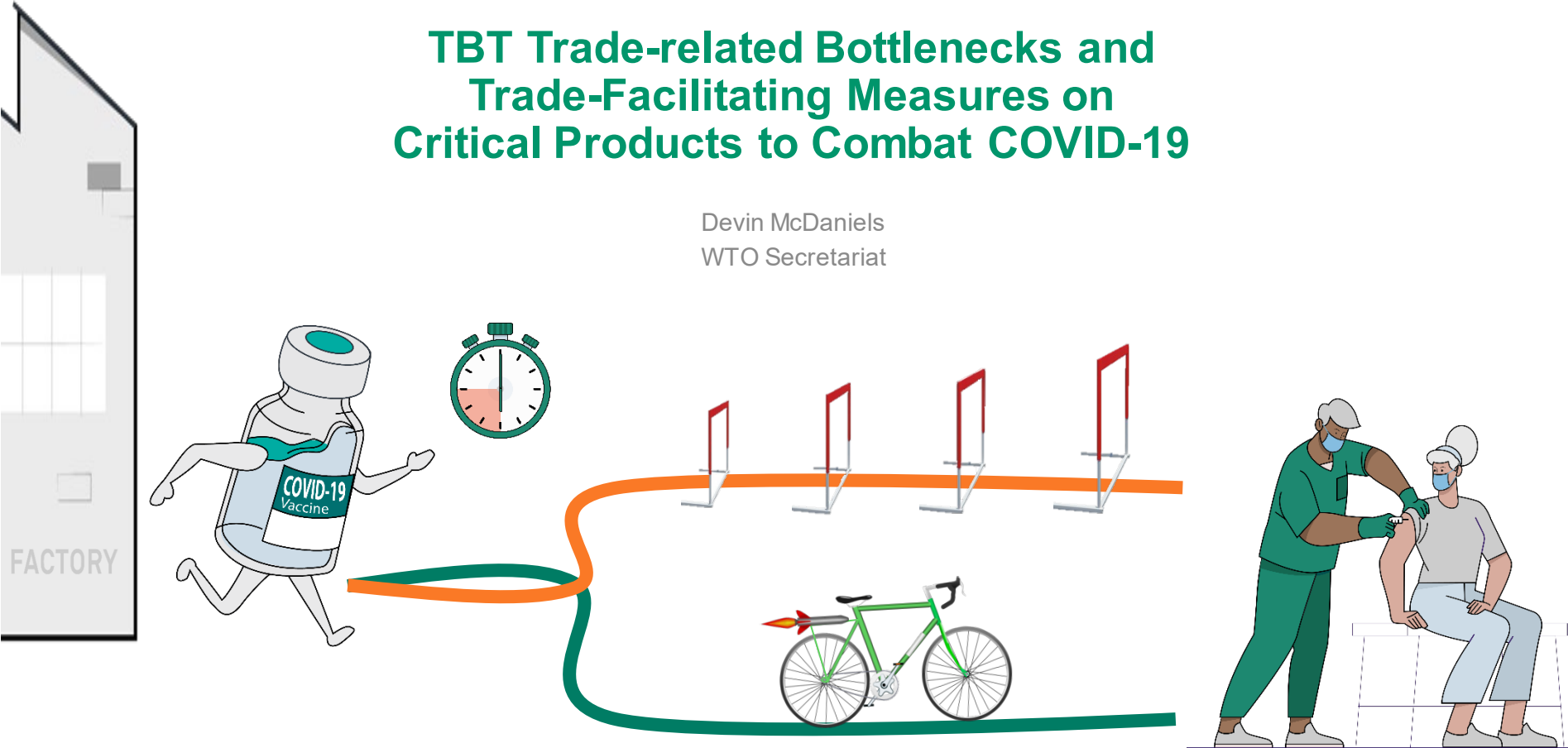


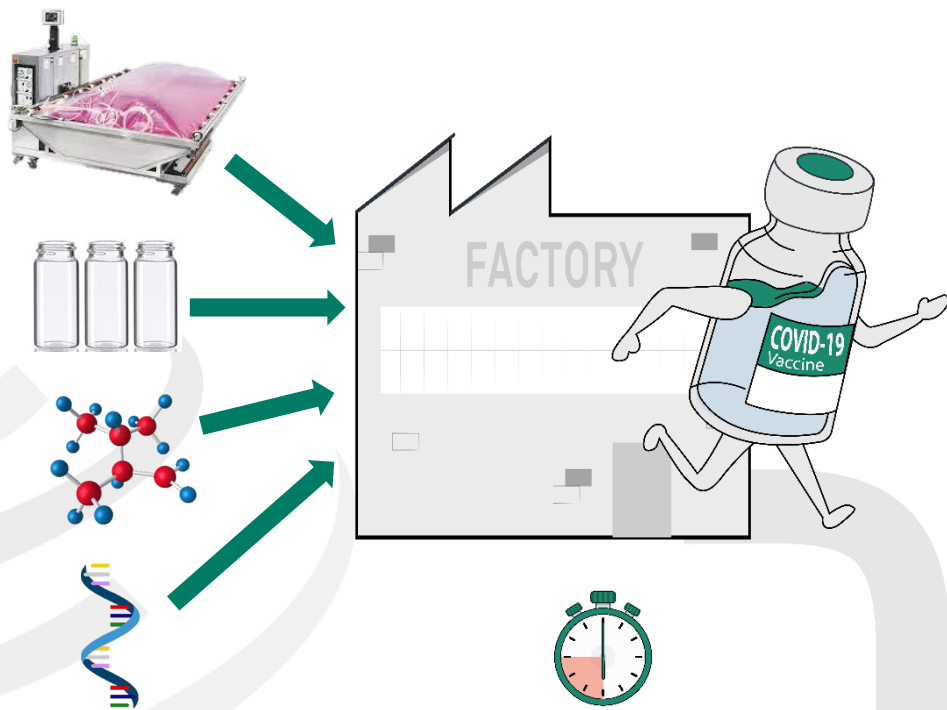
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# TBT Trade-related Bottlenecks and Trade-Facilitating Measures on Critical Products to Combat COVID-19

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# Background



See: [Joint indicative list of critical vaccine inputs](#)  
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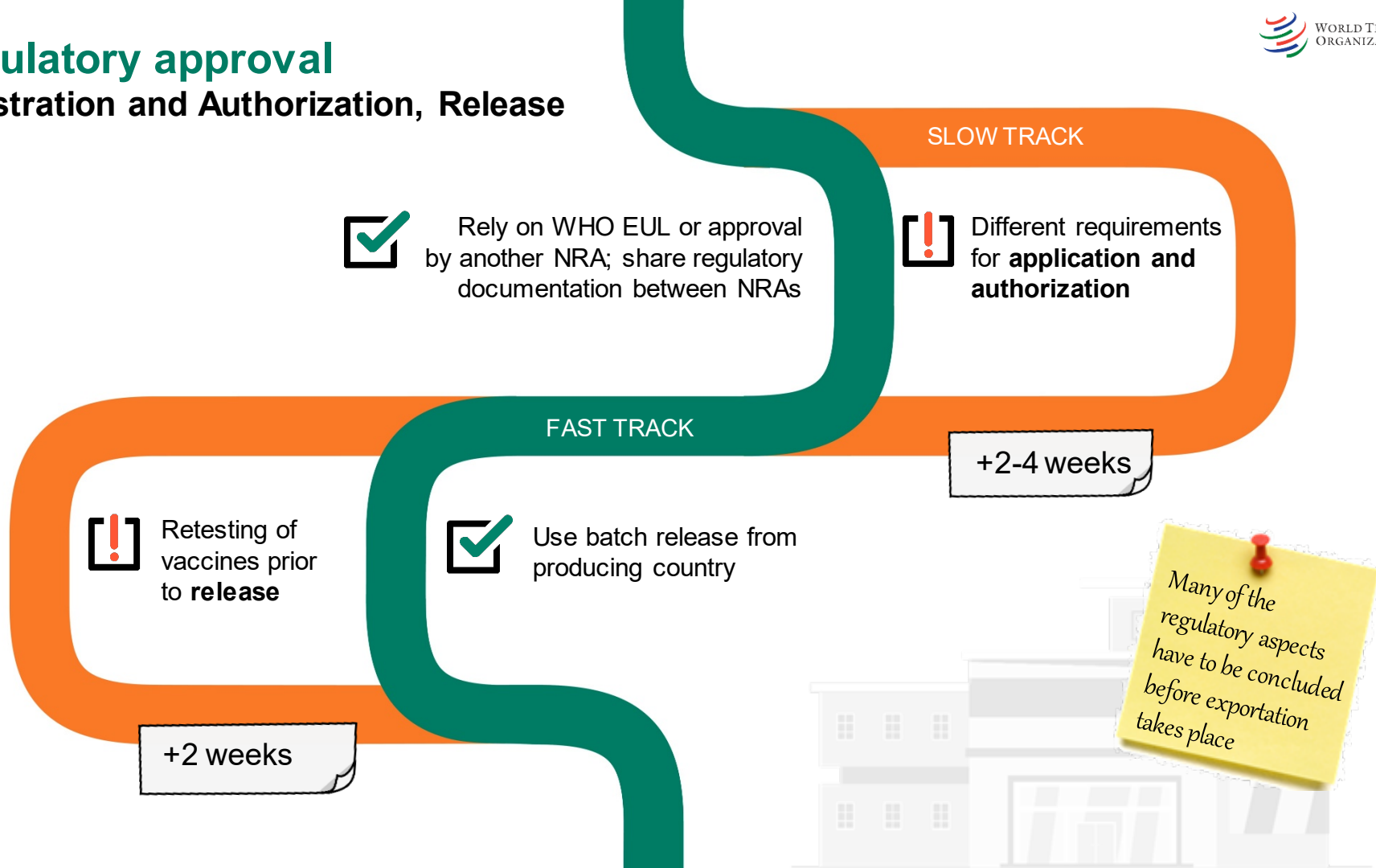
## Indicative list of trade-related bottlenecks and trade-facilitating measures on critical products to combat COVID-19

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- **Key message:** Goods and inputs need to flow efficiently and expeditiously to support the rapid scaling up of COVID-19 production capacity worldwide. Therefore, *trade policy matters!*
- **Source:** Information gathered during WTO organized events & [Multilateral Leaders Task Force](#) outreach with stakeholders.
- **Methodology:** Compiling and categorizing possible bottlenecks and trade facilitating measures
- **Disclaimer:** Information is presented in no particular order, and no judgement is made on the effect or significance of the reported bottlenecks.

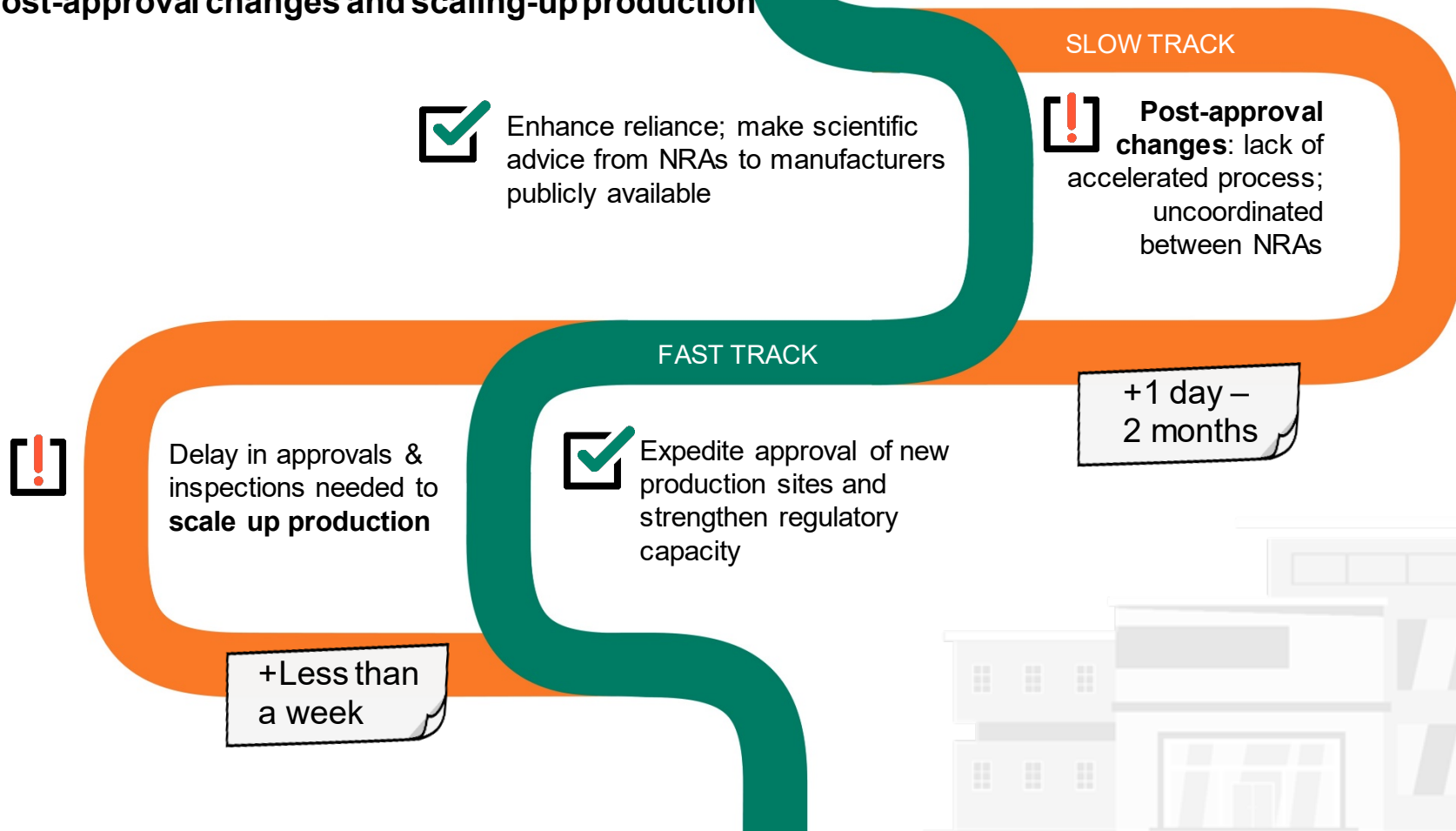
# Regulatory approval

## Registration and Authorization, Release



# Regulatory approval

## Post-approval changes and scaling-up production



# Regulatory approval

## Donations



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SLOW TRACK

Full (re-) approval  
of **donated vaccines**

+ 2 days –  
2 weeks

FAST TRACK

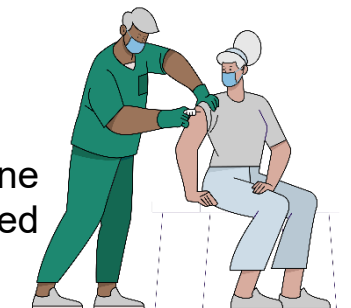
Waive requirements for approval of  
donations – on each supply chain  
and facility

DID NOT FINISH



Shelf-life expiry  
of vaccines doses

Vaccine  
administered



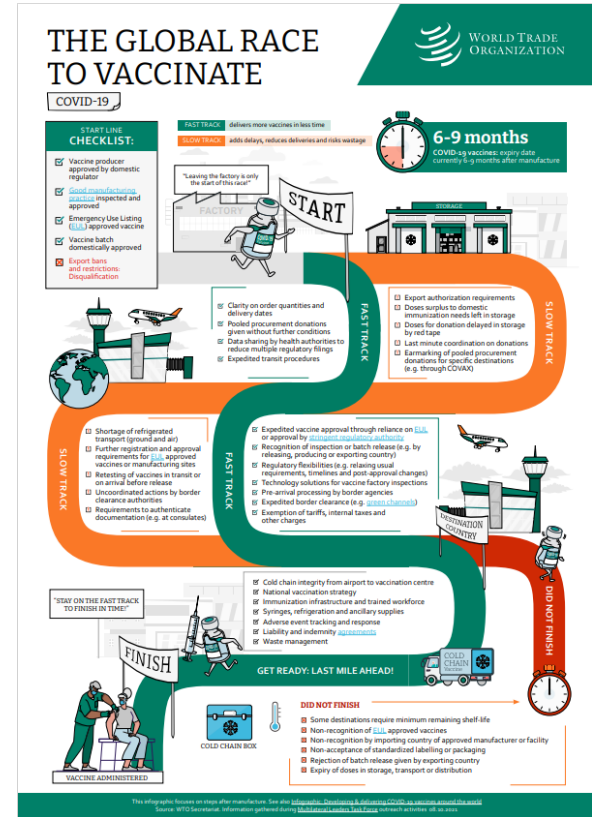
# Thank you!

## Resources:

WTO Reports on COVID-19: [Link](#)

Indicative list of trade-related bottlenecks and trade-facilitating measures on critical products to combat COVID-19 (10.2021): [Link](#)

Summary of notified export restrictions and trade facilitating measures relating to the COVID-19 Pandemic (10.2021): [Link](#)



Infographic – The global race to vaccinate: [Link](#)