

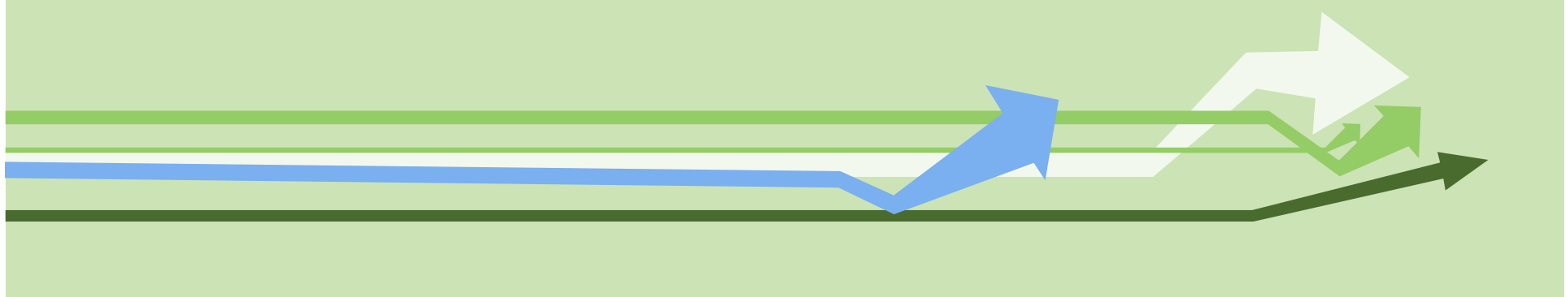
Moscow Legislative Experience of Regulating GMO expansion **2008**



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State documents



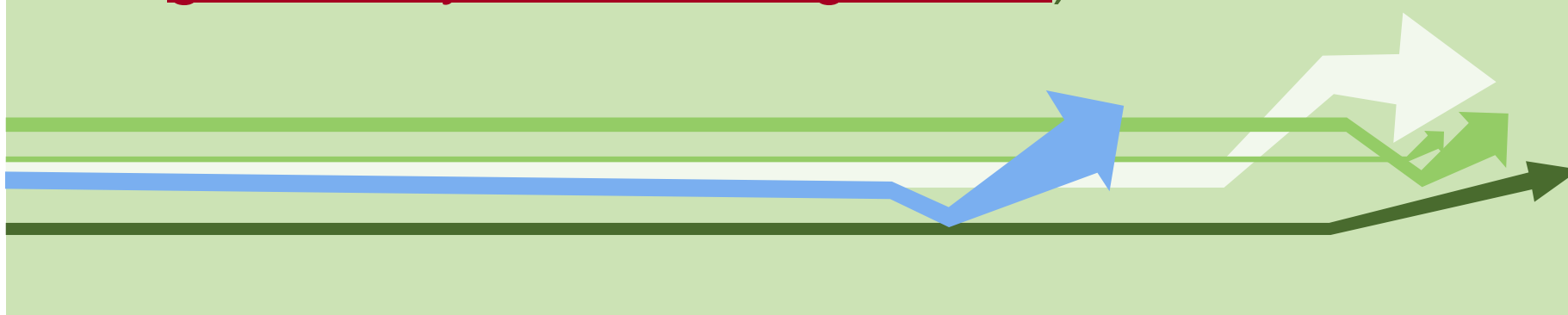
- The Russian Federation law “On State Regulation of Genetic Engineering Activities”
 - The Government Order “On the State Registration of Animal Feed, manufactured from genetically-modified organisms”
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 - The Ecological Doctrine of Russia
 - Priorities of the State Biodiversity Policy
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Before 2008 – 0% level



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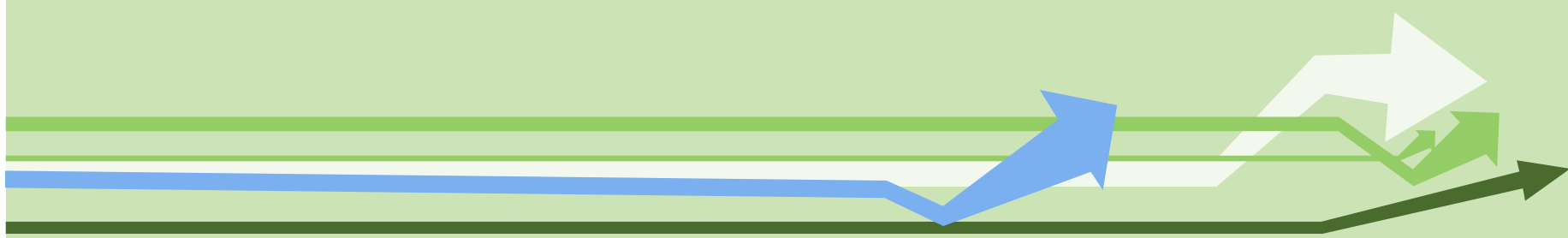
Legislative changes 2008 – 0,9% level

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The difference

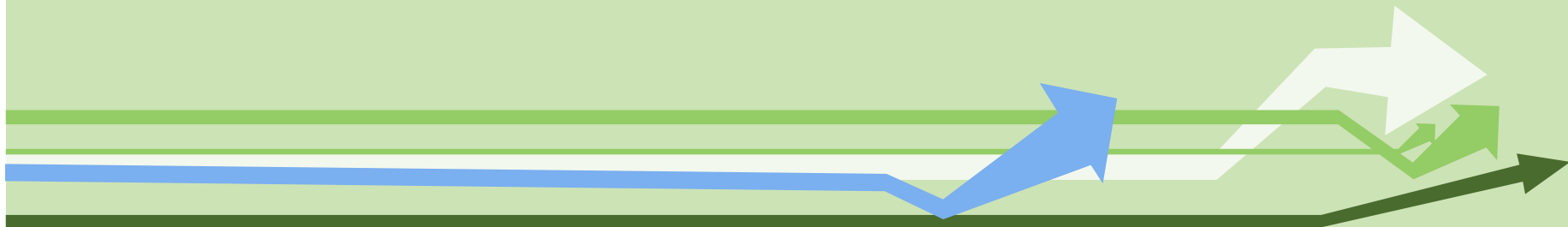



- Unlike in Europe, there's **no GMO crops** grown in Russia.
 - Unlike in Russia, in Europe **controlling system** works well.
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Legislative changes 2008



- Whole legislative course has become more **friendly for GMO-manufacturers**
- Level of **state control** is still **weak**
- There's **no will** from most of federal politics to improve the situation
- **No complex Federal Law** on Biosafety of Russian Federation has been developed

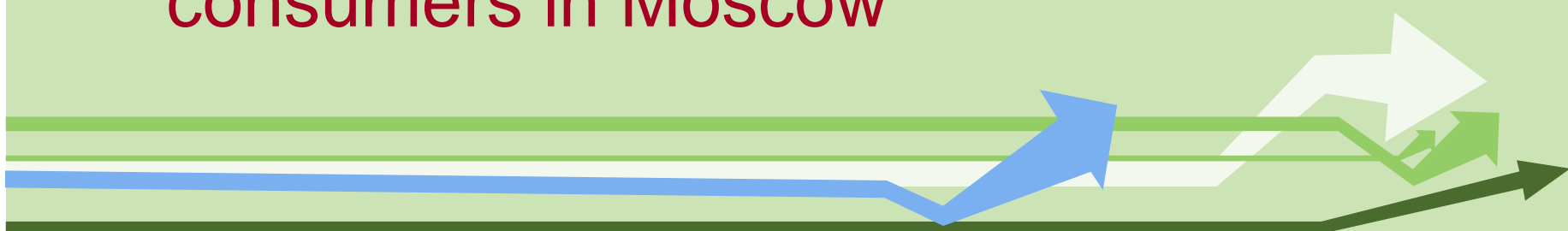





Local measures of Moscow authorities

Legislative measures

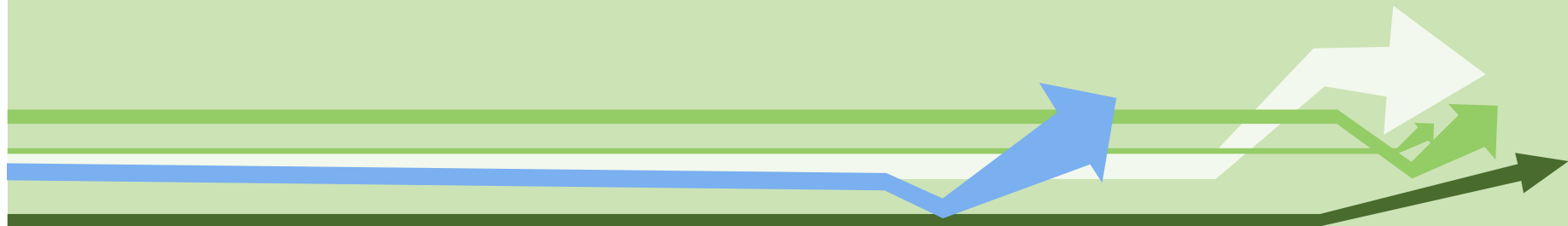


- Adoption of **Moscow City's law "On Food Safety in Moscow"** in July 2006, that prohibits buying products containing GMOs on public funds.
 - Adoption of The **Governmental Order of Moscow in February 2007 "On Additional Measures on maintenance of quality and safety of foods, informing of consumers in Moscow"**
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The Governmental Order of Moscow from February 2007



- 16 independent laboratories, where all products in Moscow are checked according to necessity.
- results of checks are absolutely open for public;
- system of voluntary labeling “Does not contain GMO”, the registration is free.



Voluntary labeling



- Label “Does not contain GMO”

Expansion of Moscow initiatives in regions



Archangelsk region



Krasnodarskiy kray



Belorussia – former USSR state



Belgorod region



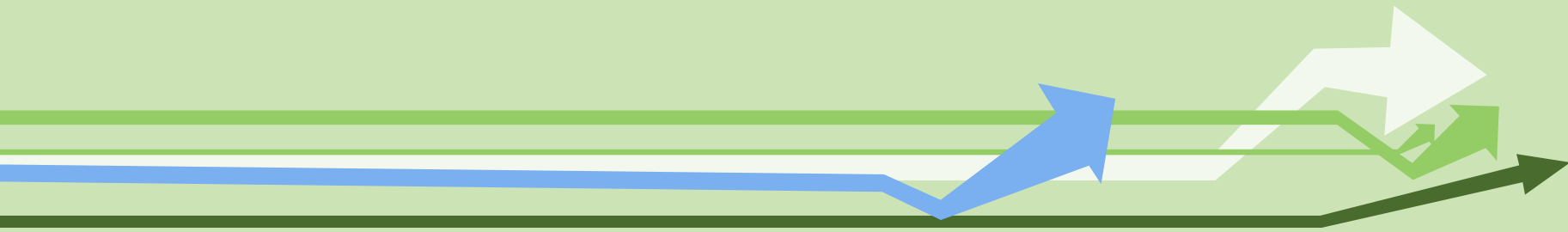
Kurgansk region



Kostroma region

Next steps:



- To initiate introductions of the strict state control over acceptance of the federal law on biological safety;
 - To carry out the **independent large-scale scientific researches** of GM-products and GM-plants influence on organisms of animals, people and environment;
 - To create **commission between former-USSR states** on biological safety and organic food;
 - To enter the **moratorium** in Russia.
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A photograph of a birch forest with a central text overlay and decorative arrows. The text "Thank You for Your Attention!" is written in white, italicized font on a dark green rectangular background. The forest scene is filled with tall, thin birch trees with light-colored bark and green foliage. A large green arrow points from the top left towards the top right. At the bottom, there are several overlapping arrows: a blue arrow pointing right, a white arrow pointing right, and a green arrow pointing right, all appearing to move from left to right across the bottom of the image.

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