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I. Understanding country situation

- 1. The legislation is essentially complete
- 2. We act based on the approved strategy
- 3. We registered own dogs
- 4. We have 13 Centers for accommodation and adaptation
- 5. The awareness of the population is lacking
- 6. The number of stray dogs in Kosovo is not known because we have not done the number of stray dogs by a professional organization



II. Control measures

- 1.Registrationregistration and identification of dogs
- 2.Licensing of dog breeders
- 3. Vaccination against rabies and other preventive measures against zoonotic diseases
- 4. Kastration and sterilization of own and stray dogs



III. Monitoring and evaluation

- 1. Improve Health and welfare of owned and stray dog population
- 2. Reduce numbers of stray dogs
- 3. Promote responsible ownership
- 4. Reduce the risk of zoonotic diseases vaccination against rabies
- 5. Prevent harm to the environment and other animals
- 6. Prevent illegal trade and trafficking.
- 7. Improve public perception



IV. Rabies dimension

- -Public awareness and education campaigns to improve the understanding of the risks related to rabies, as well as how to prevent them
- -Dog vaccination.



V. Conclusions and future needs

We managed to complete the legislation and to sensitize the problem of stray dogs and dogs with owners for registration, vaccination and sterilization.

But we need to work on the awareness of the population, and the numbering of stray dogs throughout Kosovo.

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