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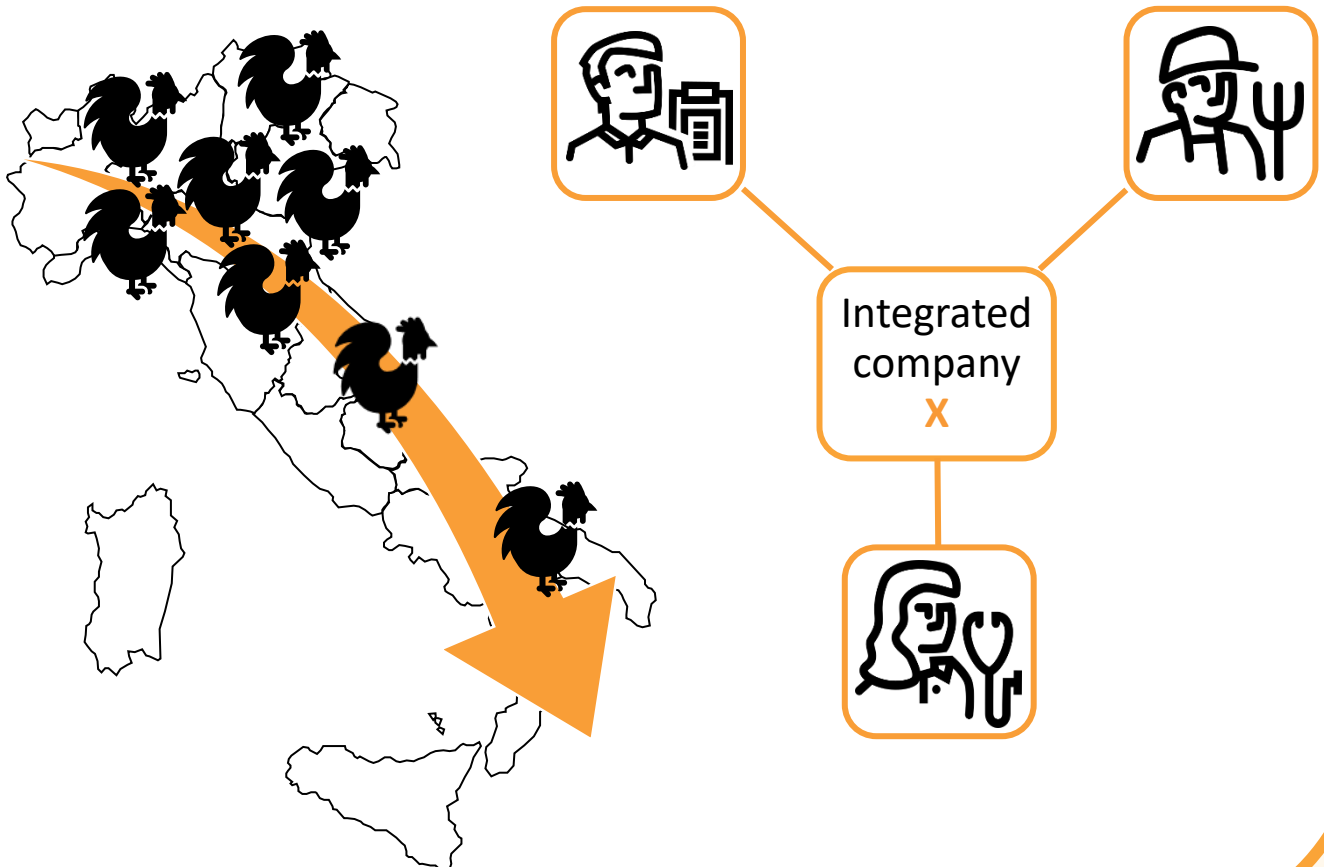
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MAIN KEY POINTS

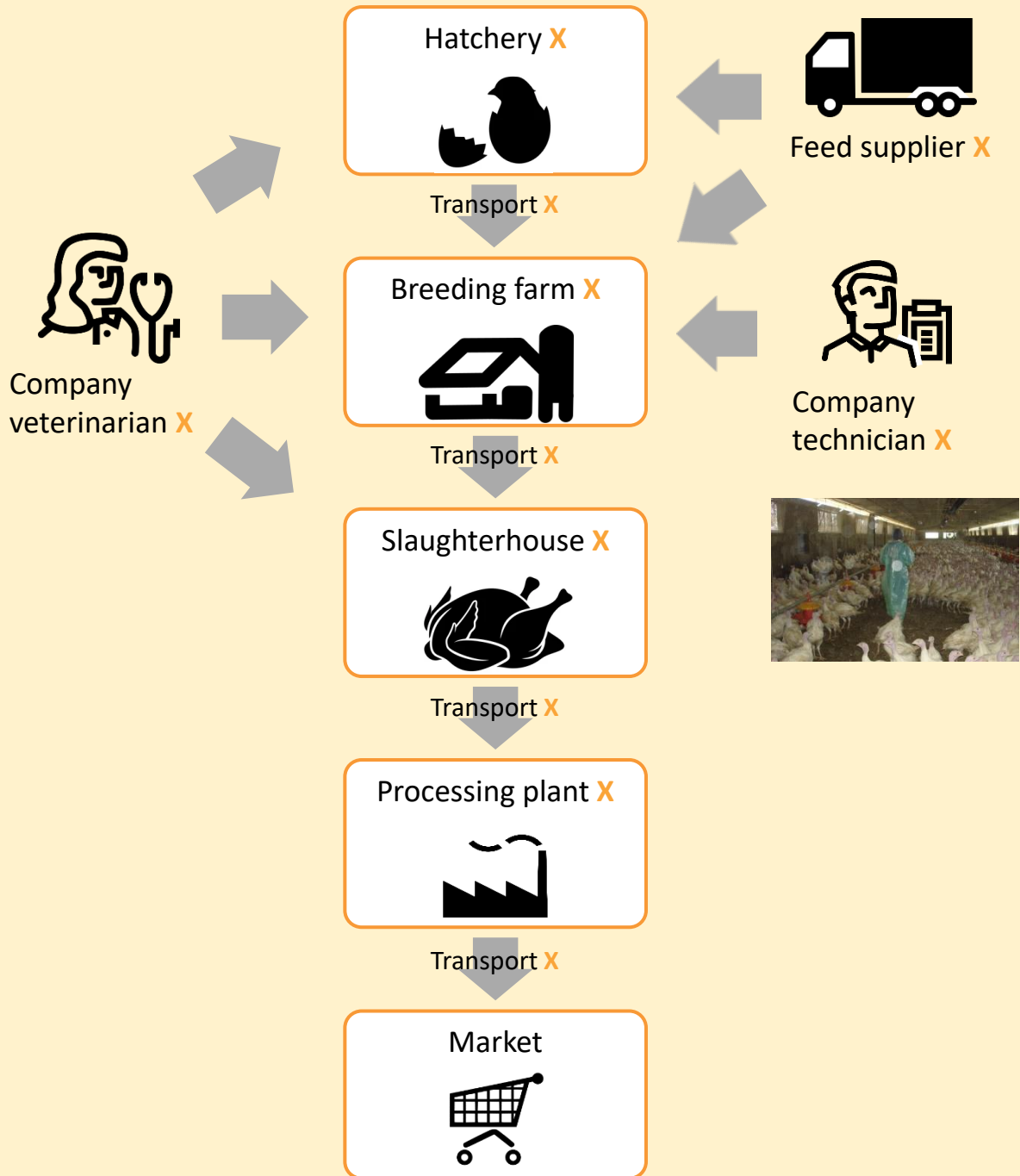
- Assessment of biosecurity measures in poultry farms
- On-farm biosecurity inspection by integrated companies
- Use of specific integrated company policies

Italian poultry production is organized into **vertically integrated chains**, *i.e.*, companies that control each step of the production cycle (from the hatchery to the slaughterhouse, including feed mills and personnel working on field)



How integrated companies are organised?

Integrated company X organization



- The **integrated company** provides: birds, feed, support (human resources), transport, processing facilities
- The **farmer** provides: facilities, labour, utilities

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In this context, after the farmer the two main actors are the company **technician** and/or **veterinarian**, who **periodically visit the farm** to monitor the regular performance of the activities



Veterinarian

- Visits farms less frequently
- Intervenes in case of flock problems
- Decides intervention measures



Technician

- Visits farms more frequently
- Checks flock performances
- Provides support to the farmer

Integrated companies have their own policies on biosecurity measures: farm veterinarians and/or technicians evaluate **biosecurity measures** by using **company checklists**. If during the visit non-compliance in biosecurity is detected, they provide indications on possible corrective actions.

Therefore, it is suggested that farmers, following the visit of technicians and veterinarians belonging to the integrated company:

- be **as transparent as possible!**
- be **honest!**
- **trust them!**

For more information:

- Link/QR code to the video
- Link/QR code to technical/scientific publications
- NETPOULSAFE project: <https://www.netpoulsafe.eu>

