

# III seminar on GI and collective trademarks Belo Horizonte August 9 to 11, 2018

# Control and traceability



#### GI in Europe



#### Guarantee of origin



Quality or characteristics are due to a particular geographical environment with its inherent natural and human factors

Every production step takes place in the geographical area Given quality, reputation or other characteristic is essentially attributable to its geographical origin

At least one production step takes place in the geographical area



# Importance of official controls

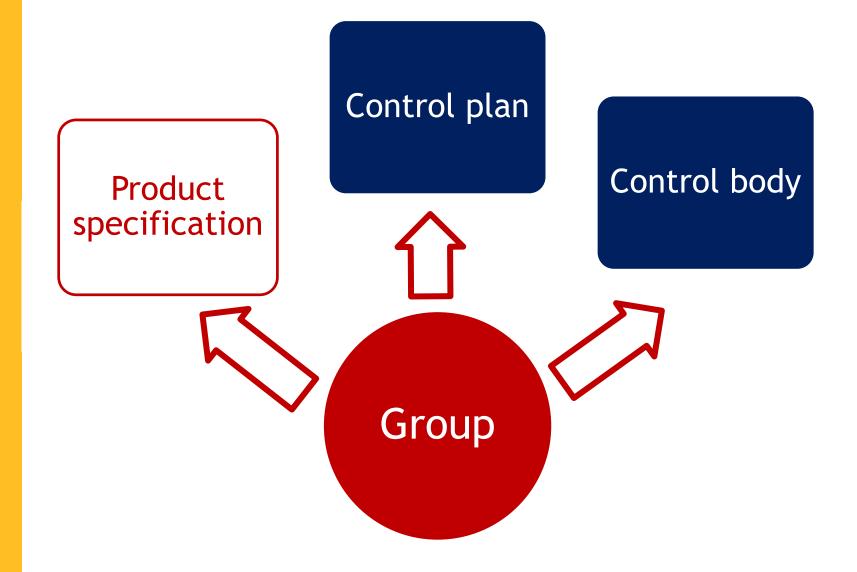
State guarantee

Consumers trust

Producers' protection



## For each PDO/PGI, there are





## Product specification

Defining common and shared production rules

- Name of the product
- Description of the product
- Definition of the geographical area
- Traceability
- Description of the method of obtaining the product
- Link between the product and its geographical origin
- Labelling
- Major control points and control method



## Control plan

#### Organization and distribution of control tasks

- Internal controls
- External control

#### Producers to control

- Application for approval
- Producer's approval

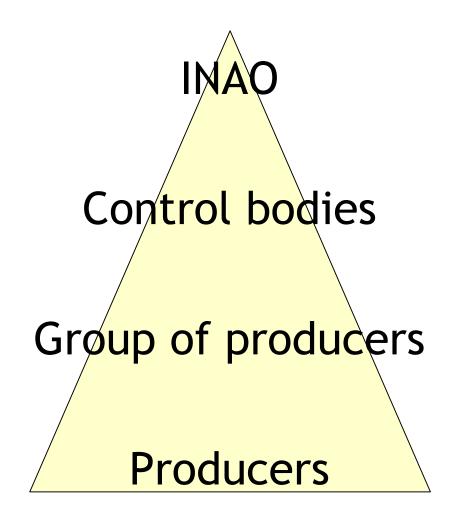
#### Performing controls tasks

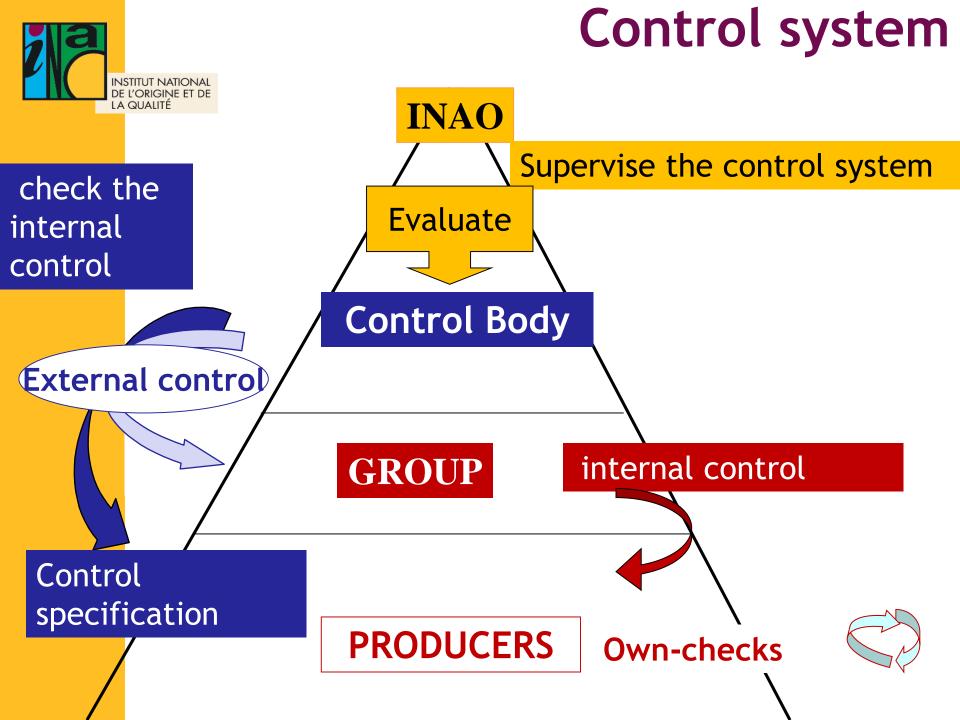
- Method
- Frequency

Sanctions to be applied in case of non-compliance



### Actors of the control system







#### **Producers**

Preliminary steps before using a GI

- 1- producers' application,
- 2- control of the producer's capacity to meet the requirements of the product specification,
  - 3- Registration of the producer
- Entry in the list of producers to control



# Control of the production

# Verification of compliance with the product specification

Random checks on the basis of a risk analysis or sampling.

Annual control frequencies settled in the control plan expressed in a minimal percentage of producers or area.

Control methods: on the spot /documentary check /analysis



### Control of the product

# Verification of compliance with the product characteristics

According to the characteristics outlined in the product specification

- ✓ Analytical testing
- ✓ Organoleptic testing realised by a panel



## Non compliances matrix —

Warning

Added controls

Withdrawal of the GI on one or several batch

Suspension or Withdrawal of the producer's approval



#### **Control Aims**

#### To ensure:

- Geographical origin
- Compliance with the product specification:
   authentic and unvarying local methods
- A given quality or characteristics
- Enhance the credibility of the product in the consumers'eyes
- > Secure a fair return for producers



#### For consumers







> an authentic product

a given quality (characteristics)



#### For producers

- A protection against unfair competition
- A protection against misuse end imitation
- producers rewarded fairly for their effort



#### Further informations

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