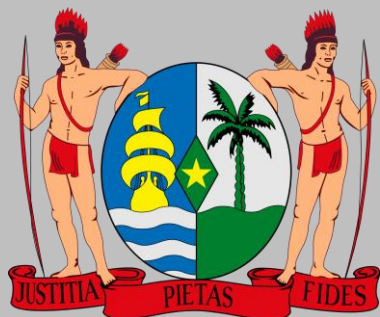




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Development and Implementation of the National Institute for Food Safety Suriname – NIVS

17 January 2023

*Stakeholder Engagement Meeting
Paramaribo, Suriname*

Ms. Juliette Colli, Chief Executive Officer, NIVS

*Reviewing the Conditions of Creation and
Deployment of the National Institute for
Food Safety Suriname (NIVS)*

Opportunities and Challenges



State of the Food Control System...Opportunity

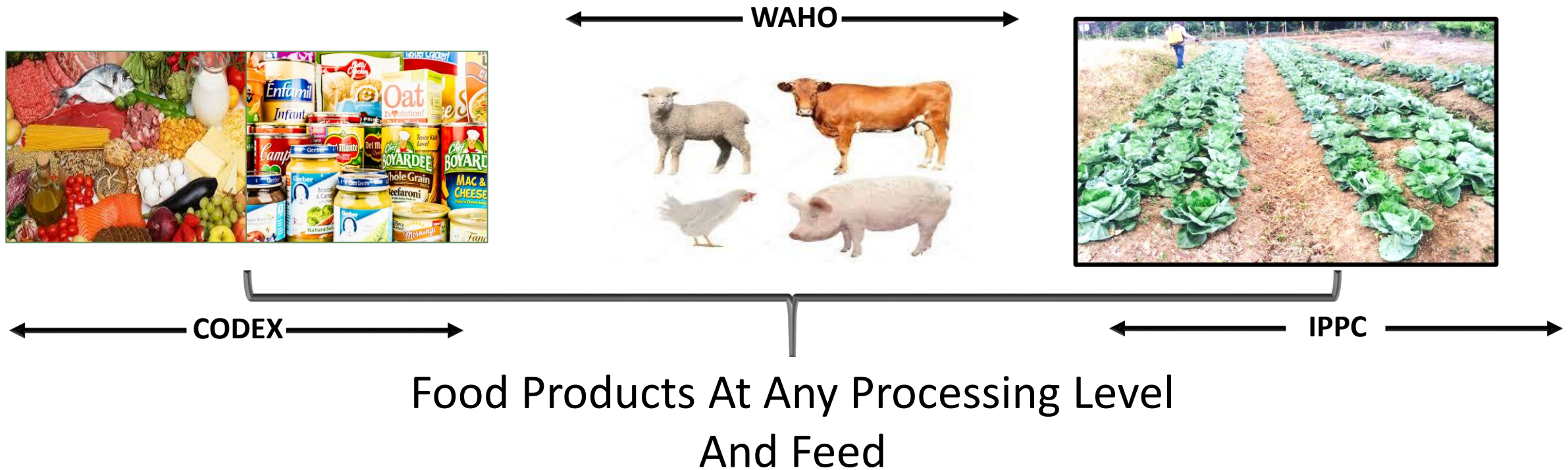
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- ❑ Suriname is facing challenges imposed by product rejections in foreign markets.
- ❑ Producers are looking for more guidance and effective services to support them in consistently offering safe and quality products
- ❑ The Performance of the Food Control System and the Food Regulator Offer the Needed Assurance to Domestic and International Markets: Promotes Trust.
- ❑ Suriname has a Successful Experience to Integrate Food Regulatory Functions in a Given Sector: Fisheries – Creation of the **Fisheries Inspection Institute (VKI)** Offering an Excellent Model of Public – Private Collaboration



Creation of a Single Food Regulator: NIVS

Map Mandate of the NIVS and Division of Responsibilities Against Mandate of the FAO / WHO Codex Alimentarius Commission (CODEX): International Standard Setting Body



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- ❑ Remove Duplication of Oversight Effort and Burden
 - No longer having the same products overseen by different regulators at different times in their life cycle – e.g., Raw and Processed
- ❑ Enable from Streamlined Resources
 - Aligning functions – Supports Economy of Scale
- ❑ Pursue Continued Collaboration with other SPS Regulators:
 - Animal Health
 - Plant Health



Public Health Mandate

Disease Surveillance
E.g. Salmonellosis
Prioritization
Prevention
Treatment



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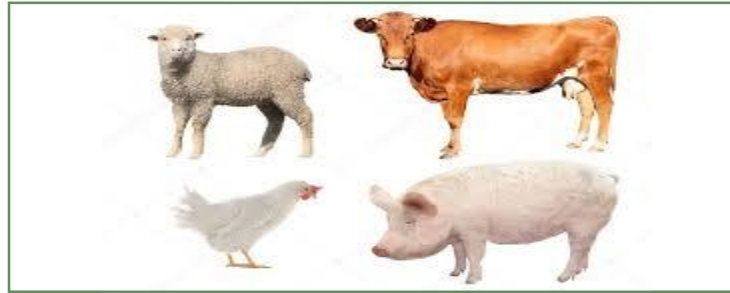


Raw Meat, Vegetables, Milk and Processed Food

Oversight on Food Products and Feed

← **CODEX** →

NIVS OVERSIGHT



Zoonoses Surveillance / Disease Prevention Management

Management of Resource
Oversight on Animal Health

← **WAHO** →

LVV OVERSIGHT



Surveillance / Prevention Management

Management of Resource
Oversight on Plant Health

← **IPPC** →

LVV OVERSIGHT



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Aiming to Build a Robust Food Regulatory Structure ⁷

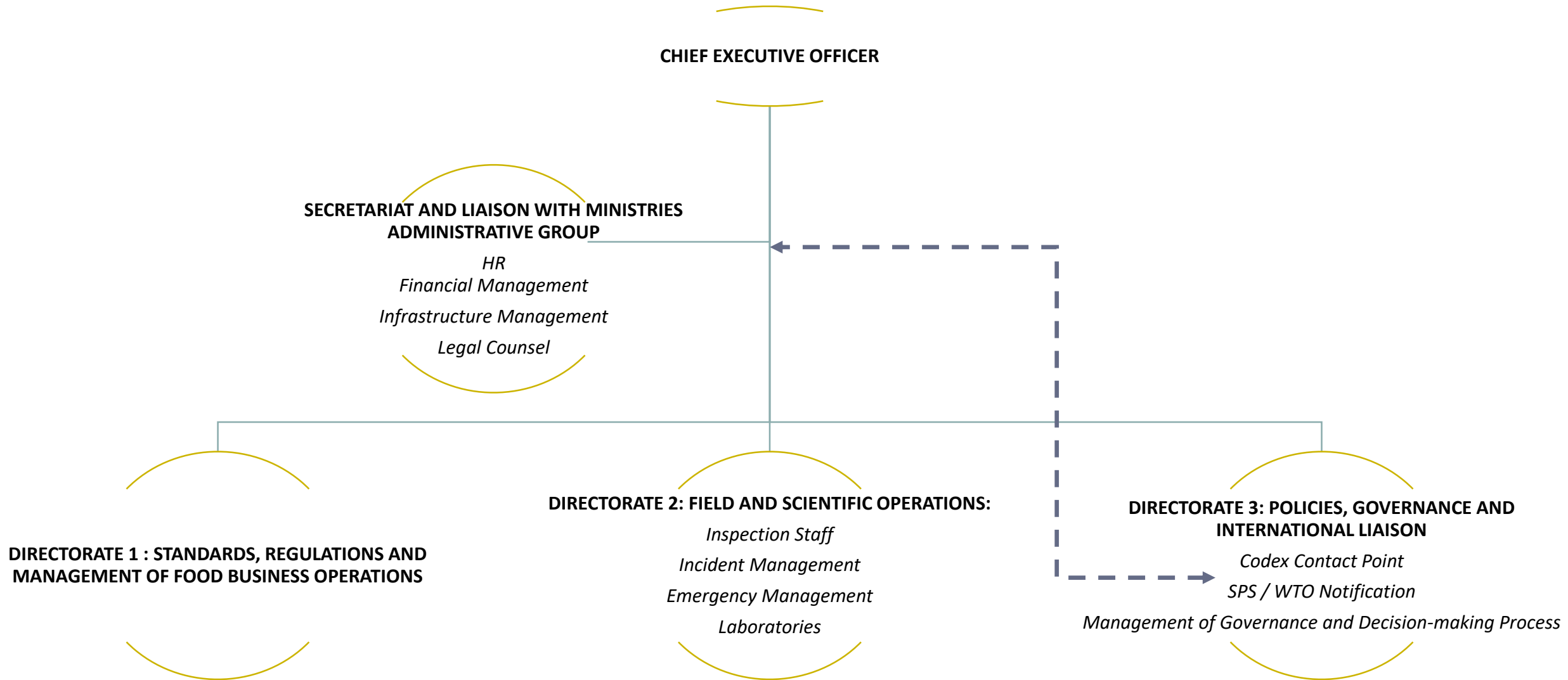


Het reguleren en bevorderen van de veiligheid, kwaliteit en duurzaamheid van levensmiddelen en agrovoedingsproducten - geproduceerd, geïmporteerd en geëxporteerd uit Suriname - ter bescherming van de gezondheid van de consument en ter bevordering van eerlijke praktijken in de levensmiddelenhandel.

To regulate and promote the safety, quality and sustainability of food and agrifood products – produced, imported into and exported from Suriname – protecting the health of consumers and enabling fair practices in the food trade.

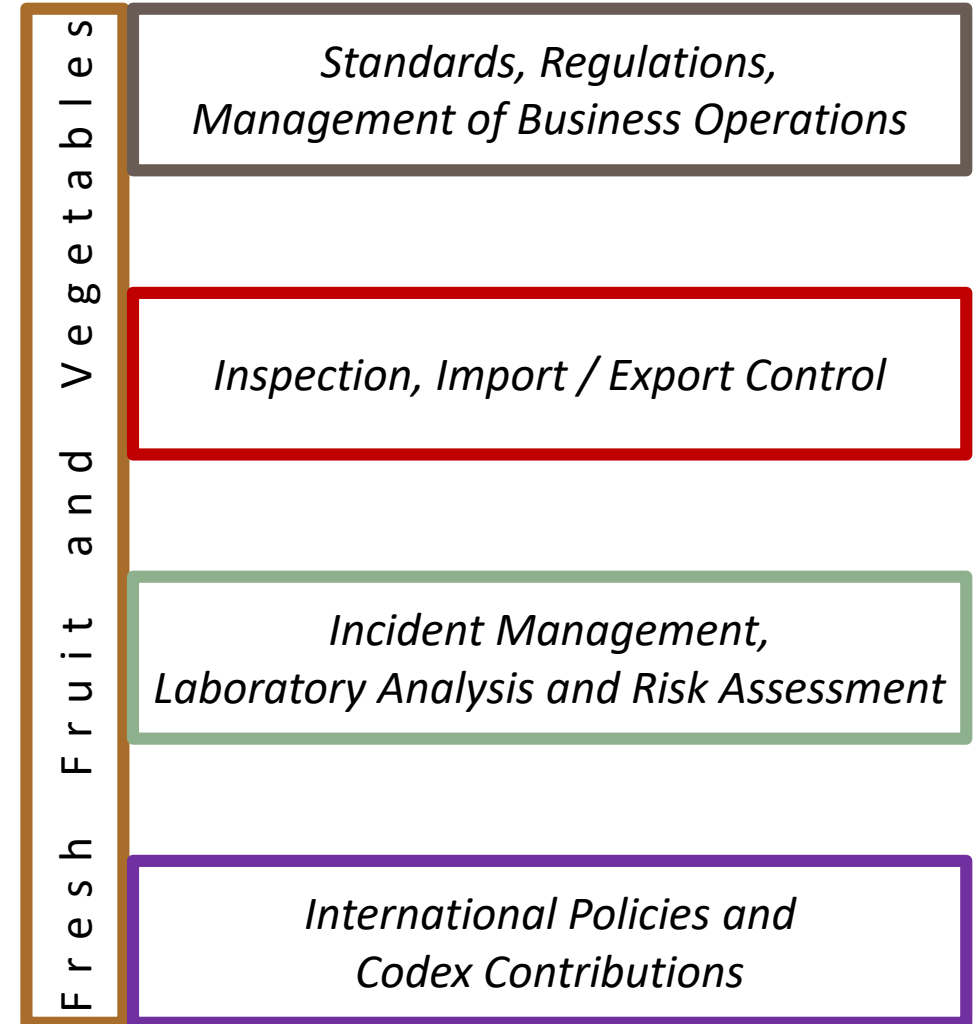


Aiming for a Streamlined Structure



Proposed Implementation for Some Sectors

- ❑ Incremental approach of development and implementation.
- ❑ Proposed resources to be attained within 5 years of operation.
- ❑ Possible implementation based on step-wise investments through enhancement of oversight on certain production sectors



Suriname is Full of Potential

- *A thriving food / Agri-food production sector with a high Potential*
- *Crucial Need for Added Processing Capacity*
- *High Potential for Export and to contribute to addressing food security challenges*
- *Food regulatory environment amenable to harmonization with CARICOM partners*



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