
Choosing the right frequency for the “Paddock to Plate” continuum

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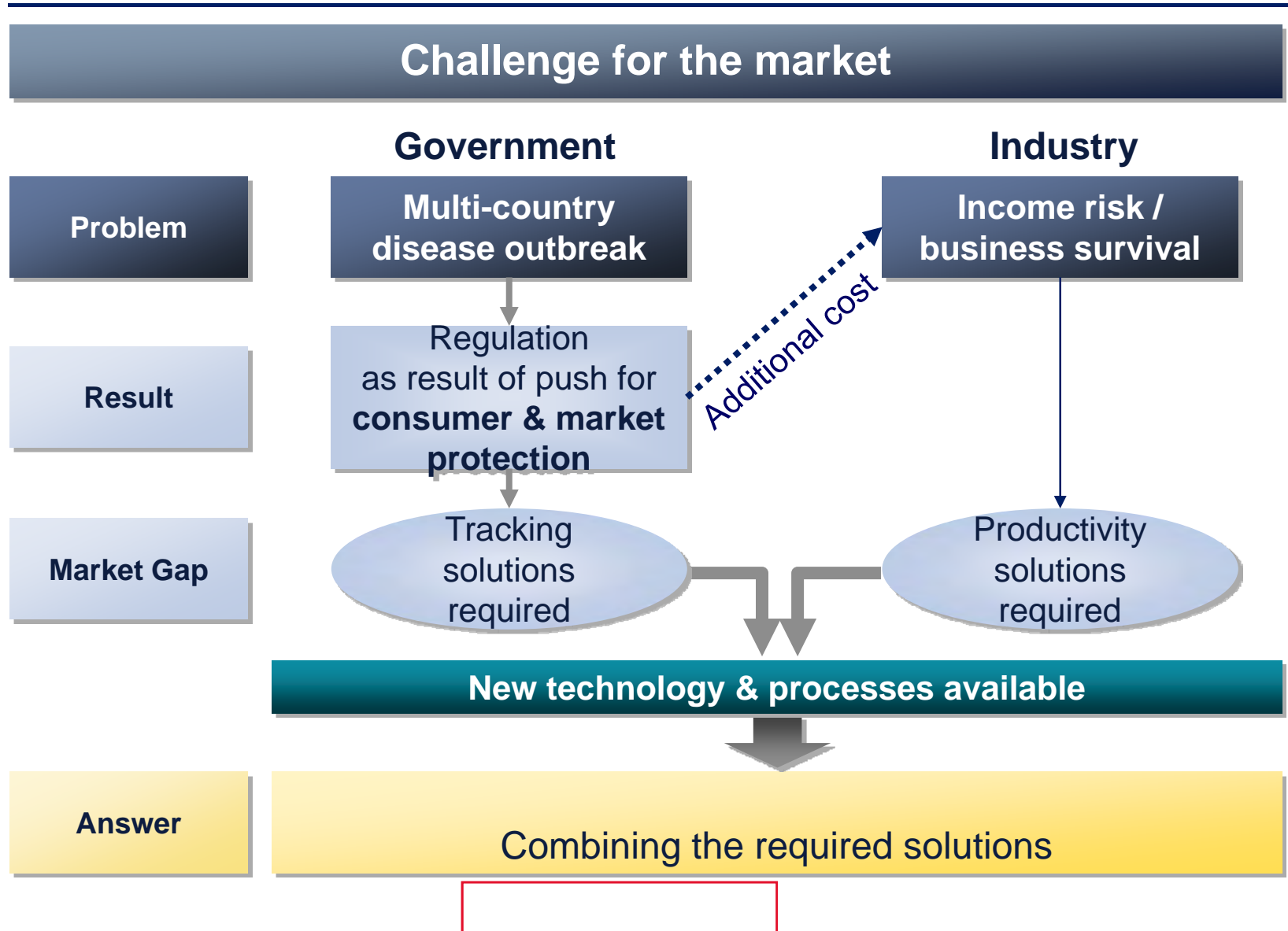
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The productivity increase of an agri-business through data-mining creates more value than just tagging animals



Today's RFID

- Automatic ID technology
- The technology works by using radio waves to exchange information between tagged objects and readers.
- The data gathered is linked to a network.
- Data transfer is effected by means of non line of sight mechanisms using radio waves.
- Benefits
 - Simultaneous scanning
 - Humanless identification
 - Instantaneous updates.

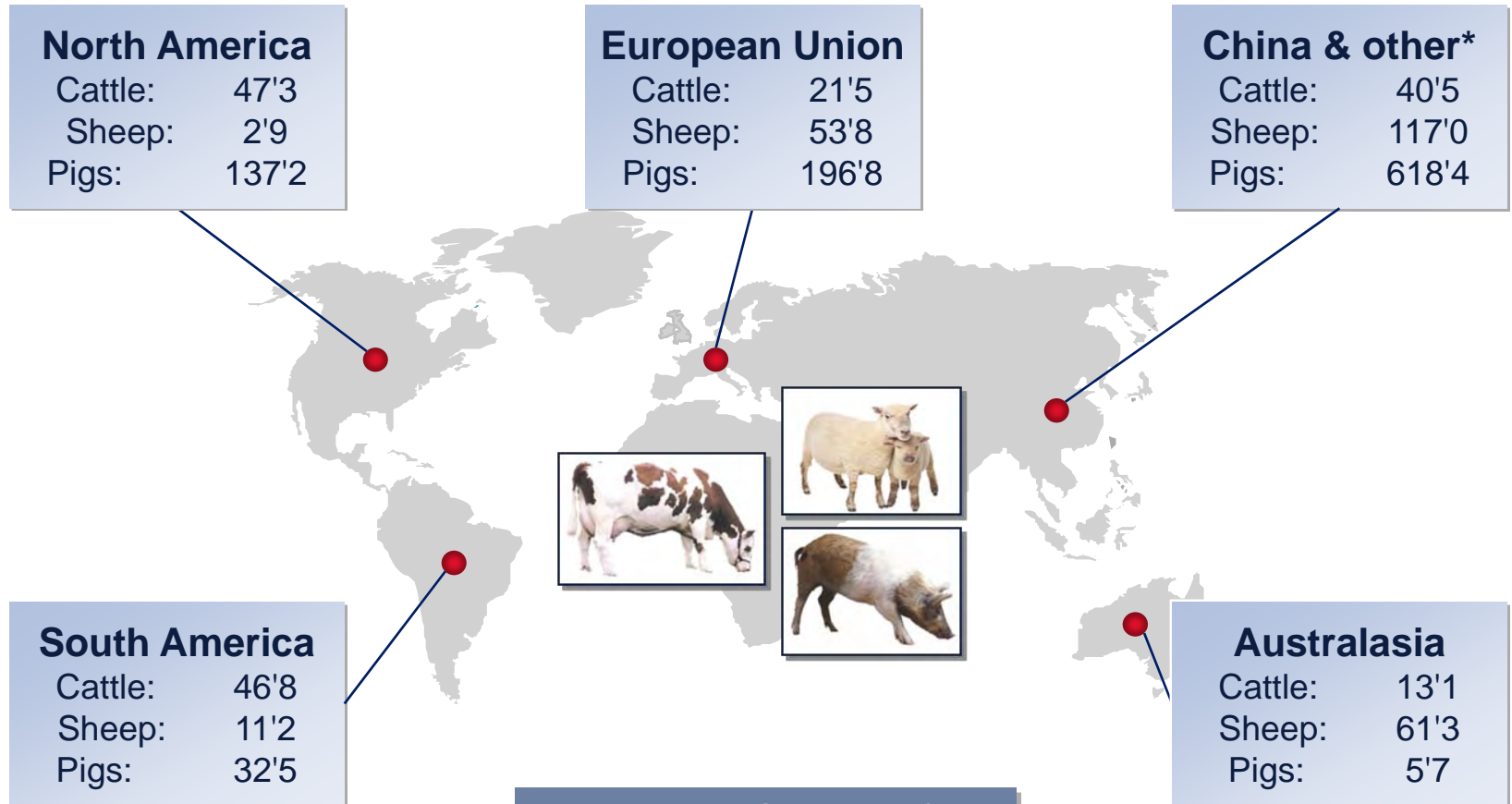


The Semiconductor companies march on,

- Huge R&D investment, IFF for example 1 billion euros per annum
- Long range road maps
- Rapid efficiency improvements, cost downs
- Can application standards keep
- Technology standards important



Potential livestock markets



Note: Regulation started for cattle market; sheep to follow. Pigs only in definition phase.#

* Not included in business plan
Pigs not incl. in business plan

ISO Technology Standards

- 18000-1 Generic parameters
- 18000-2 Air interface parameters below 125 kHz (11784)
- 18000-3 at 13.56 MHz (15693)
- 18000-4 at 2.45 GHz
- 18000-6 at 860 to 930 MHz



RFID Systems Attributes

Attribute	100-500KHz	10-15MHz	UHF
TR	Short	Medium	Medium-Long
Data Rate	Low	Medium	potential High
Penetration	High	Medium	Low
Power	Low	Low	High
Cost	Medium	Low	High
Noise	Low	Medium	High



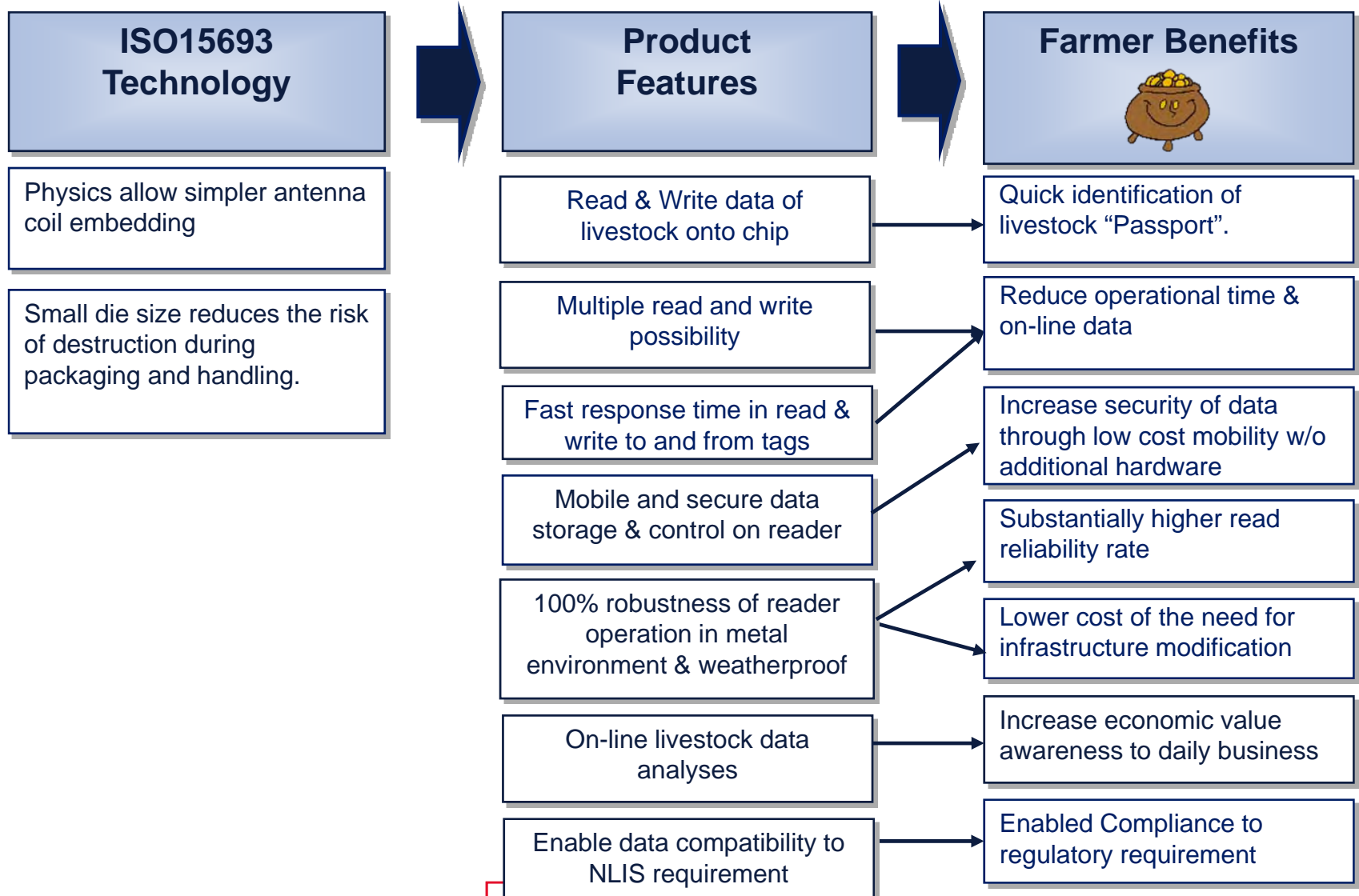
Read My Chips

■ 134 kHz 4 kbits/sec read only

■ 13.56 MHz 40-450 kbits/sec read/write



Practical Interpretation



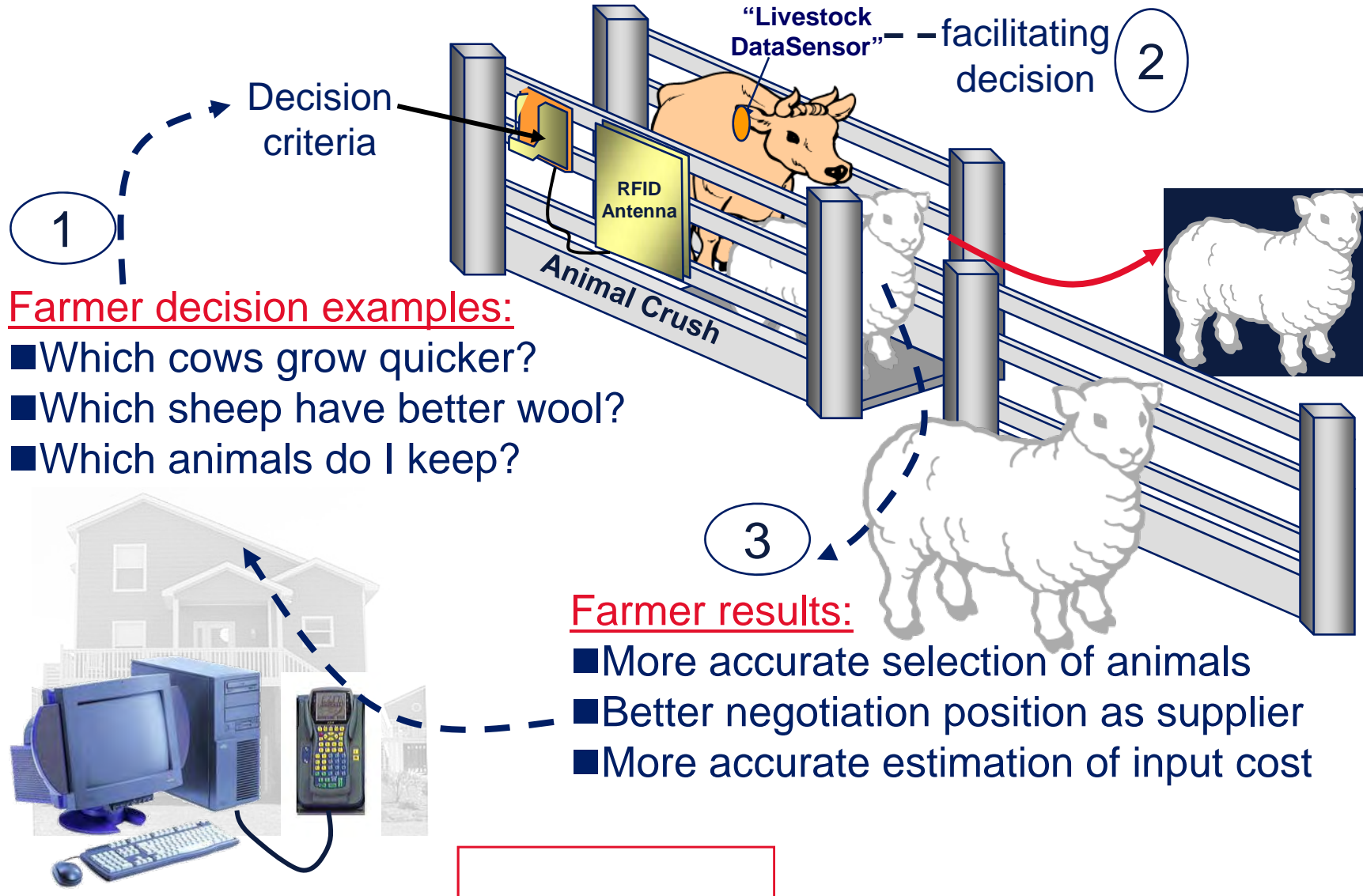
Post Farm Gate:- the most difficult phase

- Speed
- Accuracy
- Audit Protocols
- Many technologies will converge
- Involved in developing other enabling technologies:-
 - Biochip
 - Immuno track
 - Dexa/Cat scanning
 - Systems software solutions
 - Retinal scanning

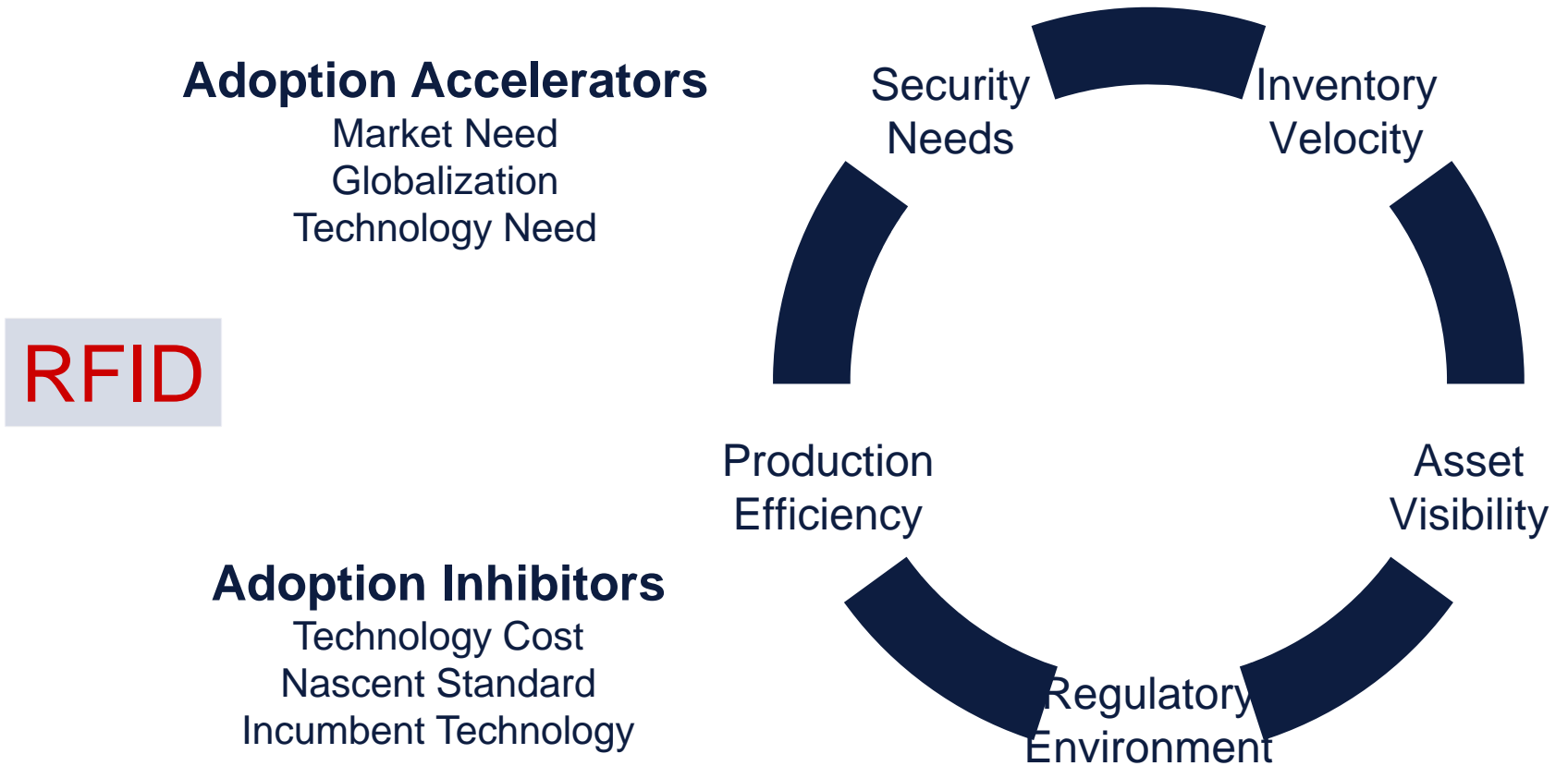




The value proposition varied and rewarding



RFID Market Framework



Tag, Trace, Manage

- The value proposition should value creation with the correlated benefit of animal traceability.
- Data Standards are paramount, technologies will evolve rapidly.
- Functionality is the key feature, focus on price will be the demise of a system, global demand will drive cost downs. Expected 40 billion 13.56MHz transponders by 2009 annually. (Forrester Research).
- Changing technology will be the only constant.

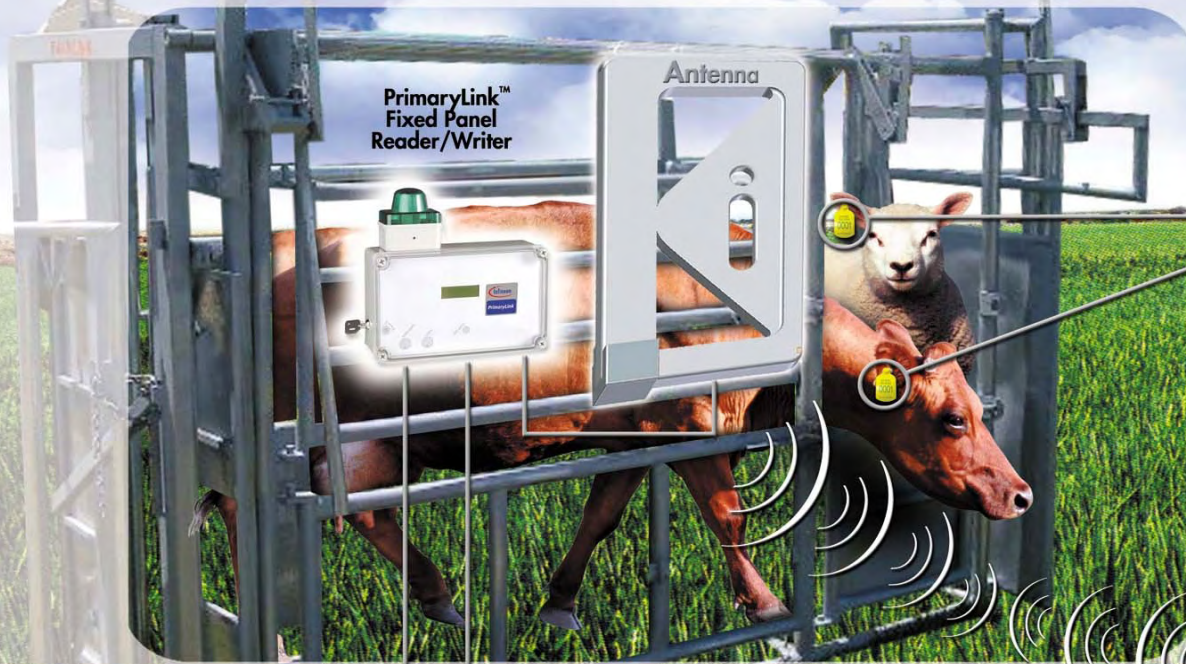


RFID in the future

- The gateway to the network of things
- RF tags being the atoms forming the lowest common denominator of this network.
- “Nanocomputers” communicate wirelessly and for the first time add mass sensing capability to computers.
- 100’s of billions of these nanocomputers.
- RFID will change the way information is collected, transmitted, analyzed, stored and acted upon.



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