

# Thematic regional webinar for Animal Welfare National Focal Points in Europe

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for Animal  
Health

Organisation  
mondiale  
de la santé  
animale

Organización  
Mundial  
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Animal



**Regional Platform on Animal Welfare for Europe**

## **4<sup>th</sup> Action Plan (2024 – 2026)**



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for Animal Health**

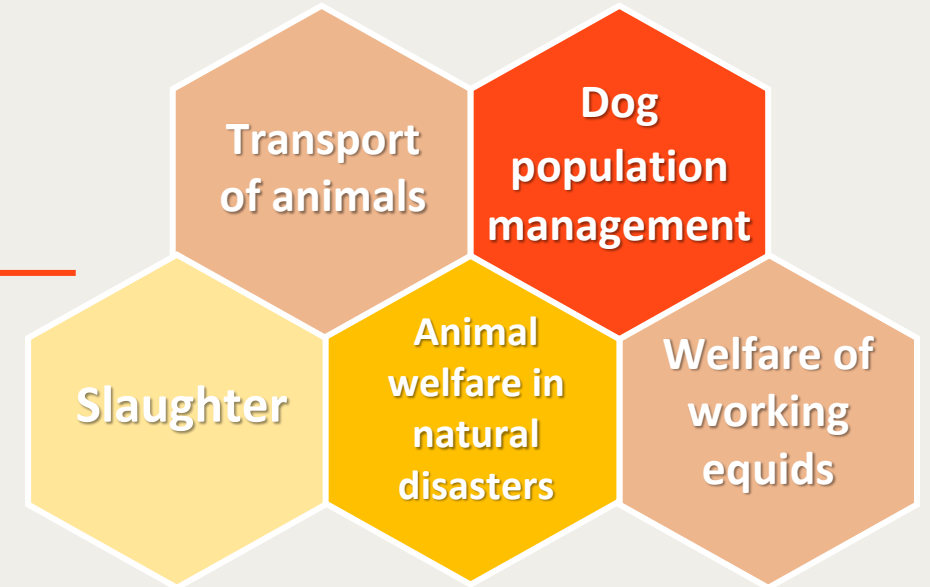
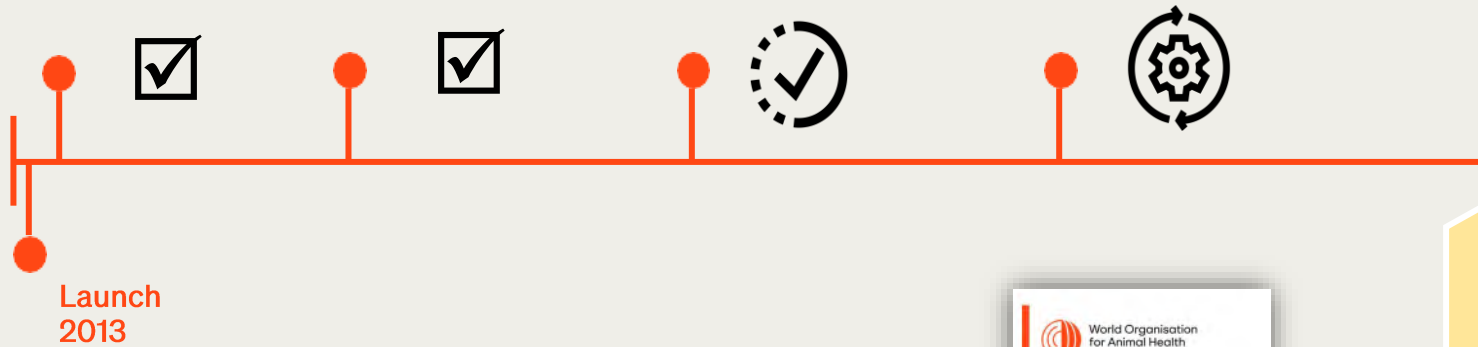
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1<sup>st</sup> Action Plan  
2014 - 2016

2<sup>nd</sup> Action Plan  
2017 - 2019

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2021 - 2023

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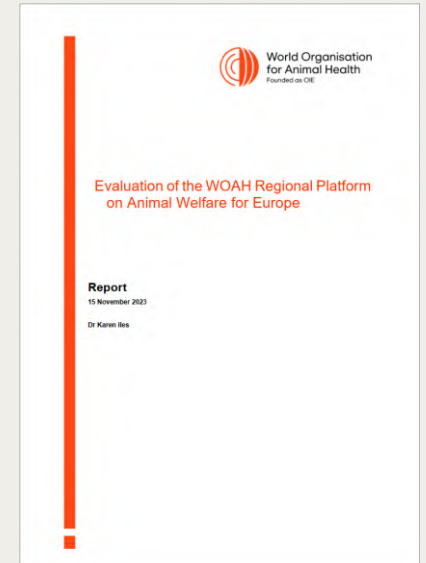
The evaluation was conducted by an external expert between June and September 2023 examined the Platform's relevance, cohesiveness, effectiveness, efficiency, and contribution towards impact with activities of the 2nd and 3rd Action Plan.

### The evaluation concluded

- the Platform is highly relevant to Members and stakeholders.
- consultative approach.
- Platform has functioned efficiently, with effective coordination of stakeholders and activities.
- creation of a theory of change, a results framework and a monitoring and evaluation system - still, the system has some limitations
- key strength - long-term strategy of building on the foundations, achievements and lessons of successive Action Plans.

### The external evaluation recommendations cover six main areas:

- consolidate (maintain the five priority topics and number of activities)
- strengthen the Platform's theory of change,
- strengthen monitoring, evaluation and learning,
- conduct impact studies,
- review and document Members' needs
- secure additional resources.



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### Objectives

- **Impact (Long-term objective):**

- improve animal welfare in Europe through the following priority topics for the region: transport of animals by land and by sea, slaughter of animals, dog population management, welfare of working equids and welfare of animals during disasters.

- **Outcome Objectives (short/mid-term objective)**

- progressively improve the compliance of WOAHP Member Countries from the region of Europe with relevant chapters of the WOAHP Terrestrial Animal Health Code and Guidelines on disaster management and risk reduction.

The 4<sup>th</sup> Action Plan, covering the period 2024-2026, ensures the **continuity** with the three previous Action Plans and it focuses on strengthening the **WOAH Members involvement** in the development of standards and the regional collaboration towards its implementation, including through the work of National Focal Points on Animal Welfare.

The WOAHP Platform continues to **collaborate with all countries and stakeholders** involved in animal welfare in Europe who share a **common vision** and agreed in the implementation of activities under the Action Plan. In this regard, efforts are made to prevent duplication of existing activities/programmes on animal welfare in the region and to better organize **synergies** and resources pooling (EU and NGOs projects, etc).

A comprehensive Result Framework and the Theory of Change



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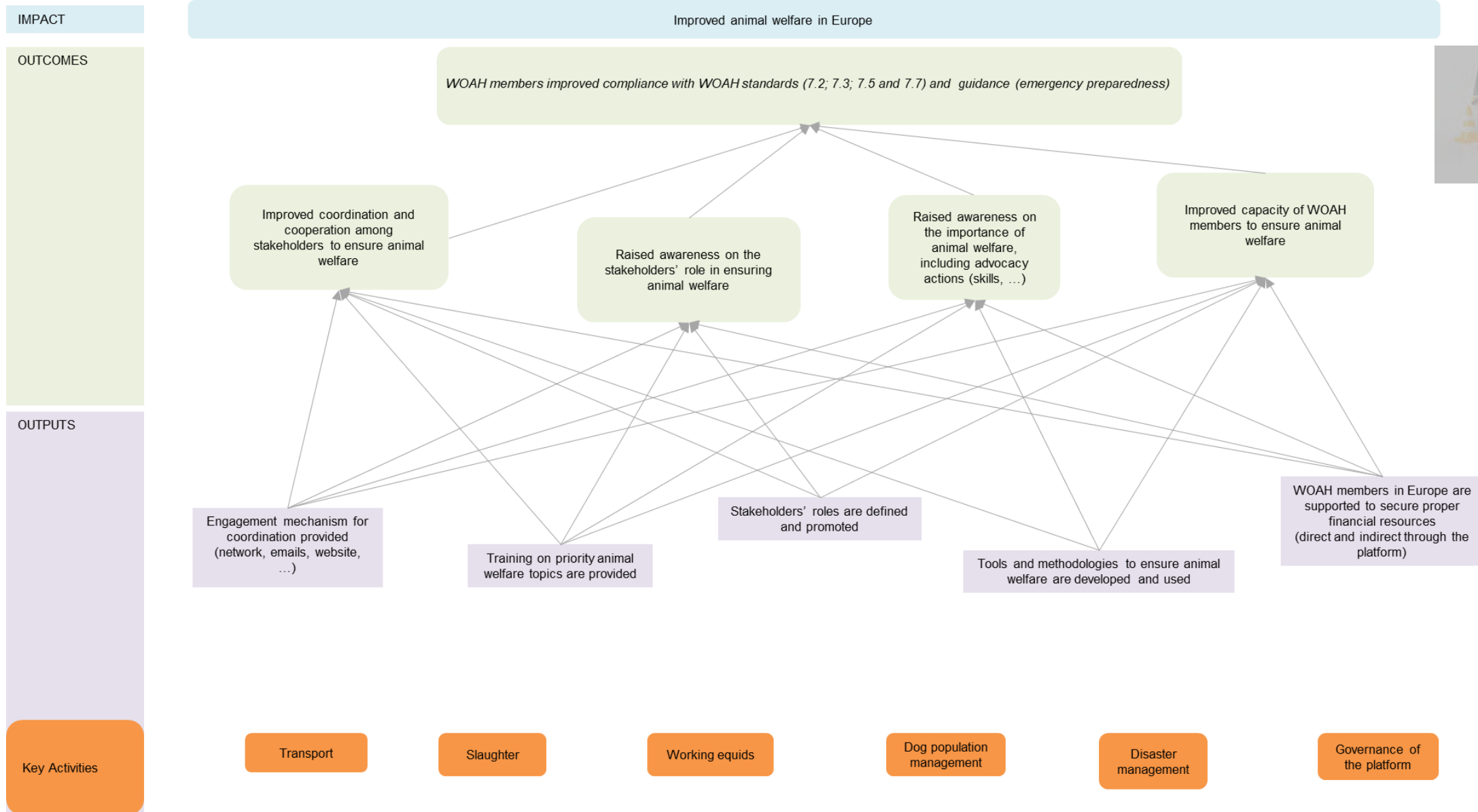
Continuity on the five priority topics of the previous Action Plans:

- Transport of animals by land (WOAH TAHC Chapter 7.3) and transport of animals by sea (WOAH TAHC Chapter 7.2)
- Slaughter of animals (WOAH TAHC Chapter 7.5)
- Dog population management (WOAH TAHC Chapter 7.7)
- Welfare of animals in disasters (WOAH Guidelines on disaster management and risk reduction in relation to animal health and welfare and veterinary public health)
- Welfare for Working Equids (WOAH TAHC Chapter 7.12)



# Evolving Theory of Change

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## Beneficiaries, partners and stakeholders

- **Beneficiaries:**

Delegates, National Focal Points on animal welfare coming from 53 Member Countries of the WOA Regional Commission for Europe.

Professionals dealing with animal welfare:

- Veterinary Services (public and private sectors),
- Veterinary education establishments,
- Farmers, owners, handlers,
- Business operators,
- NGOs,
- General public.

- **Financial and Technical Partners:**

Other stakeholders and resource partners

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### Reporting, monitoring and evaluation

#### Reporting

- Meetings of the Regional Commission for Europe during the General Sessions
- Meetings of the regional Core Group (RCG)
- Conference of the Regional Commission for Europe
- Meetings of the Platform's Steering Group meeting
- Regional animal welfare focal points seminar

A monitoring and evaluation are based on set of indicators to assess progress / impact and efficiency / effectiveness of the Platform listed in the results framework.



## 4th Action Plan for 2024 - 2026

### SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS

2024

2025

2026

Development of e-learning resources  
*Launch of the call early 2024*

Dissemination of e-modules

Seminars(s) for Eastern Europe and Balkans  
*(a type of seminars will be defined according to members needs and available resources)*

Development of a self-assessment and monitoring tool on slaughter

*Launch of the call 2025*

## 4th Action Plan for 2024 - 2026

### TRANSPORT OF ANIMALS

2024



Regional WJS workshop  
Europe



Meeting of the NCPT network

2025



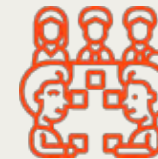
Multi-regional WJS workshop  
Europe/North Africa/Middle East

Regional WJS workshop Europe



Meeting of the NCPT network

2026



Regional WJS workshop  
Europe



Meeting of the NCPT network

## Development of a self-assessment and monitoring tool on transport

Launch of the call early 2024



## 4th Action Plan for 2024 - 2026

### DOG POPULATION MANAGEMENT

2024

2025

2026

#### regional workshops on dog population management

6th workshop for the Balkans

5th workshop for  
the West-Eurasian  
(Central Asia and Caucasus)

7th workshop for the Balkans

Regular support for the SAM4DPM self-assessment rounds

Periodic flash thematic meetings (2024 - 2026)



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### DISASTER MANAGEMENT

2024



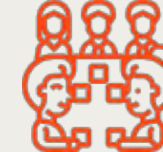
Regional multi hazard workshop  
on contingency planning  
for animal welfare in natural  
disasters for europe

2025 - 2026



THEMATIC MEETINGS

2026



Simulation exercise for the  
testing of selected countries  
contingency plans for animal  
welfare in natural disasters in  
europe



## 4th Action Plan for 2024 - 2026

### Working equids

2024

2025

2026

Workshop on working equids  
*back to back to NFP AW meeting*

Seminars on working equids

*a type of seminar will be defined  
according to members needs and  
available resources)*

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*back to back to NFP AW meeting (tbc)*

Thematic online meetings on working equids



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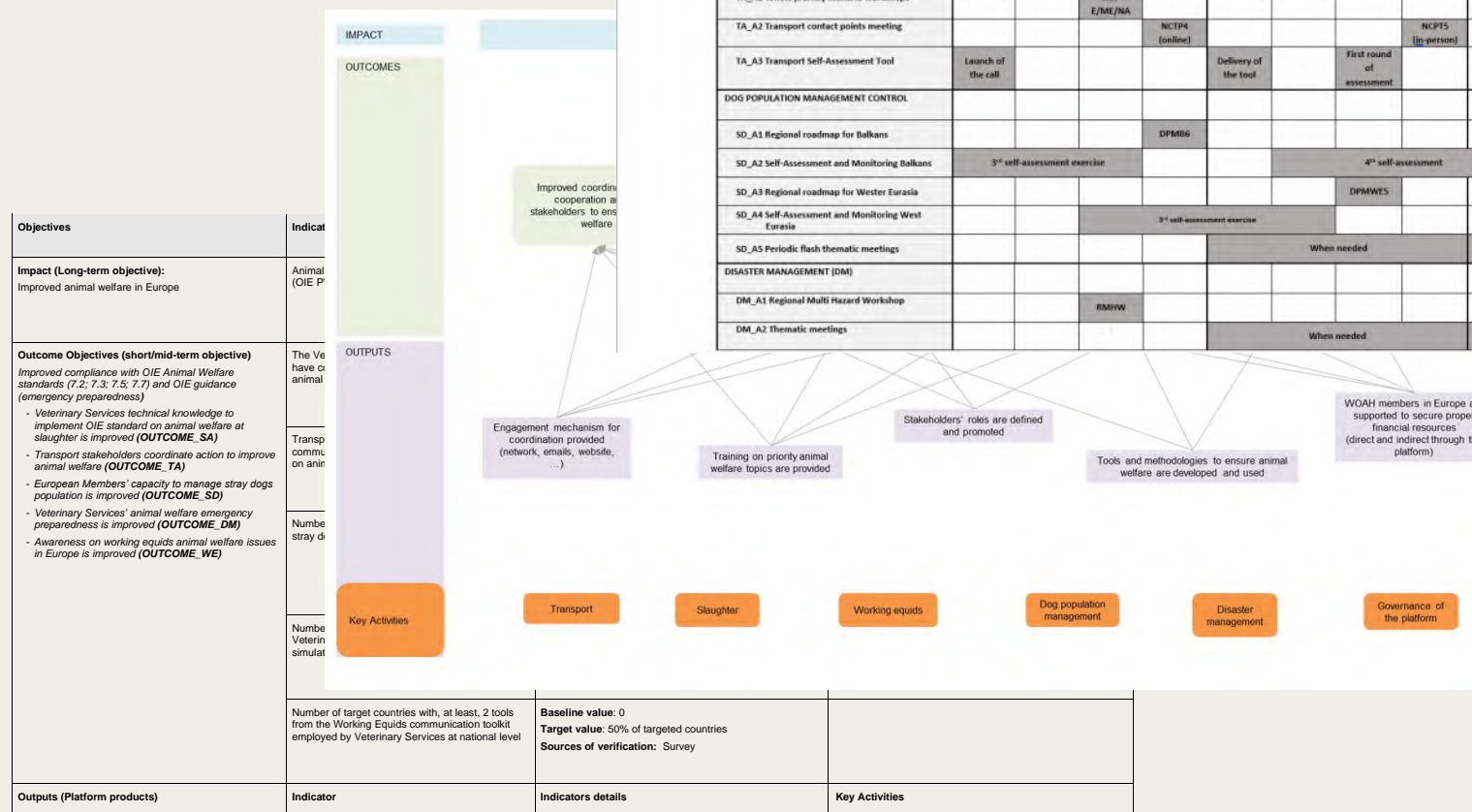
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### 4th Action Plan

*Review by the Steering Group (October 2023)*

*Shared with the Bureau and Regional Core Group (November 2023)*

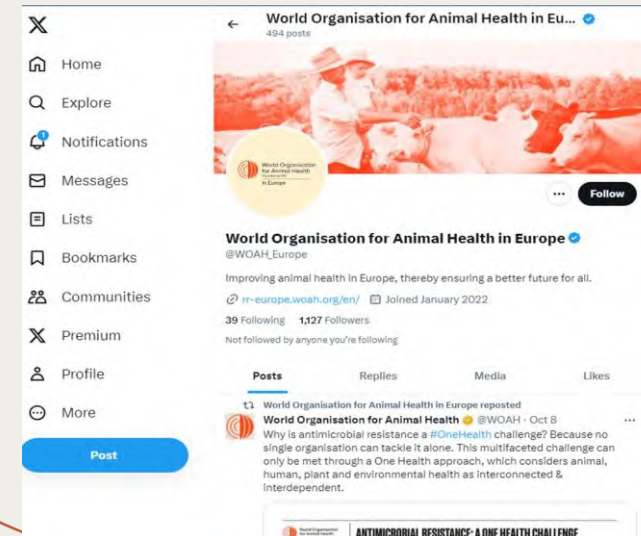
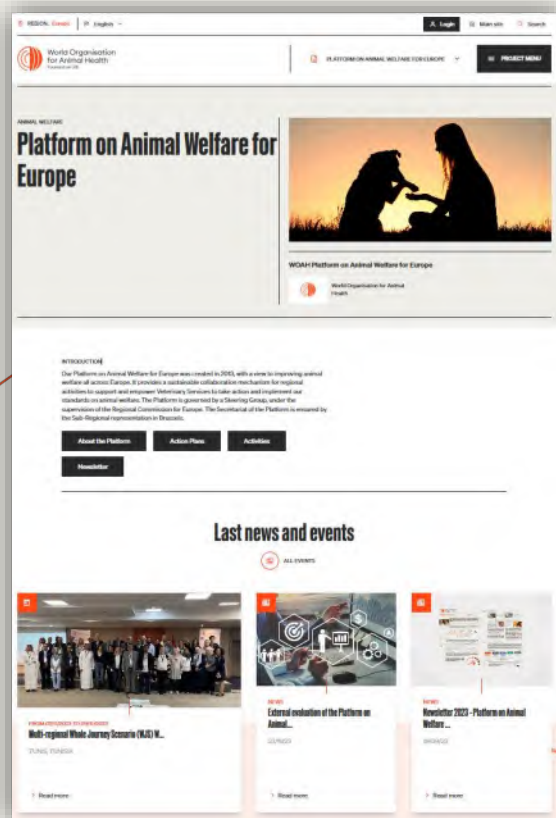
### Adoptions steps

Shared with Regional Commission 11/12/2023  
(Comments before Monday, 8 January 2024)

Proposal for formal adoption of the 4<sup>th</sup> Action Plan  
Meeting of the Regional Commission for Europe - May 2024



# Communication



ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE: A ONE HEALTH CHALLENGE



Please share  
your story





# THE OBSERVATORY: MONITORING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF WOAH STANDARDS

The diagram illustrates the flow of information and support between three main entities: **Partners**, **The Observatory**, and the **World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH)**.

- Partners** (represented by a handshake icon) provide **Data** to **The Observatory** and engage in an **Exchange of practices and experiences**.
- The Observatory** (represented by a magnifying glass icon) sends **Insights and recommendations** back to **Partners** and provides **Guidance and support** to **WOAH**.
- WOAH** (represented by icons of various animals and the text "World Organisation for Animal Health Founded as OIE") provides **Data** to **The Observatory** and receives **Insights and recommendations** from it.
- WOAH** also provides **Guidance and support** to **Partners**.

A note at the top right states: "Hover on the items to discover".

**Animal welfare during the level of implementation by Members' Veterinary**

**SURVEY – REMIND**

## Animal welfare during transport by land and sea: level of implementation of WOAH standards by Members' Veterinary Services

Extended deadline 22<sup>nd</sup> December

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## Regional training seminars for National Focal Points on Animal Welfare



**NEXT meeting - 2024 – June (tbc)**



**Hosting country needed !**





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