

# ADIS-WAHIS interconnection

**Dr Peter Melens**

Deputy Head, World Animal Health Information and Analysis  
Department

World Organisation for Animal Health

31st Conference of the WOAHA Commission for Europe  
Samarkand, Uzbekistan  
1 October 2024

They thought it was not possible





# ADIS-WAHIS INTERCONNECTION

THEY THOUGHT  
IT WAS NOT  
POSSIBLE

IT IS NOW



## Agenda

1. ADIS-WAHIS pilot project
2. Transition steps taken
3. Impact of interconnection
4. Benefits of interconnection
5. Importance of change management
6. Call for action

## **Objective:**

- One portal reporting for EU Member States (MS) in ADIS for animal disease events based on WOAHA and EC Legal requirements

## **Out of scope and continue to be reported in WAHIS:**

- Notification of emerging diseases
- Six-monthly and annual reports

## **Approach:**

- Use pilot project approach to proof the concept and implement interconnection for five MS (Spain, Latvia, Germany, Denmark, Netherlands)
- Phased approach to go-live
- Apply the lessons learned and reduce the risk during transition with other MS

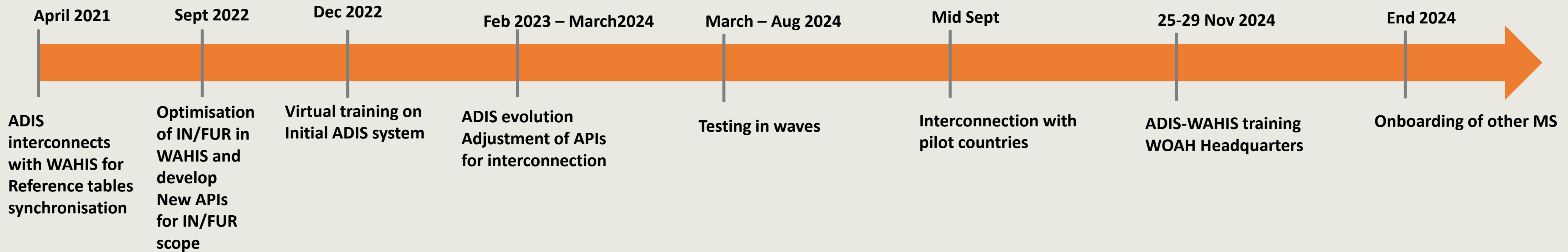


# ADIS-WAHIS pilot project



Funded by  
the European Union

## 2021 – 2024





## Evolve ADIS to allow:

- Notification to ADIS for EU-only notifiable diseases
- Notification to WAHIS for WOAHA-only Listed diseases
- Notification to ADIS and WAHIS for EU- and WOAHA- notifiable diseases
  - **Define Joint Management Procedure**
  - **Testing with pilot countries in waves to cover all scenarios**
  - **Evaluate against readiness criteria for go-live**

## Essential steps taken by pilot countries prior to interconnection:

- Close all ongoing events in WAHIS
- Reopen in ADIS via new Immediate notification if needed
- Identify diseases reported as stable



➤ Perceived decrease and increase of open events and outbreaks in WAHIS during the transition to one portal reporting

➤ Each affected event was annotated in epidemiological comments :

*'This event is a continuation of an event previously closed to accommodate the interconnection between ADIS and WAHIS (event 5804). It has been newly created after interconnection to enable further reporting through ADIS as a single-entry point. More details on the impact of interconnecting ADIS and WAHIS can be seen in this dedicated page: <https://www.woah.org/en/document/unveiling-adis-the-eu-animal-disease-information-system-and-its-link-to-wahis/> '*

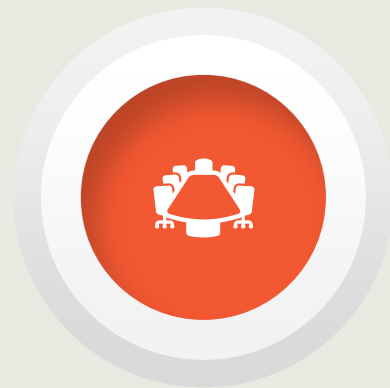
➤ Impact on WAHIS: events management, maps, weekly data extraction and dashboards

➤ In relevant six-monthly reports quantitative data to be adjusted to avoid duplication





**Reduce reporting burden**



**Improve coherence between both systems**



**Improve timeliness of notification**





# Importance of change management



Funded by  
the European Union

2

- Support desks
- Training
- User awareness and communication
- Consider actively informing trading partners, commercial companies, industry bodies, partner organisations
- Contact us at [wahis-support@woah.org](mailto:wahis-support@woah.org)



# Call for action



Funded by  
the European Union

2

- Prepare your staff to attend training in November 2024
  - Mon 25/11-Wed 27/11 – WAHIS scope
  - Thurs 28/11-Friday 29/11– ADIS scope
  
- Define approach for interconnection with remaining MS countries of EU
  
- Good housekeeping: close any events as resolved or stable
  
- **BE READY** and visit **ADIS-WAHIS kiosk** to **flag if your country should be considered for the next batch of countries using ADIS as a single-entry point for disease notifications**

# Thank you

Financial support in the development of WAHIS,  
APIs and training  
Pilot countries  
ADIS and WAHIAD teams

---

12, rue de Prony, 75017 Paris, France  
T. +33 (0)1 44 15 19 49  
F. +33 (0)1 42 67 09 87

[woah@woah.org](mailto:woah@woah.org)  
[www.woah.org](http://www.woah.org)

[Facebook](#)  
[Twitter](#)  
[Instagram](#)  
[LinkedIn](#)  
[YouTube](#)  
[Flickr](#)



World  
Organisation  
for Animal  
Health  
Founded as OIE

Organisation  
mondiale  
de la santé  
animale  
Fondée en tant qu'OIE

Organización  
Mundial  
de Sanidad  
Animal  
Fundada como OIE



Funded by  
the European Union

