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# **Surveillance of sales and use of Plant Protection Products**

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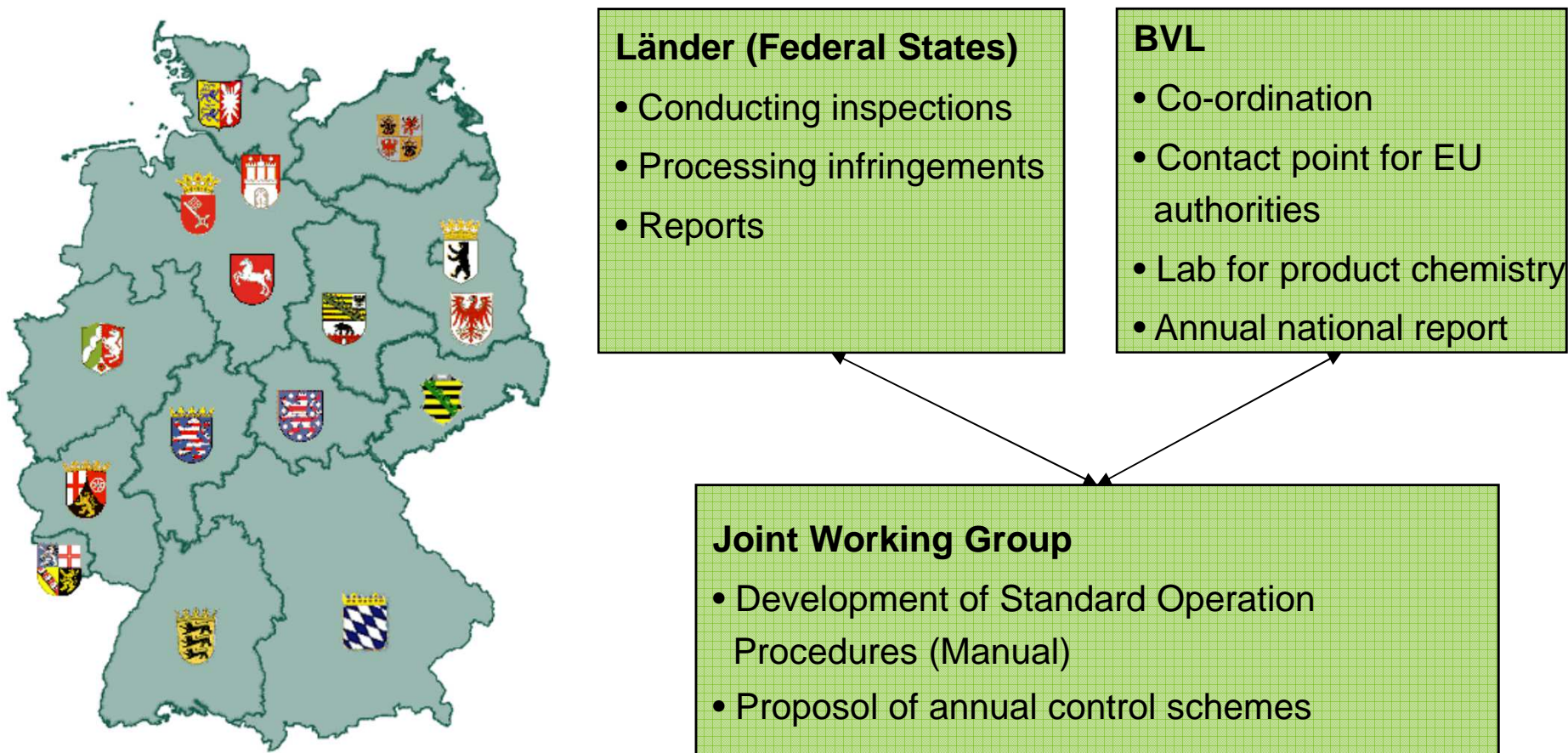
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## Legal Basis

- **EU legislation**
  - Requires monitoring, reporting and information exchange in Member States
- **German legislation**
  - Establishes duties and responsibilities

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## Sales and Use Surveillance – Organisation



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## Sales Surveillance

- **Focus of inspections**
  - Registration of traders
  - Qualification of sales personnel
  - Trade of authorised products
  - Identity of the products
  - Labelling
  - Disposal of outdated PPP
  - Import controls (harbour, airport) in co-operation with customs authorities



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## Use Surveillance

- **Focus of inspections**
  - Use of authorised products
  - Compliance with use restrictions  
(e.g. non-spray zones to surface water)
  - Qualification of the user
  - Use of appropriate machinery
  - Disposal of outdated products
  - Documentation of uses  
(record keeping)





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## Composition of Plant Protection Products

- **Is the composition of a Plant Protection Product according to the authorisation?**
  - active substance
  - amount of active substance
  - amount of relevant impurities
  - physical, chemical or technical properties



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## Number of annual inspections conducted by the Plant Protection Services

- ~ **2.400 inspections of 12,290 registered retailers and wholesalers (20 %)**
- ~ **5.000 inspections of 293.900 farms (1.7 %)**
- ~ **200 samples of Plant Protection Products are sent to the BVL for analysis (systematic samples)**
- + X analysis of samples because of a suspicion (phytotoxicity, indication of illegal trade...)**

## Further Information

Control methods and annual reports on sales and use surveillance:  
[www.bvl.bund.de/psmkontrollprogramm](http://www.bvl.bund.de/psmkontrollprogramm) (in German)

Annual reports on examination of Plant Protection Product samples:  
[www.bvl.bund.de](http://www.bvl.bund.de) > Plant Protection products > Product Chemistry

