

ROLE OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL ACCREDITATION SYSTEM (SANAS)

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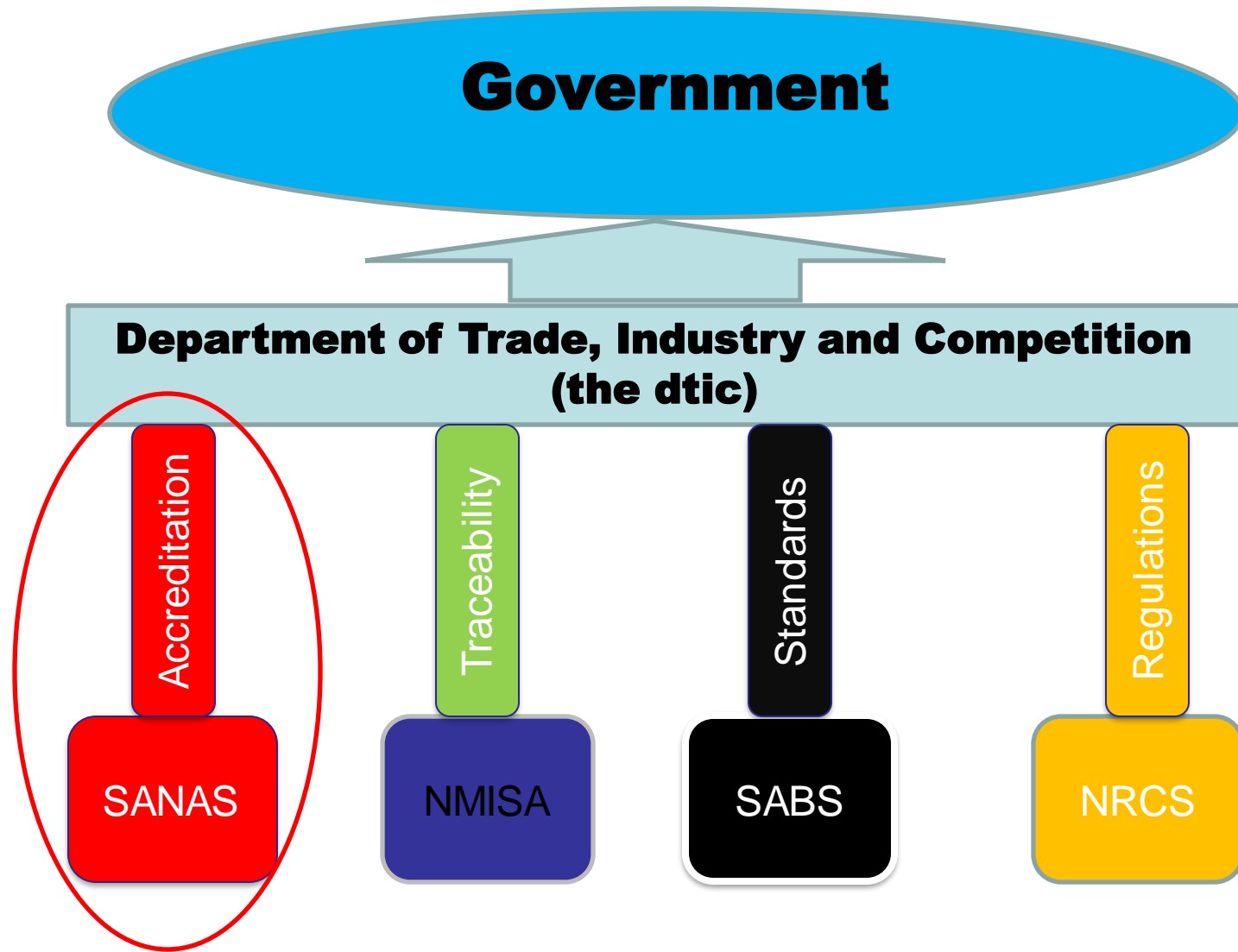


Presentation Layout

- Our place in government
- Primary mandates of SANAS and Regulators
- Responsibilities of SANAS
- Benefits of Accreditation



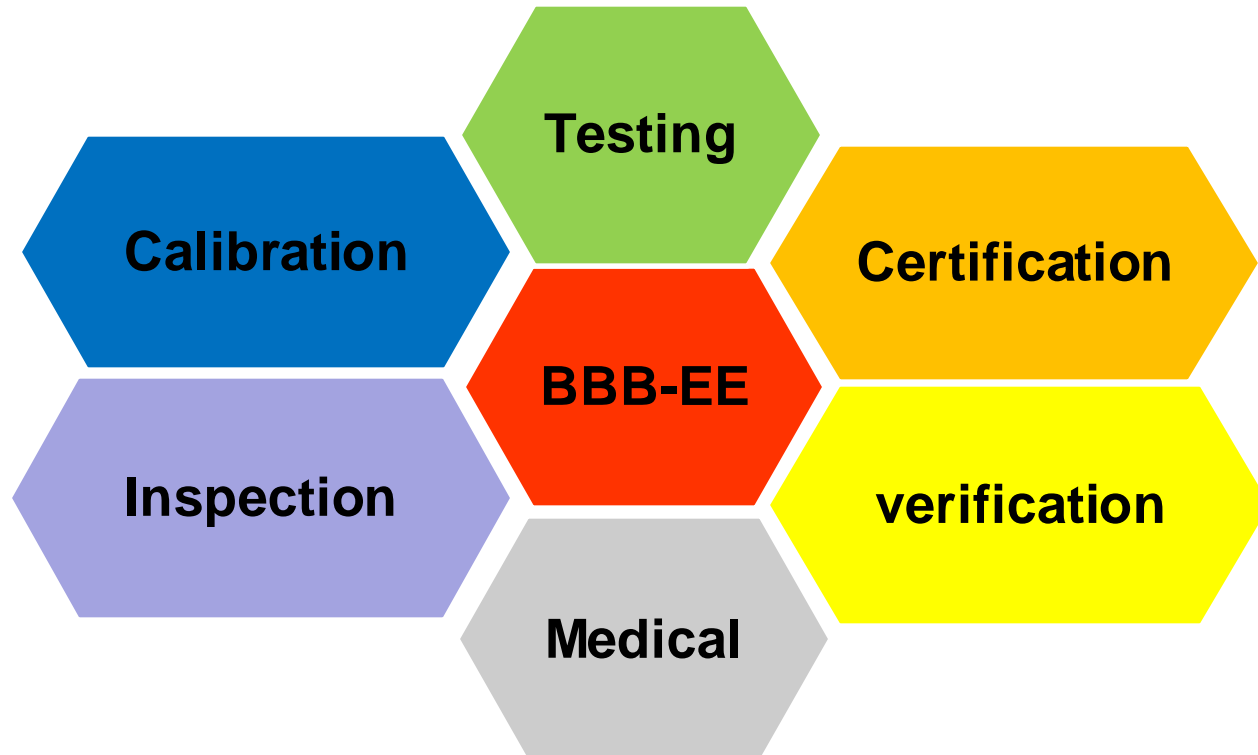
TECHNICAL INFRASTRUCTURE



Mandate

SANAS

- **Carrying out accreditations in respect of conformity assessments (Act No. 19 of 2006)**



Mandate

REGULATORS

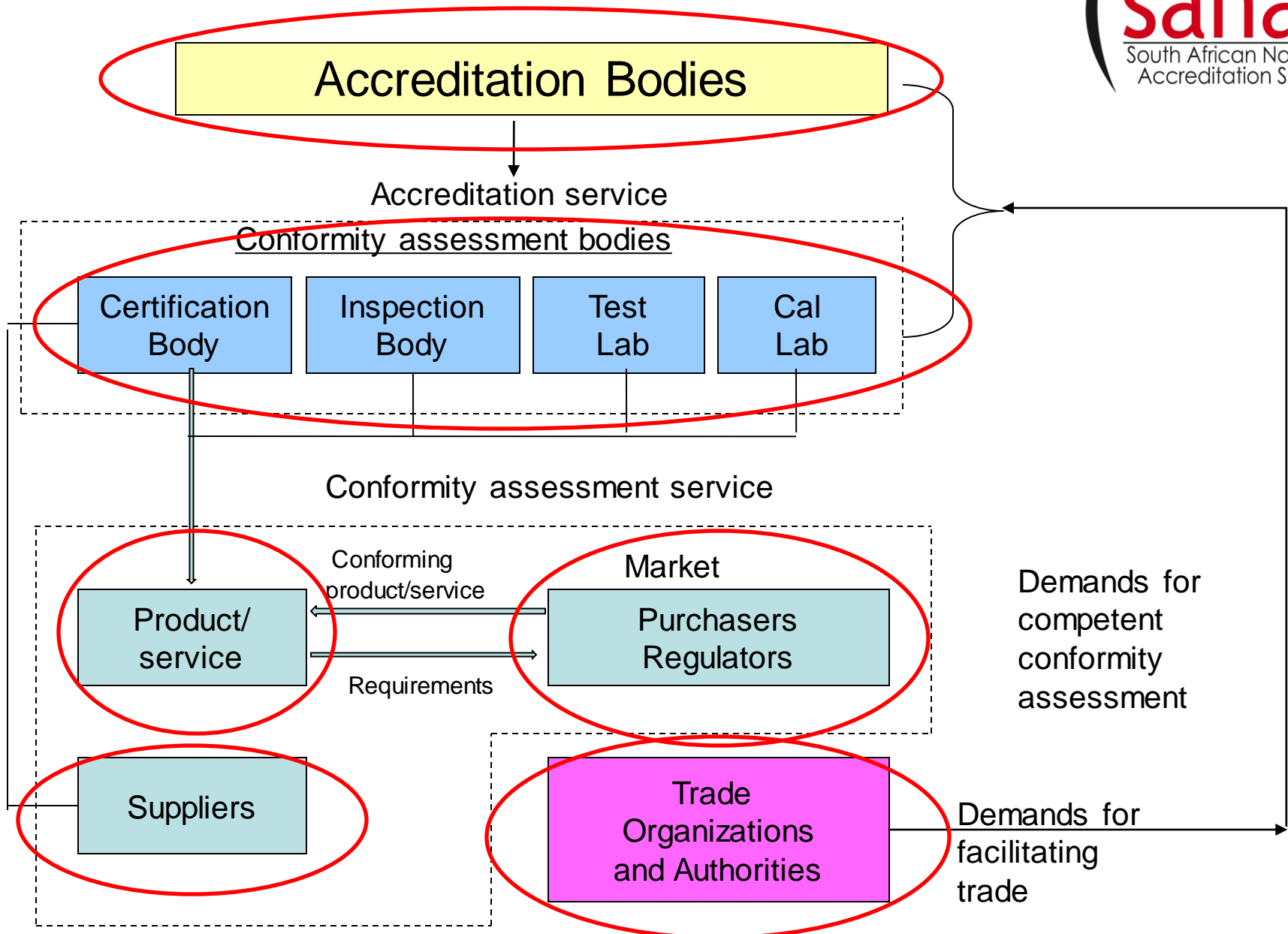
Implement and enforce laws



Food
Water
Environment
Automotive

Safety
Health
Sport
Chemical

Construction
Transport
Mining
Tourism



Responsibilities of SANAS

- Providing the Regulator with an accreditation system based on verifying an organisations **competence** at predetermined intervals;
- Maintaining a **data base** of all accredited organisations;
- Notifying the regulator of any changes in an organisation's **accreditation status**;
- Appointing a **contact person(s)** between SANAS and the regulator;
- Dealing with **complaints and transgressions** relating to the contravention of the relevant accreditation requirements;



Benefits of Accreditation

- It helps regulators regulate
- It helps to increase access to goods and services of consistent and reliable quality and safety to consumers
- It is not the recognition of future capabilities
- Effective marketing tool for testing laboratories, inspection bodies and certification bodies and a passport to submit tenders to contractors that requires independently verified conformity assessment bodies
- It levels the playing field – enables both small and big business to operate on equal footing
- Being accredited or using accredited services open doors to market sectors that were previously closed.





Questions

Thank You

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