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Registration, authorisation, and harmonisation of regulations:
Pharmaceutical industry perspective

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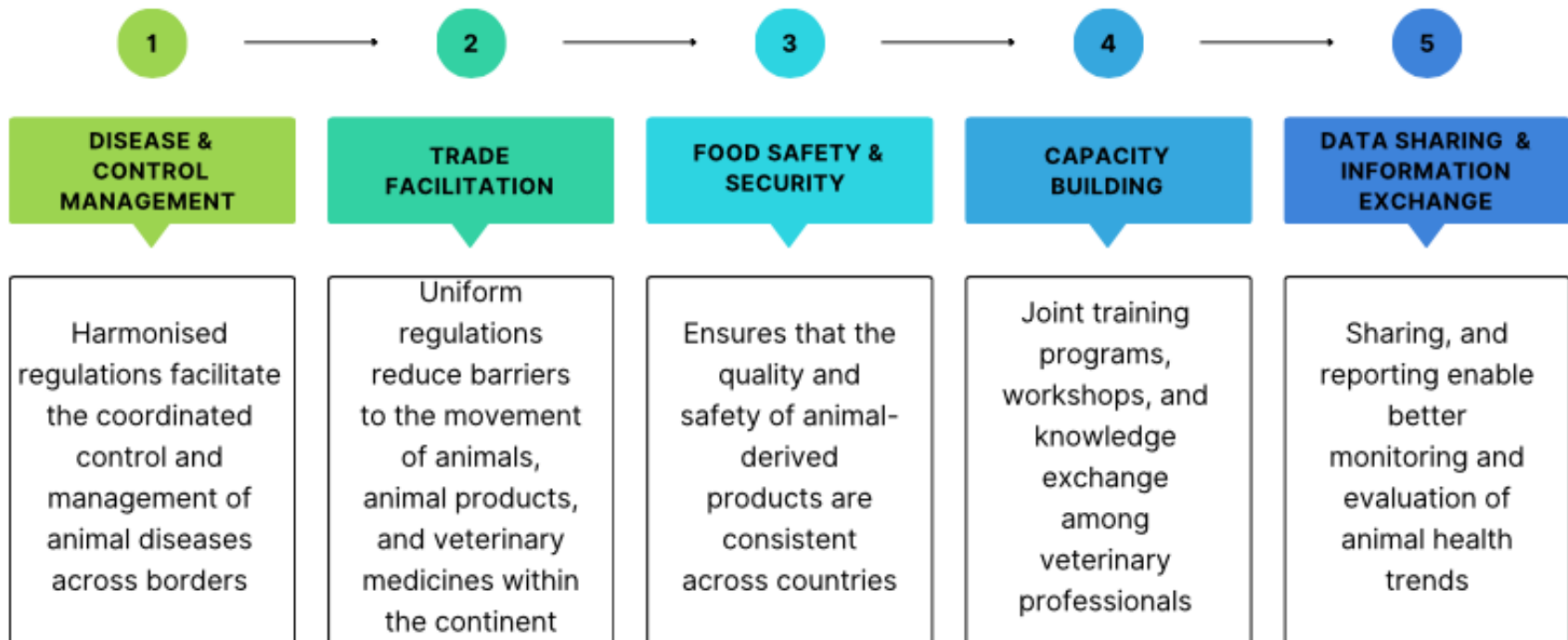
1. Registration and authorisation
2. Benefits of harmonisation
3. Challenges of harmonisation
4. What harmonisation means for industry

Registration: The registration process involves submitting **comprehensive data and documentation** about a veterinary pharmaceutical product to the **regulatory authority** of a particular country or region. This includes information on the product's **safety, efficacy, quality, manufacturing process, labelling**, and more. The regulatory authority assesses this data to ensure that the product meets the **required standards** and poses **minimal risks** to animal health, human health (if applicable), and the environment.

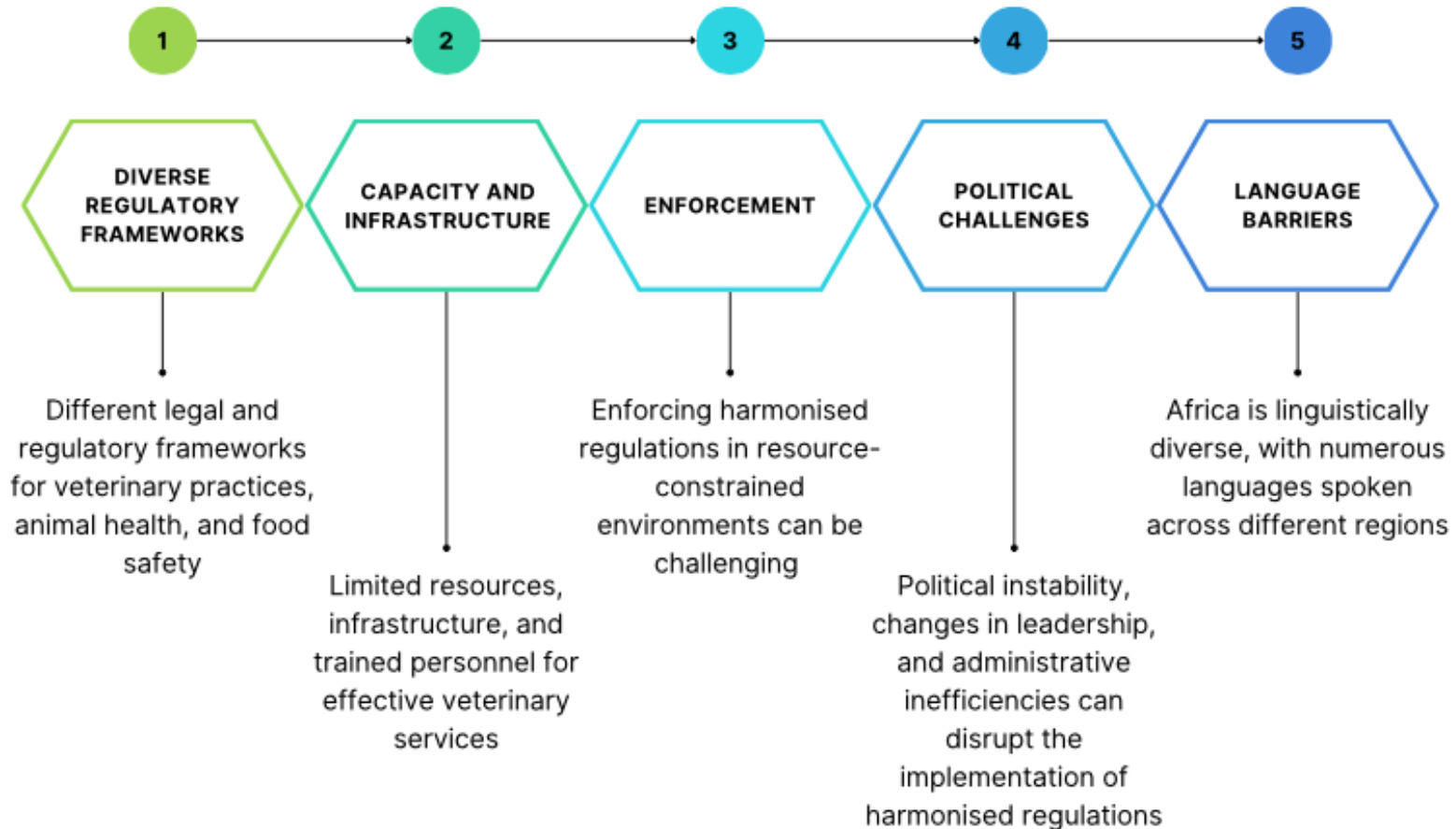
Authorisation: Once a veterinary pharmaceutical product **successfully passes** the regulatory assessment, it is **granted authorisation** to be marketed and sold within the jurisdiction. This authorisation might come in the form of a **marketing authorization, product license**, or similar document. It signifies that the product meets the necessary criteria and can be **legally distributed and used**.

Benefits of harmonisation

Harmonisation: The process of aligning regulations, standards, and requirements across different countries or regions



Challenges of harmonisation



- Harmonised guidelines and requirements
 - Harmonised and National submissions – simplification of regulatory overload
- Harmonised labels and claims
 - Resolves minimum order quantity issue
- Sensitisation/training on harmonised procedures
- Fixed timelines – improves predictability, reduce average time to market
- Return on investment
- One submission, multiple registrations
- One set of questions, consistent evaluation responses
- Joint GMP inspections
- Acceptance of other NRA's GMP inspections

- Capacity building
- Reduce the administrative burden for regulators and industry
- Enhanced compliance
- Fewer field efficacy trials → regional trials
- Harmonised post marketing activities - variations & renewal times harmonised & granted/approved at the same time and hence rapid re-introduction of VMP in the market



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