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## **OIE Platform on Animal Welfare for Europe – UPDATE –**

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## Introduction

- 1. OIE Platform launched in December 2013** – Improve AW in Europe (by empowering VS to take actions)
- 2. Adoption of the first Platform Action Plan (2014-2016)** in May 2014 (3 technical topics)
- 3. Completion of the first Action Plan in December 2016** – **100% activities completed; cost effective delivery**
- 4. Adoption of the Second Platform Action Plan (2017-2019)** in May 2017 (5 technical topics)
- 5. Completion of YEAR 1 (2017)** of the second Action Plan → 2017 Newsletter; on-going YEAR 2 (2018)

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### IMPROVING ANIMAL WELFARE IN EUROPE

## 2017 Newsletter

By Dr. Ingrid Isenhardt, European Commission

I am pleased to introduce this newsletter, which presents the results achieved by the OIE Platform on Animal Welfare for Europe in 2017 and its activities planned for 2018. Animal welfare is of great importance for the European Union (EU). The EU actively supports the OIE standard setting process and is a major driver in order to support the implementation of OIE standards globally and particularly in Europe.

The European Commission is a member of the Steering Group of the OIE Platform on Animal Welfare for Europe. It has achieved remarkable results in 2017, in particular concerning animal welfare during transport and at slaughter, as well as on stray dog population control. Next priority areas are envisaged in the second Action Plan including animals in disaster and working equids. We look forward to continuing supporting the OIE in its European activities with even closer cooperation, so to raise animal welfare standards in the Region.

This can only be achieved with the wider involvement of all of us and I am sure that we will all contribute to make Europe a model for the rest of the world.

**Dr. Ingrid Isenhardt**  
SC/DG SANTE

**RECAP 01**

**TOP NEWS 02**

#### ADOPTION OF THE 2<sup>ND</sup> ACTION PLAN

After the successful completion of the first Action Plan end of 2016, Member Countries in Europe have renewed their confidence in the OIE Platform by unanimously adopting its 2<sup>nd</sup> Action Plan during the 80<sup>th</sup> OIE General Session in May 2017. This 2<sup>nd</sup> Action Plan, covering 2017-2019 was prepared in close consultation with Member Countries and stakeholders.

It provides full continuity while incorporating two new topics (the welfare of working equids and disaster management) to reflect ongoing work and the socio-economic situation in Europe, especially in the context of climate change.

Download the 2<sup>nd</sup> Action Plan

**2<sup>nd</sup> AP Priority topics:** Stray dogs, Disaster management, Working equids, Slaughter, Transport

**IRELAND COMMITS SIGNIFICANT FUNDING**

Ireland has confirmed a contribution of **75 K€** per year for four years to support the second Platform Action Plan. Ireland is another supporter of the Platform since its first steps, as a member of the Steering Group.

OIE appreciated the contributions pledged by the Platform donors. See our Set of donors

### ACHIEVES 03 LIST OF ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED IN 2017

<b>TRANSPORT</b> 3 Top Workshops for Belgium, Netherlands, Sweden and Ukraine	<b>WORKING EQUIDS</b> 2 Workshops Day for West European countries	<b>GOVERNANCE</b> 2 Steering Group + 1 stakeholder meetings Website redesigned
<b>STRAY DOG</b> Regional Roadmap for West Europe – 3 <sup>rd</sup> meeting to monitor progress	<b>SLAUGHTER</b> 3 Top Workshops for Italian countries	<b>DISASTER MANAGEMENT</b> First workshop under preparation

- 28 experts trained on long distance transport (West Europe)
- 28 experts trained on slaughter (Belgium)
- Establishment of expert networks in transport and in slaughter
- Stray dog Roadmap in West Europe on track (target: 2020)
- Awareness raised on working equids in West Europe
- Initial and continuing veterinary education / business operators information

**FUNDING 04**

In total, **190 K€** were disbursed for the implementation of activities planned in Year 1 under the 2<sup>nd</sup> Action Plan (2017). Half of the funds (95K) were disbursed for long distance transport activities, a topic that had not been addressed in the first Action Plan.

The European Commission, Germany, Ireland, Switzerland, Italy, UK/CA and the International Coalition for the welfare of Working Equids have provided financial support to these activities through the OIE World Animal Health and Welfare Fund.

**WHAT'S NEW? 05**

#### 2018 CALENDAR OF EVENTS (first semester)

Check the whole calendar

<b>Transport</b> 13-15 March REGIONAL SEMINAR on long distance transport for long distance transport from member of Europe to Europe (see central Asia briefing)	<b>Transport</b> 25-27 April WHO'S JOURNEY SCENARIO SEMINAR to explore the complexity of national cooperation activities in the professional context	<b>Governance</b> 3-4 May 12 <sup>th</sup> AN MEETING to report on year in the delivery of the second action plan (workshop)	<b>Stray dogs</b> 13-15 June 3 <sup>rd</sup> MEETING OF THE ROADMAP BILLIONS to assess progress of the roadmap (workshop)	<b>Disaster management</b> tbc September FIRST WORKSHOP that aims to explore better practice preparation for the second disaster planning workshop	<b>Working equids</b> 1-31 Jan-Dec ANNOUNCEMENT CAMPAIGN Preparation phase for the second equine
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**VISIT US! 06**

The new website of the OIE Platform is currently being finalized and will be fully operational in 2018. It comprises a public access and private access for the Platform Steering Group Members and OIE Regional Points on animal welfare: <http://www.oie.eu>

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## 2018 Update – technical events – 4 in the pipeline

7 events in AW 2018



Transport	Transport	Governance	Stray dogs	Governance	Disaster Mngt	Governance
<b>25-27</b>	<b>25-27</b>	<b>3-4</b>	<b>13-15</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>9-12</b>	<b>7-8</b>
April	April	May	June	June	October	December
<b>REGIONAL WORKSHOP on LDT for RUSSIAN SPEAKING COUNTRIES</b> to enhance knowledge and best practices on LDT in the region	<b>WHOLE JOURNEY SCENARIO SEMINAR</b> to enhance the cooperation of national competent authorities on live animal trade' (Poland)	<b>10<sup>TH</sup> SG MEETING</b> to report and plan on the delivery of the second Action Plan (Germany)	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> MEETING of the ROADMAP BALKANS</b> to review progress of the Roadmap [Serbia]	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> STAKEHOLDER MEETING</b> to ensure the coordination / collaboration on AW activities in Europe	<b>FIRST WORKSHOP</b> Pilot event to enhance Balkan countries preparedness for natural disasters (flooding scenario) [Italy, tbc]	<b>11<sup>TH</sup> SG MEETING</b> to report and plan on the delivery of the second Action Plan (UK, tbc)



**We are here!**



**NOTE**  
2017-2018 → Strong focus on LDT  
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**1**

OIE TRAINING  
MODULES on  
LDT by land  
and sea  
elaborated

**2**

3 ToT and  
1 REGIONAL  
WORKSHOP  
conducted

**3**

A REGIONAL  
NETWORK  
established  
in Europe  
(with webinars)

**4**

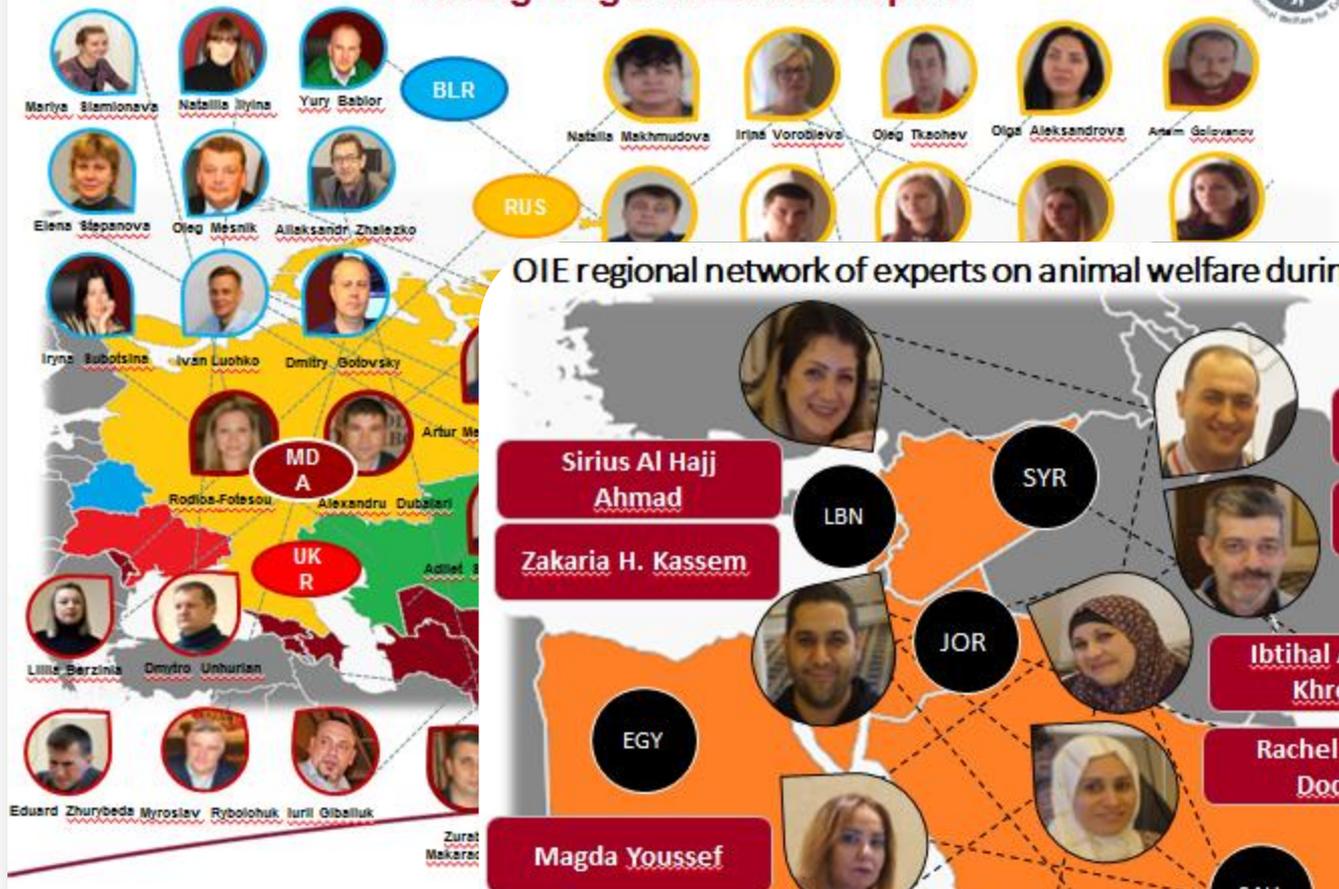
AMPLIFICATION  
organised  
in several  
countries

**5**

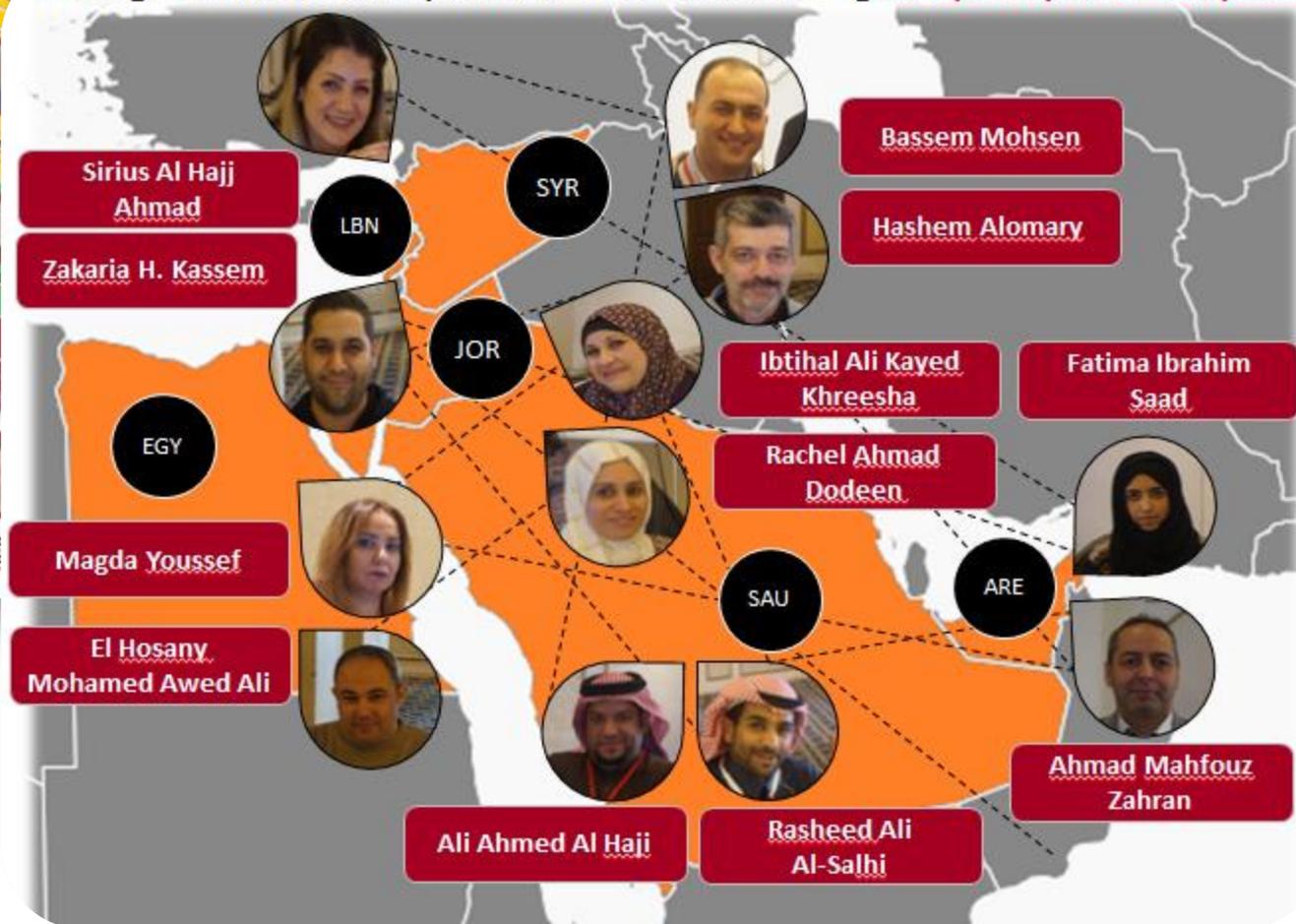
NEW CONCEPT  
WORKSHOPS  
(whole journey)  
1 intra-Europe  
Others to come

Animal welfare conditions during long distance transport is improved in Europe

## OIE Regional network of experts on animal welfare during long distance transport



## OIE regional network of experts on animal welfare during transport by land and by sea





## 2018 Update – technical events

Focus on some events

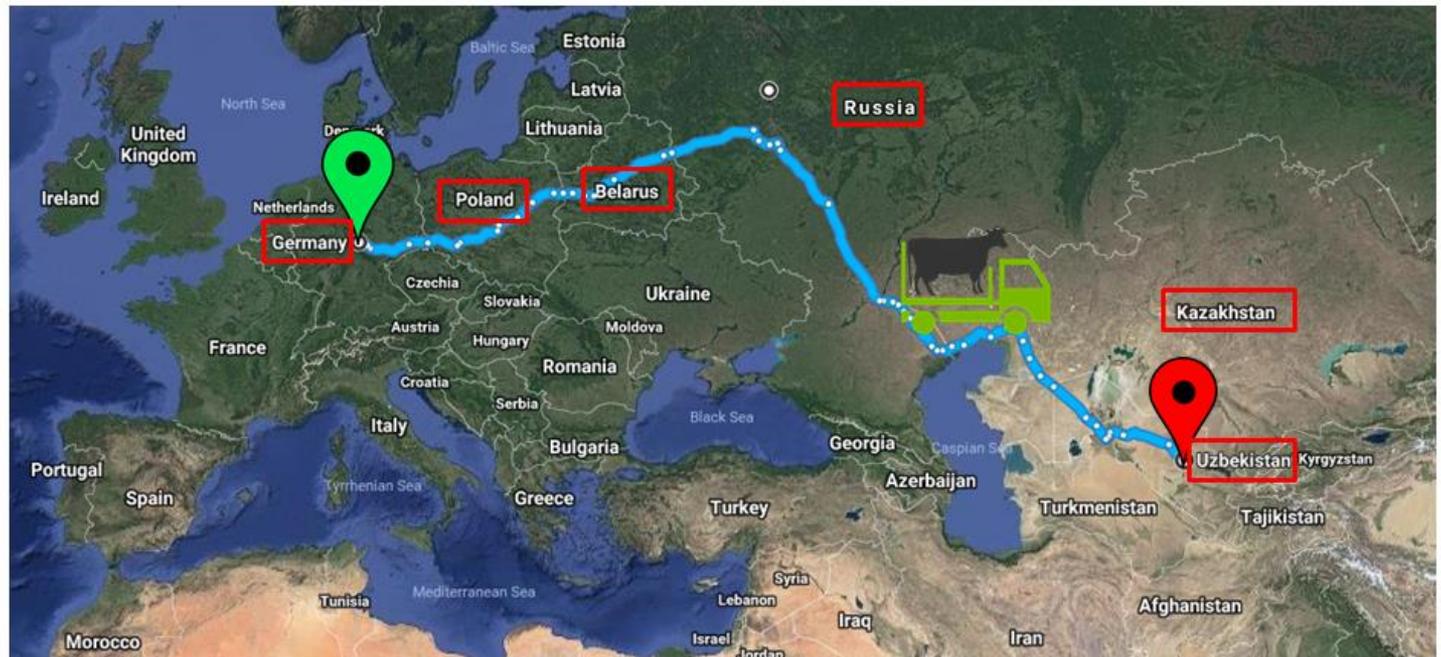


Transport

25-27

April

Zaborek,  
Poland



5320 km – 66 hours (nonstop)



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#### WHOLE JOURNEY SCENARIO WORKSHOP

to enhance the cooperation of national competent authorities on live animal LDT along a specific route

- New concept (from A to Z)
- Pilot using the route Germany to Uzbekistan
- VS (+ Customs Administrations)
- Discussing AW procedures in routine and emergency situations
- Successful, good outcomes (National Points of Contact; Route leaflet; OIE informal procedure) → implementation for other routes (Europe to ME and NA)

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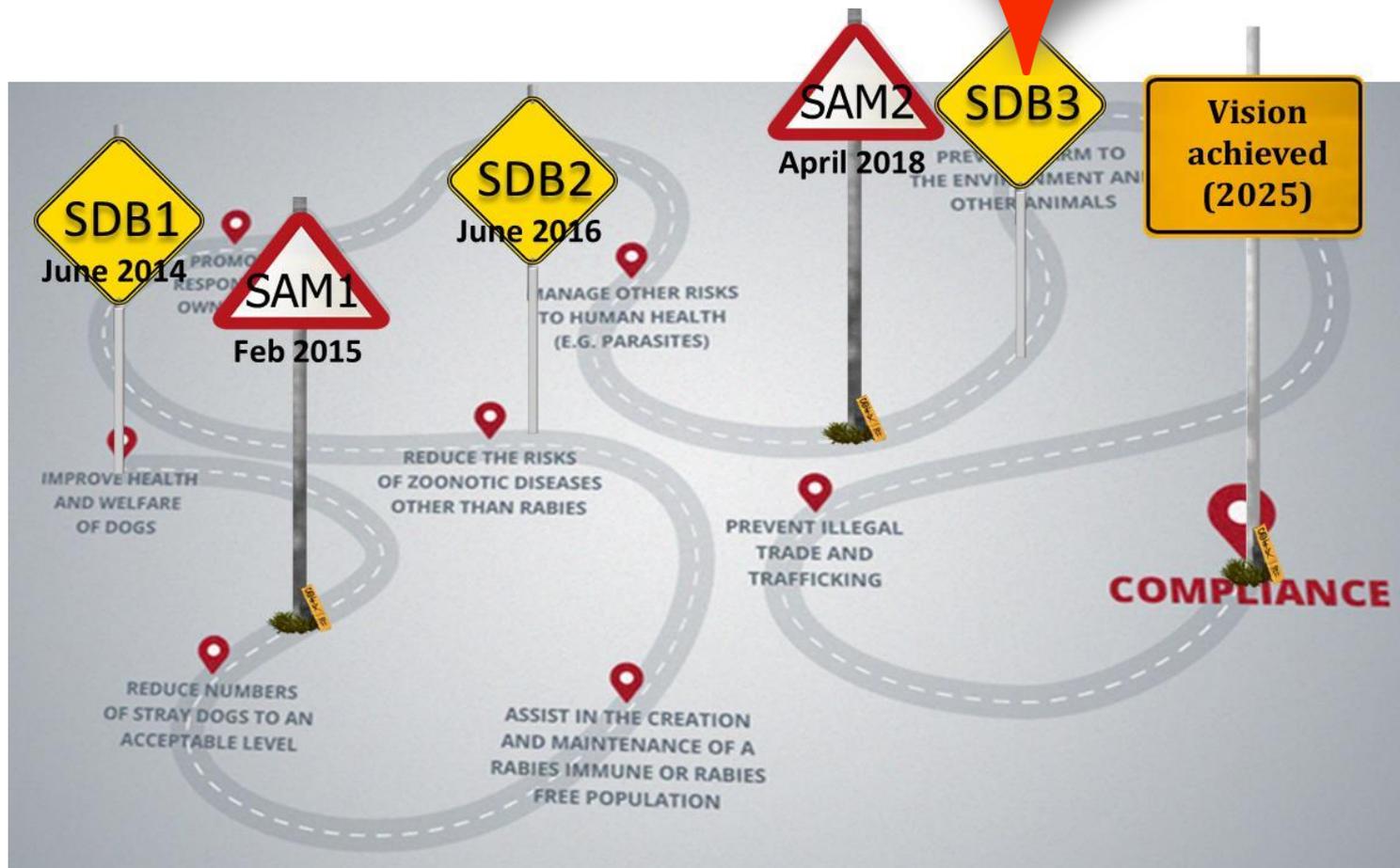


We are  
HERE

## 2018 Update – technical events

Stray dogs  
**13-15**  
June

Novi Sad,  
Serbia





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Stray dogs

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**3<sup>rd</sup> MEETING of the STRAY DOG ROADMAP for BALKAN COUNTRIES (SDB3)**  
to review progress of the Roadmap and **possible roles for the VS**

- First (2014) and second (2016) workshops to establish sub-regional Vision and baseline situation
- Third workshop to measure compliance progress (2<sup>nd</sup> self-evaluation)
- Focus on stray dogs + rabies (zero death by 2030)
- Review of the OIE Campaign launched in 2016

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## 2018 Update – technical events in the PIPELINE

Focus on some events



Disaster Mngt

9-12

October

Teramo,  
Italy

### FIRST WORKSHOP on NATURAL DISASTE MANAGEMENT

Pilot event to enhance Balkan countries preparedness for natural disasters

New topic

Leading role of OIE CC on AW in Teramo

Pilot in the Balkans using Flooding scenario

3-year 'process' (Y1 = presentation; Y2 = development; Y3 = simulation)

If successful, implementation in other parts of Europe for other scenarios

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## **2018 Update – technical activities in the PIPELINE**

3 other activities under development



**Self assessment and monitoring tool on slaughter** (to monitor compliance with Chapter 7.6 of the TAHC)

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**Stray dog Action Plan Template** based on Chapter 7.7 of the TAHC

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**Awareness Campaign on Working equids**

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## 2018 Update – Governance / transversal aspects

 **Two Steering Group meetings / year** (next SG11 in UK) - B. Plavsic, chair of those meetings (better link with the Reg Com Europe and OIE activities in the region on AW)

 **Annual stakeholder meeting** (June 2018; BsIs) + mailing list operational

 **Revitalisation of the OIE Platform website**

- Almost achieved
- Public / private space
- Consultation stats: ↗

 **Enhanced communication** (OIE News; videos)  
**[Video - rabies day](#)**





## 2018 Update – Funding aspects

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- Pool of donors is growing:
- EU main donor, but
  - Ireland: 75 K euros / year for 4 years (slaughter and transport)
  - Germany (transport)
  - Switzerland (stray dogs)
  - NGOS (RSPCA; IFAW; Four Paws; others)
  - + all in-kind contributions

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2. Enough funding to complete Year 2 activities  
(Except stray dog Roadmap for Russia and neighbors)



## Conclusions



Year 2 of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Action Plan on the right track



Activities

- More and more activities
- New activities
- Follow up activities (cascading; roadmaps; evaluation campaign; etc)



In SG11 (December 2018), **start thinking of the Third Action Plan** (took us 1,5 years to prepare the second one) + evaluation?