



Authorisation of Entities to Perform Phytosanitary Actions

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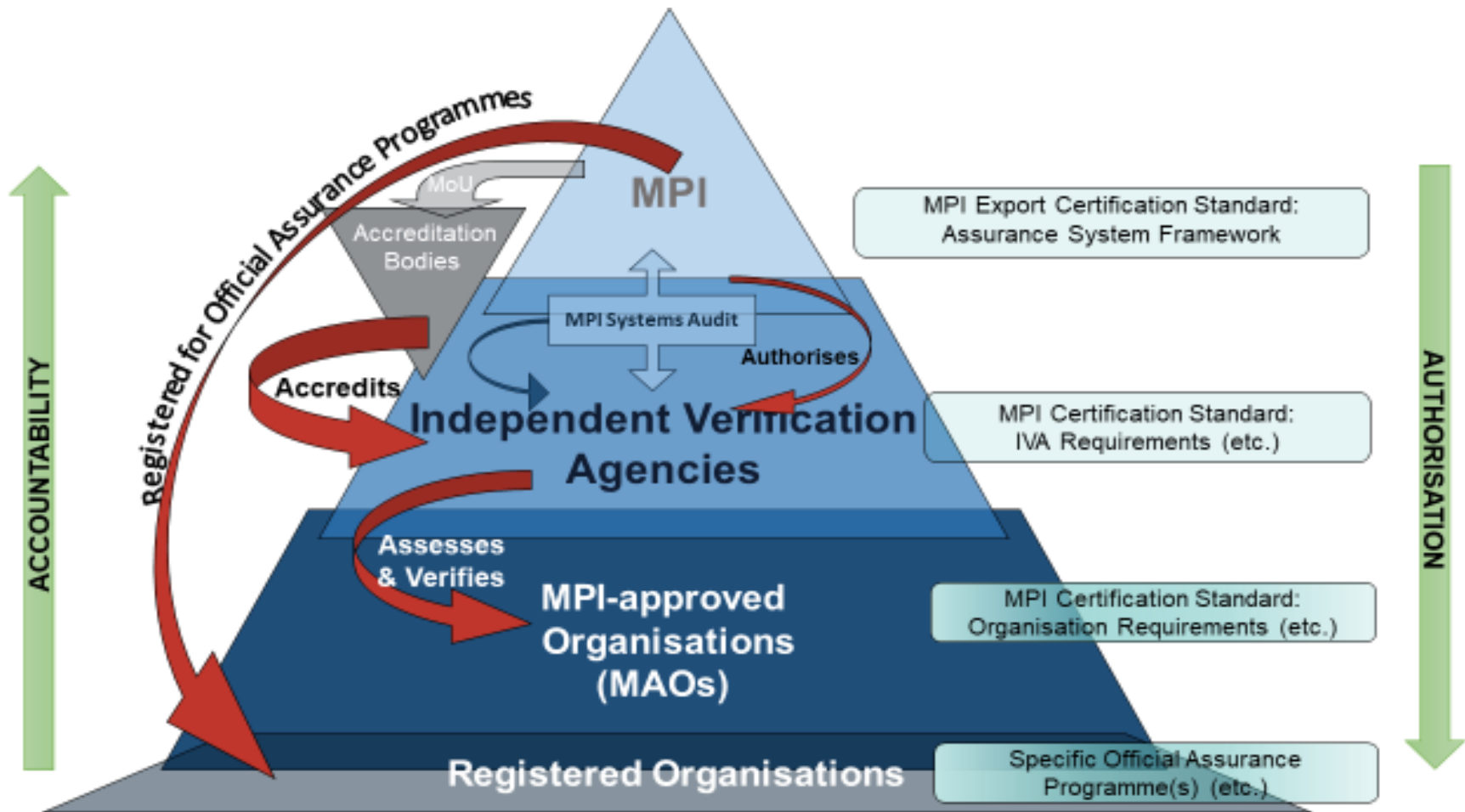
Presentation Outline

- **New Zealand Phytosanitary Assurance Framework**
- **Regulatory Model and Roles**
- **Authorisation of Third Party Entities: Audit**
- **Management of Conflict of Interest**

New Zealand Phytosanitary Assurance Framework

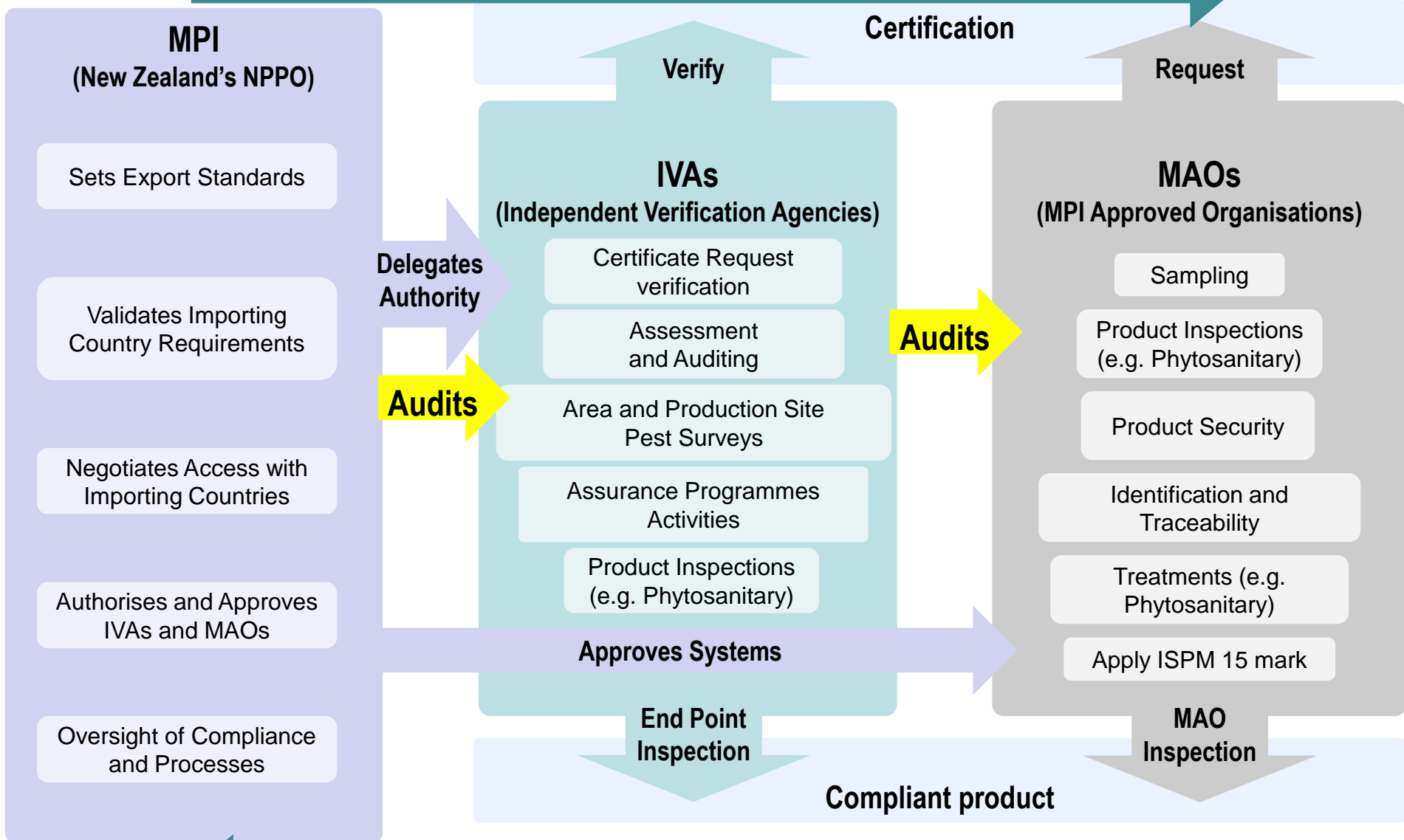
- Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) is the New Zealand's National Plant Protection Organisation
- MPI has overarching systems for provision of official assurances to meet international obligations for phytosanitary assurance
- MPI regulatory model operates through:
 - Independent Verification Agencies (IVAs)
 - MPI Approved Organisations (MAO)

MPI Phytosanitary Assurance System Model & Roles



Roles of NPPO & Entities - Importance of Audit

AUTHORISATION & APPROVAL



ACCOUNTABILITY

Management of Conflict of Interest

- State Services Code of Conduct (State Services Commission 2007):
 - Conflict of interest to be avoided, declared, managed
- IVAs must:
 - be accredited to AS/NZS ISO/IEC 17020, or ISO/IEC 17065
 - document and implement a system to address impartiality
- MPI Certification Standard: Organisation Requirements (MPI 2006):
 - requirements on identifying and managing conflicts of interest must be met to be authorised or approved
- MPI system and standards are:
 - auditable, and
 - penalties in place for non-compliance (MPI 2015)

Thank you for your attention

Questions?

