



GF-TADs

GLOBAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE
PROGRESSIVE CONTROL OF
TRANSBOUNDARY ANIMAL DISEASES



Standing Group of Experts on Lumpy Skin Disease
in Europe
under the GF-TADs umbrella

First meeting (LSD1)
Brussels, Belgium, 4-5 July 2016

**Bosnia and Herzegovina Report
Veterinary Office of BiH**

'Enabling environment' in place

Legal basis in place

- In 2011 BiH has adopted Book of rules harmonized with the Council Directive 92/119/EEC
- Legal basis and procedures for reporting, preventive and crisis measures are also laid down by the Veterinary Law of BiH and Book of rules on infectious diseases of animals

LSD Contingency Plan

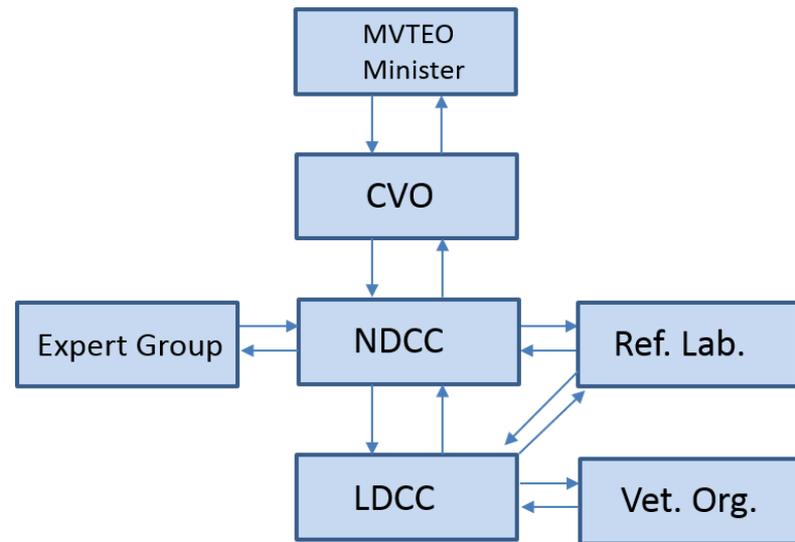
- Framework plan for protection and rescue of the Veterinary Office of BiH developed as a part of the National crisis plan for disasters
- Plan is covering compulsory notifiable exotic infectious diseases through setting of general procedures for crisis management (establishing of the NDCC and LDCC, killing of animals, vaccination, etc.)



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Organization of VS ('national LSD Committee?')

- NDCC is not yet established, however potential members listed in the Plan are notified and regularly informed about the disease status in the region and in the country
- NDCC will be officially established in the case of the outbreak suspicion



'Enabling environment' in place

Collaboration with other stakeholders

- Communication is established with the entire veterinary service including veterinary organizations and laboratories
- Communication with public and other stakeholders is conducted directly, via website and media
- Veterinary Office of BiH will continue collaboration with all relevant stakeholders in accordance with the Plan in the case of disease outbreak

Emergency budget availability

- Veterinary Office of BiH at this moment has no emergency funds dedicated for LSD
- Availability of emergency funds have been requested

Laboratory capacity (serology/PCR/ Other)

- Two laboratories (Faculty of Veterinary Medicine in Sarajevo and Veterinary Institute of RS „Dr Vaso Butozan“) are able to conduct PCR
- Laboratory training and procurement of diagnostic kits are required



Preparedness measures

Stakeholders awareness

- Stakeholders are alerted
- All relevant information is published on the website and distributed via e – mail and media

Vaccine procurement (type; N° of doses requested)

- Not yet decided

Desinsectisation

- Requested from Civil protection services at the border with R Serbia
- Farmers are encouraged to conduct treatment of animals with aproved repelents

Import restrictions

- In place for Greece, Bulgaria, Macedonia and Serbia (Turkey is already on import ban due to FMD)
- Border police informed to increase controls of possible illegal movement of susceptible animals and their products



Key challenges faced by your country and support needed

Challenges

- Lack of experience in combating LSD
- Lack of emergency funds and equipment
- Destruction of animal carcasses, products etc.
- Possible export bans

Support needed

- Training of laboratory staff, epidemiologists and field veterinarians
- Procurement of diagnostic kits
- Procurement of emergency equipment (including disinfectants, desinsectants, protective gear)
- Clear instructions concerning emergency vaccination including vaccination procurement and funding
- Support in regaining disease free status

