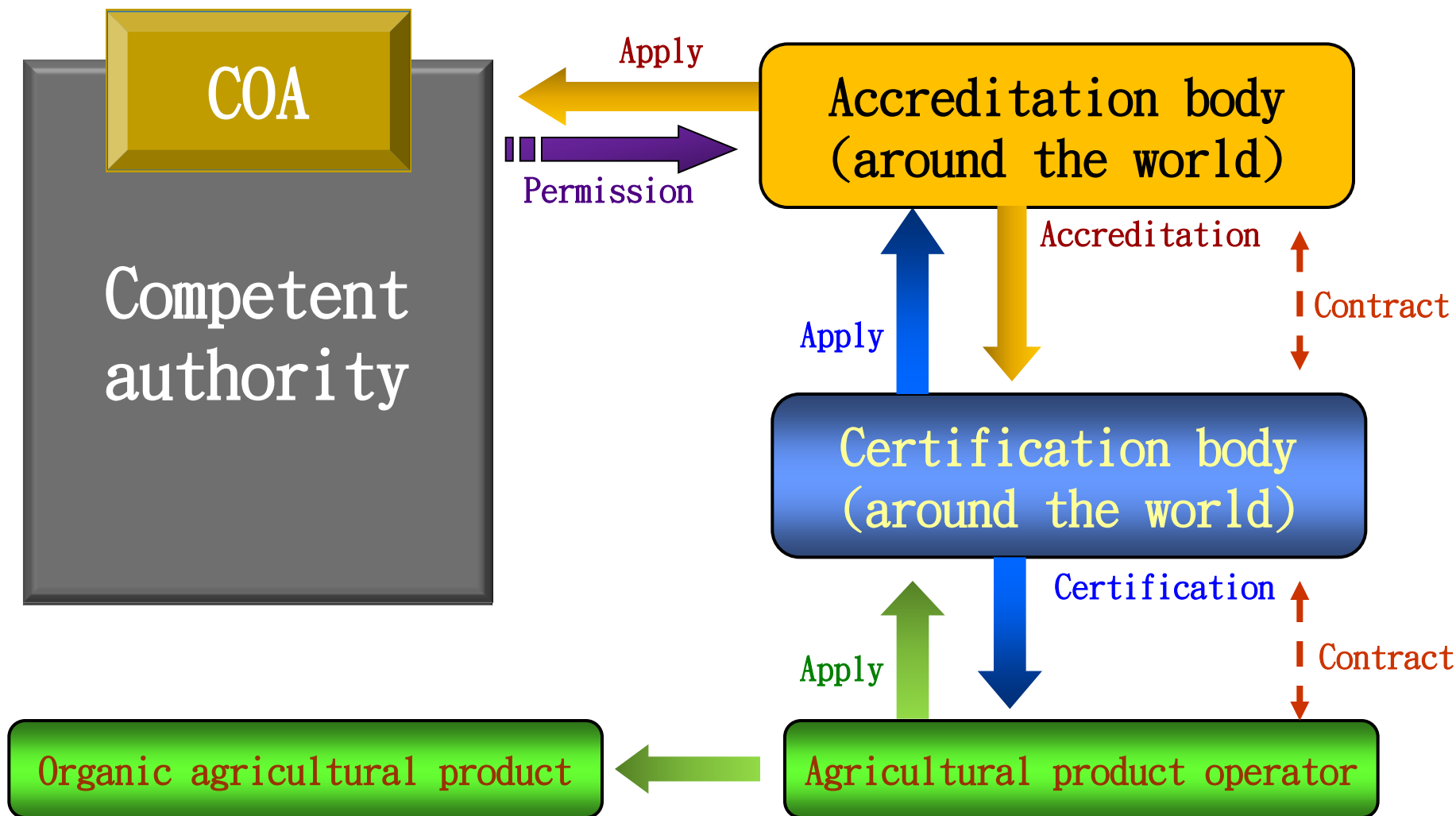


Taiwan Grading System



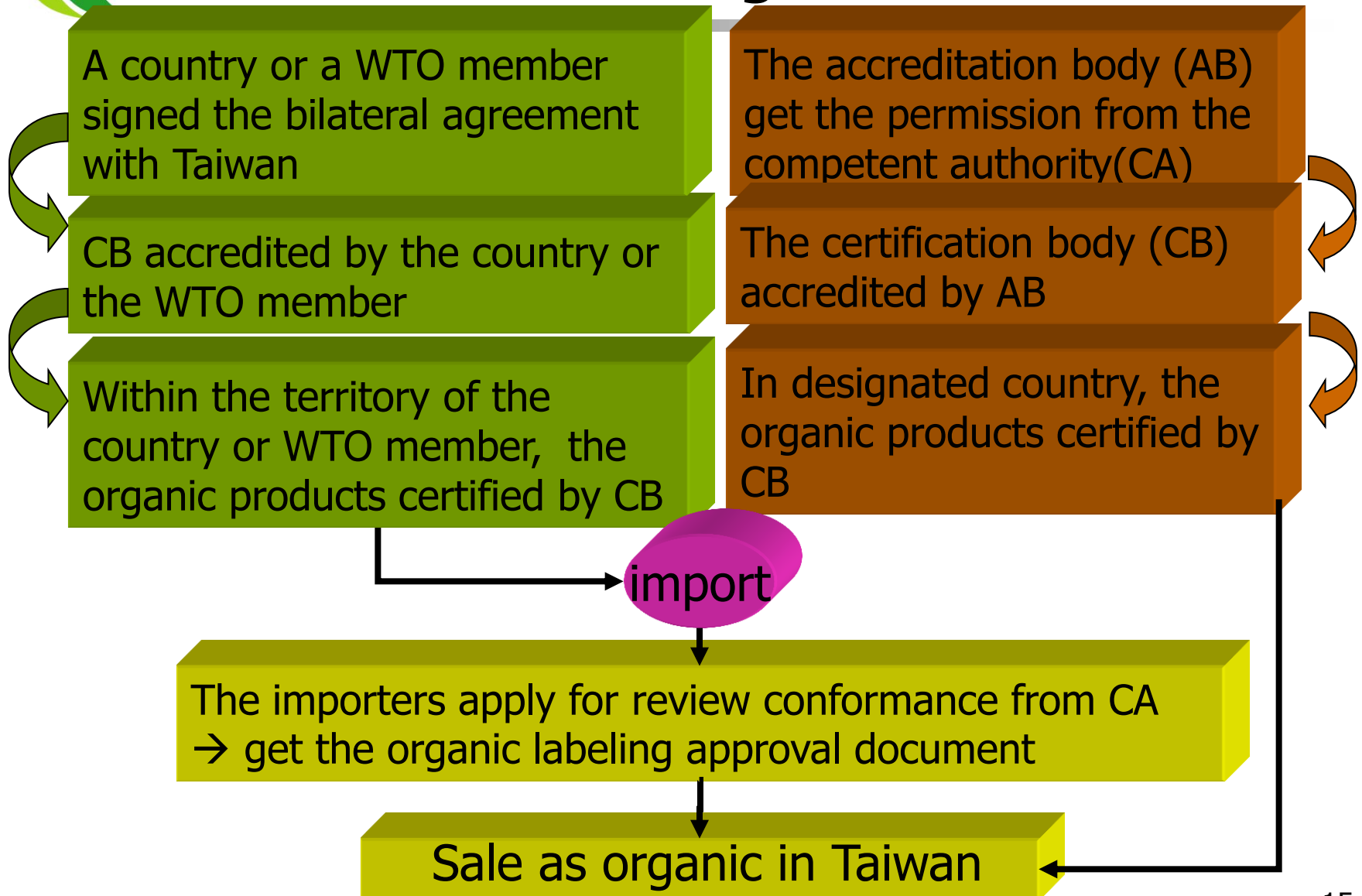


NEW Taiwan Grading System





Imported Organic Agricultural Product Management





The Grace Period of the New Act

- ⊕ Prior to the implementation of the act, countries with equivalence announced by the Central Competent Authority not signing the bilateral organic equivalence mutual recognition agreement or treaty with Taiwan in one year after the implementation of the act, the Central Competent Authority shall announce the abolishment of equivalence recognition accordingly.
- ⊕ The certified conformance agricultural products were imported prior to the announcement for abolishment of equivalence recognition specified in previous paragraph enters into force, may still use the term of organic for labeling, display or advertising.





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- ☒ 安全—土壤水質需通過檢驗，產品並經215項農藥及添加物檢驗合格。
- ☒ 健康—不使用化學農藥及肥料，友善環境，保育生態，增進健康。

Thank you for listening