















#### **EU-FALSIFIED MEDICINES DIRECTIVE**

## **EMVO AND NMVO**

STAKEHOLDER AWARENESS MEETING 23<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST 2017, MALTA

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#### **AGENDA**

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- EU-FMD Readiness and On-boarding

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- System and Process Overview
- Implementation Project Roadmap
- Status update: Progress of the Implementation Projects and Learning from other markets

#### 3. Hot Topics

- Small Market Challenges Malta
- Any questions?



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- Leadership in Serialisation Projects since 2006, as Product Security Manager at AstraZeneca (HQ UK), one of the early adopters and global leaders in pharma serialisation.
- From 2010 Expert on EFPIA's Coding and Serialisation team
- Member of the European Medicines Verification Organisation EMVO Management Team, supporting the EMVS establishment at national level.



#### EMVO MISSION

"The European Medicines Verification Organisation (EMVO) has taken responsibility for advancing the creation of the European Medicines Verification System (EMVS), for the purpose of medicine verification and the enhancement of patient safety, in accordance with the Falsified Medicines Directive (FMD) and the Delegated Regulation (DR), detailing the characteristics of the safety features."



### ORGANISATIONAL CHART

#### **EMVO Board of Directors**

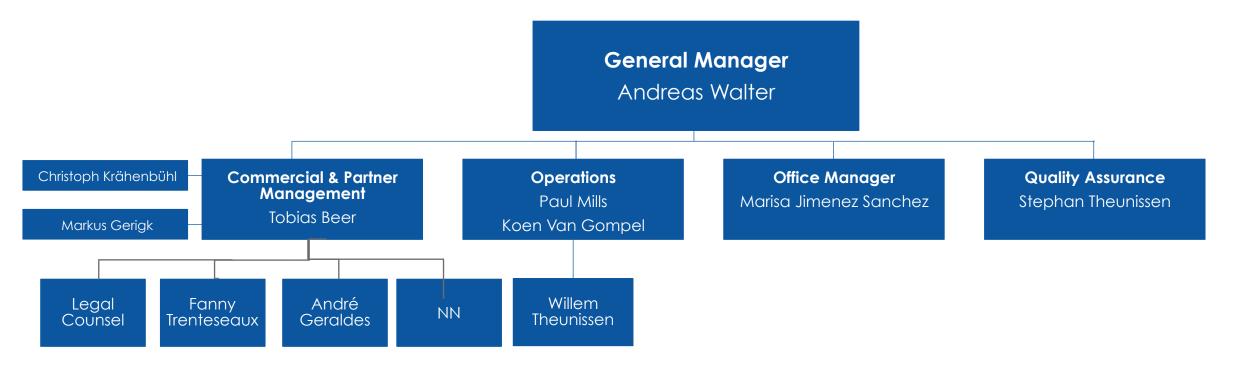
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#### FMD: LEGAL OBLIGATIONS

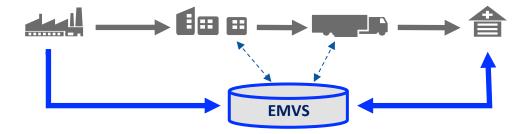
Serialization by MAH
Verification and check-out at point of dispense
Risk based verification by Wholesalers



Unique Identifier + Anti-Tampering Device on all products in scope (Rx; not OTC)

System set up and Governance by MAH together with other stakeholders

Oversight by competent authorities



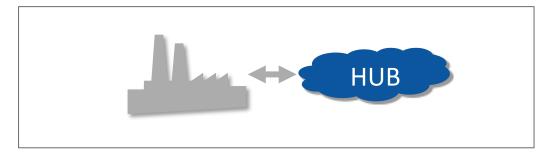
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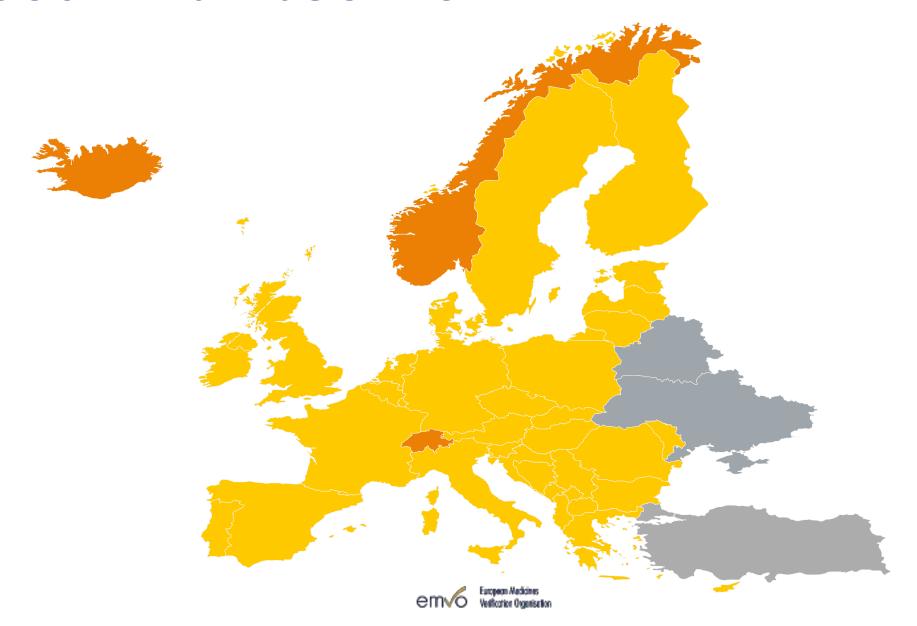
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# COUNTRIES IN SCOPE OF THE THE FMD



#### **SERIALISATION**

Data-Matrix code, developed to ISO-standards

Key data elements:

Product code (GTIN/NTIN)

**Global uniqueness** 

Randomised unique serial number guaranteed

Expiry date

Batch number

National health number (where necessary)

6 T.N.: 123456 LOT: A41188 NGI: 123456 PO1234

Product #: 12345678901234

Batch: A1C2E3G4I5

Expiry: 190500

S/N: 12345AZRQF1234567890

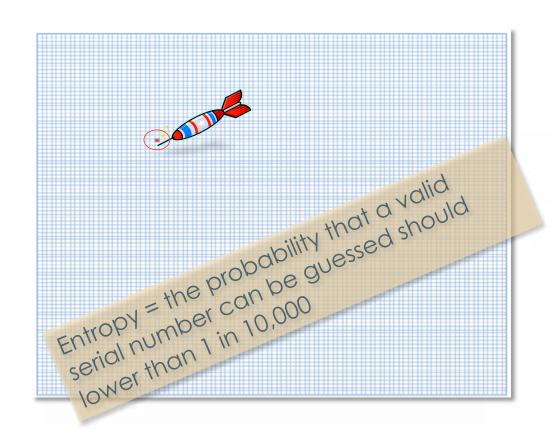


2D DM as data carrier of choice: Compact, Robust, Cost-effective



## SERIAL NUMBER (EFPIA PACK CODING GUIDELINE)

- 1) Unique, Random and High Entropy
- 2) Maximum length 20 chars (alphanumeric), string should...
- > only contain either lower case or upper case letters, not a mixture.
- exclude the following letters: i, j, l, o, q and u. (I J L O Q U)
- = 30 alphanumeric characters available
   = 30<sup>20</sup> possible serial numbers per
   Product Code
- = 348,678,440,100,000,000,000,000,000,000





# ANTI-TAMPERING DEVICE (ATD) - TAMPER-EVIDENCE



#### **EU-FMD TIMELINE**











2005-2010: Growing awareness of

**Problem** 

2011: **EU-FMD** 

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2012-2015: **Stakeholder Alliance**  2016: DR

2016-2019: **Implementation** 

BULGARIAN MEDICINES VERIFICATION ORGANISATION

2019: Go Live









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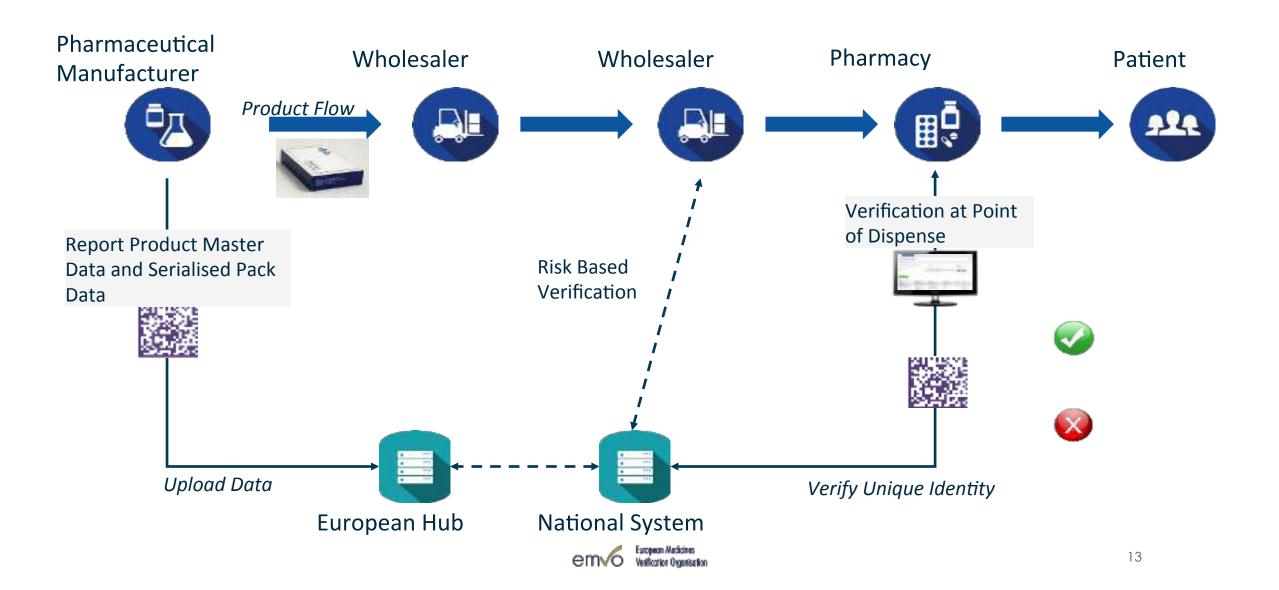








## EUROPEAN MEDICINES VERIFICATION SYSTEM



# STAKEHOLDER IMPACT

Requirement (routine operation)		Pharma - Brand Owner and Generics	Pharma - CMO	Parallel Distributors	Wholesaler/ Distributor	Pharmacist	National Competent Authorities
1)	Pay for EMVS ("Bearing the costs for the system")	Yes	no - Marketing Authorisation Holders pay	Yes			
2)	Apply Unique Identifier	Yes	Yes (requested by customer)	Yes			
3)	Apply Anti-Tampering Device	Yes	Yes (requested by customer)	Yes			
4)	Connect to European Hub: Upload Uls	Yes	no - will be done by customer	Yes			
5)	Connect to EMVS to Decommission UIs			For "consumed" packs (Hub)	For packs exported from Europe (National System)		
6)	Connect to EMVS: Verify UIs			Verify (EU-Hub)	higher risk shipments (NMVS)	voluntary check is possible (NMVS)	
7)	Connect to NMVS: Decommission UIs				"Early dispense" for institutions	Yes: Point-of-Dispense	
8)	Process Alerts	Where relevant		Where relevant	Where relevant	Where relevant	
9)	Receive Reports to allow Overview/Supervision						Yes



## EUROPE-WIDE SCOPE OF EU-FMD "SAFETY FEATURES"

Safety Features consist of 2 elements:



Tamper Evidence

**OTC Must Not** 

safety features

carry the

Rx Must carry the safety features

All Prescription Medicines (Rx) are in scope....

> ...apart from those on the Whitelist

• 2 strengths of Omeprazol

... apart from those on the Blacklist

Over the Counter Medicines (OTC)

are out of scope...

Currently black-listed:

homeopathic medicinal

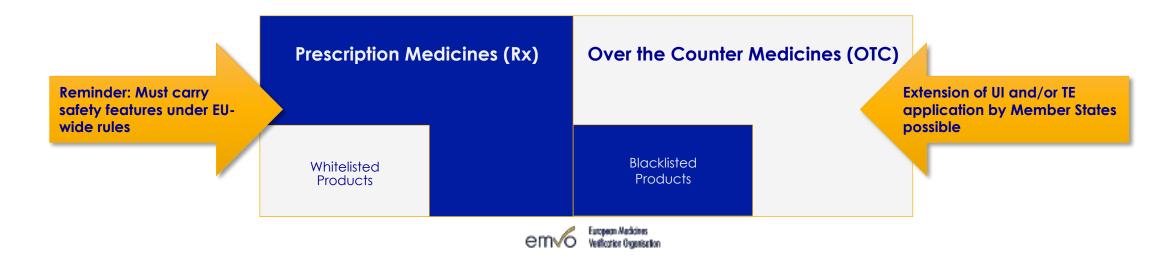
B05B 'blood substitutes and perfusion solutions' contrast media

Currently white-listed:
 Radionuclides
 medicinal gases
 IV solutions in ATC therapeutic subgroup

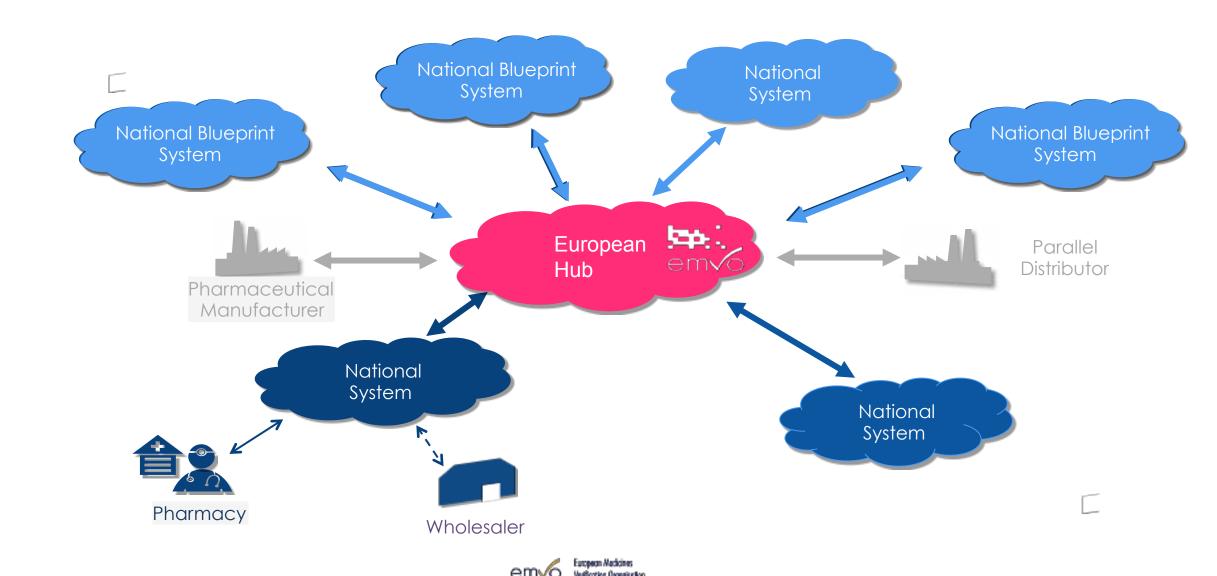
### SCOPE EXTENSION BY MEMBER STATES POSSIBLE

Member States may <u>extend</u> (but not reduce) the scope of application of the unique identifier <u>and/or</u> of the anti-tampering device for the purpose of (Art. 54):

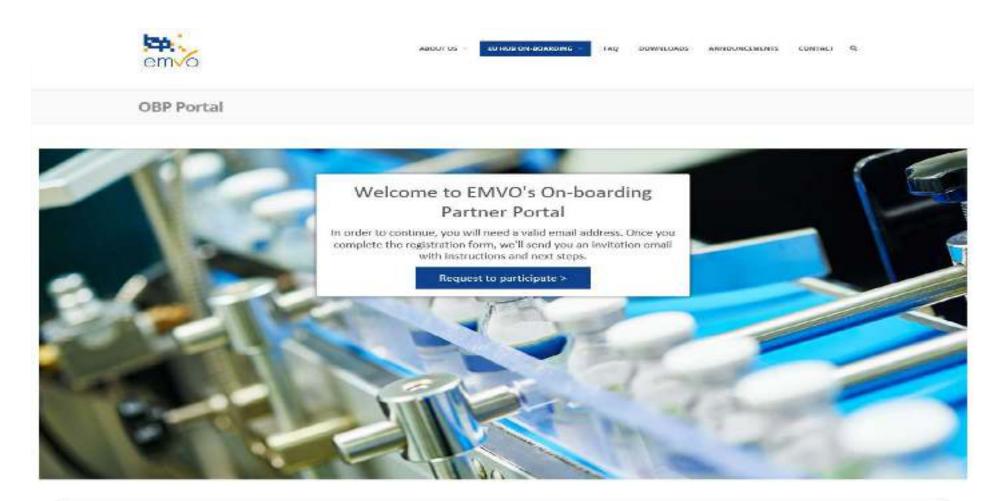
Safety Feature	Reimbursement or Pharmacovigilanc e	Patient Safety	Applicable to	
Unique Identifier	Yes	No	any medicinal product subject to prescription or reimbursement	
Tamper- evidence	No	Yes	any medicinal product	



# REPOSITORIES SYSTEMS



## **OBP PORTAL**



https://www.emvo-medicines.eu/eu-hub-on-boarding/obp-portal/



### ON-BOARDING PROCESS

Managed and
administered by
EMVO's
Commercial &
Partner
Management
Team

Managed by
EMVO's Operations
Team

1) Participation Request

> 2) Legitimacy Check

3) Contractual/ Commercial Onboarding

4) Technical Onboarding

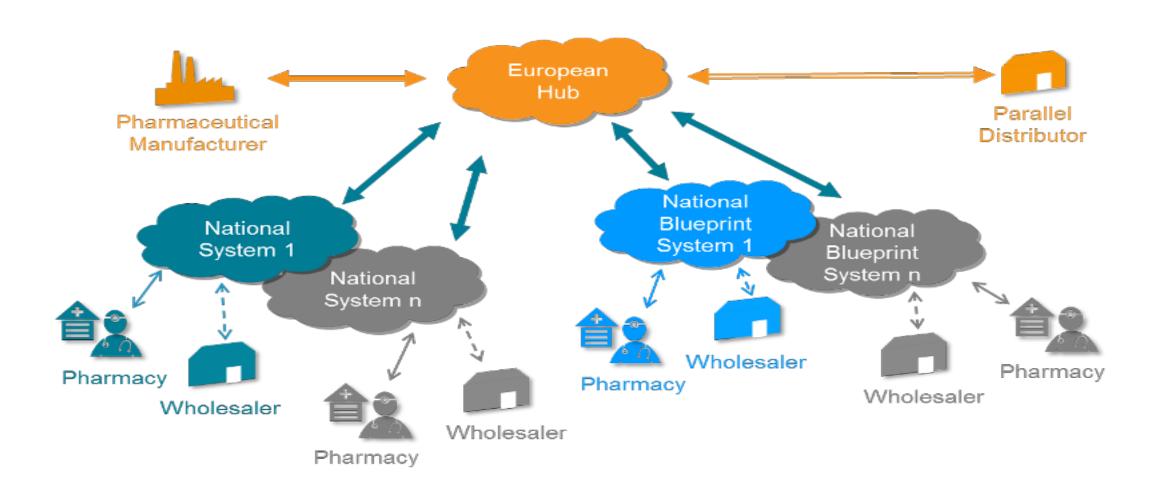
- Initial Contact
- Portal registration
- Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA)
- Legitimacy check of organizations and person responsible
- Multi-stage procedure

- Participation Agreement (PA)
- On-boarding Fee payment

- System Connection
- System Testing
- System Operation



## SYSTEM LANDSCAPE



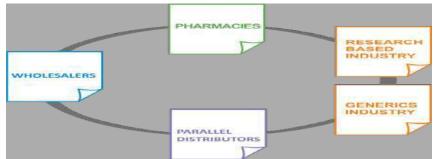


# IT IS THE OBLIGATION OF THE PHARMA INDUSTRY TO ESTABLISH THE REPOSITORIES SYSTEM

- The repositories system shall be set up and managed by a non-profit legal entity (NMVO) established in the Union by manufacturers and marketing authorisation holders of medicines in scope = those who must pay for the system
- Wholesalers, persons entitled to supply medicinal products to the public and relevant national authorities shall be consulted and are entitled to participate in the legal entity on a voluntary basis free of cost (stated in the DR)
  - The statutes for the NMVO can state different membership levels and voting rights
  - The EMVO principle is "pay to vote",

     i.e. stakeholders wanting to be Full

     Members should pay part of the NMVO <u>admin</u> cost



#### ESTABLISHING AN NMVO AND AN NMVS

#### Governance Workstream:

- 1) Alignment between stakeholders
- 2) Memorandum of Understanding

- 3) NMVO Statutes agreed
- 4) NMOV established

#### Technical Workstream:

- 1) Project Manager appointed
- 2) Contact to IT service providers established
- 3) IT service provider selected
- 4) Contract with IT service provider signed

## NMVO and NMVS operational – in "Business As Usual" (BAU)

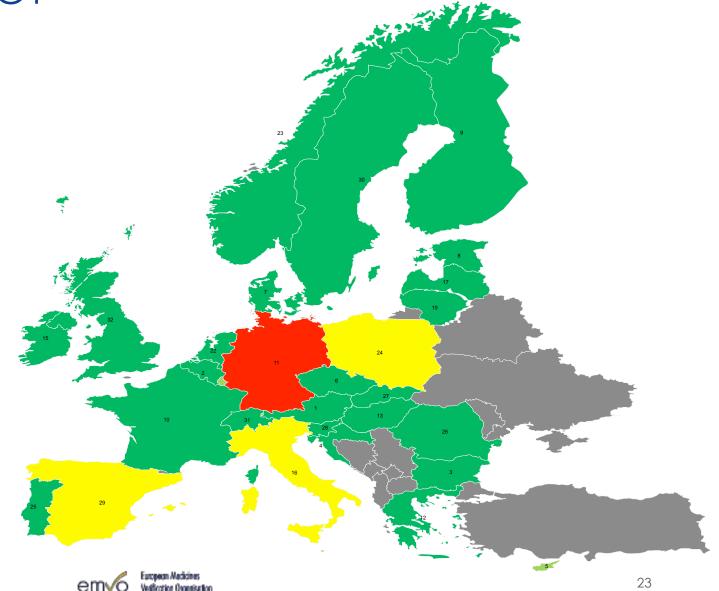
- ✓ Organisation established
- ✓ IT service up and running
- ✓ SOPs defined
- ✓ Users on-boarded
- ✓ Revenue being collected



## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY** BLUEPRINT TENDENCY



Blueprint candidate Small Country Blueprint Blueprint open Standalone system No Information Non EU Countries



# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY COUNTRY READINESS



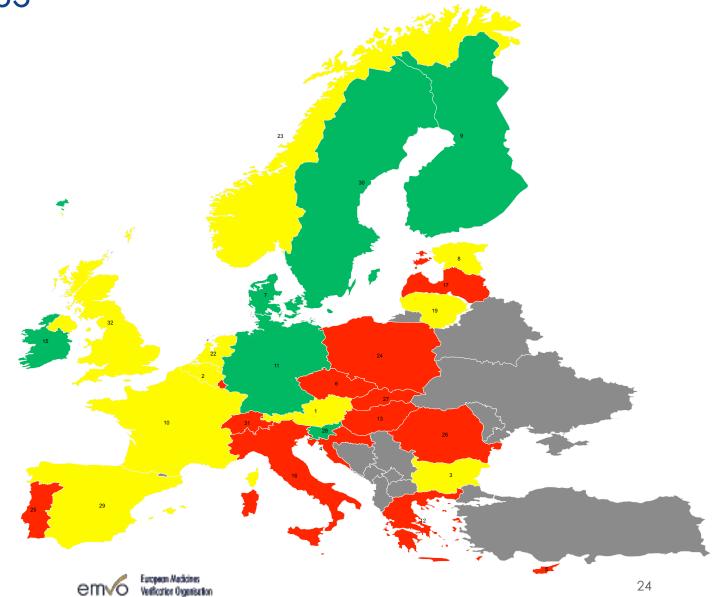
Early Adopter

Main Stream

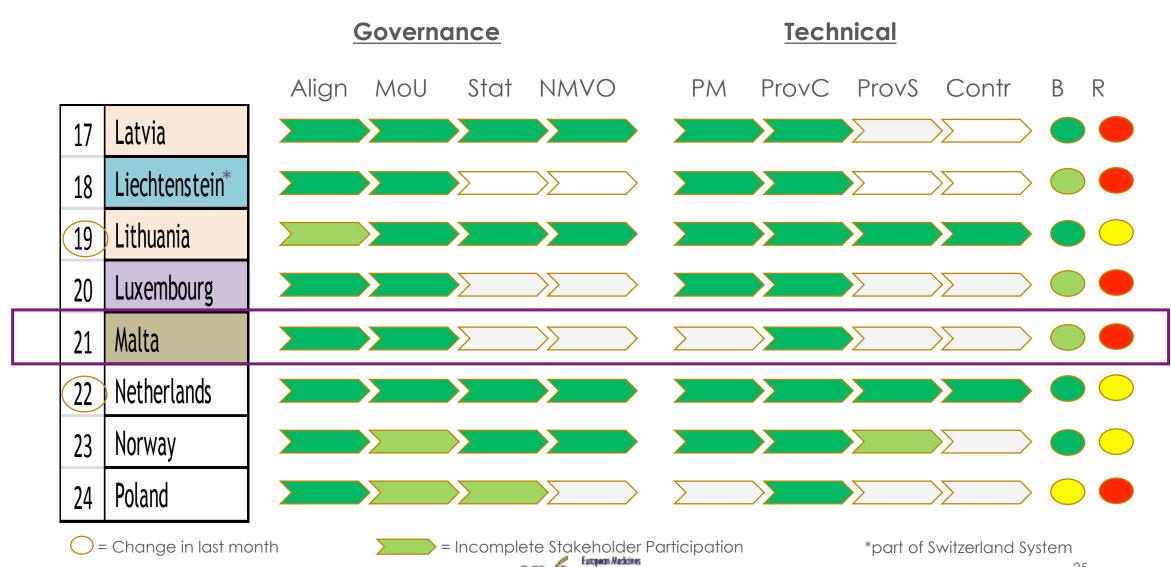
Late Follower

No Information

Non EU Countries



### STATUS PER COUNTRY 17-24



#### SMALL MARKET CHALLENGES

The small markets receive **few if any market-specific packs**.

Patient supply is therefore achieved by a combination of:

- Multi-market/shared packs ("official or un-declared")
- Local repackaging of packs for other markets
- Imports under light-touch marketing authorisation (Article 126A)

#### Concerns are impact on EMVS:

- Disproportionate size of national database
- High rate of multi-market transactions: transaction load on hub
- Out-of-market queries: performance impact at dispense and transaction load on hub



#### TECHNICAL AND ORGANISATIONAL ISSUES

If market is supplied with original Mkt-specific Packs or Multi-Mkt Packs

If market is supplied with packs originally for other Mkts that are locally re-worked or imported under special regs.

- ✓ The Pack data is available in the local system.
- ✓ Verification in Pharmacy to standard SLA performance
- For MMPs post-verification steps put some additional transaction load on EMVS; this is acceptable if limited

- The Pack data is not available in the local system and will trigger out-of-market query
- Verification in Pharmacy will be of poorer performance
- Additional transaction load on EMVS for OOM query is increased considerably and may have impact beyond these markets
- ✓ The Pack in the market is made by the MFR who
  is represented directly locally
- ✓ Participation in NMVO and cost allocation straightforward

- the entities selling into the market will not be directly linked to the MFR (or not even be part of the MFR constituency)
- ♦ Participation in NMVO and cost allocation is problematic ("Who to send the invoice to?")



## "NORMAL" VS. "SMALL" MARKETS CHARACTERISTICS

	Example Sweden	Example Malta	
Mkt-specific Prods	Most packs are either specific Swedish market packs	A few (mostly PT Imports that the PD is reworking under PT licence)	
Multi-mkt packs in MM livery that includes target market	or Nordic multi-market packs, ( typically \$/FI, \$/NO, \$/DK/NO, \$/UK/IE)	Common (often UK/IE/MT)	
Other packs for sale that are NOT manufactured for target market	Exceptional (see Named Patient);	<ul> <li>UK packs that are then locally re-worked to add details of the local MAH (e.g. GSK UK packs marketed in Malta by GSK)</li> <li>Almost 50% of packs are imported under Art 126(a) 'light touch' license by other parties (i.e. not the MAH linked to the manufacturer); these are typically packs for UK, IE, Italy, France that are re-worked in market (addition of sticker and PIL) to comply with mkt requirements</li> </ul>	
Parallel Trade: Exp / Imp?	Yes: PI present in the market, substantial market share for some products	Yes: PI present who import typically from Romania, Poland etc.	
Named patient / Compassionate / Patient access imports	Very rare; Exceptional circumstances	More common also in case of shortages (but is this the same as imported under 126A licence?)	
MFR / MAH present in market?	MFR: yes MAH: yes, physical presence or Sales Office > Most products in market are marketed by MAH that is linked directly to MFR	MFR: None MAH: very few with local Sales Office, usually represented by agents = wholesalers / distributors > Most products in market are NOT marketed by a entity linked to the MFR	
Government participation in pharmaceutical supply	No direct role in medication supply	<ul> <li>Gvt is a major player:</li> <li>Purchase directly (tender business) for supply to public sector / hospitals</li> <li>Gvt holds MA licenses for some products</li> </ul>	
Other issues	Shared Nordic VNr - National reimbursement codes still used embedded in NTIN but link to NTIN being phased out	Discrepancy between markets re. OTC/Rx	

# PACK VERIFICATION SCENARIOS FOR (EXAMPLE MALTA)

Scenario		Manufacturer/Importer	EU- Hub/NMVS	Pharmacist/Wholesaler
1	Malta market-specific Packs: Malta system holds the Pack and the Event data	MFR uploads master data for these packs as "Market = Malta"	Hub routes the Pack Data (Uls) for these packs to Malta NMVS	Pack Dispense against Malta NMVS: Standard SLA performance*
2	Multimarket Pack UK/IE/MT: All three national systems (UK and Malta) hold the Pack and the Event data	MFR uploads master data for these packs marked for 3 Markets: UK, Ireland and Malta	Hub routes the Pack Data (Uls) for these packs to the 3 NMVS in UK, Ireland and Malta	<ol> <li>Pack Dispense against Malta NMVS: Standard SLA performance* (as in scenario 1)</li> <li>After Dispense in Malta NMVS, this transaction is reciprocated in the UK and IE NMVS (via Hub) to mark pack as dispensed in the other multi-markets</li> </ol>
3	UK Pack (adapted locally for Malta by adding local license number): No Pack data for this pack in Malta system; post dispense Malta system will hold the Event data	MFR uploads master data for these packs as "Market = UK"	Hub routes the Pack Data (UIs) for these packs to the UK NMVS	<ul> <li>inter-market query:</li> <li>1) Pack is not recognised in Malta NMVS</li> <li>2) This triggers inter-market query** = Pack is dispensed in UK-NMVS via EU-Hub</li> <li>3) Dispense event is also recorded in Malta NMVS</li> </ul>

<sup>\*\*</sup> Out of market query performance: estimate maximum time 5 times standard SLA performance (national system > Hub > national system )

excluding Internet performance



<sup>\*</sup> Standard SLA performance: 99.0% transactions respond < 300ms

