Group Integrity

A software that facilitates the certification of smallholder groups. It achieves this through providing support with the management of the internal quality verification system (e.g. ICS, PGS, GLOBALG.A.P. Option 2). In particular, it helps groups meet the complex administration and documentation requirements of various standards throughout the workflow of internal control and certification.

Benefits

No matter the size of your organization group, *Group Integrity* helps you to:

- Improve the effectiveness and reliability of your group's administration and documentation

- Greatly simplify the implementation of your internal quality verification system (ICS) and multiple standards/certifications

- Ensure compliance with international food production requirements and standards

- Increase product integrity

- Reduce costs and efforts

- *Group Integrity* is multi-lingual, globally accessible through the internet and no installation is required

- Problems with loss of data or retrieval as in paper documentation are prevented, and data kept up to date and available any time

Achievements

With *Group Integrity* your small farmer group will:

- Increase the accountability and comprehensibility of its data administration

- Enhance the integrity of its certification and responsiveness

- Strengthen its market position and competitiveness

- Improve the relationship and communication between the group and various business partners, e.g. trading companies and the external certifier

- Save work time thanks to a better control of data and quick access to farmer information

More Transparency

Adds more transparency to your supply chain with the tool 'Transaction Deliveries', which allows to manage details of any product transactions per farmer or group.

In case transactions need to be tracked across more levels in the supply chain (tier 1, tier 2, etc.) *Group Integrity* can be connected to Check Organic: www.check-organic.com

Interested?

- Get in touch with the *Group Integrity* implementation team and request an online presentation of the system.

- Get your 4-week free trial access.

- Get continuous support and training through our help desk.

- Use our 24/7 ticket system/ e-mail or Skype to get issues solved quickly.

- Watch the *Group Integrity* video tutorials to start your education at any time.

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EMPOWERING GROWER GROUPS

Group Integrity

- An ultimate solution for the professional management of grower groups targeting national and international markets.

- A solution essential for transforming your grower group into a well-structured, transparent and reliable market partner.

Group Integrity is a new software program that facilitates the certification of smallholder groups and businesses with small producers under contract farming.

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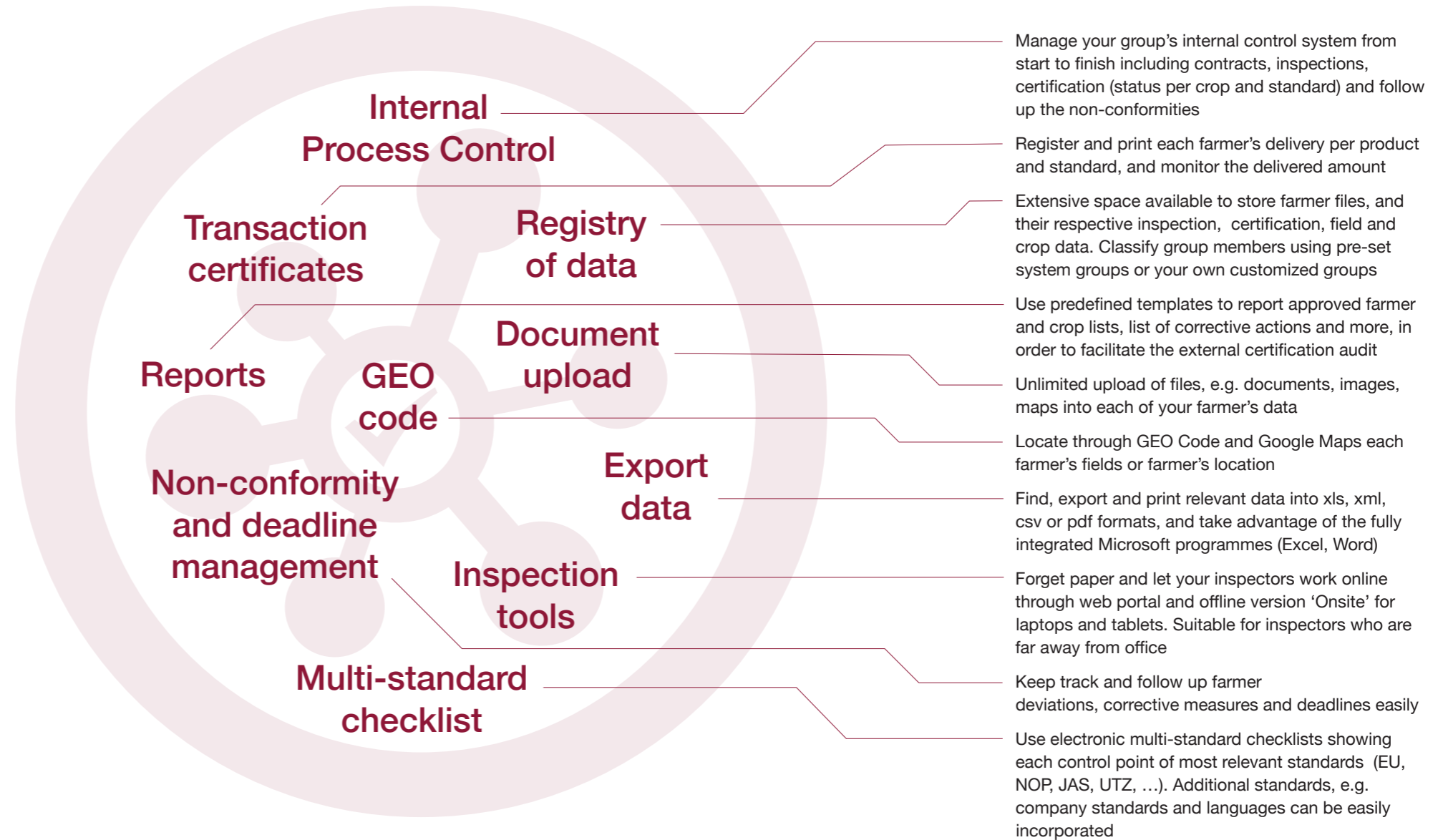
Strengthening small-scale farmers

Group Integrity is an innovated software with a focus on cost efficiency that helps to improve growers' situation by reducing the burden of third party certification system.

Various groups and certifiers can establish group certification systems in order to reduce the costs and time involved in certification. These systems ensure compliance with organic standards and require groups to implement an ICS operated by a central body of the group.

The group certification schemes are accepted and applied globally, however, the implementation of a group's ICS remains a challenge and a demanding task for the groups that *Group Integrity* will address.

Group Integrity

- Professionalises the internal control system ICS in groups
- Greatly simplifies the cooperation with the external certification body performing simultaneous certification to various standards, e.g. organic, fair, UTZ, Global GAP
- Supports pre-assessment of standards' compliance, assisting groups' decision-making processes
- Helps strengthen groups strategic position vis-à-vis trading partners
- Eases cumbersome staff changes – no data or knowledge is lost as groups' institutional knowledge remains intact

Internal Process Control

Manage your group's internal control system from start to finish including contracts, inspections, certification (status per crop and standard) and follow up the non-conformities

Registry of data

Register and print each farmer's delivery per product and standard, and monitor the delivered amount

Extensive space available to store farmer files, and their respective inspection, certification, field and crop data. Classify group members using pre-set system groups or your own customized groups

Transaction certificates

Document upload

Use predefined templates to report approved farmer and crop lists, list of corrective actions and more, in order to facilitate the external certification audit

Unlimited upload of files, e.g. documents, images, maps into each of your farmer's data

Reports

GEO code

Locate through GEO Code and Google Maps each farmer's fields or farmer's location

Export data

Find, export and print relevant data into xls, xml, csv or pdf formats, and take advantage of the fully integrated Microsoft programmes (Excel, Word)

Non-conformity and deadline management

Inspection tools

Forget paper and let your inspectors work online through web portal and offline version 'Onsite' for laptops and tablets. Suitable for inspectors who are far away from office

Keep track and follow up farmer deviations, corrective measures and deadlines easily

Multi-standard checklist

Use electronic multi-standard checklists showing each control point of most relevant standards (EU, NOP, JAS, UTZ, …). Additional standards, e.g. company standards and languages can be easily incorporated

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Membership	Registry of data	Implementation of internal inspection	Review approvals / internal certification	Non-conformities	Analysis / reports / approved farmer list