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**Regional workplan objective 2: *establishing trust
through transparency and communication***

Seventh meeting of the Regional Core Group (RCG7), Bern
17-18 December 2018

2.2. Establishing trust through transparency and communication (objective 2)

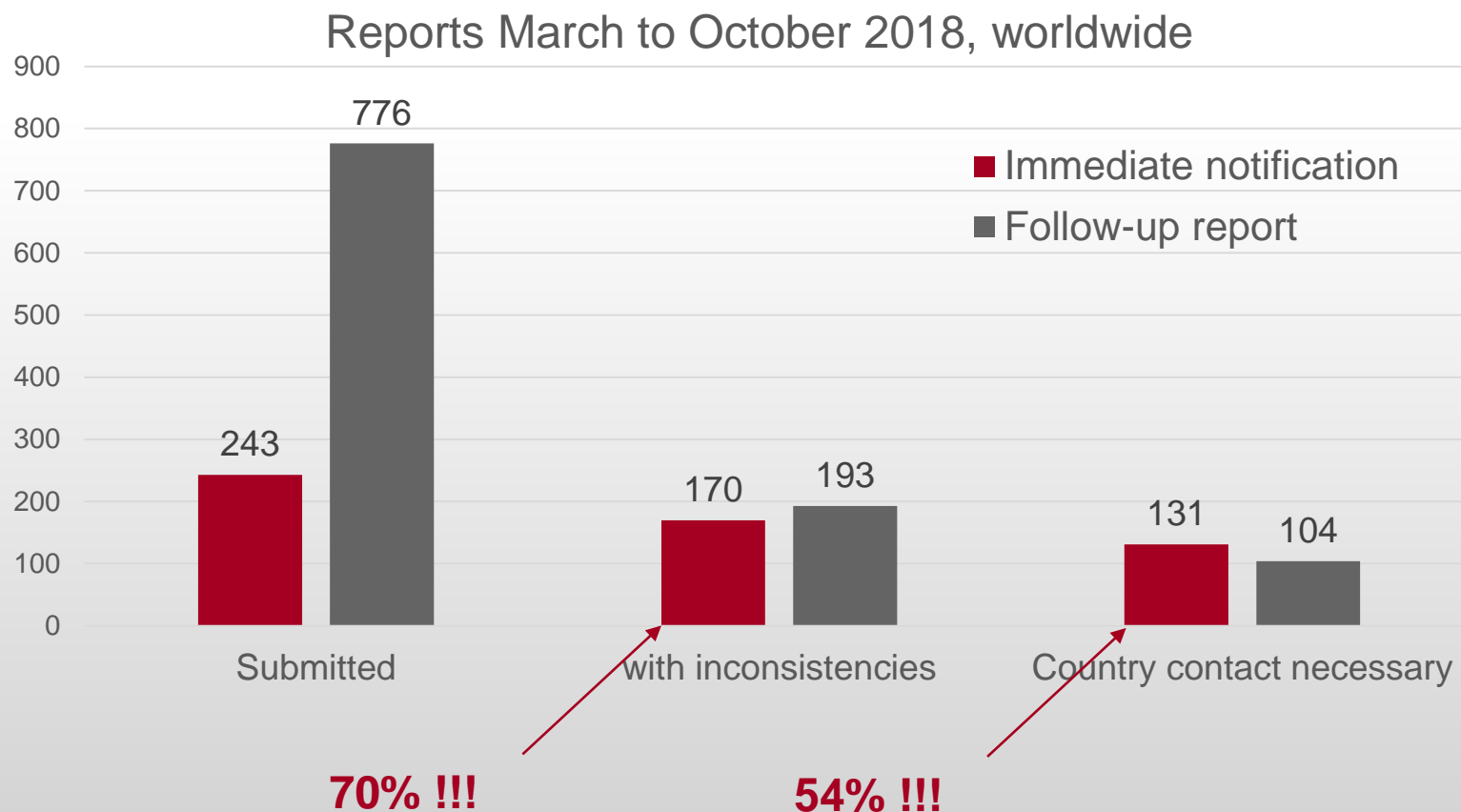
- a. The Regional Commission highlights the importance of timely disease reporting and calls upon its members to perform their core duty in an open and accurate manner;
- b. The Regional Commission supports the renovation of WAHIS and calls upon donors to allocate funds for this task.

In a first step, the project ADIS (integrating ADNS and WAHIS) should be finalised;

- c. The Regional Commission promotes the strengthening of the regional network of OIE Reference Laboratories with National Reference Laboratories in the Region, as well as the exchange of knowledge, resources and expertise of OIE Reference Centers across different regions;
- d. The Regional Commission recommends the use of different routes of communication (like social media, internet Communication, etc.) to improve its communication reach among veterinarians and services in the region.

a. Timely disease reporting

Immediate notifications and follow-up reports



Nature of inconsistencies (by decreasing frequency):

- Dates
- quantitative data
- causal agent
- Paper report instead of online in WAHIS...

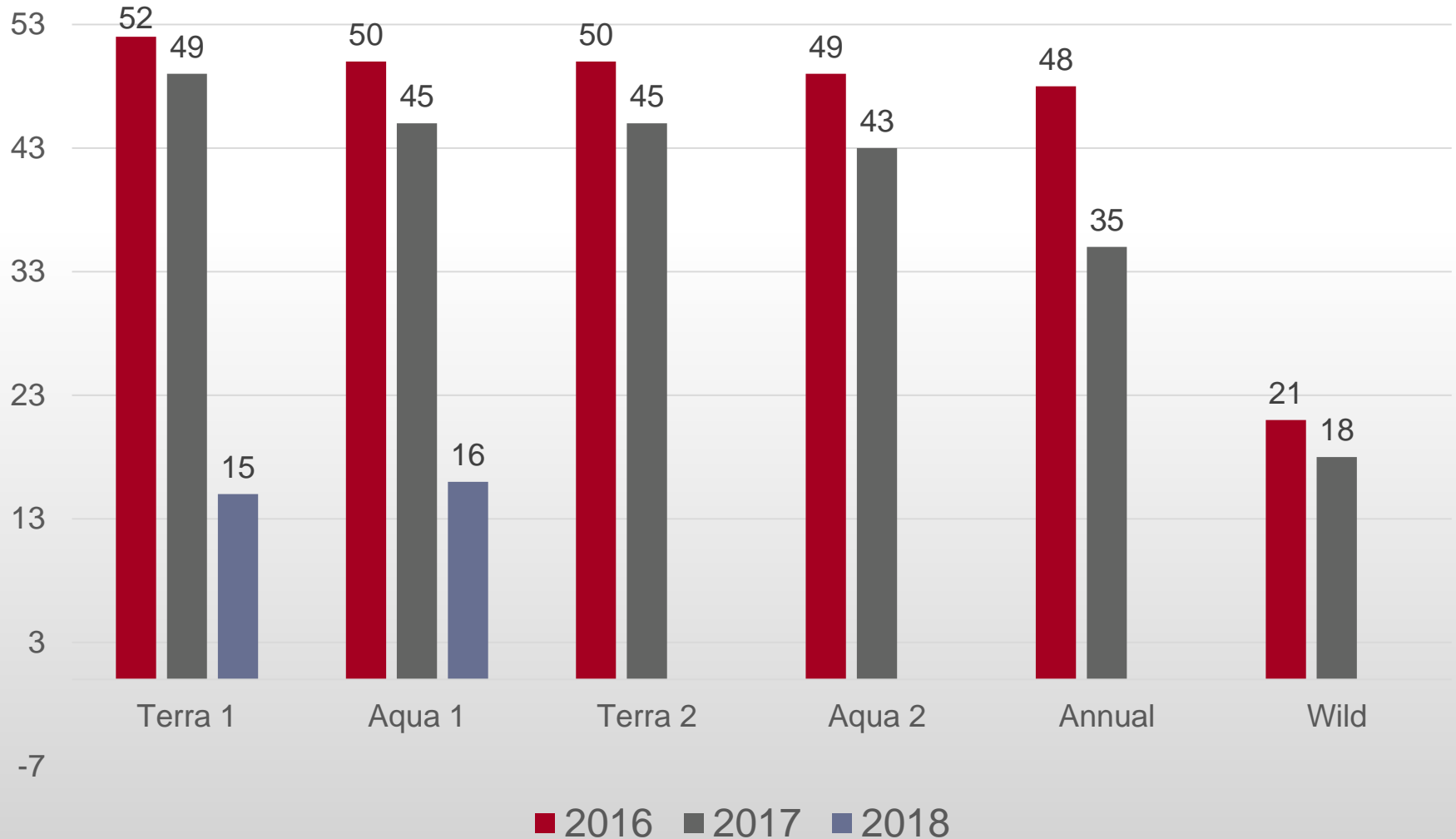
97 ongoing events in Europe, 28 diseases in 32 countries

- ➔ average submission time between two reports for 1 event = 36 days (range from 2 to 355 days)
- ➔ In 44 events (**45%**) in 21 countries, the **delay** in submitting a follow-up report was > 1 month when it should be 7 days.

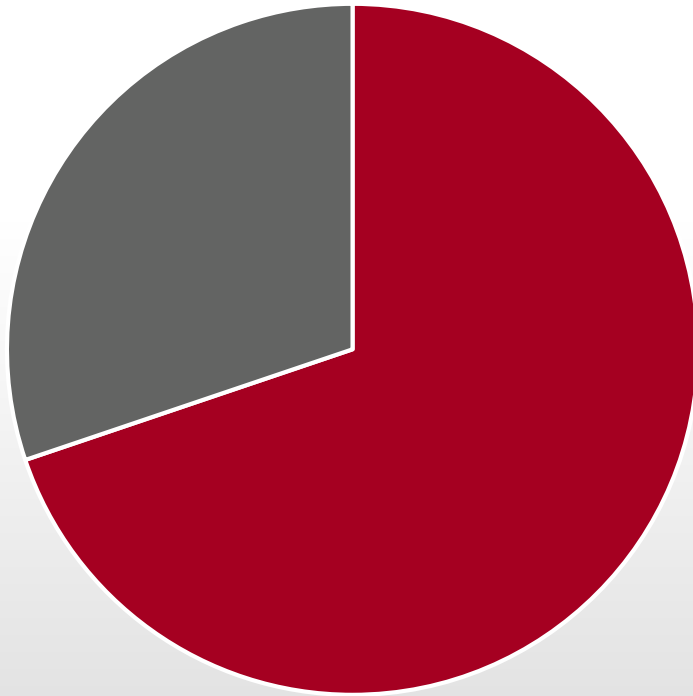
Lessons to be learned

- There is still room for progress in the Europe region on disease reporting
- Sending weekly report is an obligation which is usually not respected
- The national focal point for notification is critical for an efficient reporting

6-monthly and annual reports, up to 25 October

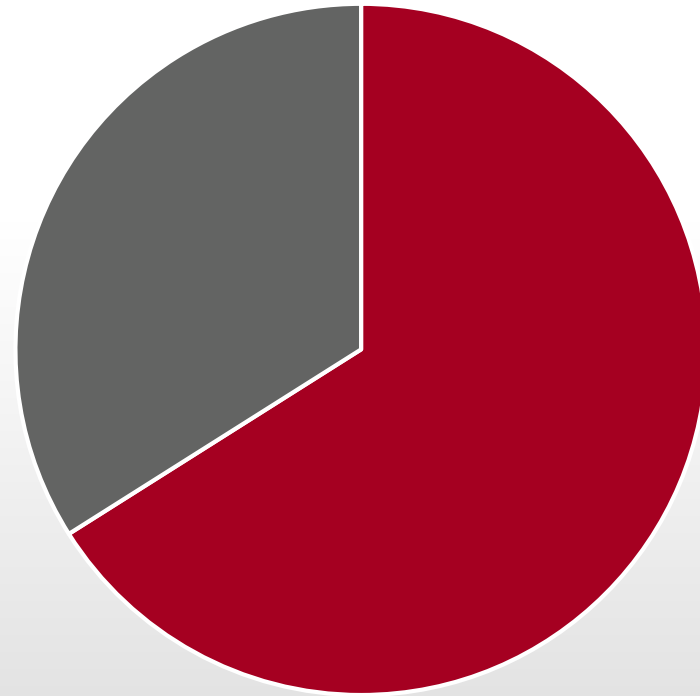


Update on 15 December



Terrestrial

- Received: 70% (37)
- **Pending: 30% (16)**



Aquatic

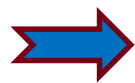
- Received: 66% (35)
- **Pending: 34% (18)**

Albania, Republic of	Terra&Aqua
Andorra, Principality of	Terra&Aqua
Armenia	Aqua
Belarus	Terra
Bulgaria, People's Republic of	Terra&Aqua
Cyprus, Republic of	Terra&Aqua
France, French Republic	Terra&Aqua
Greece, Hellenic Republic	Terra
Hungary, Hungarian People's Republic	Terra
Kazakhstan, Republic of	Aqua
Luxembourg, Grand Duchy of	Terra&Aqua
Macedonia, the former Yugoslav Republic of	Aqua
Malta, Republic of	Terra&Aqua
Montenegro, Republic of	Aqua
Russian Federation	Aqua
San Marino, Republic of	Terra&Aqua
Serbia, Republic of	Terra&Aqua
Slovenia	Terra&Aqua
Tajikistan	Terra&Aqua
United Kingdom of Great Britain & N. Ireland	Terra&Aqua
Uzbekistan	Aqua

Bold: major gaps
also in 2017

2 messages to take home and disseminate

- ❑ A few missing information is not a problem



validate the report without further delay
it can be completed later

- ❑ OIE HQ requests to receive before the end of this year all the terrestrial and aquatic reports for the 1st semester 2018



particularly critical this year, due to WAHIS+

b. WAHIS+ and ADIS



The temporal roll-out strategy for 4 stages and at least 10 years vision



1. Foundation

2. Evolutive

3. Advanced

4. Optimisation

Rebuilding modernised Core modules and migration of current WAHIS data

Interoperability, integration with other systems and data sources

Integration of historical data before 2005 (Handistatus) sources

Integration of new modules and future innovations

Dec. 2019

May 2020

March 2021

2027 and beyond

Stage 1: Foundation - April 2018-Dec. 2019

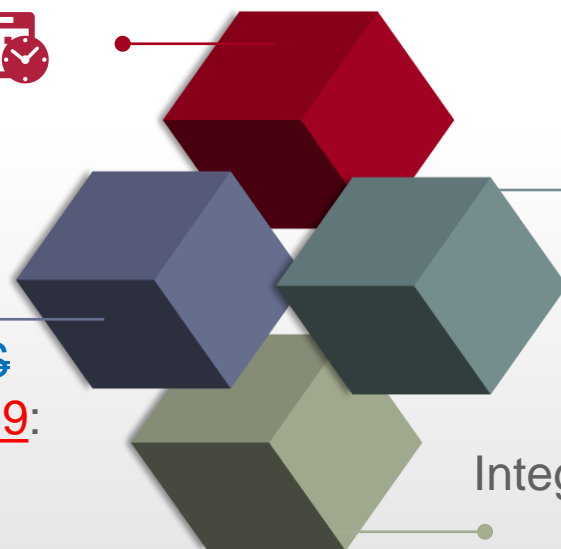
Improvement and modernisation of current modules

Objective:



Launch of WAHIS+ for 
~~May 2019~~ September 2019:

- Immediate notification
- Follow-up report
- Six-monthly report



Development of improved and modernised modules, including:

- User-friendly interface
- New GIS
- Modern data mining system
- Local reports
- Interconnection with ADNS through new ADIS interface (EU) and similar initiatives

Integration of historical data from 2005 (WAHIS)



End 2019: Annual report, wild annual report, Alert App, E-learning

ADIS

ADIS will replace the current ADNS

ADIS = One-stop shop for notification to

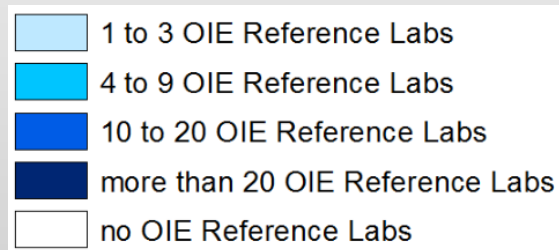
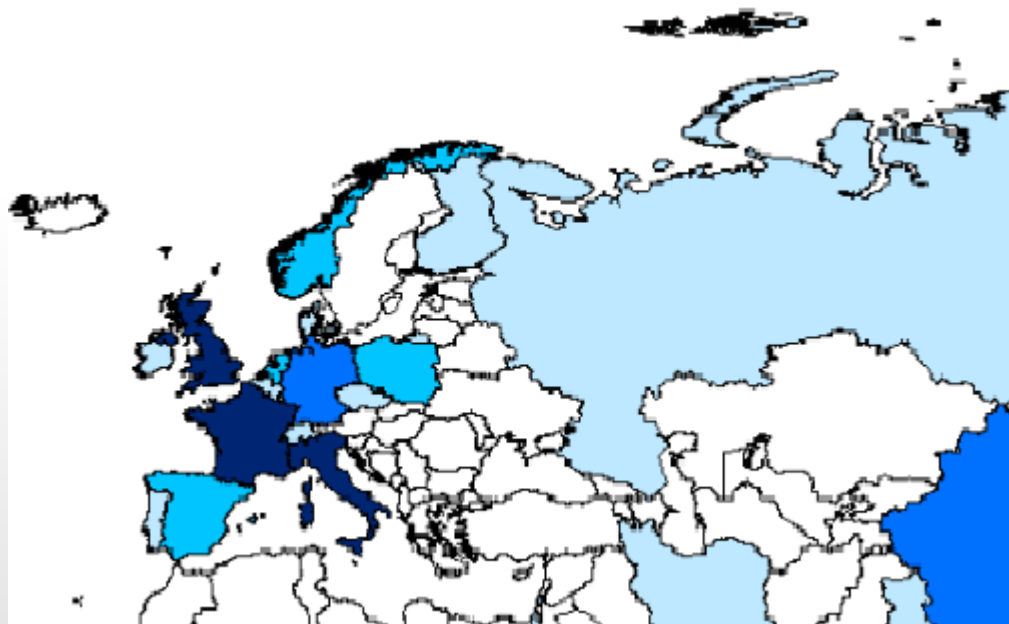
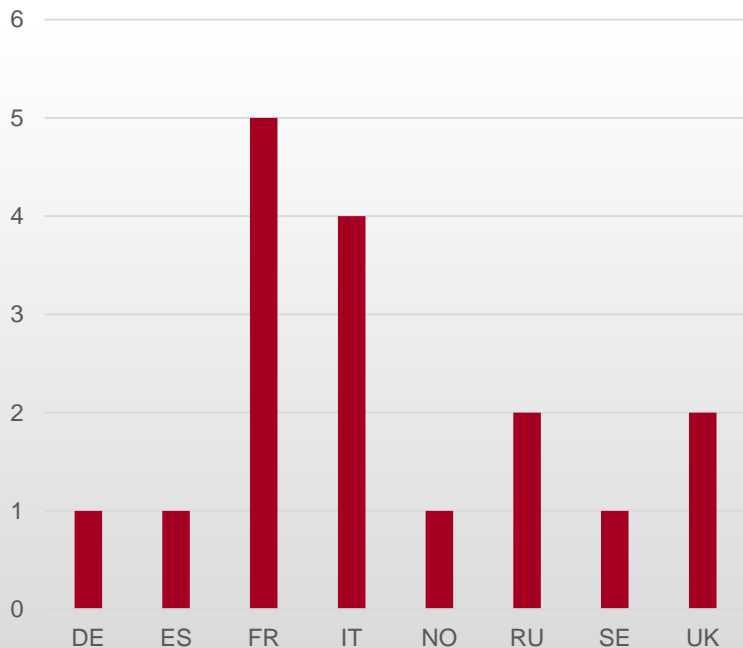


- ADIS still currently under development
- ADIS should be ready for the launching of WAHIS+, i.e. September 2019
- EUMS and EEA countries (IS, NO, CH) will definitely have access to ADIS;
- UA, TR, RS, AL and probably a few others are using ADNS today; but their future access to ADIS is still an open question...

c. OIE Reference Labs and Collaborating Centres



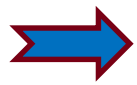
OIE Reference labs: 139 out of 238 worldwide = 58%



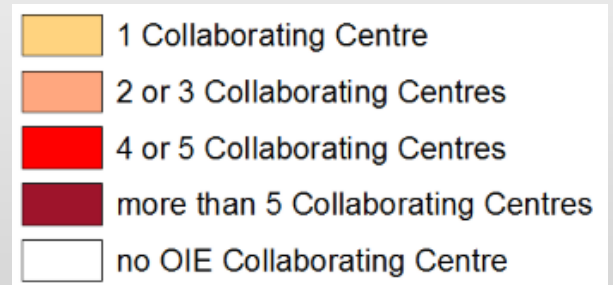
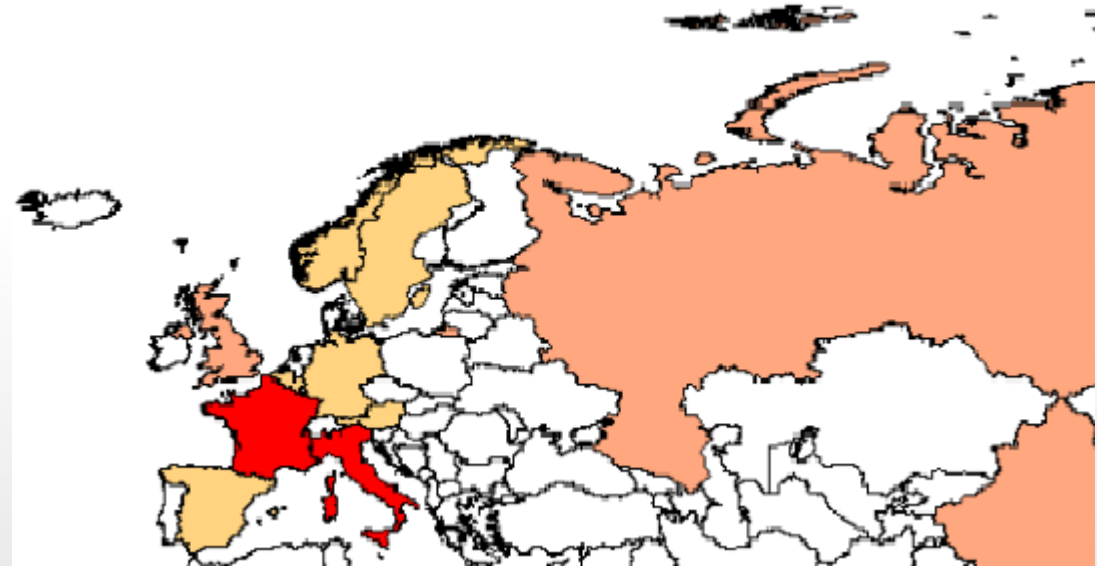
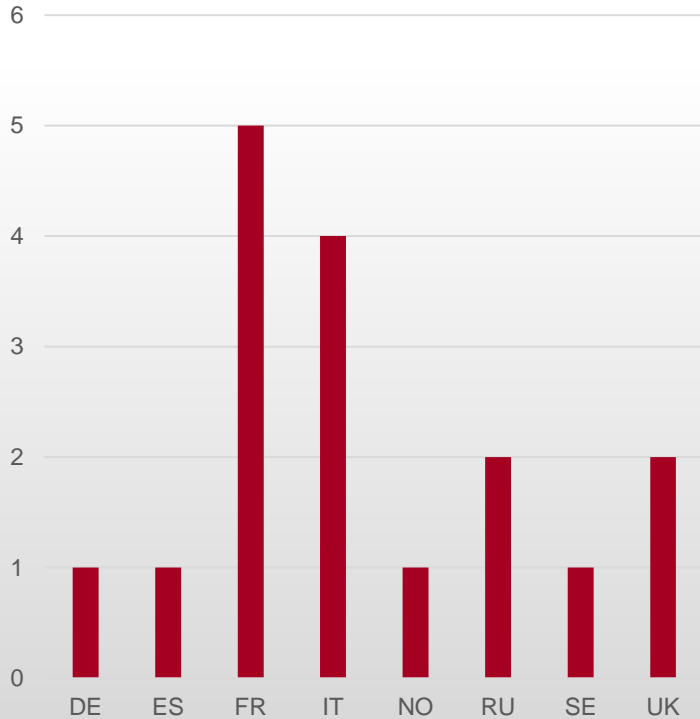
Exchanges across different regions?

3 OIE Reference Laboratories Networks

- **Bluetongue**: 2 out of 5 are in Europe (UK and IT)
- **Foot and mouth disease**: 5 out of 15 are in Europe (BE, FR, IT, RU, UK)
- **Non Tsetse Transmitted Animal Trypanosomoses**: 3 out of 5 are in Europe (BE, FR, RU)



Collaborating centres: 18 out of 73 worldwide = 25%



Exchanges across different regions?

Examples of collaborations involving European CC

- Very recent launch of a **world platform on education of official veterinarians**: coordination of 5 CC, inc FR (secretariat) and IT. First objective: to draft a world program for the continuous education of delegates and focal points
- Possible creation of an “**OIE Collaborating Centre network on veterinary emergencies**” with 3 CC, inc IT, each with a specific focus: *IT-welfare, US-biothreat reduction, Cuba-disaster risk reduction.*
And provide input to an OIE-FAO-INTERPOL project ‘building resilience against agro-crime and agro-terrorism’

d. Use of different routes of communication (like social media, internet Communication, etc.)



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OIE Platform on Animal Welfare for Europe

OIE WORLD ORGANISATION FOR ANIMAL HEALTH
Protecting animals, preserving our future

IMPROVING ANIMAL WELFARE IN EUROPE

by empowering Veterinary Services to take actions

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What's New

- 16-06-18 News Third OIE Regional Workshop on Stray Dog population management for Balkan countries (SDB3)
- 29-04-18 News The first pilot OIE 'Whole Journey Scenario' Workshop on animal welfare during long distance
- 26-03-18 News OIE Regional seminar on animal welfare during long distance transport for 8 countries

Upcoming Events

- 2018-12-04 OIE Platform Event SG11
- 2018-11-26 OIE Platform Event First OIE regional workshop on the role of Veterinary Services on animal welfare in natural disasters for Balkan countries
- 2018-10-31 Partners Event World Horse Welfare Conference 2018

Platform Highlight

01-02:18 Newsletter 2017 - Building on the gains of the first ...

OIE eDEPOSITORY MATERIALS

- Vivre avec un animal de compagnie updated : 24/11/2015
- Code of practice for welfare of dogs updated : 24/11/2015
- A Guide to Monitoring and Evaluating Dog updated : 24/11/2015



GF-TADs

GLOBAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE
PROGRESSIVE CONTROL OF
TRANSBOUNDARY ANIMAL DISEASES



http://web.oie.int/RR-Europe/eng/Regprog/en_GF_TADS.htm

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GF-TADs for Europe

Presentation / objectives

The Global Framework for the Progressive Control of Transboundary Animal Diseases (GF-TADs), launched in 2004 ([>>View the 2004 GF-TADs Agreement](#)) is a joint initiative of OIE and FAO to achieve the prevention and control of transboundary animal diseases (TADs) and in particular to address their regional and global dimensions. The initiative is built on experiences in the past showing that progress in controlling TADs at country level is not likely to be successful and sustainable unless the efforts are part of a coordinated regional approach / embedded into supra-national frameworks.

The GF-TADs for Europe - the regional branch of the GF-TADs for the European region according to the OIE delineation - was established in 2005 with a view to responding to increasingly frequent regional crises, in particular HPAI but also FMD, CSF, rabies, etc. It encourages the creation of regional alliances and partnerships and the definition of a common vision and subsequent action plans for the control of priority TADs in the region.

The GF-TADs for Europe governance is composed of a Regional Steering Committee supported by a Secretariat. The Regional Steering Committee acts as a regional stakeholder platform, involving the leading regional technical organizations, OIE Regional Commission, FAO Regional Representation, country representatives, regional and international donors. The Secretariat is provided by the OIE sub-regional Representation in Brussels. The GF-TADs for Europe operates under the overall guidance and supervision of the GF-TADs Global Steering Committee and Management Committee.

The [Terms of Reference](#) of the Regional Steering Committee and Regional Secretariat of the GF-TADs for Europe were endorsed in 2010 and revised in 2013 during the RSC5.

Specific GF-TADs for Europe initiatives

Meetings of the GF-TADs for Europe

Specific GF-TADs for Europe initiatives

[Regional Standing Group of Expert on African Swine Fever for Europe](#) --> [ACCESS](#)

[Regional Standing Group of Expert on Lumpy Skin Disease for South East Europe](#) --> [ACCESS](#)

Meetings of the GF-TADs for Europe Steering Committee

[Eighth Meeting of the Regional Steering Committee of the GF-TADs for Europe \(RSC8 Tbilisi, Georgia, 19 September 2018\)](#) **NEW**

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http://web.oie.int/RR-Europe/eng/Regprog/en_Task_Force.htm



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Regional Core Group of the OIE Regional Commission for Europe to support OIE activities

Presentation / objectives

During the 27th Conference of the OIE regional Commission for Europe (Lisbon, Portugal – September 2016), OIE Member Countries fully supported the 'revitalisation' of the Task-Force of the OIE regional Commission for Europe — it was initially established by the previous Bureau of the OIE Regional Commission in Europe, following discussions held during the 25th Conference of the OIE regional Commission for Europe (Fleesensee, Germany – September 2012); however, with the several changes of the Members of the Bureau, the dynamic of the Task-Force had faded out progressively —.

The Task Force was renamed 'Regional Core Group' to mirror a similar initiative in Asia.

The Regional Core Group mainly aims to improve regional participation in the OIE standard setting process for selected chapters of particular interest to the region, and propose their adoption on behalf of the 53 OIE Member Countries of Europe during the OIE World Assemblies of Delegates. The enlarged mandate of the Regional Core Group, as agreed in Lisbon, now also includes the preparation, implementation and monitoring of a regional strategic plan for Europe, in compliance with the OIE 6th Strategic Plan.

The Regional Core Group operates under the OIE Bureau of the OIE regional Commission for Europe and its President, Dr Maris Balodis from Latvia, and comprises in total 9 Members (Latvia, Austria, Serbia, Belarus, and Kazakhstan, Georgia, Spain, Swiss and UK), the 2 European Members of the OIE Council (Germany and Russia), 1 Observer (European Commission) and the three OIE Offices in Europe (Moscow, Brussels and Astana). The OIE sub-regional Representation based in Brussels ensures the Secretariat of the Task-Force.

This group of dedicated persons is ready to act on behalf of the 53 countries of Europe, with the overall objective to improve the countries' participation in OIE activities in the region.

[RCG Terms of Reference \(as adopted in May 2017\)](#)
[Regional Work Plan Framework 2017-2020 \(as adopted in May 2017\)](#)

First Regional Core Groupmeeting (RCG1 - Belgrade / Serbia, 20-21 December 2016)

The first meeting of the Regional Core Group (RCG1) was held in Belgrade / Serbia on 20 and 21 December 2016.

The objectives of this first meeting were to discuss: (i) the Regional Core Group modus operandi; (ii) the development of a regional Strategic Plan for Europe; and (iii) the list of OIE Code Chapters that could possibly be discussed on behalf of the 53 Member Countries of Europe, in view of the OIE 85th General Session (May 2017).

General documents:

[RCG1 Agenda](#)
[RCG1 List of participants](#)
[RCG1 Report \(English - Russian\)](#)

Presentations:

[OIE Process for Election of Specialist Commissions](#)
[EuFMD Work Plan](#)
[GF-TADs for Europe](#)
[Global GF-TADs](#)
[OIE Platform on Animal Welfare for Europe](#)
[Draft Regional Strategic Plan](#)

Teleconference of the Regional Core Groupmeeting (23 February 2017)

A teleconference of the Regional Core Group was organized on 23 February 2017. The main objective was to discuss the new process for selection of experts of OIE Specialist Commissions, and voice the position of Europe at the next meeting of the OIE Council end of February, using as portepares the Members of the OIE Council who at the same time seat in the Regional Core Group (namely Dr Nepokotonov and Dr Schwabenbauer).

Delegates of Latvia, Austria, Serbia, Georgia, Spain, Swiss and UK attended the TC as well as Delegate of Germany (Member of the OIE Council) and the three OIE Offices in Europe (Moscow, Brussels and Astana).

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