



# Article 95, practical insights into a game-changing requirement

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# Outline



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# Article 95: Aim and principles

## Purpose: Recitals 8 & 58 of the BPR

“To ensure the **equal treatment of persons placing active substances on the market**”

“A **level playing field** [...] on the market for existing active substances”

- “reducing unnecessary tests and costs to the minimum”
- “avoiding the establishment of monopolies”
- “sustaining free competition between economic operators”
- “equitable compensation of the costs borne by data owners”




## Results: Article 95(2) of the BPR

“As of **1 September 2015**, a biocidal product consisting of, containing or generating a **relevant substance**, included in the list referred to in paragraph 1, shall not be made available on the market unless **either the substance supplier or the product supplier** is included in the list referred to in paragraph 1 for the product-type(s) to which the product belongs”



# Article 95 listing

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Active Substance Manufacturer or Importer	Biocidal Product Manufacturer or Importer	Article 95 compliance
+	-	
-	+	
-	-	



# Routes to Article 95 listing

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Review Programme  
Participants



Automatically  
included

Alternative suppliers

- ✓ Build full Annex II dossier with own data
- ✓ Build part of Annex II dossier + buy LoA to a selection of studies
- ✓ Buy access to complete dossier in review programme



# Mandatory data sharing

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“For the purposes of making a submission in accordance with the second subparagraph of paragraph 1 of this article, Article 63(3) of this Regulation shall apply to *all toxicological, ecotoxicological and environmental fate and behaviour studies* relating to substances listed in Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1451/2007, including any such studies not involving tests on vertebrates”



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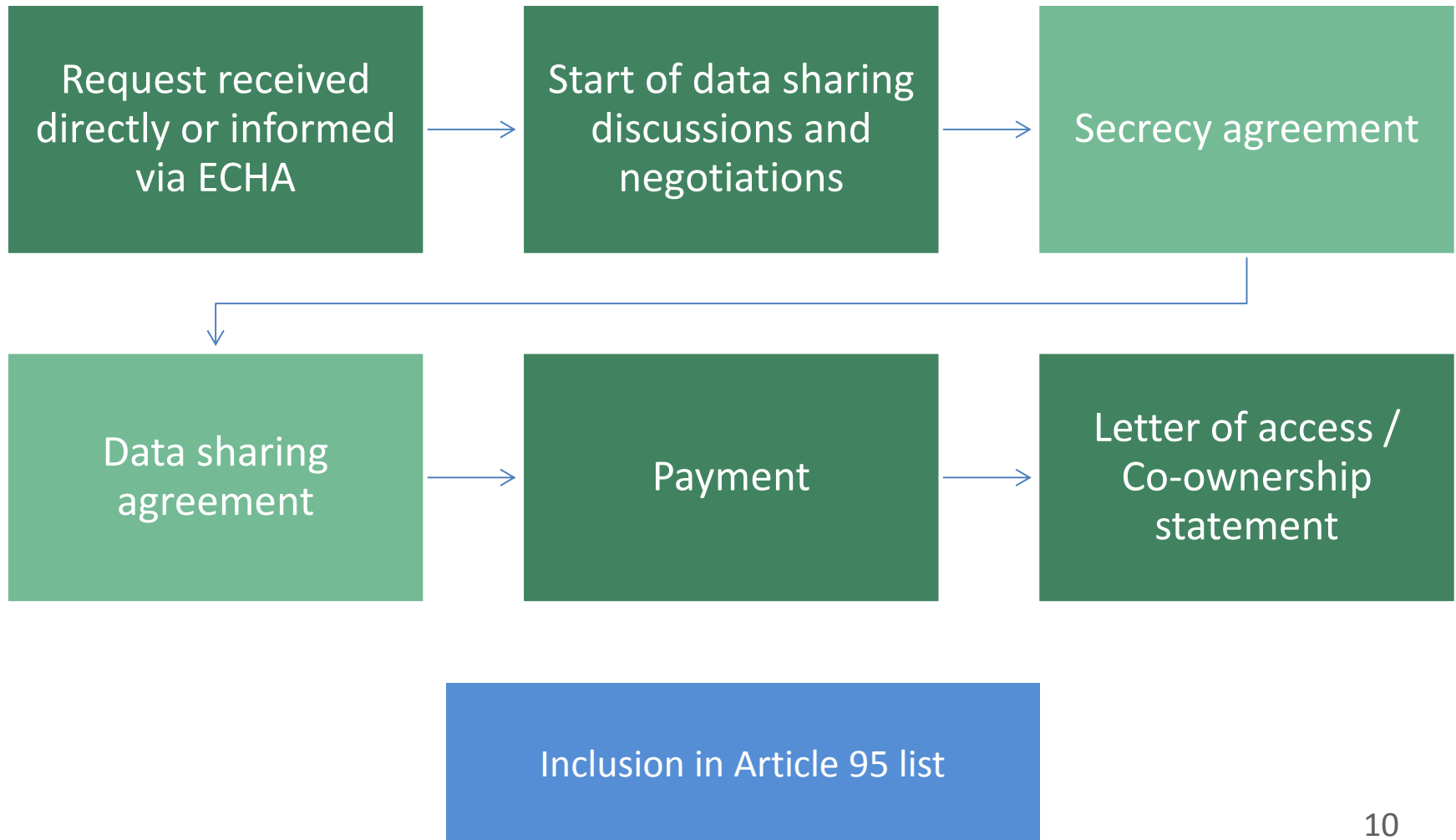


# Preparing for data sharing requests

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- Is a data sharing request likely?
- Which data?
  - Physical hard copies of the studies/tests or study summaries
  - Selection of studies
  - Data subject to mandatory data sharing?
  - Full dossier?
- Which extent?
  - BPR purposes (Article 95 and beyond)?
  - Right to refer?
  - Ownership rights?

# Preparing the procedure for answering data sharing requests



# Letters of access for Article 95 inclusion



[Letterhead of entity granting the Letter of Access]

European Chemicals Agency  
Annankatu 18  
P.O. Box 400  
00121 Helsinki  
Finland

[Date]

Dear Sir or Madam,

**LETTER OF ACCESS FOR THE PURPOSES OF ARTICLE 95(1) OF REGULATION (EU) No 528/2012**

[Name of the Article 95 applicant] wishes to apply for inclusion as [indicate role: substance supplier and/ or product supplier] for the relevant substance [add name of relevant substance] in product-type [add product-type number(s)] in accordance with Article 95(1) of the Biocidal Products Regulation (EU) No 528/2012.

On behalf of [name of entity which has the right to grant the LoA], I hereby authorise ECHA to use [all the data in the complete substance dossier/the studies listed in the Appendix which are contained in the complete substance dossier] (delete as appropriate) for the above-mentioned relevant substance/product-type submitted by [name of the entity supporting the approval of the active substance/PT, normally the same entity granting the LoA] and accepted by the Competent Authority<sup>26</sup> in [name of Member State whose CA evaluated the dossier] in support of the application of [name of the Article 95 applicant].

I hereby declare that [name of the entity granting the LoA] has the right to grant the above-mentioned access.

This letter of access shall be effective as of [insert date].

Yours faithfully,

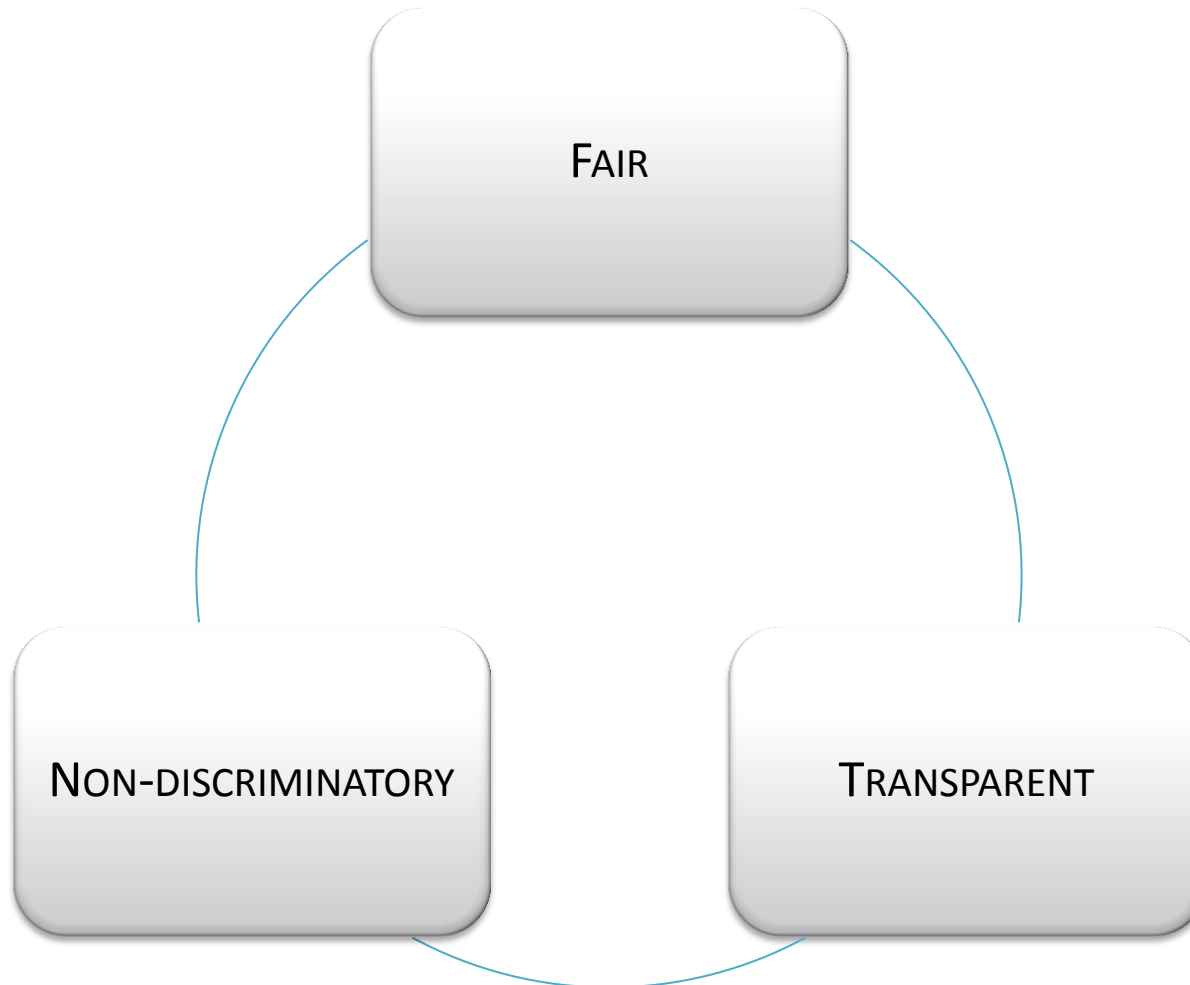
[name and signature of person authorised to sign on behalf of entity granting the LoA]

Grantor: [insert]	Beneficiary Company: [insert]
Contact person:[insert]	Contact Person:[insert]
Address: [insert]	Address:[insert]
Phone/email:[insert]	Phone/email:[insert]

- ✓ Name and contact of data owner and beneficiary
- ✓ Name of active/PT
- ✓ Date
- ✓ Access rights and scope
- ✓ Sub-licencing rights?

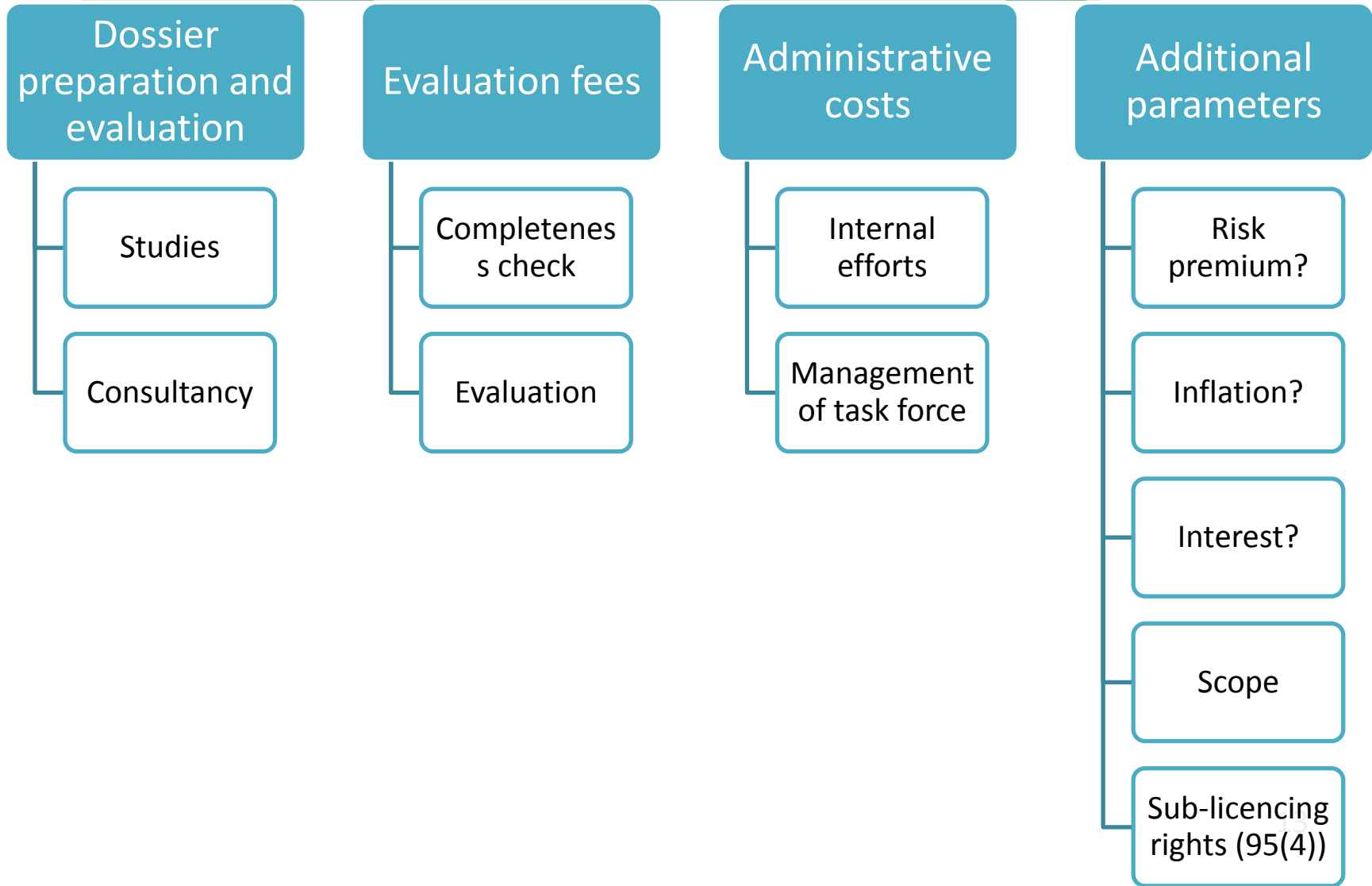
# Preparation phase: the cost sharing calculation

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# Cost sharing elements





# Cost sharing considerations

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- ✓ Consider various scenarios:
  - Costs for a selection of studies or selection of product-types
  - Costs for mandatory data sharing
  - Costs for sharing full active substance dossier
  
- ✓ How to handle access granted to several parties?
  - Adjustment in final costs for potential future parties
  - Put in place a refunding scheme
  
- ✓ How to include future costs generated to obtain final approval of the active substance?



# Negotiations and “every effort”

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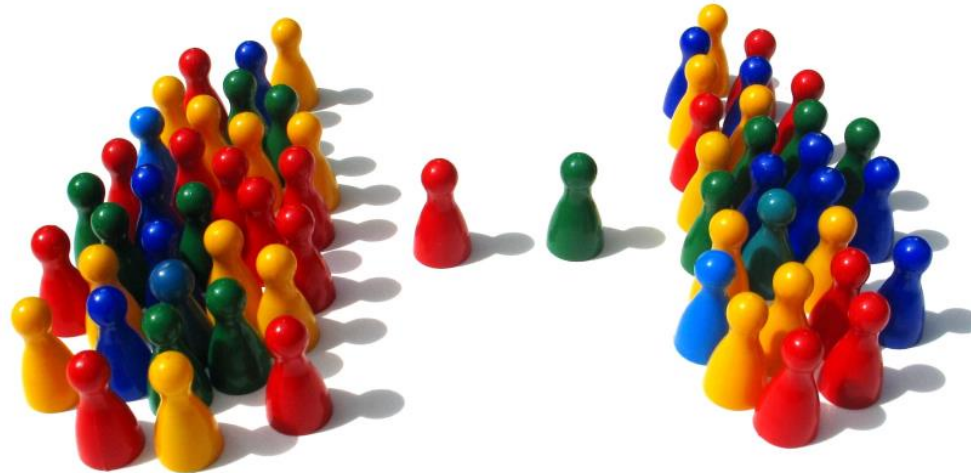


# A few observations on negotiations

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BE PATIENT

ADAPT



EXPLAIN & UNDERSTAND





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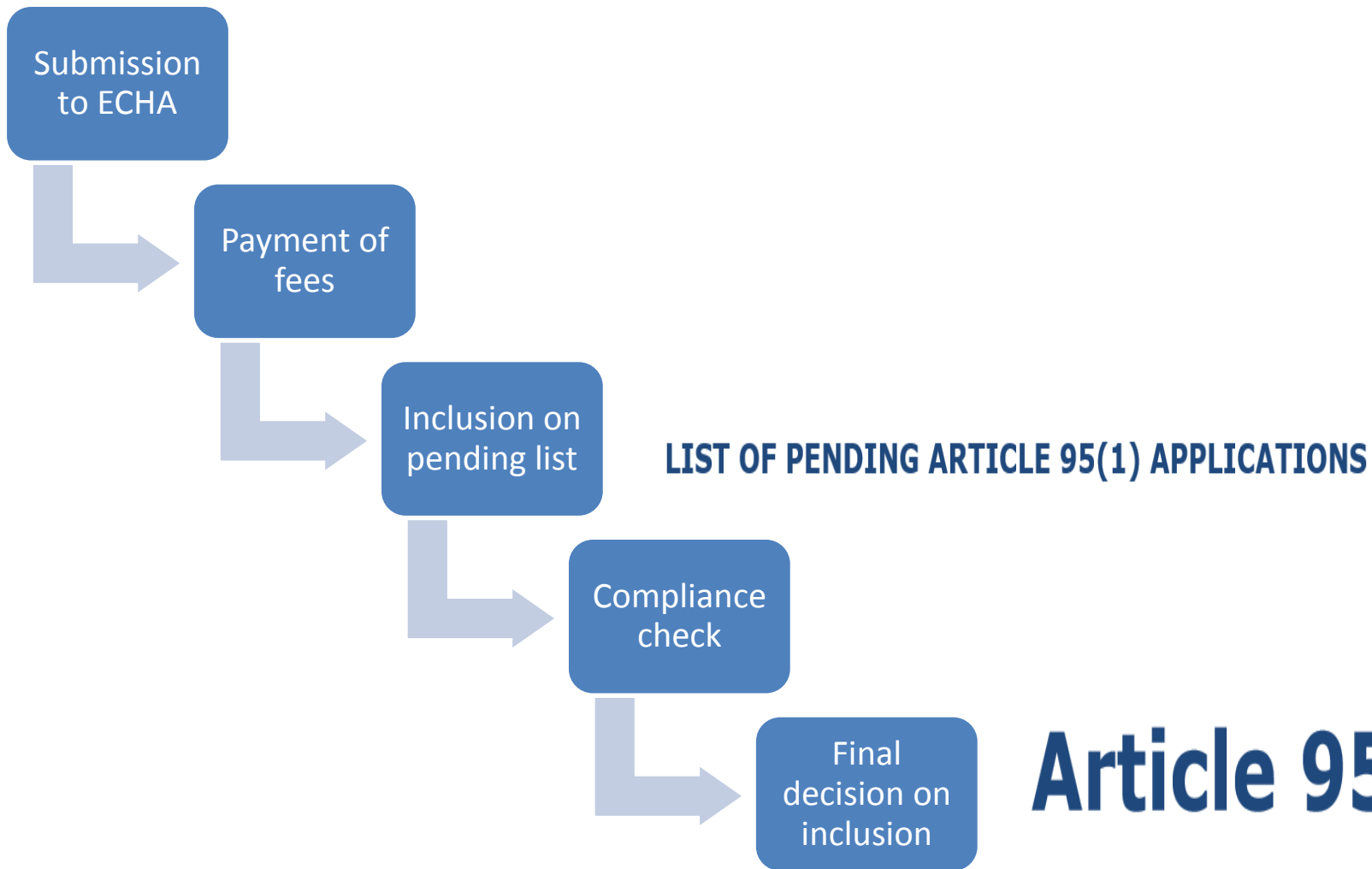
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# Application to ECHA for inclusion on Article 95 list





# Enforcement of Article 95

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*“Regarding the overall compliance, enforcement authorities have furthermore some margin of discretion to ensure compliance (...). In case of non-compliance, enforcement authorities could issue **a warning and require a proof of compliance to be provided within the next 6 months.**”*

Note for discussion with Competent Authorities for Biocidal Products (CA-May15-Doc.4.13-Final)



## Beyond Article 95...

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### PRODUCT AUTHORISATION

Dossier and  
data  
requirements

Technical  
equivalence



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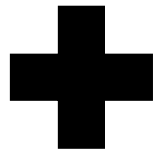
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## Strong principles with loose ends

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Justified purpose of a level playing field and sharing costs between actors on the market



The devil is in the details:

- Multiple facets of negotiations
- Helpful guidance but case-by-case specific



How will enforcement be carried out?

To which extent will alternative dossiers be reviewed?

# Thank you for your attention



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