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- The ultimate goal of authorisation is substitution
  - Less agreement on timing
  - Improve sectoral communication on alternatives
  - Review periods are limited in time, show clearly your intentions in analysis of alternatives and substitution plan
- A better communication on the technical function as early as possible may result in a better contribution on alternatives
- Make the process as transparent as possible
  - There may be different interpretations on CBI

- An evaluation of the process has to take place when having more experience
- A more structured and holistic approach on cost/benefits of substitution/authorisation may facilitate the discussions
- Communication needed on the best contribution during public consultation, or preferentially earlier in the process, to improve the contributions and to avoid false expectations

- Public consultation: be as transparent as possible
- Need to find the break-even point between generic and specific AfAs
- The observer function of stakeholders is crucial