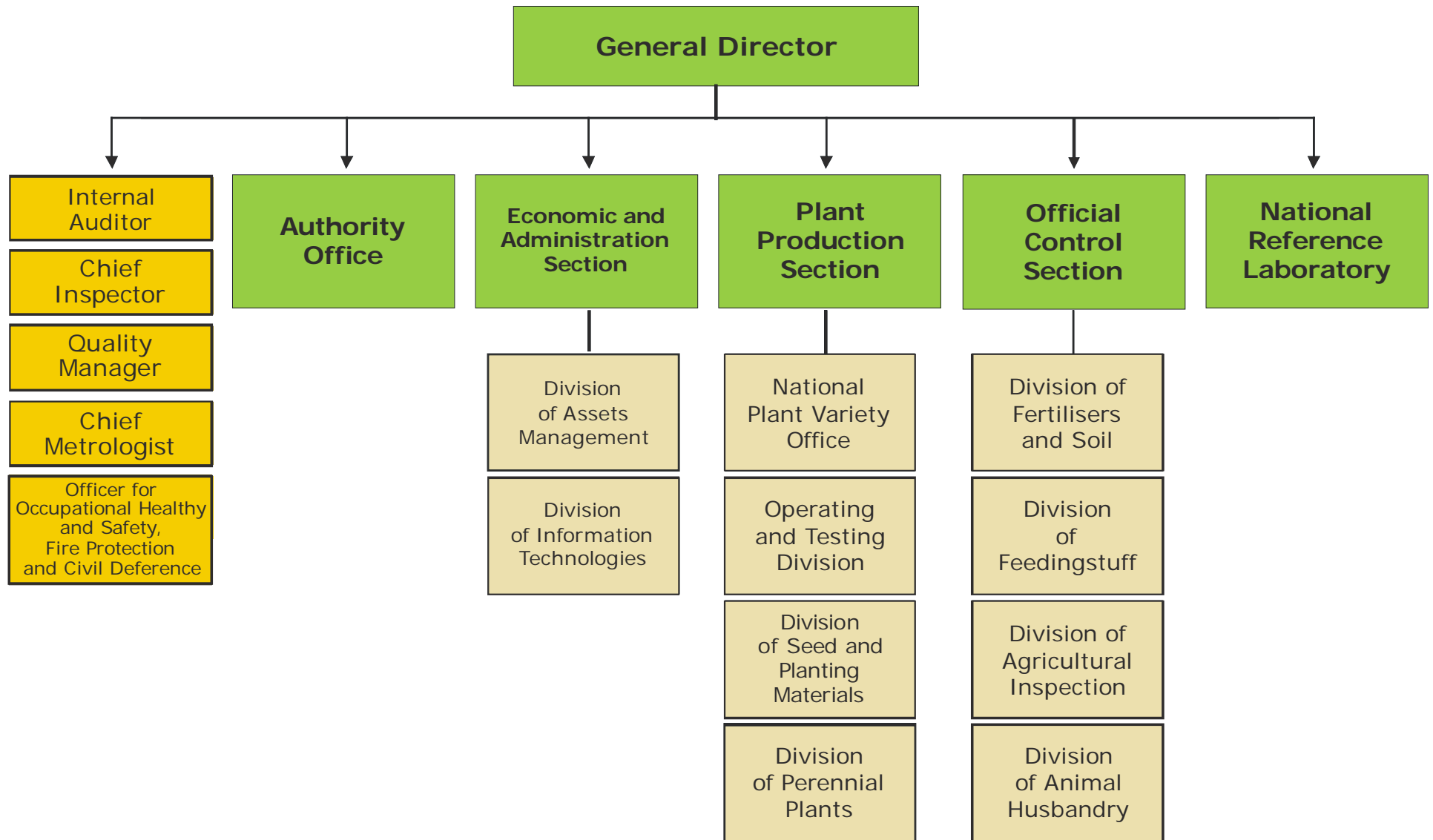




# ÚKZÚZ - Organization Chart



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## Competent authority in the Czech Republic is **ÚKZÚZ - Central Institute for Supervising and Testing in Agriculture, Brno**

- not for forest reproductive material

# History

- 1856 - first agriculture testing station in Moravia (manor house of Hugo Salm in Rajec)
- 1877 – Institute for examination of seed in Prague
- 1890 - breeding of barley started in Moravia
- 1899 - Moravian agriculture experimental station founded in Brno
- 1919 - Moravian research institute for plant production in Brno
- 1951 - Central institute for supervision and testing in agriculture (ÚKZÚZ)



## 1989 Velvet Revolution

- variety listing and seed certification open for everybody

## 1993 Dissolution of Czechoslovakia

- establishment of the complete body

## 2004 Accession to the EU

- less stringent requirements
- free movement of the variety and seed
- competent and competitive authorities of EU
- CZ recommended list of varieties





# Current distribution of work

- National listing
  - VCU testing - 10% under official supervision (up to 80 %, depends on crops)
  - DUS testing – bilateral agreements (AT, DK, HU, PL, SK)
- Seed certification
  - 40 % under official supervision.
- Recommended list of varieties
  - 40 % trials under official supervision (up to 80 %, depends on crops)

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# Future needs

- **Better harmonization**
  - of **work** - comparative trials,
  - of **requirements** (coexistence – GMO, VCU),
  - of **definitions** (in CZ one seed act and troubles with explanations of common terms from different EC legislation).
- Prompt **conformity** with international standards and guidelines (OECD, ISTA, UNECEF...).
- Exchange **information systems** between authorities, incl. EC.

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# Future needs

- Distinguish between **target of legislation**
  - Seed certification – user of the variety (evaluation 17 % of answers).
  - PBR – author of the variety.
- Take into account **regional principles**
  - E.g. centralized testing of DUS – but:
    - slight differences in description of variety,
    - for certification we need to keep DUS knowledge and set of varieties.
  - VCU is based on regions.
- Keep genetic **diversity on field**
  - System must be open for smaller players (not overpriced, not V.I.P. club).

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# Conclusion

- We agree with principles of current seed legislation, however we support a lot of changes proposed in evaluation outcomes.
- We believe, that upgrade of seed legislation is possible task, not Sisyphus hill.
- We need permanent and live contact with stakeholders – we are only insurance policy between seed and plant.
- Thanks for hard evaluation work.

