

EMAS

The European Eco-Management and Audit Scheme



Performance, credibility, transparency



WHAT IS EMAS ?



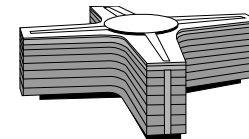
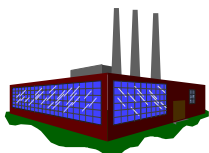
- **Participation opened in April 1995. Revised in 2001**
- **In process next revision 2009-2010**
- **Voluntary scheme**
- **Aim**
To bring all organisations, both public and private, to improve their environmental performance
- **Means**
Tools allowing to assess, to manage and to control environmental aspects of activities, and to establish a report on environmental performance in a credible way.
- **Outcomes**
Better management of environmental issues and credible information on these issues



WHO CAN PARTICIPATE IN EMAS ?



- **Organisations in private and public sectors**



- **25 EU Member States + European Economic Area (Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein)**
- **Candidate countries (on a provisional basis)**



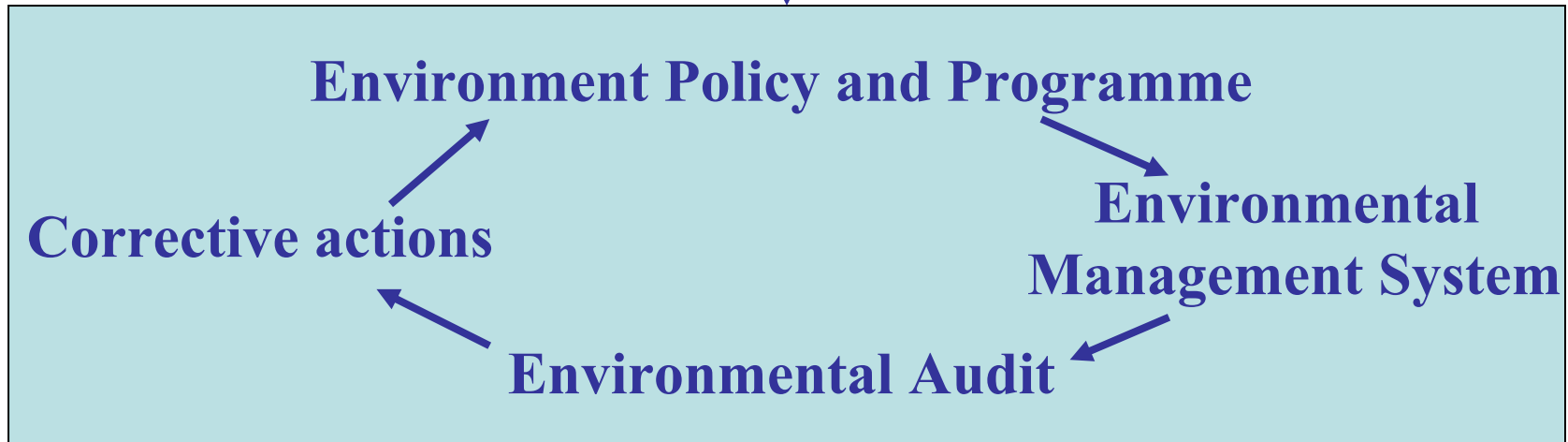


HOW DOES EMAS WORK?



Based on PDCA cycles – Plan Do Check Action

Initial Environmental Review



Environmental Statement



Validation and registration





EMAS REQUIREMENTS



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**+ Employees
Participation**

**+ Public
Reporting**

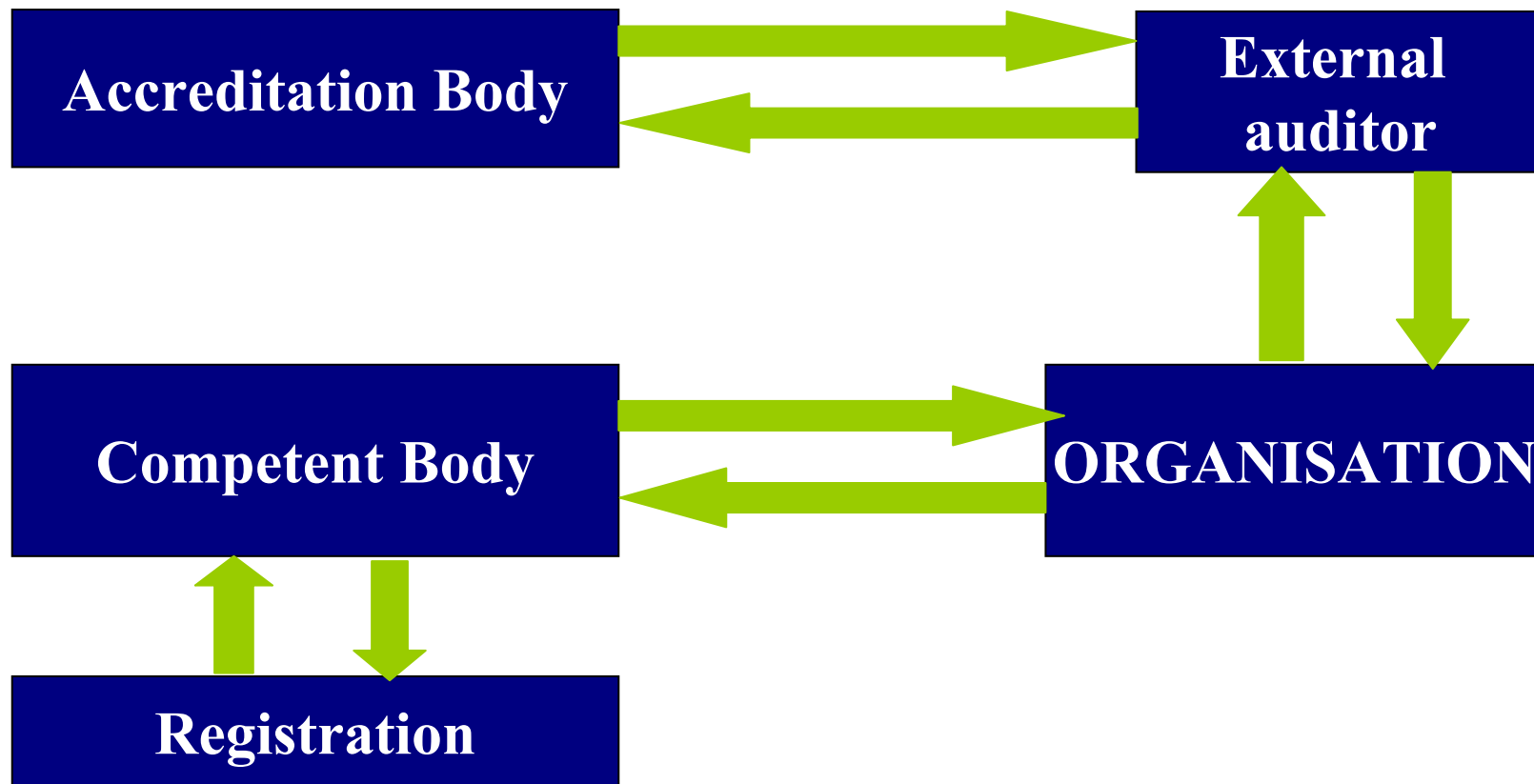
**ISO/EN ISO
14001**

**+ Legal
Compliance**

**+ Performance
improvement**



EMAS CHECKING PROCESS





WHY CHOOSE EMAS



- **Compliance environmental legislation**
- **Resources savings & cost reduction**
- **Credibility: environmental info validated by independant organism controled by Member States**
- **Marketing tool: EMAS logo & environmental declaration**
- **Access to new markets / customers**
- **Improved relations with public authorities, other businesses, customers, citizens, regulator**
- **Improved work environment, employee motivation**





COMMUNICATE YOUR EMAS REGISTRATION



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**VERIFIED
ENVIRONMENTAL
MANAGEMENT**

REG.NO.



EMAS

**VALIDATED INFORMATION
REG.NO.**



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Improving your environmental and business performance

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The Eco-Management and Audit Scheme (EMAS) is the EU voluntary scheme for organisations willing to commit themselves to evaluate, improve and report on their environmental performances. The scheme was launched in April 1995 and revised in 2001.

What's new?

Latest News (last updated January 13th 2005)

EMAS Newsletter on sports events published

Organisers of major sporting events have discovered how important it will be to manage the environmental aspects of their events. Frontrunners at the German Nürburgring and TOROC, the Organising Committee of the Winter Olympic Games 2006, in Italy's Piedmont region show what has to be done. [MORE ...](#)

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Environmental Statements Library starts off with 150 statements

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