

LITHUANIA'S EXPERIENCE IN COLLECTING AND REPORTING RD&D DATA

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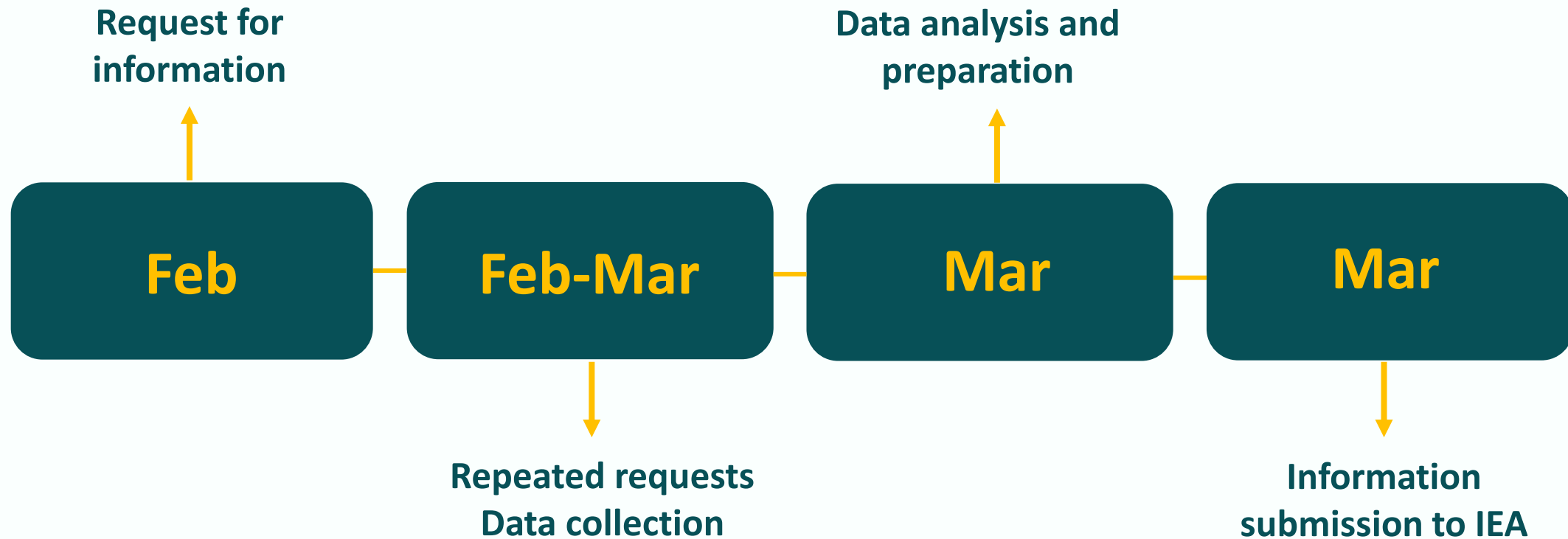
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- 1 Population: ~ 2.9 million.
- 2 Baltic region, EU member.
- 3 LEA – national body coordinating RD&D energy data collection and reporting.



RD&D DATA COLLECTION PROCESS AND TIMELINE

The request for information is sent in mid-February, with a two-week deadline for response, supported by follow-up reminders via email or phone if needed. All required data is collected by mid-March, with final submission to the IEA scheduled for the last week of March.



WHAT MAKES REPORTING PROCESS WORK

- 1 Strong international motivation
- 2 Early planning
- 3 Clear formats
- 4 Trust built through constant communication



An official request (signed by head of LEA) to respondents



A dedicated LEA employee, whose phone number and email are included in the request, is available to provide consultations and answer all questions



With the data collection process having been in place for some time, most data providers are now familiar with the routine



Data is submitted using a standardized IEA Excel form, with cost categorization completed by the respondents

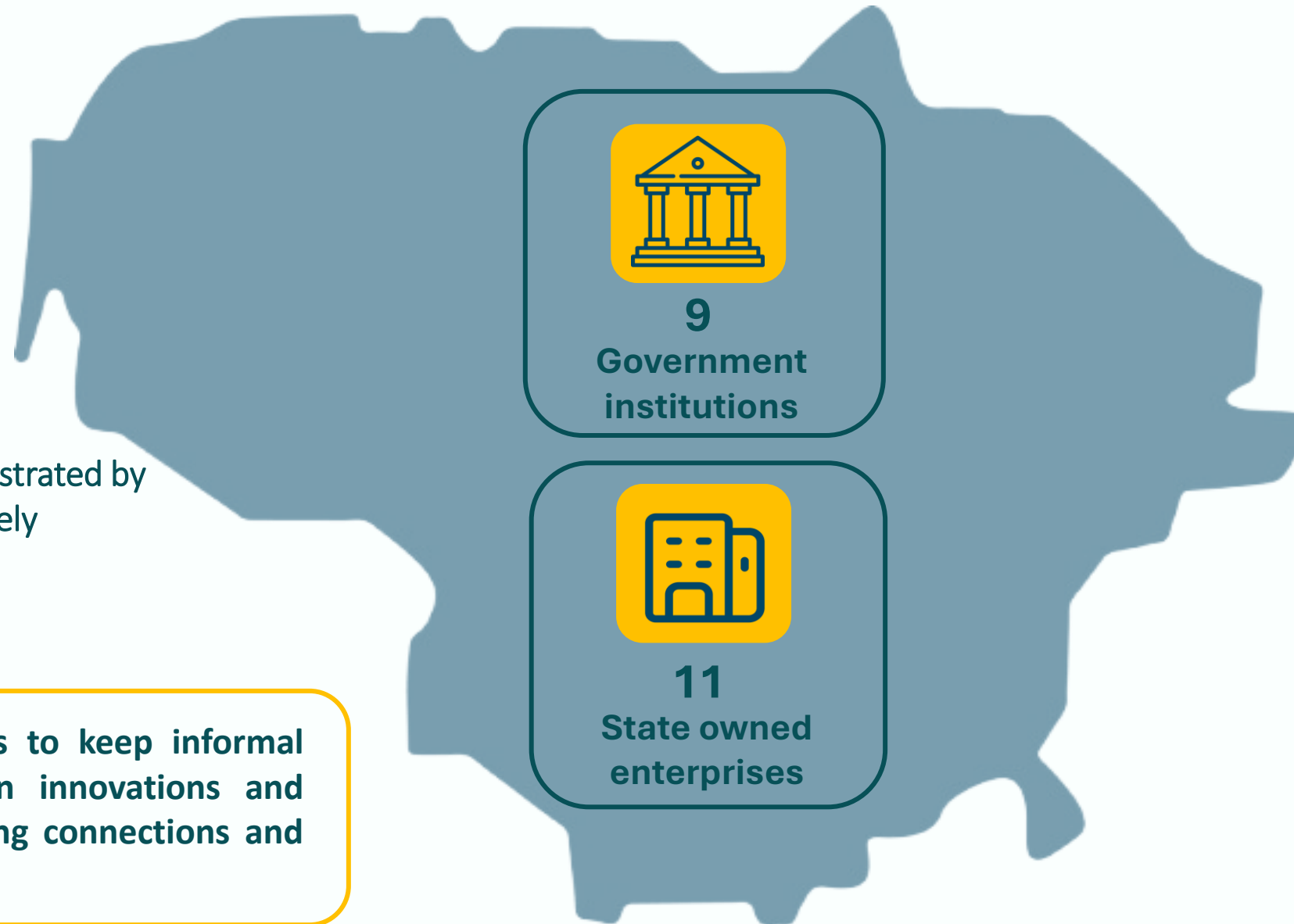


The LEA thoroughly reviews each submission, requesting clarifications as needed, and compiles the finalized data into a single file for IEA submission.

SMALL COUNTRY, STRONG CONNECTIONS

- List of respondents is set in advance and reviewed each year before information request.
- Easy to communicate – small number of respondents, no problems reaching their responsible representatives by phone.
- There is always a clear leadership demonstrated by the management which allows immediately reaching stakeholders if necessary.

Annual Event for innovators – helps to keep informal interaction with people working on innovations and RD&D in main companies, maintaining connections and involving new personnel.



- 1 **Prioritize**
- 2 **Assign responsibilities**
- 3 **Prepare yourself and respondents**
- 4 **Communicate early and clearly**
- 5 **Maintain constant communication**

