

2nd QUARTERLY PLATFORM UPDATE 2024

What has the region been up to in last months?

We share with you dear colleagues our main work and engagements in the past months:

- > 22nd Meeting of the Steering Group of the WOAH Platform on animal welfare for Europe (SG22)
- ➤ Call for consultancy in Communication, and Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E)
- Transregional kiosk on animal welfare at 91st WOAH General Session
- European Civil Protection Forum 2024
- > 9th Platform Stakeholders consultation meeting
- > Event of the National Focal Point on Animal Welfare
- Workshop on Welfare of Working Equids
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Events

22nd meeting of the Steering Group of the WOAH Platform on Animal Welfare for Europe (SG22), 30 April 2024, Teleconference

We have met virtually with our Steering group to review the activities conducted since the last meeting held in October 2023, whilst building a working plan for the following 6 month. After navigating thought the priority topics and future workshops, we have updated the SG about our participation at the European Civil Protection Forum and the call for consultancy.



9th Platform Stakeholders consultation meeting, Brussels, Belgium, 19 June 2024



The 9th Stakeholders consultation meeting of the WOAH Platform on animal welfare has the objective to report on the implementation of the Platform activities carried out since the last meeting held in June 2023 and present the activities to be implemented under the 4th Action Plan for 2024 - 2026. Sixteen stakeholders' representatives had the opportunity to comment on the Platform's work and report on new and planned activities in the five priority topics.

For complete information about the event, please read our website: $\label{eq:link} \mbox{LINK}$

Training seminar of WOAH National Focal Points on Animal Welfare in Europe (NFPAW)

25-27 June 2024, Madrid, Spain.

Sunny Madrid was the place chosen to host the first in person training seminar NFPAW after 5 years. It was great having our focal points together, providing the latest updates from WOAH on the implementation of the Global Animal Welfare Strategy and regional Platform on animal welfare for Europe whilst providing knowledge on developments in animal welfare and implementation of animal welfare standards. The program included also working group exercise on public private partnership for support and implementation of animal welfare standards and a field visit to a dairy goat farm.



For complete information about the event, please read our website: $\ensuremath{\mathsf{LINK}}$

Workshop on Welfare of Working Equids, 27 June 2024, Madrid, Spain.



Following the event of the NFPAW, we held a back-to-back event on the the Welfare of Working Equids. With the support provided by the International Coalition for Working Equids, the event gave opportunities for additional countries' experiences exchange and group exercises work to improve the welfare of working equids.

For complete information about the event, please read our website: $\ensuremath{\mathsf{LINK}}$

Kiosks

Transregional kiosk on animal welfare at 91st WOAH General Session, Paris, 29 May 2024



For more information, please find the link to the presentation: LINK

In commemoration of the WOAH centenary, at the 91st General Session, we participated in the transregional kiosk on animal welfare, in close cooperation with our colleagues from the Standard Department and other regions. We bought forward our work and highlighted that the guiding thread for the animal welfare activities at regional level that will be the four pillars of our Global Animal Welfare Strategy:

- Capacity building and education,
- Development of animal welfare standards,
- Communication with Governments, organisations and the public,
- Implementation of animal welfare standards and policies

European Civil Protection Forum 2024, Brussels, Belgium, 04-05 June 2024

We are pleased to share that WOAH took part of the eighth edition of the European Civil Protection Forum. The Forum was based around the theme of 'Shaping a disaster-resilient union: charting a path for the future of European civil protection'.

Upon finding a gap regarding animal health and welfare during disasters being addressed at the Forum, we have decided to take the opportunity to bring forward our work at the Kiosk, building awareness and potentially starting new collaborations, and the crucial importance of involving the Veterinary Services.



For more information, please find the link to the presentation: LINK

External consultancy

Call for consultancy in Communication, and Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E)

With the WOAH Platform on animal welfare for Europe making over 10 years of existence, the need to improve our visibility and global communication strategy led to launching a call for consultancy on communication. Additionally, the same willingness for improvement of our platform's performance and effectiveness led to lunching a call of consultancy for the revision of its existing Monitoring & Evaluation strategy.



Upcoming activities

- 4th meeting of WOAH regional network of National Contact Points on long-distance transportation in Europe, 9 July 2024 Teleconference
- Annual Newsletter 2024
- Meeting on Disaster Management and Risk Reduction (DMRR) for the European Region Teleconference, September 2024
- 23nd Meeting of the Steering Group of the WOAH Platform on animal welfare for Europe (SG23), October 2024 Vienna, Austria