



# How Indian industry can prepare for REACH

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# Glossary

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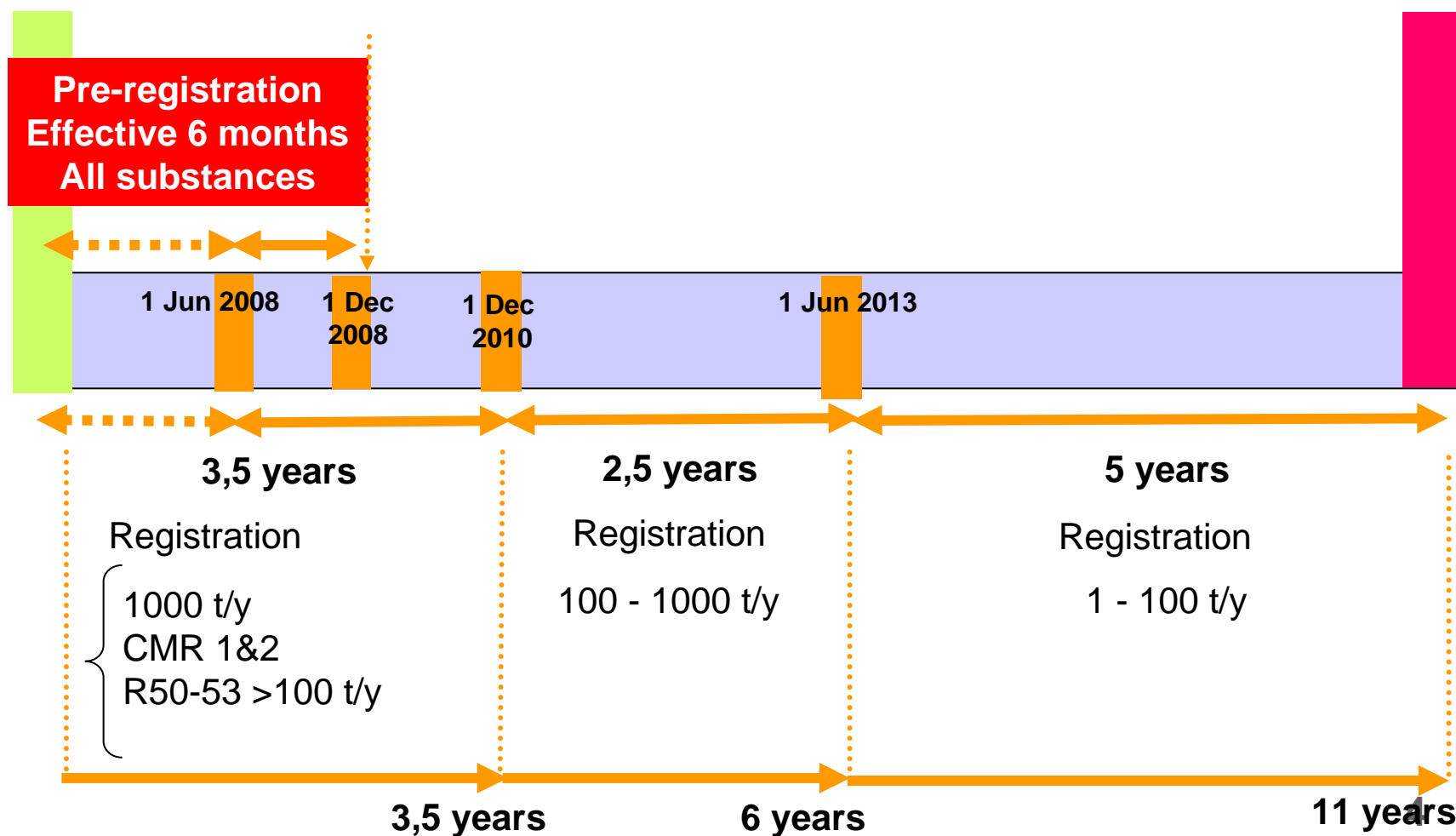
<b>CBI</b>	<b>Confidential Business Information</b>	<b>Imp</b>	<b>Importer</b>
<b>CSA</b>	<b>Chemical Safety Assessment</b>	<b>LE</b>	<b>Legal Entity</b>
<b>CSR</b>	<b>Chemical Safety Report</b>	<b>Man</b>	<b>Manufacturer</b>
<b>C&amp;L</b>	<b>Classification and labelling</b>	<b>M/F</b>	<b>Manufacturer / Formulator</b>
<b>Dist</b>	<b>Distributor</b>	<b>OR</b>	<b>Only Representative</b>
<b>DU</b>	<b>Downstream User</b>	<b>Q+A's</b>	<b>Questions and Answers</b>
<b>ECHA</b>	<b>European Chemicals Agency</b>	<b>SDS</b>	<b>Safety Data Sheet</b>
<b>EEA</b>	<b>European Economic Area</b>	<b>SIEF</b>	<b>Substance Information Exchange Forum</b>
<b>EU</b>	<b>European Union</b>	<b>SVHC</b>	<b>Substance of Very High Concern</b>
<b>Form</b>	<b>Formulator</b>	<b>TPR</b>	<b>Third Party Representative</b>

# REACH time-line



**1 June 2007: REACH entered into force**

**1 Jun 2018**



## How to prepare: short overview (1)

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1. Determine your 'REACH' role: non-EU Manufacturer, Formulator, Distributor/Downstream User
2. Produce your company inventory of substances, preparations and articles exported into EU
3. Determine composition of preparations and substances in articles intended to be released.
4. In case of polymers, determine the monomers they are made off
5. Determine the volumes of the substances in the different non-EU supply chain.
6. Aggregate the volumes per substance
7. Determine, if applicable, volume transported isolated intermediate
8. Establish the registration deadlines for the substances



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## **Non-EU Manufacturer or Formulator:**

- 1. Define your strategy: 'REACH' importer, Only Representative or leave it to downstream non-EU supply chain**
- 2. Inform your present EU importers of your intentions**
- 3. Inform your present non-EU customers of your intentions**
- 4. Prepare for substance data collection**

## **Non-EU article producer:**

- 1. Determine substances intended to be released**
- 2. If not, no registration obligation**
- 3. If yes see Non-EU Manufacturer or Formulator**
- 4. Determine SVHC in articles and prepare for notification ECHA**



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## - Non-EU Downstream User or Trader:

- Can not nominate Only Representative
- Should rely on EU-Importer or establish own EU based importer to do the REACH obligations
- Prepare for substance data collection from non-EU supplier

## How to prepare: Two possibilities to register under REACH

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### In case of Importer:

1. Importer should be EEA based
2. Assure that your importer will (pre)-register
3. Consider CBI and Third Party Representative
4. Prepare for substance information
5. Prepare for CSA/CSR

### In case of Only Representative:

1. Establish a competent Legal Entity in EEA
2. Prepare for pre-registration. **Deadline is 1 Dec 2008!**
3. Prepare for OR obligations
4. Prepare substance information and collect use and exposure data from EU supply chain
5. Prepare for working in SIEF and Consortia
6. Prepare for CSA/CSR



# REACH roles for non-EU

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- **Non-EU manufacturer**
  - **Manufacturers a substance**
  - **Cannot register under REACH**
  - **May appoint EU based Only Representative to fulfill the obligations under REACH**
- **Non-EU formulator**
  - **Mix substances into preparations, but no chemical reaction**
  - **Cannot register under REACH**
  - **May appoint EU based Only representative to fulfill the obligations under REACH**
- **Non-EU article producer**
  - **Substances intended to be released should be registered under REACH**
  - **May appoint EU based Only Representative to fulfill the obligations under REACH**

# Roles under REACH

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- **Non-EU distributor, Trader or Downstream User:**
  - Does not manufacture, formulate or produces an article
  - **Cannot** nominate Only Representative under REACH
  - Should rely on REACH registration by a OR nominated by any of the M/F in his non-EU supply chain or on EU based importer
  - May establish EU based importer. REACH obligations can be done.

## Only Representative (OR)

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- Non-EU manufacturer cannot register under REACH
- EU based importer can register under REACH
- Non-EU manufacturer should appoint EU based Legal Entity to take care of REACH obligations:  
**Only Representative**
- Any Non-EU Manufacturer, formulator or article producer may appoint an OR
- OR may represent > 1 non-EU manufacturer, but should do for each a registration
- Distributors can not appoint an OR

# Only Representative (OR)

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- OR Registration:
  - 14 April DG ENT: multiple registrations and multiple fees
  - 04 June: Change in OR, only administration fee, no new registration (provided contract arrangement)
  - 04 June: Non-EU manufacturer upstream the supply chain may register, however good administration on REACH compliance required

Following slides are from a ECHA presentation given in RIW III, 24 June 2008

## Who can appoint/be an OR?

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### Who can appoint an OR?

- “non-Community” manufacturers (non-EU substance manufacturers, formulators, producers of articles)
- but not distributors (as they are not mentioned)

### Who can be an OR?

- legal entity established in the EU which has sufficient background in the practical handling of substances and the information related to them

## Obligations of OR's (1)

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### OR is fully liable for fulfilling importer obligations under REACH

- /// not only registration but also pre-registration, communication in the supply chain, notification of SVHC, C&L, authorisation and restrictions

### OR must keep up-to-date list of EU importers, incl.:

- /// tonnage covered for each of the importers
- /// information on the supply of the latest SDS
- ⇒ *this information must be presented to enforcement authorities upon request*

## Obligations of OR's (2)

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**NEW (not yet in guidance):**

**No distinction between different types of imports**

- ❖ i.e. OR of non-EU substance manufacturer may cover imports into the EU even if:
  - they are **traded** in a **supply chain outside the EU** or
  - integrated into a **formulation** before import
- ❖ however, there is a need for **clear documentation** which imports are covered
- ⇒ *documentation must be presented to enforcement authorities upon request*

## Obligations of OR's (3)

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**NEW (not yet in guidance):**

### **Change of OR**

- ✦ can now be done via an **update** under the condition that the **earlier OR agrees** (needs to be **documented** in update)
- ✦ it is recommended to include a **clause** on the eventuality of a later change into the OR contracts
- ⇒ *in the absence of an agreement, a new registration dossier must be submitted*



## Obligations of OR's (4)

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**NEW (already implemented in guidance):**

### **Tonnage aggregation**

- ❖ **An only representative acting on behalf of several “non-Community manufacturers” must submit a separate registration for each of these manufacturers**

## Further open issues

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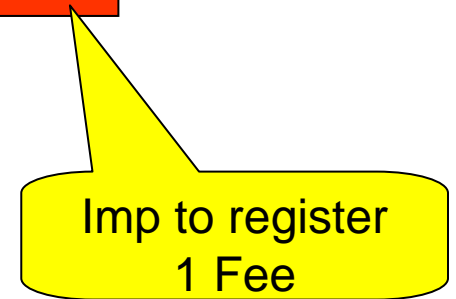
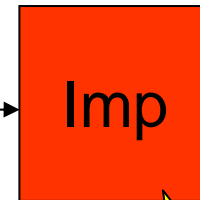


**Will be discussed and probably integrated into the next update**

- **Is the whole volume of a substance manufactured by a “non-Community manufacturer” and exported to the EU to be covered by the OR registration?**
- **What are the timelines for OR’s using Article 28(6) (first time manufacture/import)?**
- **Transitional provisions for sole representatives**
- ⇒ ***At the last REACH CA meeting, CEFIC also raised the question whether an OR can appoint a third party representatives***

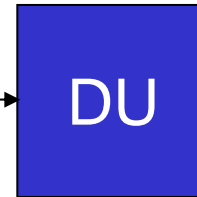
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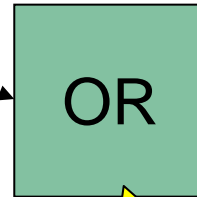


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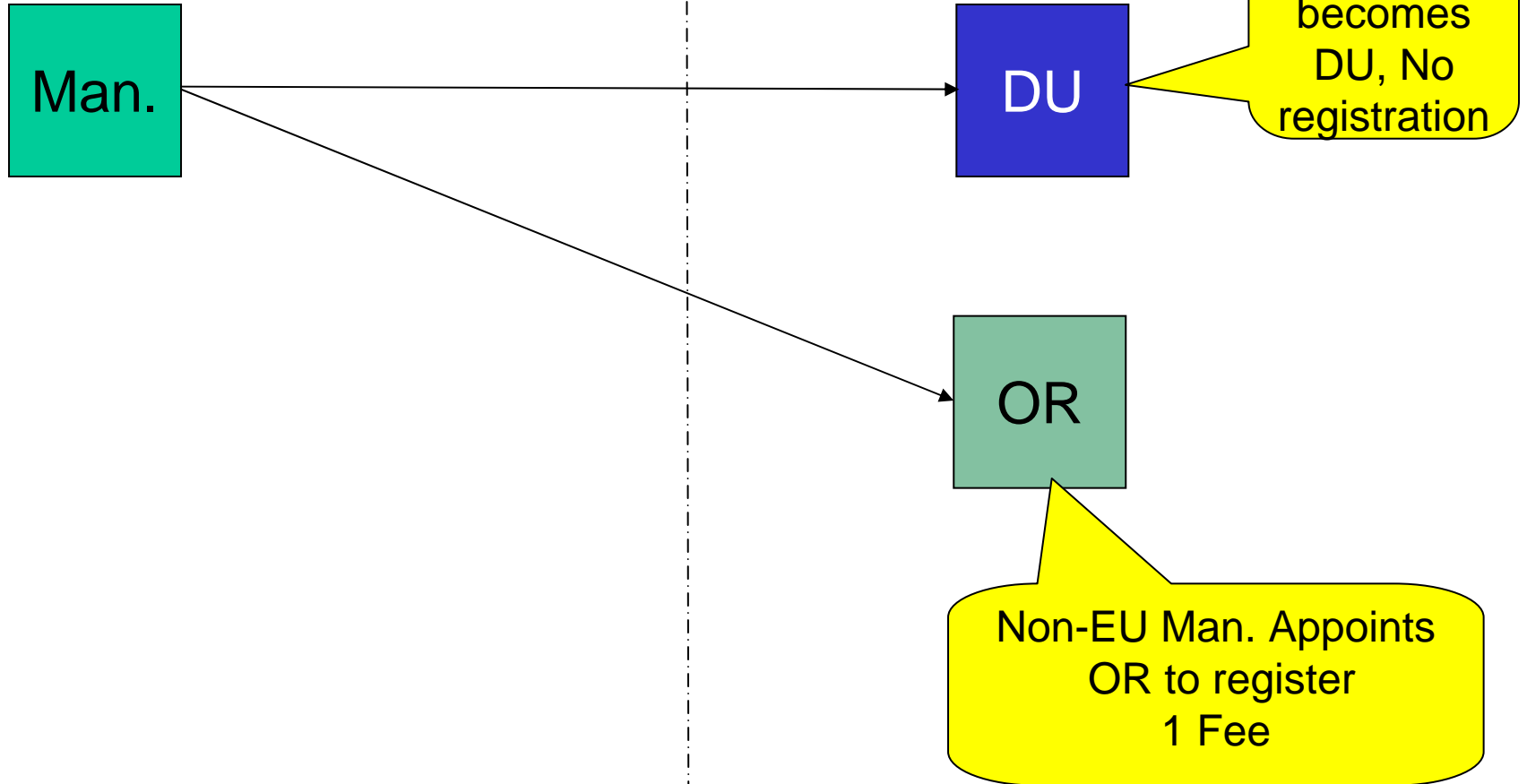
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Importer  
becomes  
DU, No  
registration



Non-EU Man. Appoints  
OR to register  
1 Fee



Non-EU

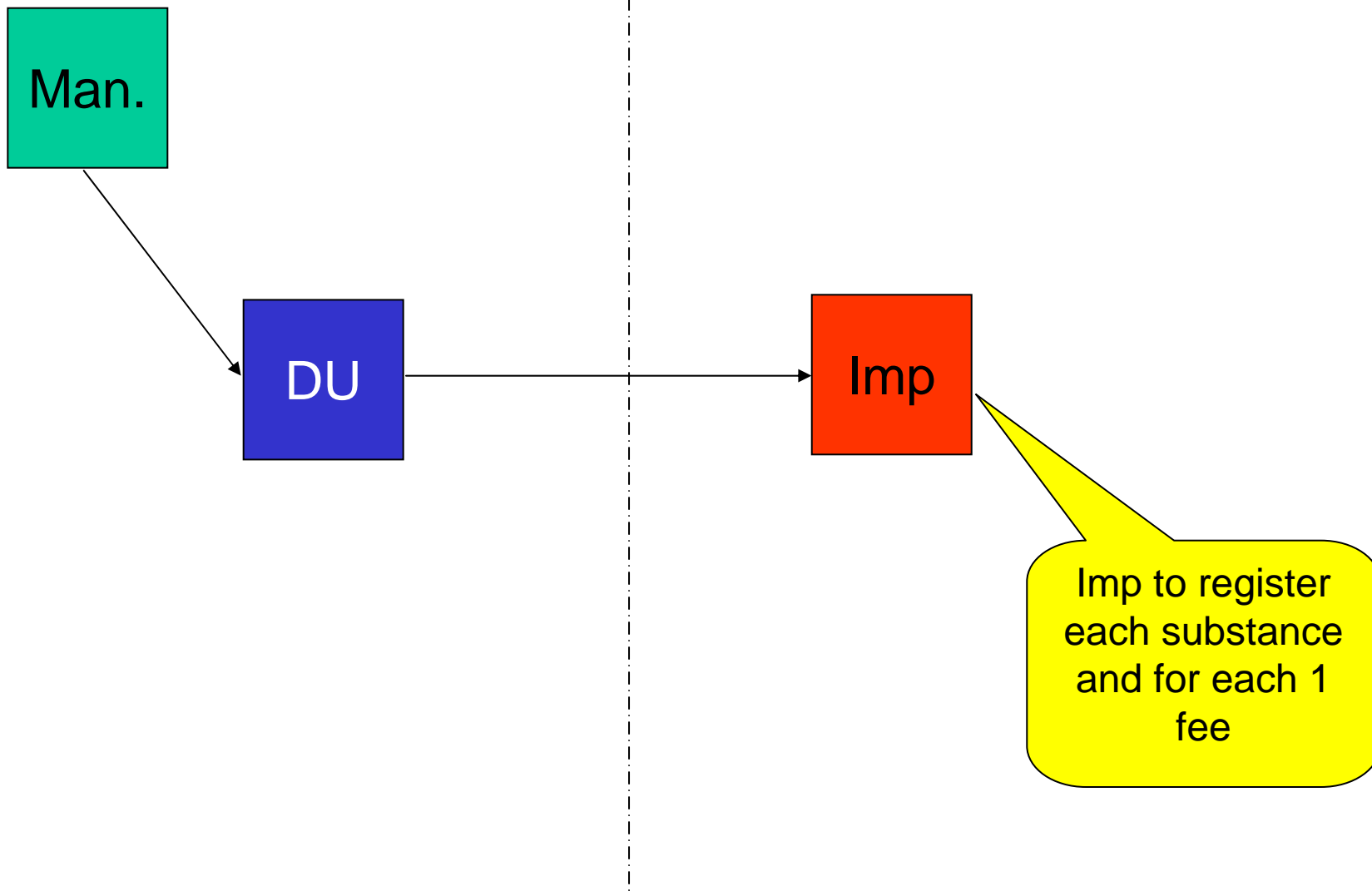
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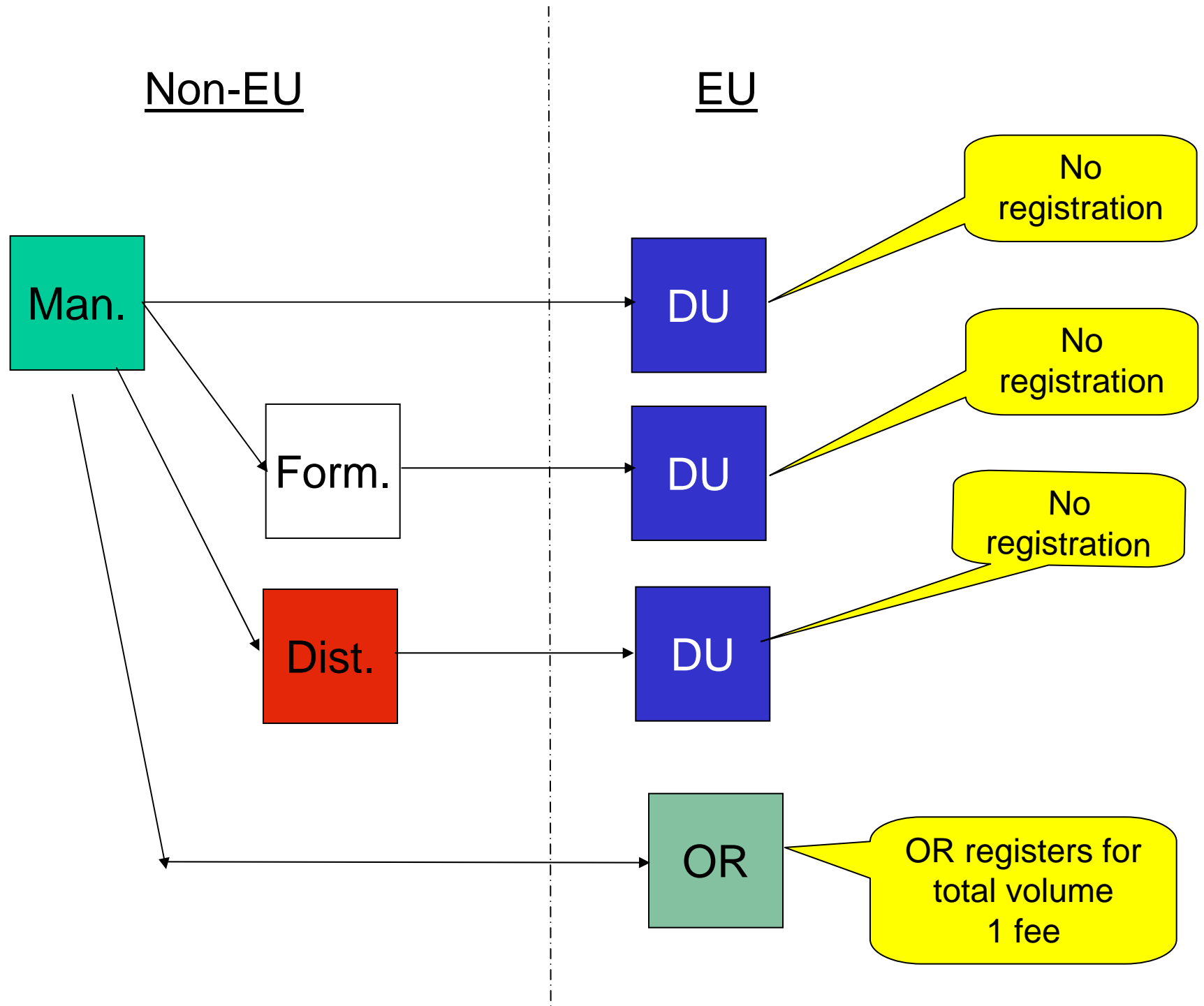
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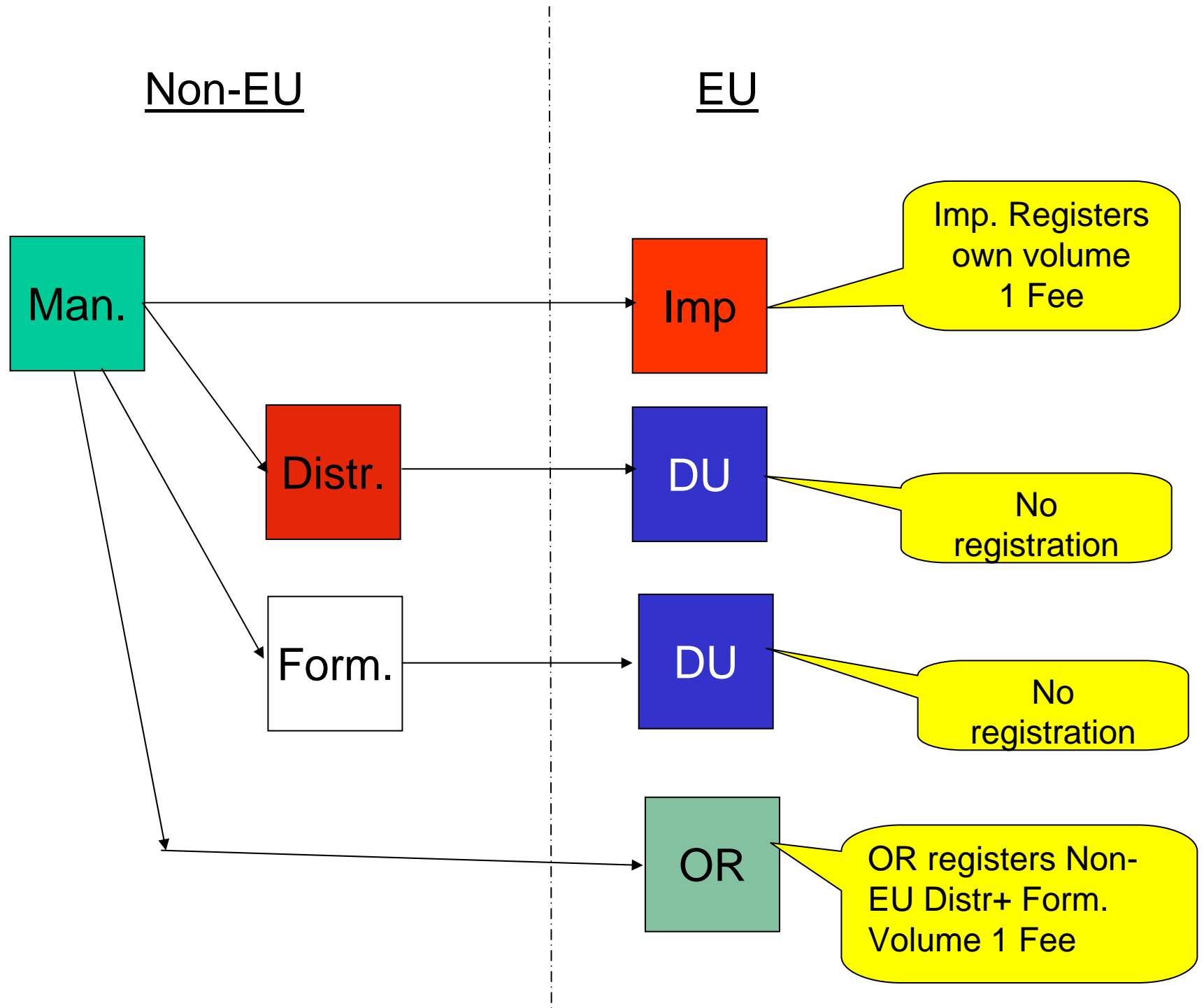
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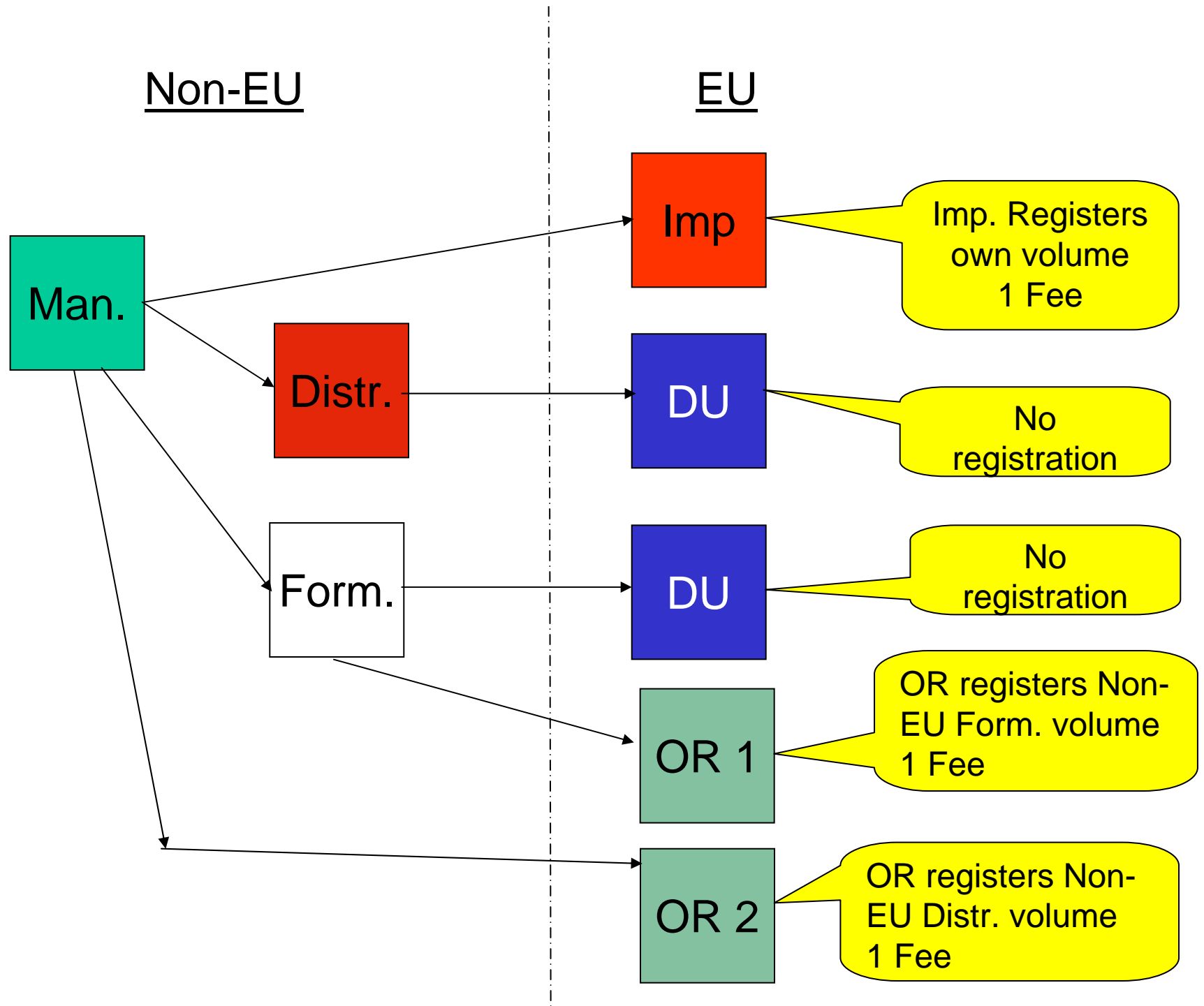
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Imp to register  
each substance  
and for each 1  
fee

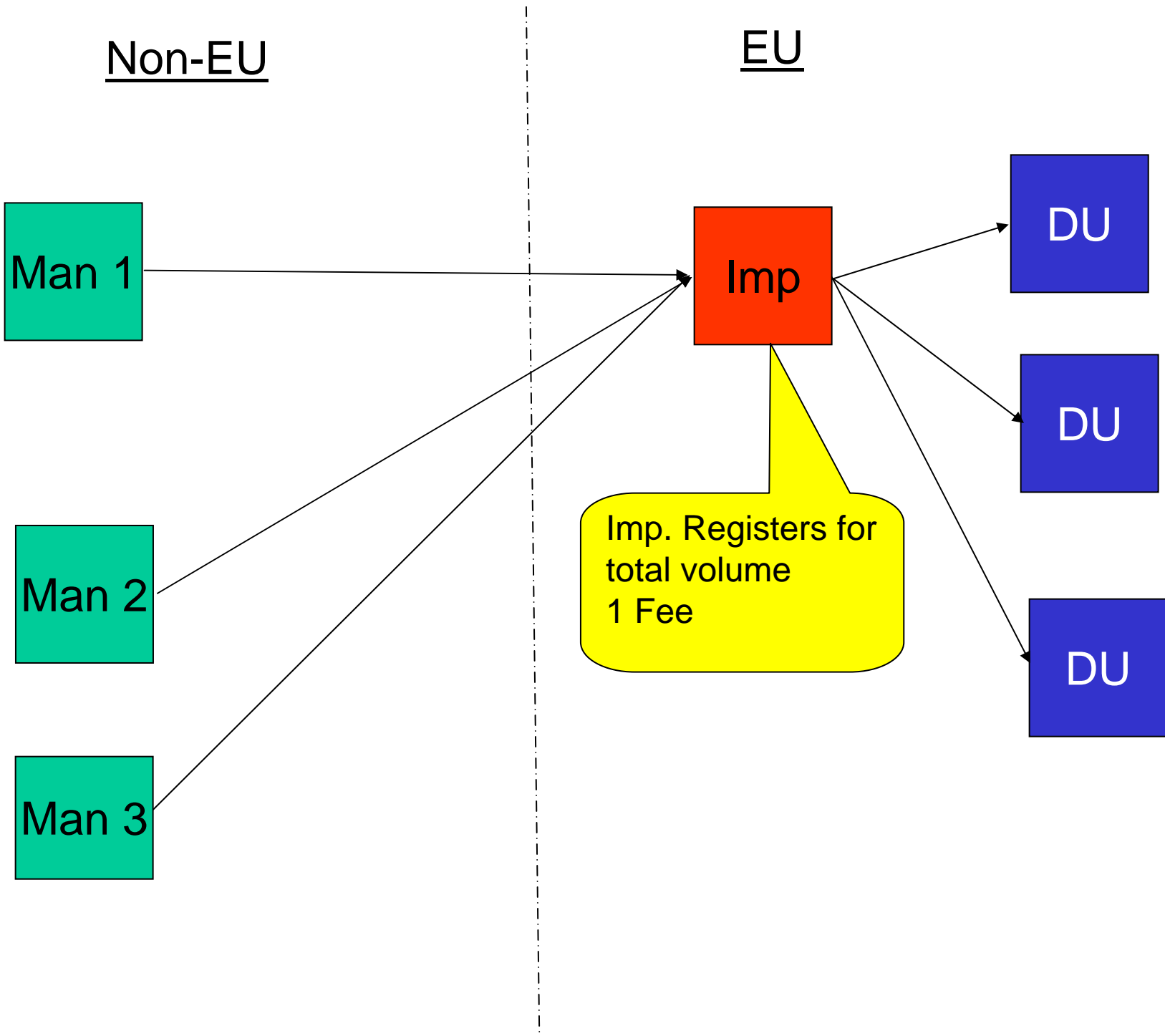


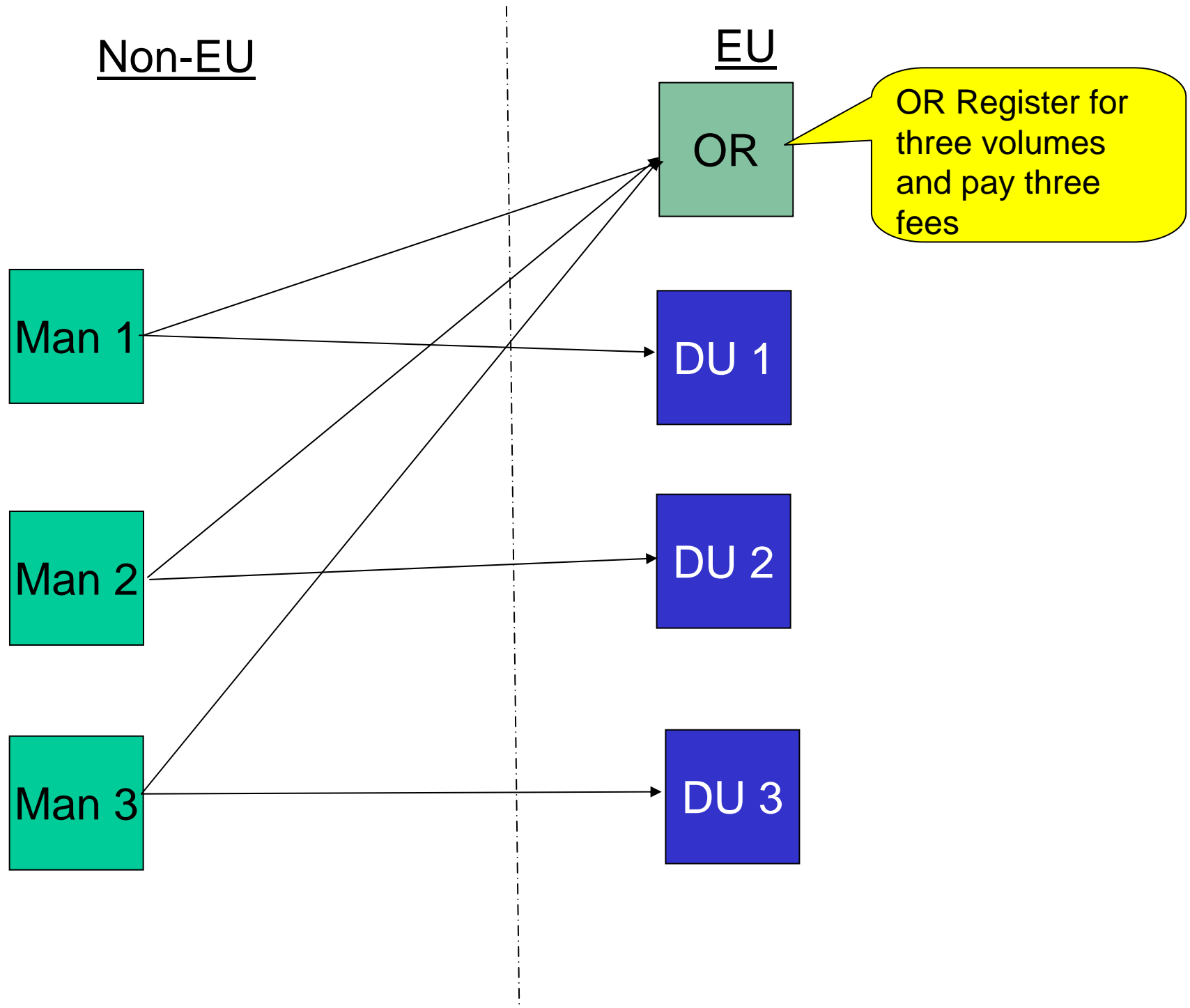










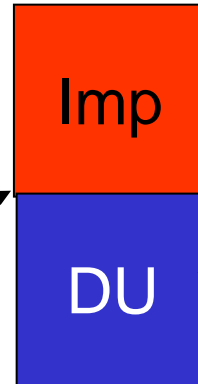


Non-EU

EU

Man 1

Man 2



Imp

DU

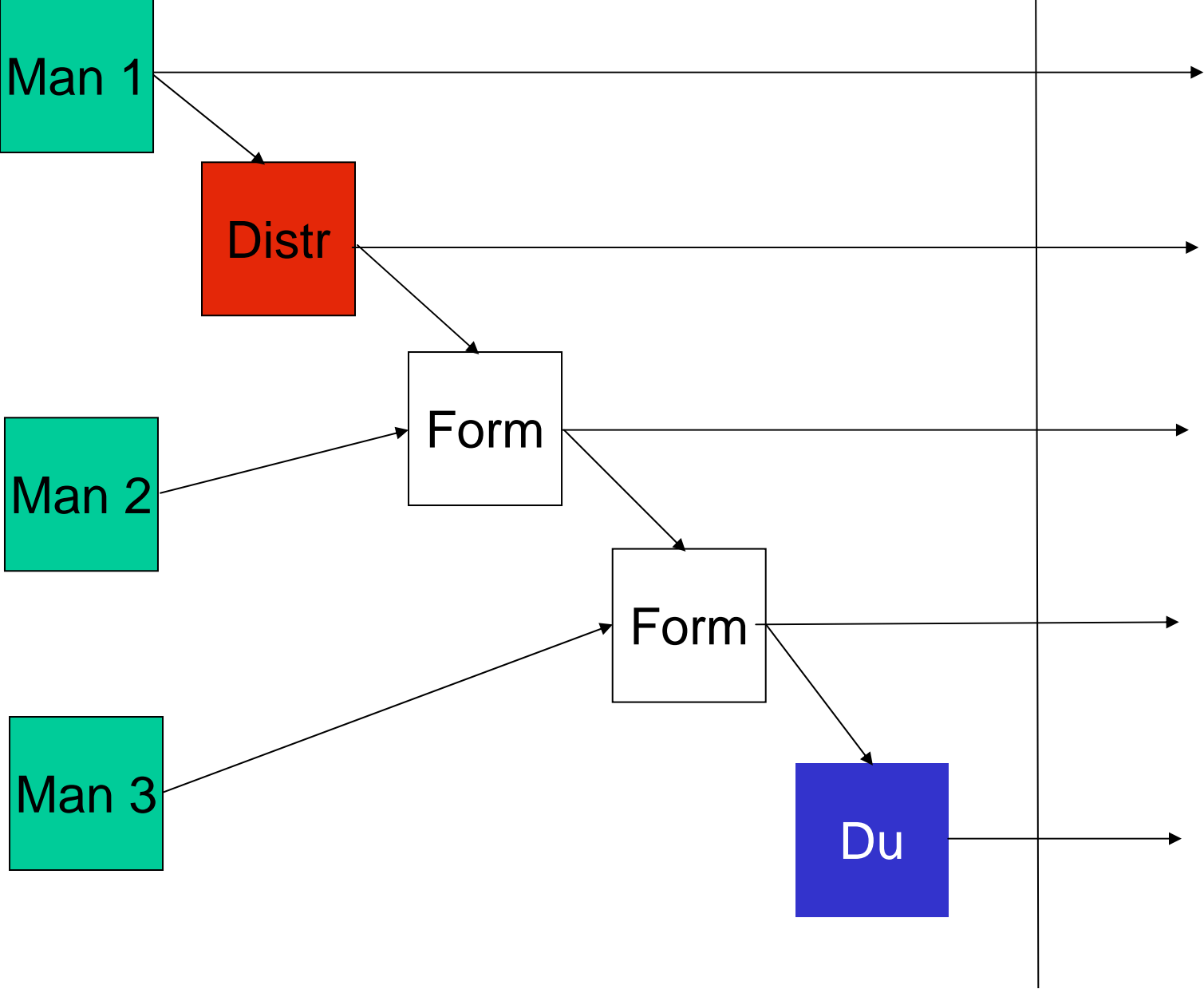
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For Man.1  
Registers volume 1  
1 Fee

For Man.2

Registers for  
volume Man 2  
1 Fee

Supply chain can be very complex



# Importer – Only Representative

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- Importer
  - Pushes responsibility downstream
  - Allows importers to source from different manufacturers
  - Importer needs formulation information (CBI)
- Only Representative
  - Pushes responsibility upstream
  - Allows multiple routes to EU
  - Importer becomes DU and cannot buy freely, only from registered sources
  - CBI can remain with manufacturer

# Multiple route for non-EU manufacturer

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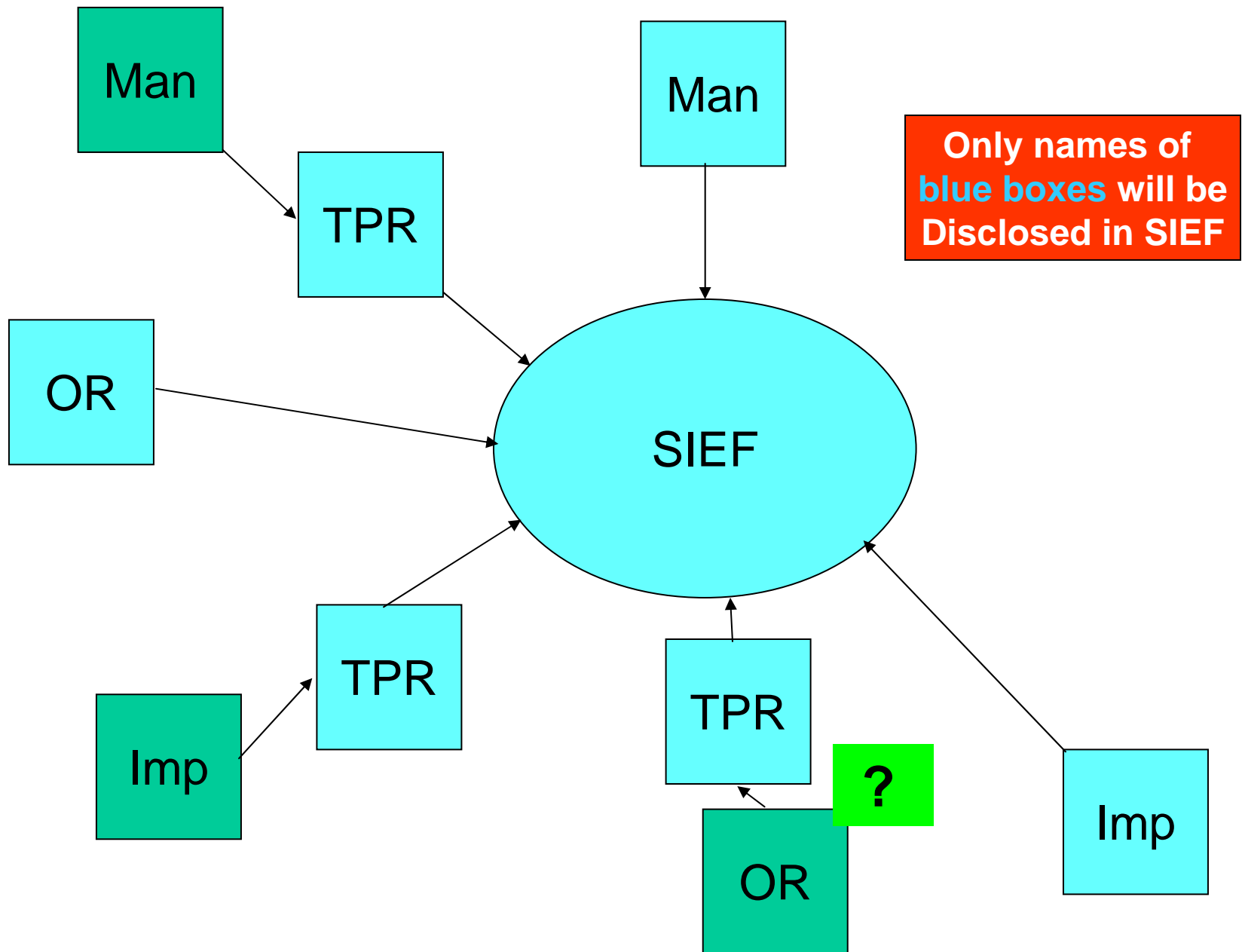
- **How to prove REACH compliance?**
  - DU need to see evidence of registration
  - Registration number will not work, as non hazardous substances have no MSDS obligation
  - Composition of preparation will be CBI
  - Timing of registration different for substances in preparation (2010 – 2013 – 2018)
  - Exempted substances
- **Creation of declaration REACH compliance?**
  - Supplied by upstream supplier
  - Signed by respective OR

## Third Party Representative

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- **EU Manufacturer or Importer may appoint TPR to represent in SIEF, to prevent disclosure of company name**
- **Not clear yet if OR may appoint TPR**





# Reference documents

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- **ECHA website for:**
  - REACH legislation
  - Guidance documents
  - Navigator
  - IUCLID 5
  - REACH IT
  - Q + A's

[http://echa.europa.eu/home\\_en.asp](http://echa.europa.eu/home_en.asp)

- **Cefic website for:**
  - Supply chain questionnaires
  - Industry guidance documents and tools
  - Libraries

<http://www.cefic.org/Templates/shwStory.asp?NID=494&HID=643&PHID=494>



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**Thank you**