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Practical Arrangements

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Practical Arrangements to be adopted	MSs	EC	MB
Access to documents (Reg. 178/2002, Art. 41)			X
Transparency and confidentiality (Reg. 178/2002, Art. 38 and 39)		X	
Consistency of MS confidentiality assessments (Reg. 1107/2009, Art. 7 and 16)	X		
Consultation of third parties (Reg. 178/2002, Art. 32c)			
Notification of studies (Reg. 178/2002, Art. 32b)			
Pre-submission advice (Reg. 178/2002, Art. 32a)			

- Practical Arrangements on access to documents

Regulation (EU) 2019/1381

September 2019:
publication in OJEU

27 March 2020:
deadline for adoption
of PA on PAD & Aarhus

27 March 2021:
application

Practical arrangements on PAD & Aarhus

Draft

EC consultation
& consolidation

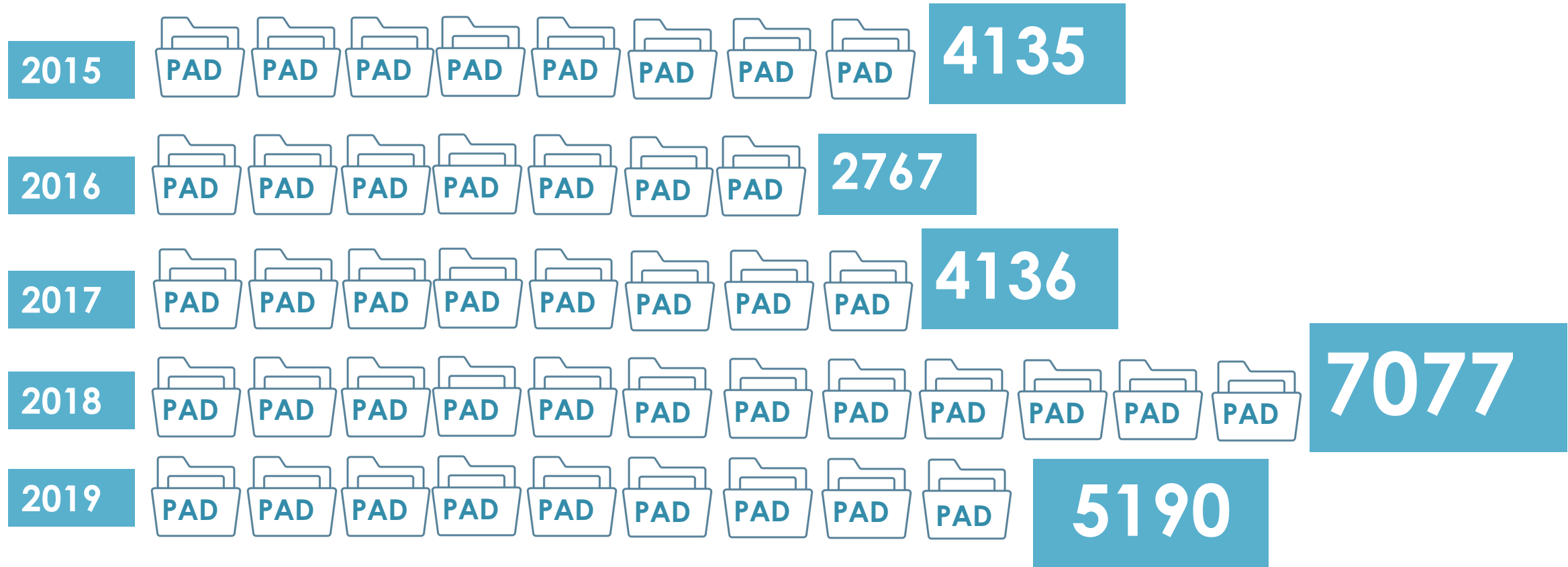
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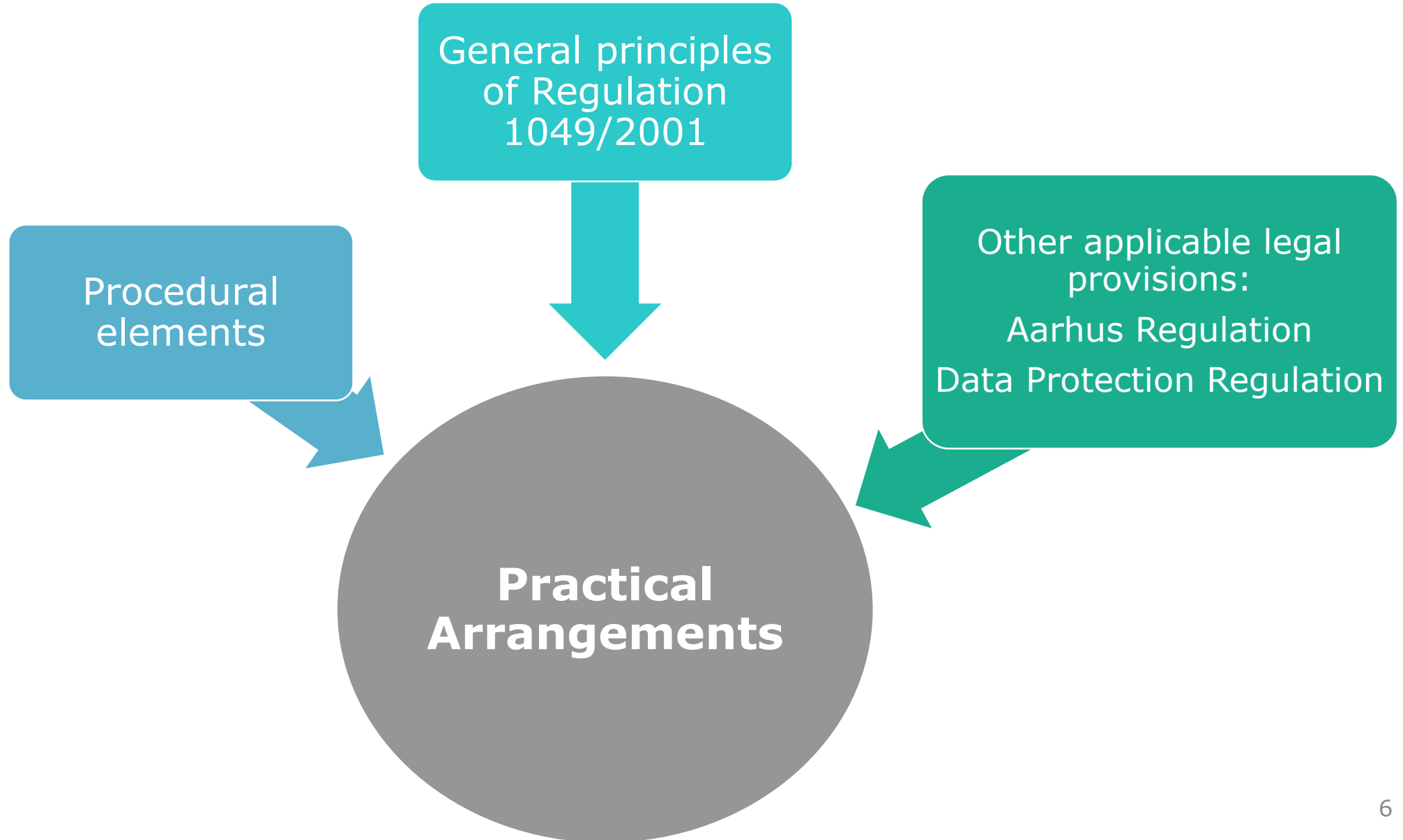
- June - October
• 2019

- November –
December 2019

18-19 March
2020

PA on access to documents





Future impact of access to documents?

Proactive

Reactive

Automation of the PAD process

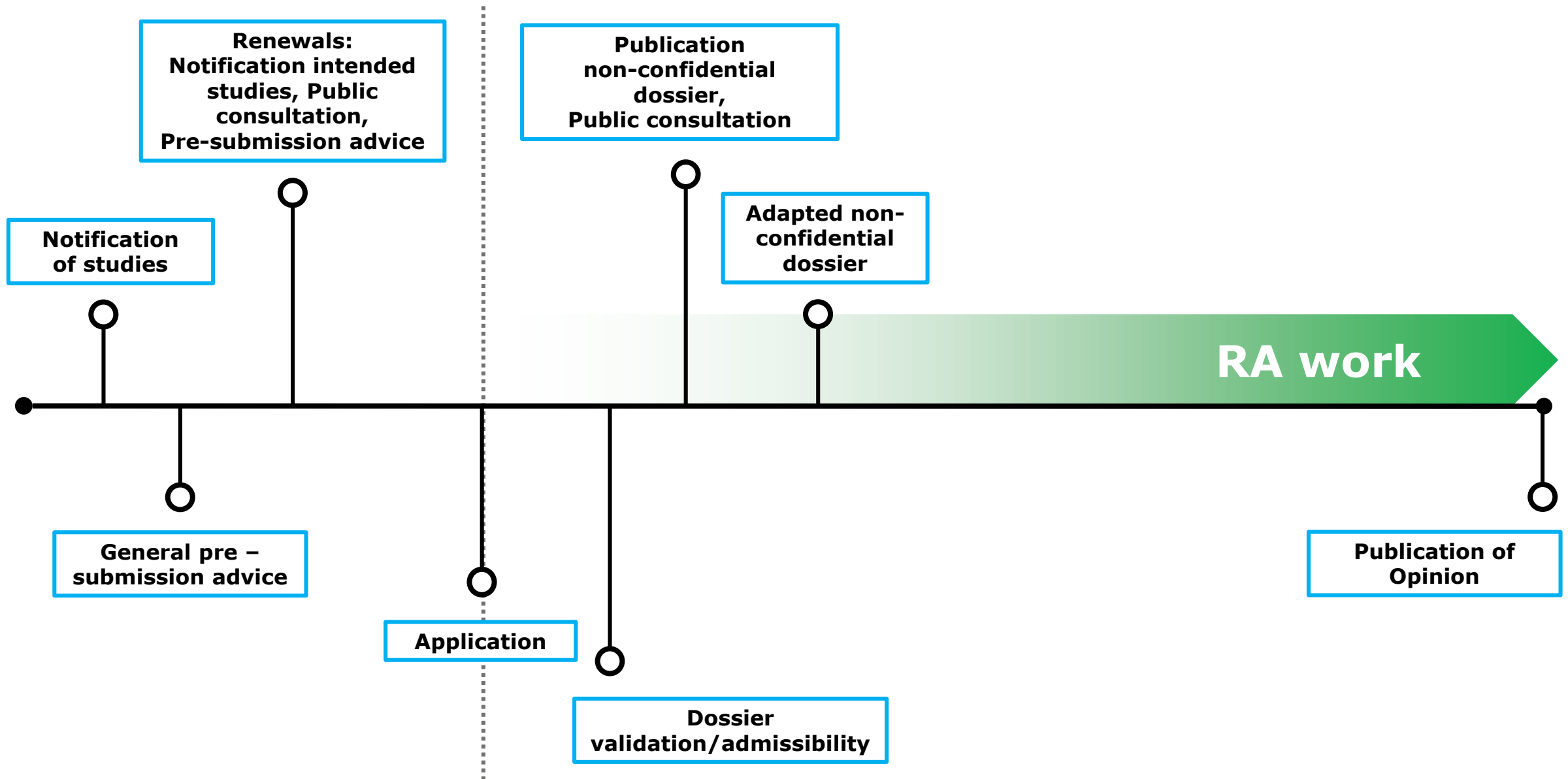
Guidance for the public

Practical Arrangements on Transparency and Confidentiality

Q and A

Practical Arrangements implementing Art. 32a, 32b and 32c of Transparency Regulation

Transparency and Quality of studies



Definitions

- Study
- Starting date of a study
- Planned completion date of a study

Joint pre-submission activities

- How to enable pre-submission activities to be carried out jointly by groups of business operators/potential applicants

Link

- How to link pre-submission activities to the submission phase to ensure traceability and enforcement

3. General pre-submission advice (Art. 32a)

Scope

- = Art 32a(1)
⑩ rules applicable to, and the content required for, an application

✓ Procedure

- Requests
- Modalities and timeline for the provision of GPSA by EFSA

Specific

- Pesticides: need to coordinate EFSA and intended/established RMS in the provision of GPSA

4. Intended renewals (Art. 32c(1))

Intended studies

- Notification requirements
- How to submit required intended studies information
- Recommended timeline

Public consultation

- Procedure
- Timeline
- Analysis of comments

Renewal PSA

- Scope = 32c(1) → content of the intended renewal application + design of intended studies
- Modalities and timeline for the provision of RPSA by EFSA

5. Notification of studies (Art. 32b)

Database

- User Guide

Obligations

- Only applicable to studies commissioned/carried out after 27/3/2021
- Notification requirements
- How to submit study notifications
- Timeline

Procedural consequences

- Requirements for application submission
- Procedure for assessing compliance and justifications
- Publication of valid justifications in the event of legitimate procedural deviations

PC on submitted applications

- Procedure
- Timeline
- Analysis of comments

Practical Arrangements on confidentiality decision making for plant protection product

New Active Substances

- Specific PAs harmonising confidentiality decision making by Rapporteur Member States

Renewals

- Applicability of PAs on Article 39d(5)

Assessment of confidentiality requests

- Responsibility of Rapporteur Member State
- Substantive screening criteria as per the main PAs
- EFSA's consultation mandatory and not binding
- EFSA's advice delivered with regard to compliance with these PAs

Minimum standards

- Written decision
- Case by case decision
- Non-disclosure pending decision
- Reasoned decision
- Right to be heard
- Notification of the decision
- Judicial review available
- Review of initial decision in case of safety concerns