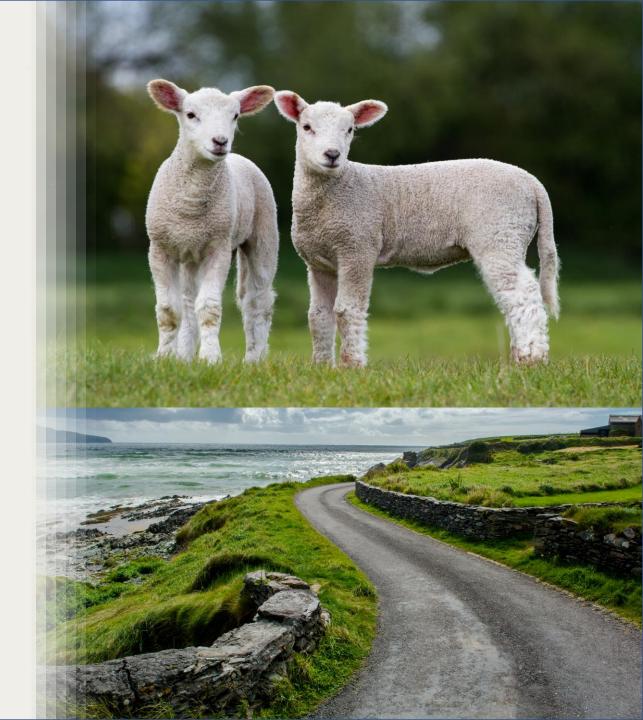


3rd meeting WOAH regional network of National Contact Points on long-distance transportation in Europe

20 – 22 June 2023 Dublin, Ireland

Whole Journey Scenario workshops

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"Whole Journey Scenario" workshops

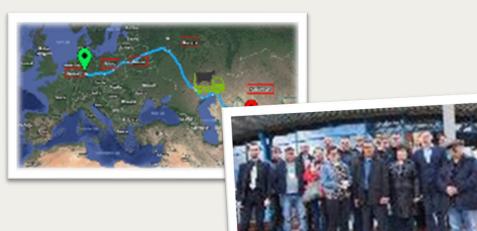
- Objective to help countries improve animal welfare during long distance and cross-border transport in compliance with WOAH standards for the whole duration of the journey along the specific route
- Focus on the responsibilities of the Competent Authorities over the entire journey
- Opportunity to share best practices and strengthen collaboration between Competent Authorities and other authorities



'Whole Journey Scenario' workshops

Regional workshops

- Pilot 'Whole Journey Scenario' Workshop for Europe - April 2018, Poland
- Follow-up meeting November 2021



 'Whole Journey Scenario' workshop on animal welfare during transport for the Middle East - November 2019, Amman (Jordan)



'Whole Journey Scenario' workshops

Multi-regional workshops

Whole Journey Scenario Workshops

> Multi-regional WJS workshop on long-distance transport by land and sea between Europe and the Middle East June 2021 – Teleconference



Austria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Slovenia and Turkey Bahrain, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, United Arab Emirates Multi-regional WJS workshop on long-distance transport by land and sea between Europe, the Middle East and North Africa - November 2022 – Cairo, Egypt



Multi-regional WJS workshop on long-distance transport by land and sea between Europe, the Middle East and North Africa November 2023, Tunis – PLANNED



WJS & NCPT conclusions

- long distance transport is complex issue
- many animal welfare issues due to insufficient communication (technical and diplomatic channels for transmission of information are essential to facilitate info exchange among trading parties and CAs)
- OIE Contact Points , 'Route Leaflet', follow-up workshops and 'route' meetings
- need for strengthening communication and collaboration between
 Competent Authorities and all actors involved in the transport of live animals
- importance of defining **responsibilities** (especially between departure port and destination)
- importance of appropriate planning and emergency procedures
- Support from WOAH (workshops, trainings, development of IT tools, guidance documents and checklist)

Item 1 recommendations

11 recommendations (5 for members | 6 for WOAH)

- Members:
 - Develop update legislation
 - Clearly identify responsibilities (through guidelines/procedures)
 - Procedures for communication
 - Inclusion of AW in veterinary school curricula
- WOAH:
 - Capacity building
 - Advocacy to increase stakeholders' awareness
 - Technical support through revised, develops update standards
 - Provide relevant tools (one of them NCP on LDT)
 - Work closely with all actors for the implementation of standards
- Common: collaboration to support regional strategies

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"One of the key takeaways from this workshop was to start building a contact network, that will be very useful to exchange information and better detect issues before a shipment reaches its final destination"

.... need a continuous cooperation between veterinary authorities of exporting, transit, and importing countries, so that they can exchange reports on animal welfare violations or poor implementation." "The workshop brought together representatives from European countries, who are mostly exporters, and Middle East countries, who are mostly importers of live animals. We identified a weakness point: the lack of communication and follow-up, once a trip has started."



Thank you

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