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FMD and PPR Regional Advisory Groups Meeting

FAO activities on PPR in the region

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GLOBAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE
PROGRESSIVE CONTROL OF
TRANSBOUNDARY ANIMAL DISEASES



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What does FAO REU do on PPR and SPGP?

- Assisting countries to obtain official disease freedom status for PPR
- Assisting countries with preparedness and control
- Simulation exercises, Workshops and Webinars
- Technical materials and Publications
- Virtual learning



Assisting countries to achieve official disease freedom status for PPR

Azerbaijan

Completed: [FAO assisted Azerbaijan to obtain official PPR disease free status](#). First former Soviet Union, but non-EU country (except the Russian Federation) to achieve this status.

Armenia

On-going: [Strengthening capacities for prevention of the Peste des Petits Ruminants \(PPR\) disease and recognition of PPR free status](#) - through serosurveillance (2025 – 2027)

Assisting countries to achieve official disease freedom status for PPR

Kazakhstan

On-going: [Strengthening capacities for the prevention and detection of Peste des Petits Ruminants \(PPR\)](#) - assisting the country in ceasing vaccination and applying for stage 4.

Tajikistan

On-going: Supporting activities on PPR

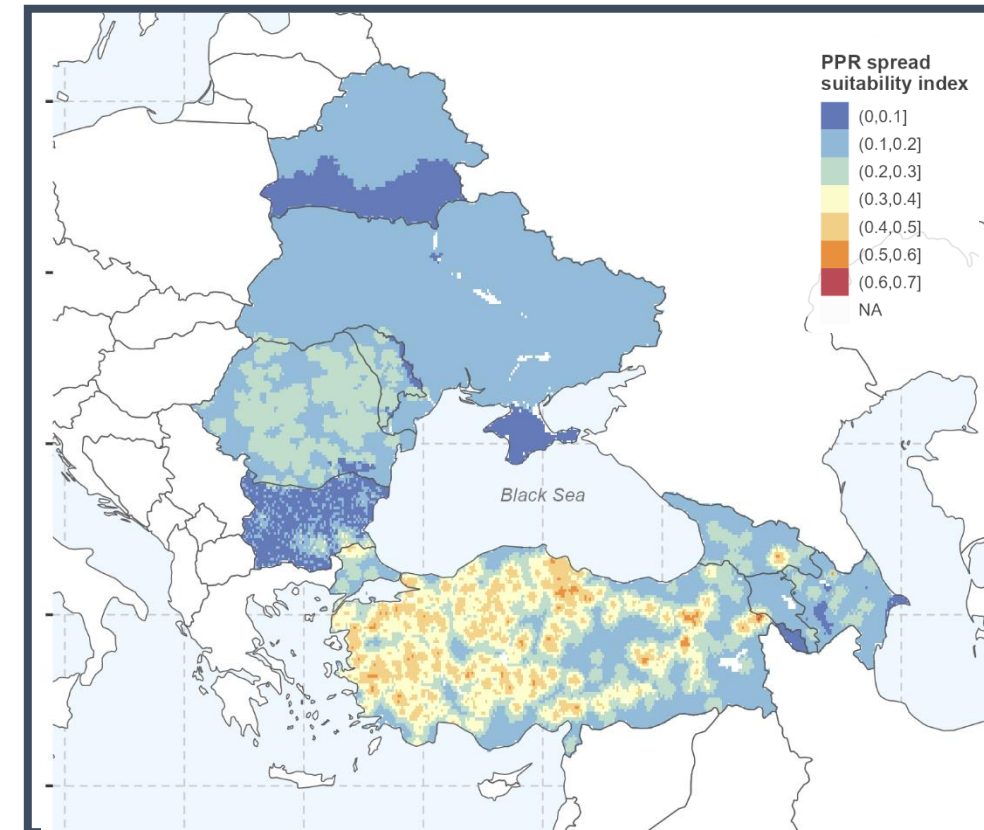
Uzbekistan

On-going: Supporting with serosurveillance and preparation of dossier.

4000 animals sampled under the project in the country. Next target is 8000 animals.

Risk mapping and OutCosT for PPR

- [Risk Mapping the Peste Des Petits Ruminants Spread in the Black Sea Basin: A Spatial Multicriteria Decision Analysis Approach \(2024\)](#) - Identifying high suitability areas for the spread of PPR in the Black Sea Region ->
- Using [FAO's Outbreak Costing Tool \(OutCosT\)](#) estimate the direct costs of PPR outbreaks and their control measures.

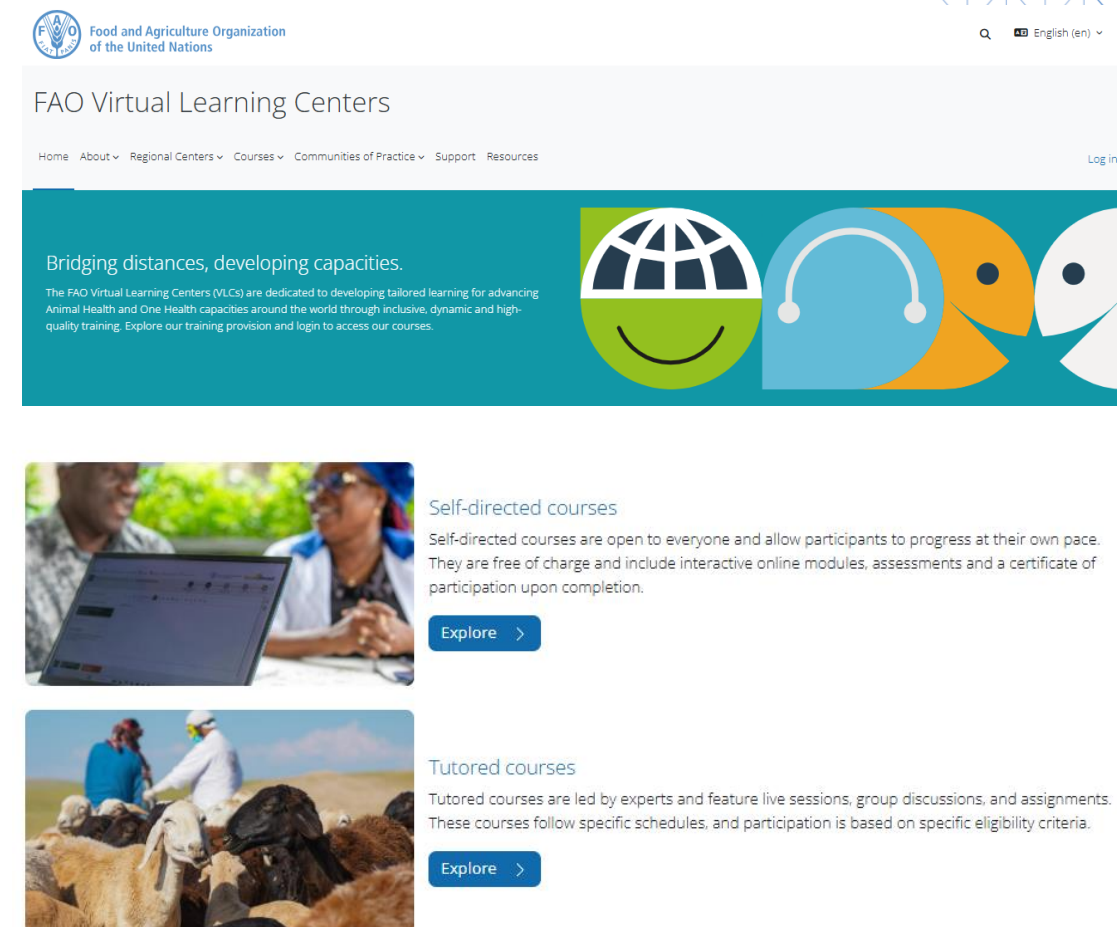


Virtual Learning Centers

FAO REU's Virtual Learning Centers supports the region since 2021 with trainings on Animal Health offering tutored and self-directed courses.

Tutored Preparedness courses:

- Open for 4 weeks;
- Consist of 7-10 study modules, a discussion forum, webinars and resources
- Interaction between trainers, experts and participants through forum and webinars
- Final assessment and certificate



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Bridging distances, developing capacities.

The FAO Virtual Learning Centers (VLCs) are dedicated to developing tailored learning for advancing Animal Health and One Health capacities around the world through inclusive, dynamic and high-quality training. Explore our training provision and login to access our courses.

Self-directed courses

Self-directed courses are open to everyone and allow participants to progress at their own pace. They are free of charge and include interactive online modules, assessments and a certificate of participation upon completion.

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Tutored courses

Tutored courses are led by experts and feature live sessions, group discussions, and assignments. These courses follow specific schedules, and participation is based on specific eligibility criteria.

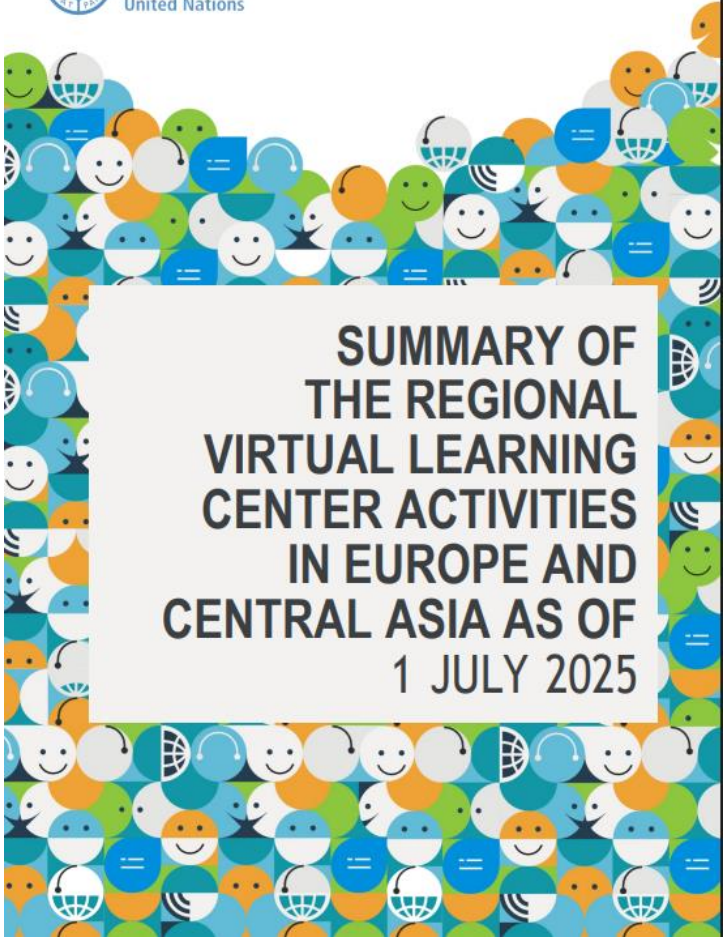
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Virtual Learning Centers: PPR

- [Peste des Petits Ruminants Preparedness Course in English, November – December 2025; training 197 participants](#)
- [Peste des Petits Ruminants Preparedness in Russian](#) (March–April 2026, 340 participants from 13 countries)
- **PPR Open Access Course** expected to be released in September–October 2026



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SUMMARY OF
THE REGIONAL
VIRTUAL LEARNING
CENTER ACTIVITIES
IN EUROPE AND
CENTRAL ASIA AS OF
1 JULY 2025

Challenges

- Transparency
- Detection based mostly on farmers reporting, but
 - under-reporting by farmers and field veterinarians
 - subclinical presentation of PPR
- Porous borders, particularly
 - when pastures are shared across countries, and particularly
 - during religious festivals, when mass movements occur

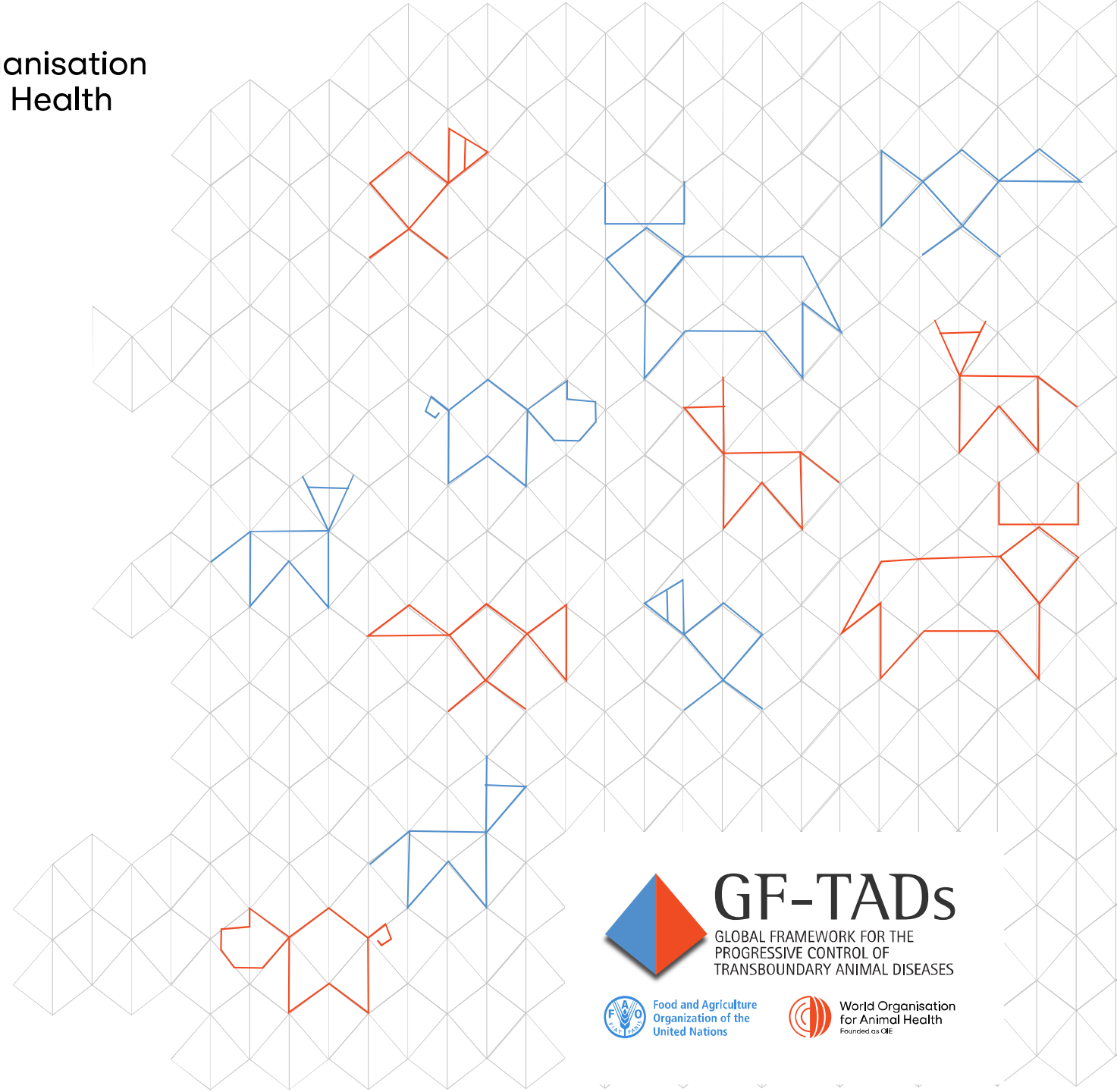


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