



Global Data Synchronization Network (GDSN) Overview

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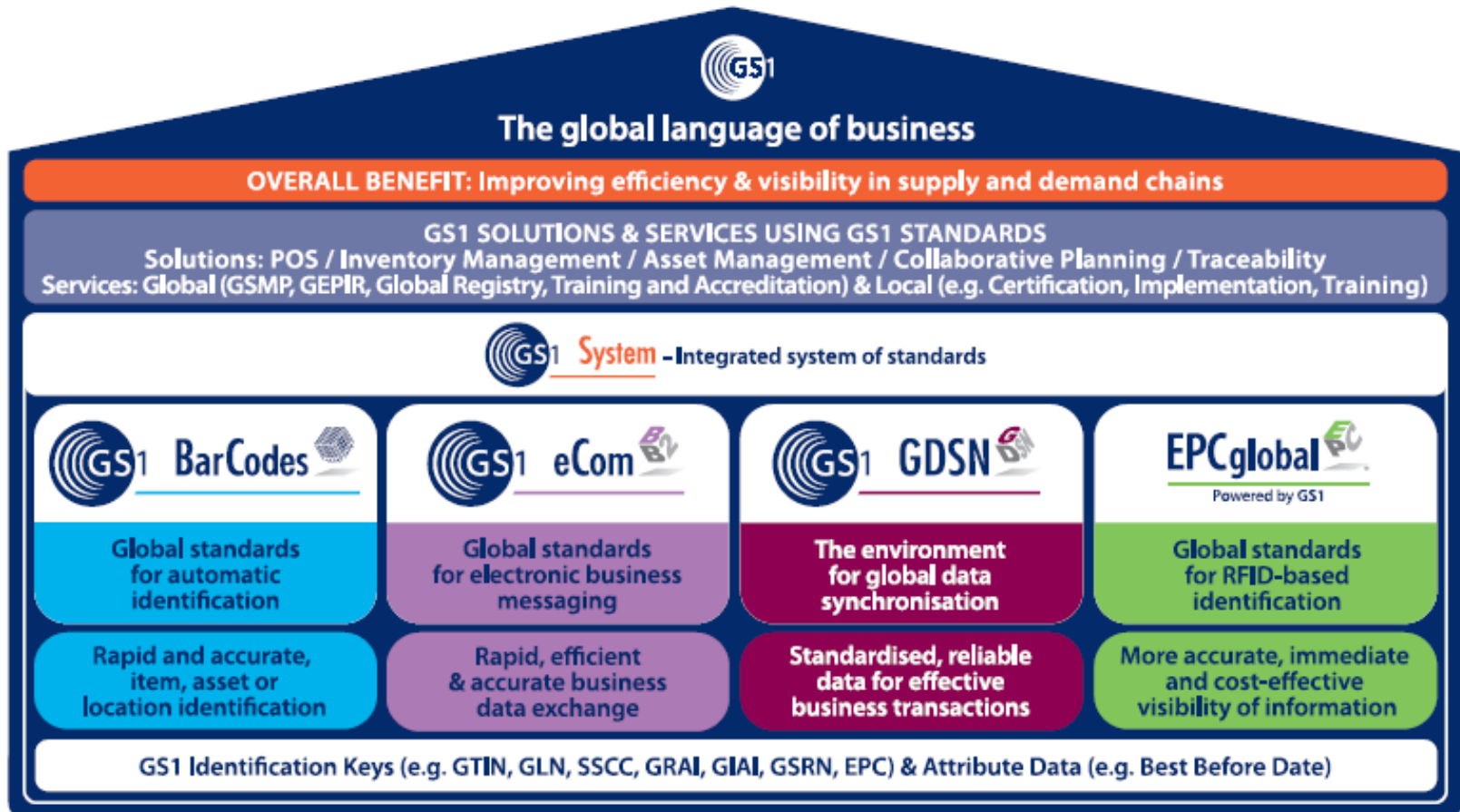


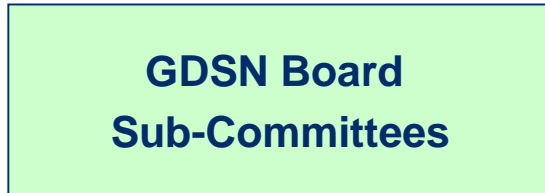
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GS1 and the Business Units





Governance
Policies

Business Unit
Management for
Registry,
Certification and
GPC

User Business
Requirements for
GSMP Standards
and
Implementation

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	Jan 2005	Feb 2006	Jun 2006
Active Data Pools	4 (10 Certified)	7 (26 Certified)	9 (23 Certified)
Subscribers / Users	200	3,778	Over 9,000
GTINs (Items) Registered	180,000	479,000	588,000
GTINs (Items) Coded with Valid GPC (classification) Codes		307,000	354,000

Note 1: GDSN Statistics Report is available on www.gs1.org web site under GDSN area. Includes full list of all GS1 Global Registry subscribers.



What is the GDSN

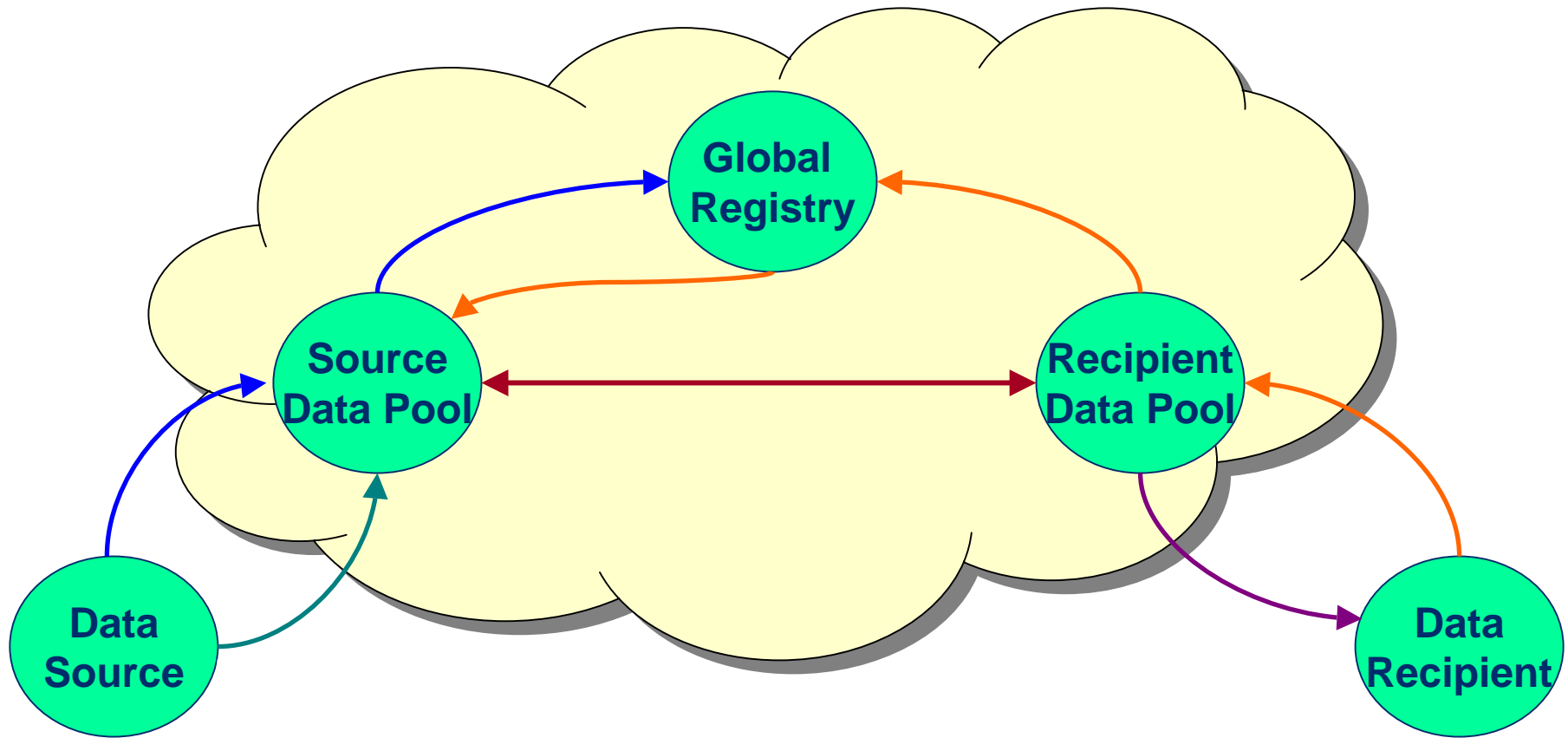
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Global Data Synchronization Network

- The GDSN is an Internet-based, interconnected network of interoperable data pools and a Global Registry
- The GS1 Global Registry enables companies around the world to exchange standardised data with their trading partners.

The Basic GDSN Network



The GDSN consists of:

- **Trading Partners:** Suppliers, retailers, wholesalers, logistics service providers, etc.
- **Data Pools** Service providers that hold and process item and trading partner data
- **The GS1 Global Registry:** A worldwide directory to help the GDSN community locate data sources and manage ongoing synchronization relationships between trading partners

- Provides Validation Services to ensure uniqueness and basic GTIN and GLN rules
- Contains basic Party information to identify the participants and their roles
- Does not contain all trade item information
- Is not the world repository of all trade item information

- GTIN: Item information including attributes controlled by the brand owner/data source (e.g., dimensions, weights)
- GLN: Location information including locations involved in trade (e.g., headquarter, billing, ship to)
- GPC: Global Product Classification
 - A mandatory classification system in the GDSN
 - A rule set based structure (not product identification or description)
 - The Brick identifies a category incorporating trade items



GDSN Benefits

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GDSN:

- Provides **standardised, reliable data** for effective business transactions in both local and global markets, **driving costs out of the supply chain**
- Ensures that **trading partners and the data pools work in a standardised way** thereby reducing duplicate systems and processes
- Ensures that **item data is updated and consistent** between trading partners
- **Validates accuracy of data** against standards and business rules

GDSN:

- Reduces costs by **minimizing or eliminating** non-value-added manual processes
- Save costs through efficiencies in **logistics, accounting and inventory**
- Provides a process to **start cleaning your data** via targeted implementation
- **Foundation for electronic collaborative commerce** initiatives such as the Electronic Product Code™ (EPC). The EPCglobal Network™ relies on the accurate data exchanged through global data synchronization.



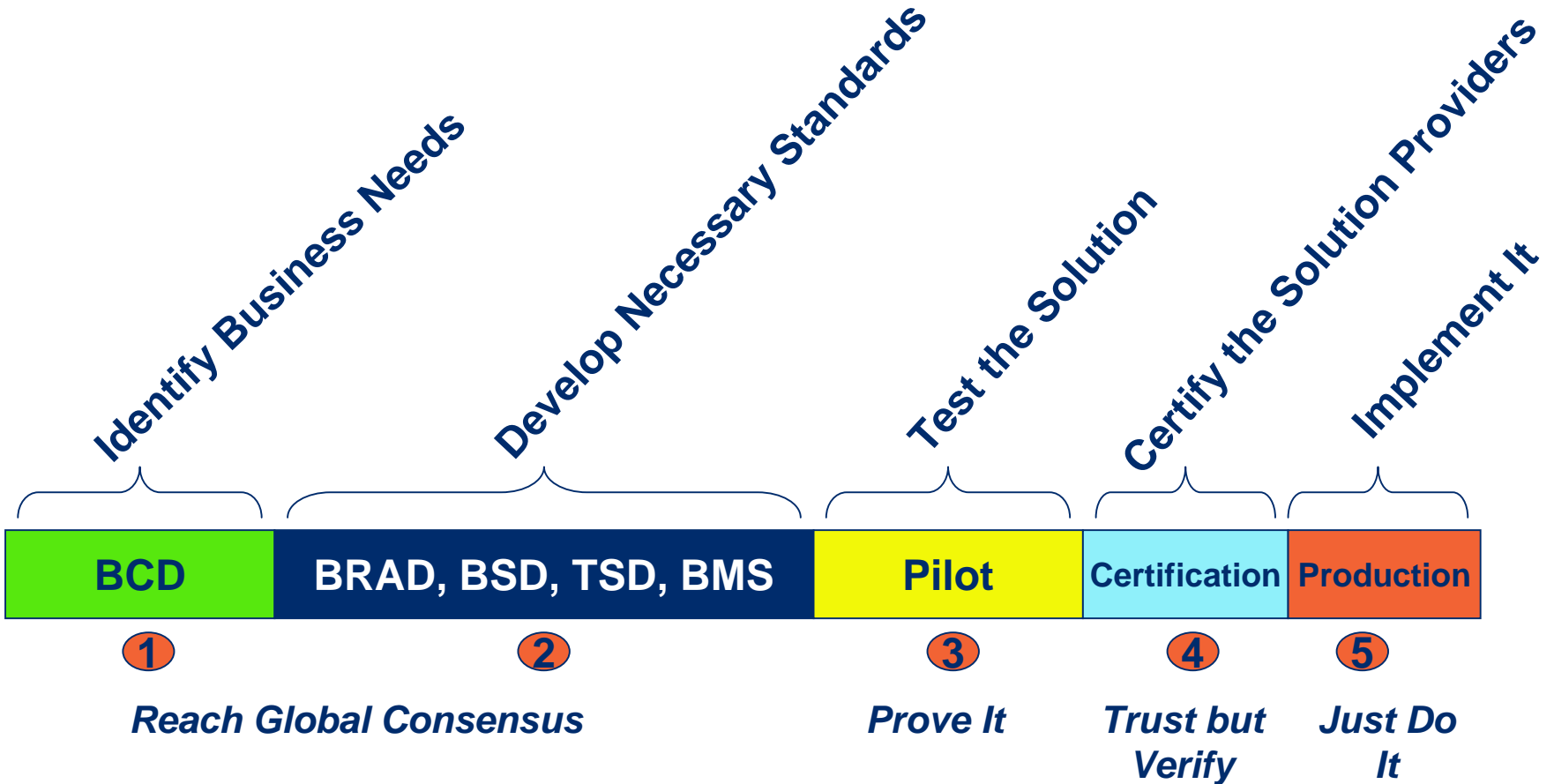
Recommended Next Steps

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- *A few Acronyms:*
 - BCD: Business Case Document
 - BRAD: Business Requirements Analysis Document
 - BSD: Business Solution Document
 - TSD: Technical Solution Document
 - BMS: Business Message Standard
 - GR: GS1 Global Registry
 - GTIN: Global Trade Item Number
 - GLN: Global Location Number
 - GSMP: Global Standards Management Process

The GDSN Delivery Process



1. Form a HUG/GDSN work group (*the collaboration*)
2. Identify the project champion(s) (*person with the passion*)
3. Identify the project team (*users who would implement*)
4. Define the high level business need (*step 1*)
5. Develop the necessary standards (*step 2*)
6. Test the standards via a pilot (*step 3*)
7. Certify Data Pools and the GS1 Global Registry™ on the approved standard (*step 4*)
8. Implement the solution (*step 5*)



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