

# Ensuring Safe, Abundant Crops for a Growing World Population







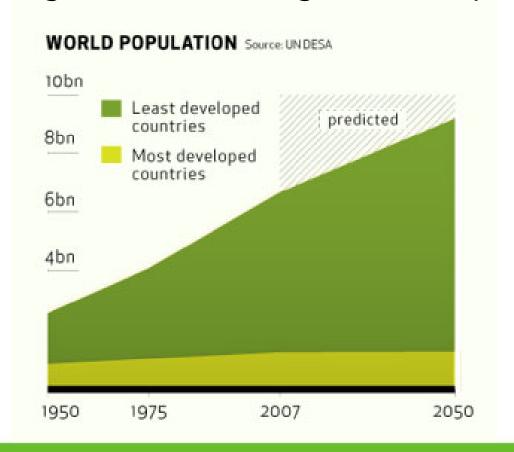






## Our Challenges

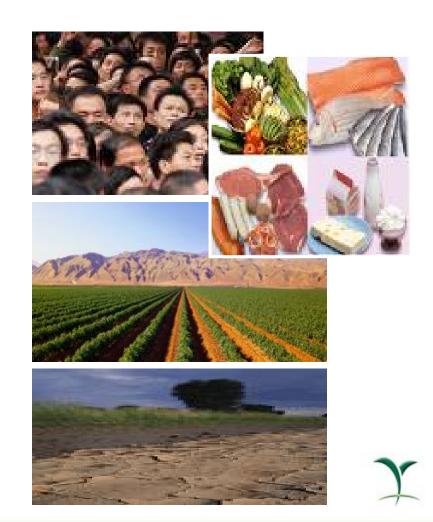
 Global population to exceed 9 billion by 2050, with most growth occurring in developing countries





## Our Challenges

- Population growth will require at least 50% increase in calorie demand
- Only 5-10% more land globally can go into agricultural production
- Climate change and water shortages



#### **Our Solutions**





## Improve yields

Without fungicides, yields of most fruits and vegetables would fall by 50-90%, making them unaffordable to many.

## Help reduce waste

World Bank estimates that in India, fruit and vegetable post-harvest losses amount to 40% of total production.

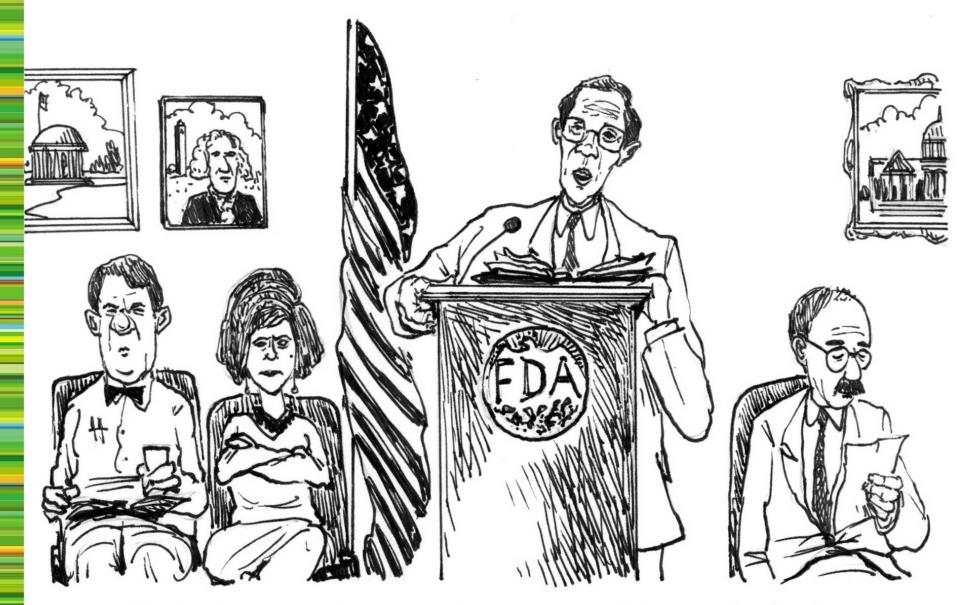
#### **Our Solutions**

- Society expects benefits of crop protection with minimal risks! This is done with:
  - Stewardship
    - Training farmers and handlers
    - Integrated Pest Management, etc.



- Innovation
  - New products and active ingredients
- Regulation





We've heard that laughter is the best medicine, so beginning Monday we'll be regulating it.

## **Crop Protection Regulation**

- Crop protection products are essential to agricultural production. But regulation of them key to ensure appropriate use and minimize environmental impact.
- Regulation should result in societal trust, confidence and benefits (i.e., safe, reliable food supply).





## Crop Protection Regulation

- Under International Code of Conduct, governments have responsibility to regulate crop protection products in their countries.
- Crop protection regulations vary enormously worldwide due to social and political priorities and economic development.



## Benefits of Effective Regulation



Promotes investment in new solutions

Assures safety and sustainability



Enables shared responsibility and A compliance

Allows timely access to technology





# Global Regulatory System Challenges

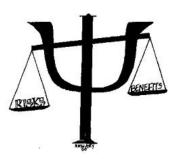








Lack of risk/benefit analysis







Lack of Harmonization





" IT LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE BRINGING IN THE NEW REGULATIONS MANUAL."

## Principles of Regulation (PoR)

#### Three components:

- Meeting societal expectations of crop protection regulation
- Recognized principles for effective regulation of crop protection products



 Identified best practices for effective registration of crop protection products



## PoR: Societal Expectations

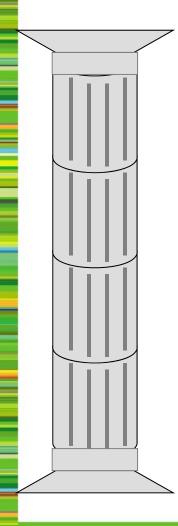
#### Regulations should be:

- Protective with clear goals
- Implementable with clear procedures
- Informed based on scientific evidence
- Enabling to allow access to technology
- Enforceable for accountability





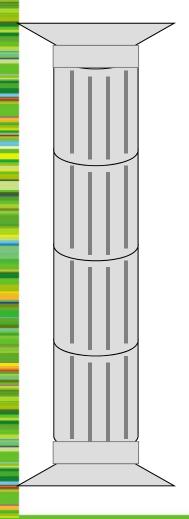
## PoR: Recognised Regulatory Principles



- 1. Compile sound policy framework to ensure high standards of product use and protection for human health and environment.
- 2. Use quality data and ensure transparency in regulatory process, while protecting confidential business information and intellectual property.



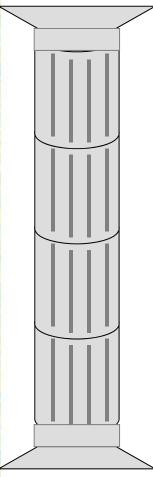
## PoR: Recognised Regulatory Principles



- 3. Harmonise internationally wherever possible, while taking into account local needs and conditions.
- 4. Conduct use assessment of each product that is evidence-based using sound scientific principles.
- 5. Clarify responsibilities of each party throughout production and supply chains and call for responsible action.



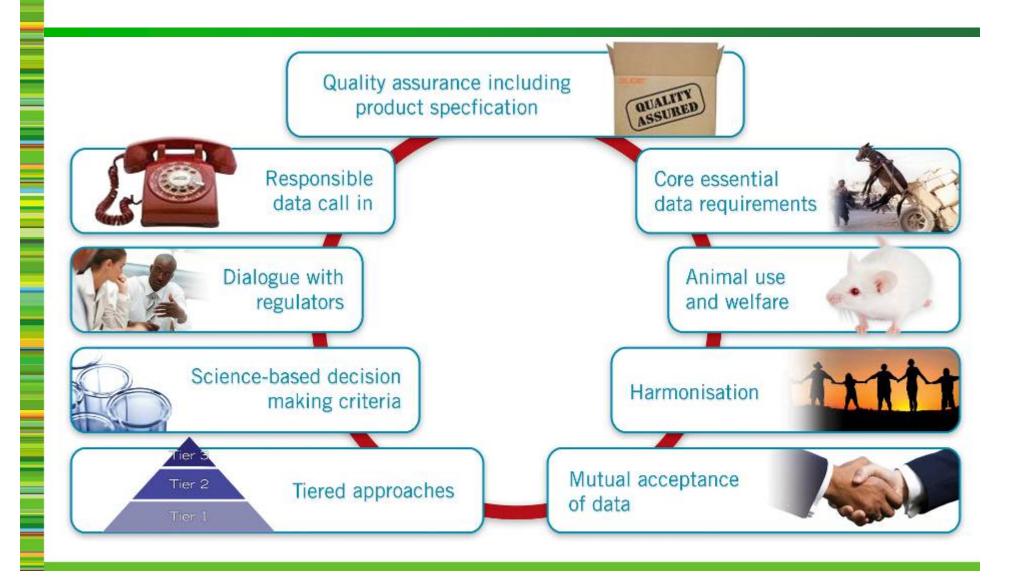
## PoR: Recognised Regulatory Principles



- 6. Set up **compliance monitoring** system and active response process to manage adverse incidents.
- 7. Ensure that **modern standards** are applied to all products in market.
- 8. Assess **impact of major changes** to or revisions of regulations.



## PoR: Registration Best Practices



# Gap Analysis Using PoR

Assessed regulatory systems against PoR



Identified gaps and excesses

Systems initially analyzed:	
Argentina	Kenya
Bolivia	India
Central America	Morocco
Dominican Republic	Paraguay
Chile	Peru
Colombia	South Africa
Ecuador	Uruguay
Egypt	USA
European Union	Venezuela



# Gap Analysis Results

### Areas identified for improvement:



#### Registration process

- Mutual acceptance
- IP Provisions
- Transparency
- Timescales

#### Approval process

- Risk assessment
- Risk/benefit judgment
- Stewardship



## **Evaluating Regulation**

Review your own regulatory process and compare to PoR



Identify gaps and excesses



Consider new approaches in spirit of continuous improvement







#### Ideal Outcomes

- Universal adoption of recognised principles for effective registration of crop protection products and application of best practices.
- Application of universal approaches to assessment of crop protection products and their uses.
- Regulation is critical and should be both stimulant and safeguard for introduction of crop protection products.



#### **Bottom Line**

- Our world faces huge challenges and agriculture is at heart of them.
- Crop protection technology is vital part of solution to these challenges.







Thank you for your kind attention

