

# How Animal Welfare NGOs can support the OIE activities on animal welfare in a disaster management context?

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# About ifaw

- International Fund for Animal Welfare
- Founded in 1969
- Global non-profit organisation that protects animals and the places they call home.
- Offices in 18 countries and projects in over 40
- Mission: rescue, rehabilitate and release animals into secure landscapes around the world.
- We work with governments and local communities
- Science-based approach (veterinarians, scientists, conservationists and other experts), legal and political experts
- → lasting solutions to animal welfare and wildlife conservation issues of our time.





# Vision for disaster response & risk reduction

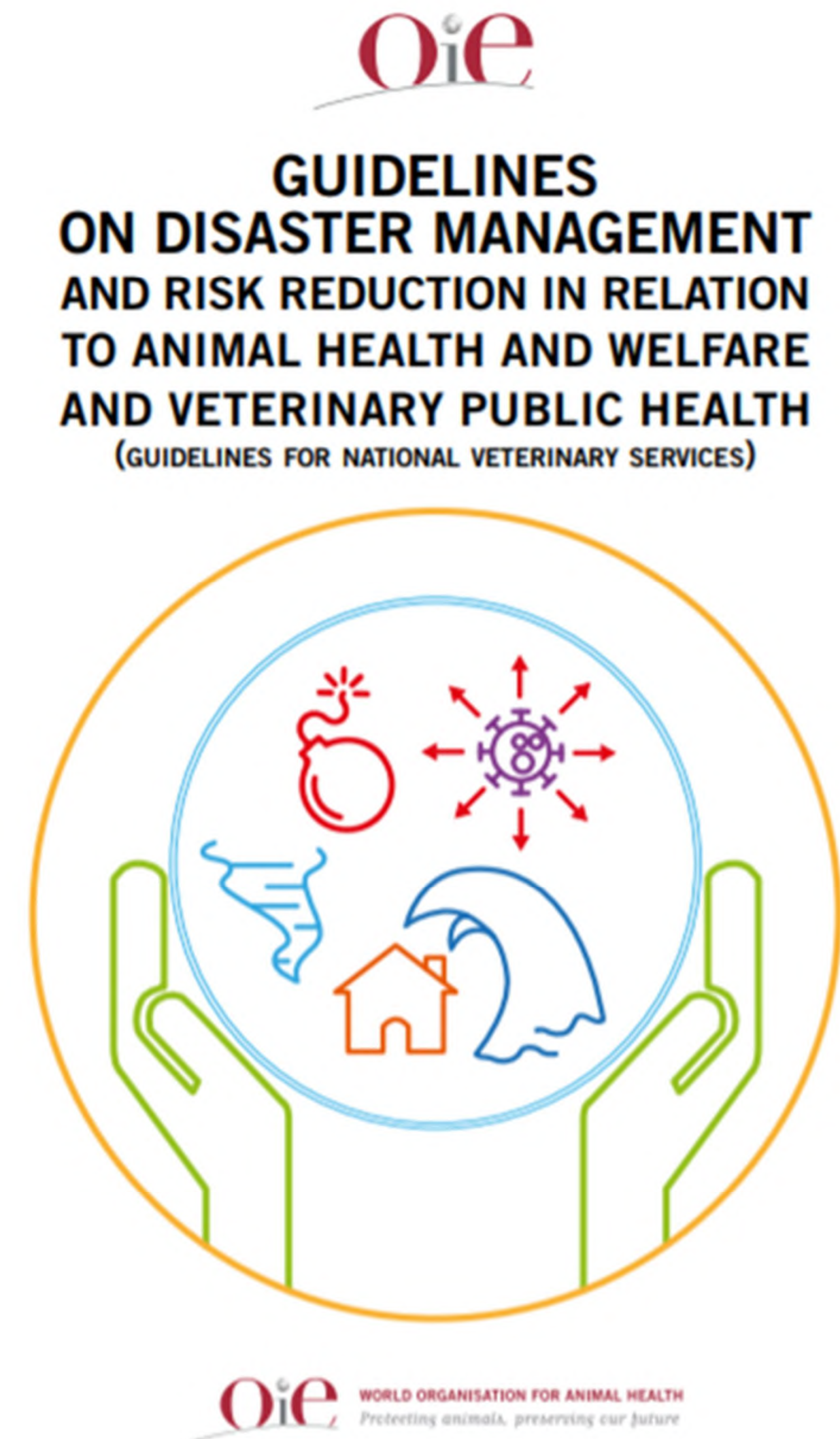
- Context: Number of disasters increasing, hence a stronger involvement over the past decade
- Disaster Response & Risk Reduction, one of **ifaw**'s key programme
- Improving the welfare and survival of animals rescued in the context of natural disasters
- Helping communities to recover and reach resilience
- Providing disaster relief for all types of animals: companion animals, farm animals and wildlife (Wildlife Rescue Program)





# Implementation of the OIE Guidelines

- ▶ Facilitating the implementation of the OIE Guidelines on disaster management and risk reduction in relation to animal health and welfare and veterinary public health in European countries
  - Legislative Framework
  - Communications between stakeholders
  - Training and Education
  - Integration and Coordination of plans into frameworks
  - Post-disaster evaluations





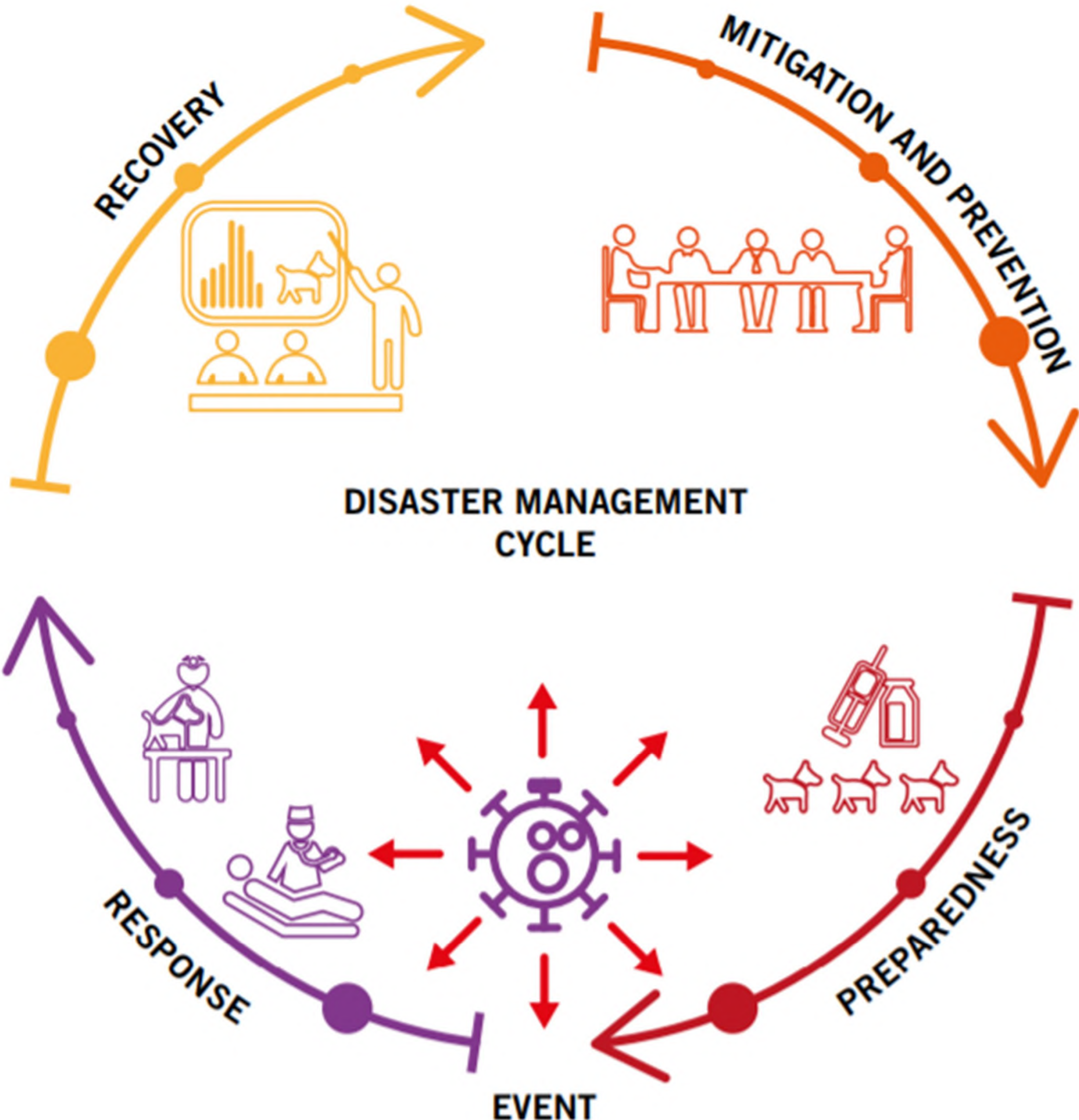
# OIE Animal Welfare Platform for Europe

- Animal welfare in disasters: priority in the 2nd Action Plan of the OIE Animal Welfare Platform for Europe for 2017-2019
- 3 Year plan (2017-2020)
- Year 1: Elaboration of the contingency plan (1st Disaster Risk Management Workshop in Teramo, Italy November 2018)
- Year 2: Adoption of the contingency plans
- Year 3: Field simulation exercises to test out the plans in real conditions
- Stakeholders:
  - OIE Animal Welfare Platform for Europe
  - Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale dell'Abruzzo e del Molise G. Caporale
  - NGOs (including ifaw, Four Paws, RSPCA)





# Disaster Management Cycle





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- ▶ **Step 6: Plan Implementation and Maintenance**



# Disaster preparedness: pet owners

## Brochure on **Tips for keeping your pets safe during disasters:**

- ▶ Advanced planning: evacuation plan, stickers, neighbours
- ▶ Specific advice for other animals (horses, rabbits, fish, reptiles)
- ▶ Proper identification
- ▶ Preparing a pet survival kit in advance
- ▶ Transport equipment and cage furnishing
- ▶ If you can evacuate with your pets, do it!









# Our experience in responding to major disasters

- ▶ California Camp Fire, USA (2018)
- ▶ Volcanic Eruption (Mont Agung), Bali (2017)
- ▶ Hurricanes Irma, Maria and José (2017)
- ▶ Hurricane Harvey, USA (2017)
- ▶ Floods, Bosnia and Herzegovina (2014)
- ▶ Erupting volcanoes, Indonesia (2014)
- ▶ Typhoon Haiyan, Philippines (2013)
- ▶ Financial crisis, Cyprus (2013)
- ▶ Cyclone Phailin, Pacific (2013)
- ▶ Colorado floods, USA (2013)
- ▶ Floods, Germany (2013)
- ▶ Moore tornado, USA (2013)
- ▶ Typhoon Bopha, Philippines (2012)
- ▶ Hurricane Isaac, USA (2012)
- ▶ Hurricane Sandy, USA (2012)
- ▶ Floods, Thailand (2011)
- ▶ Fukushima Daiichi nuclear disaster, Japan (2011)
- ▶ Earthquake, Haiti (2010)
- ▶ Floods, Pakistan (2010)
- ▶ Black Saturday bushfires, Australia (2009)
- ▶ Oil spill, Madagascar (2009)
- ▶ Sichuan earthquake, China (2008)
- ▶ Hurricane Katrina, USA (2005)
- ▶ Tsunamis, Southern Asia (2004)
- ▶ MV Treasure oil spill, South Africa (2000)

# ifaw's Disaster Response Grant Project

- ▶ Generous support of The Walt Disney Company and our global supporters.

## **Situations eligible**

- ▶ Any man-made or natural disaster impacting animals where physical or financial assistance is needed to support local response and recovery.
- ▶ e.g. of man-made disasters: political conflict, financial crisis, large scale cruelty case.
- ▶ e.g. of natural disasters: extreme weather event, earthquake, wildfire, flood.

## **Criteria used to evaluate proposals**

- ▶ For registered non-profit organisations or verified agencies
- ▶ Description of how animals are impacted by the disaster
- ▶ Clear description of how the organisation's capacity and capabilities to support a response
- ▶ Proposal of a clear and efficient response plan and budget.
- ▶ Monitoring and Evaluation of the response plan



# Emergency Relief Networks

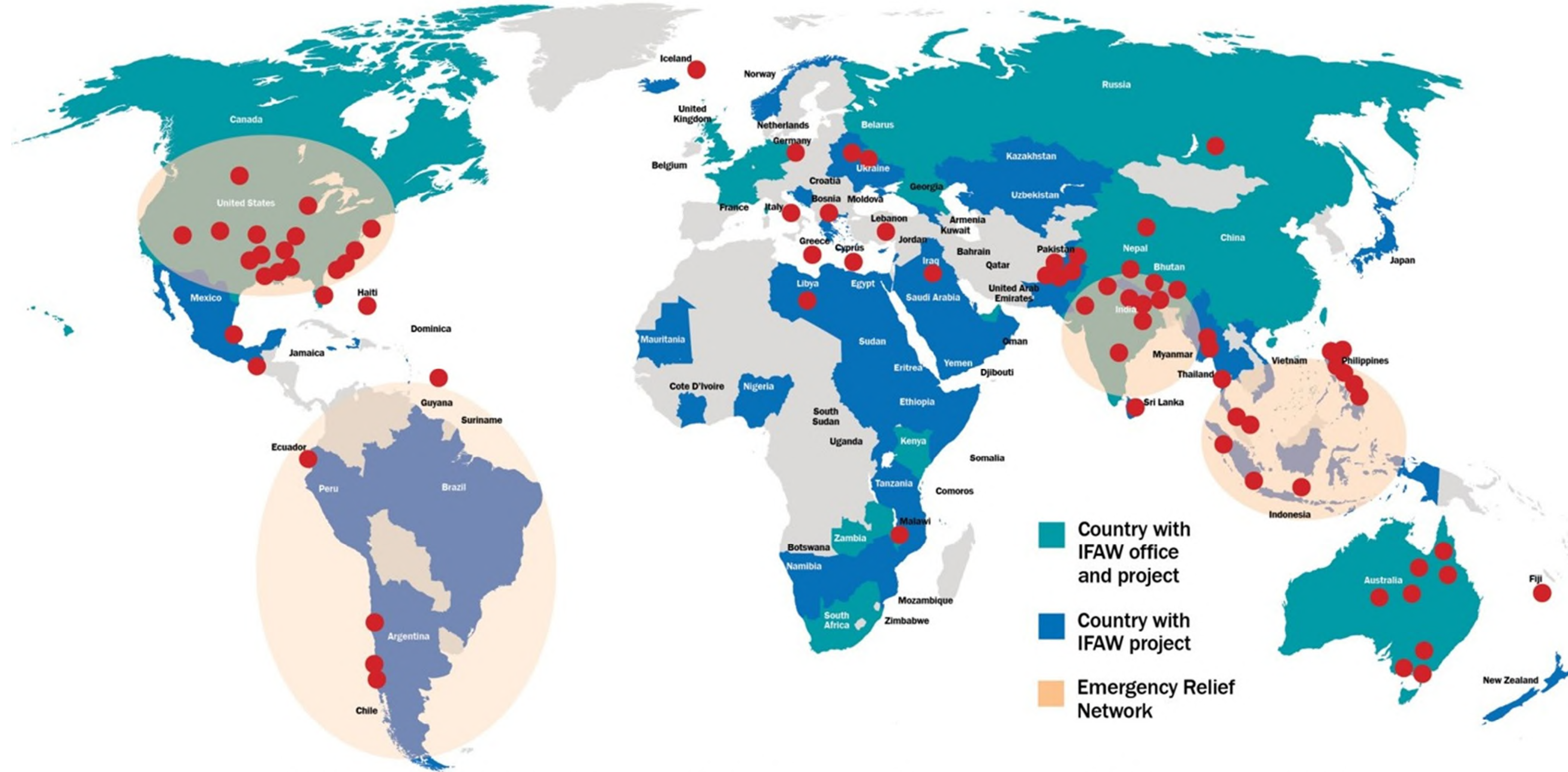
- ▶ Emergency Relief Network (ERN) model to expand our capacity through relationships with response partners (groups, networks, agencies, organisations, and contractors)
- ▶ Triple purpose:
  1. improving standards for emergency relief
  2. establishing best practices
  3. promoting disaster risk reduction planning
- ▶ ERN members: trained on disaster management/technical rescue and equipped to respond to animals impacted by disasters (workshops for team leaders and/or responders)





# DISASTER RESPONSE

Founded in 1969, IFAW runs animal welfare, wildlife conservation and education programs with partners in more than 40 countries.



## CYCLONE

Australia  
India

## DROUGHT

Pakistan

## DZUD

Mongolia

## EARTHQUAKE

Ecuador  
Haiti  
Italy  
Nepal

## FLOODS/MUDSLIDE

Australia  
India  
Indonesia  
Thailand

## HURRICANES

US & Carribean  
Asia Regional  
Fiji  
Germany  
Malawi  
Mexico

## HURRICANES

Nicaragua  
US & Carribean

## RELIEF

Indonesia  
Australia  
Chile  
Cyprus  
India  
Iraq  
Lebanon  
Libya

## TORNADO

Pakistan  
Sri Lanka  
Ukraine  
US & Carribean

## TYPHOON

US & Carribean  
Philippines  
Taiwan

## VOLCANO

Chile  
Iceland  
Indonesia  
Philippines

## WILDFIRES

Australia  
Chile  
Greece  
Indonesia



**Thank you!**

