From Strategy to Regional Action: Europe's Roadmap for Implementing the WOAH 8th Strategic Plan 2027–2031

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Purpose and Objectives

- ✓ Collect information to develop the RWPF
- ✓ Identify key context elements that could shape the implementation of the 8th Strategic Plan in coming years
- ✓ Identify regional priorities and desired outcomes, within the framework of the 8th Strategic Plan
- ✓ Propose a series of priority regional actions

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The 8th Strategic Plan: The global perspective

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STRATEGIC ORIENTATION ONE

Develop global standards, adaptable and applicable to all Members.

How WOAH continues to reinforce standard-setting and the scientific evidence that underpins it.

STRATEGIC ORIENTATION TWO

Empower Members to build robust animal health and welfare systems and strengthen veterinary public health.

How WOAH empowers Members to apply standards effectively to strengthen their animal health systems.

STRATEGIC ORIENTATION THREE

Position animal health as central to tackling global challenges.

How WOAH increases visibility and resource mobilisation for animal health.

The 8th Strategic Plan: Global perspective

ENABLER ONE

Governance and partnerships for scientific robustness and sustainability.

ENABLER TWO

Leadership in animal health data.

ENABLER THREE

People at the heart of WOAH.

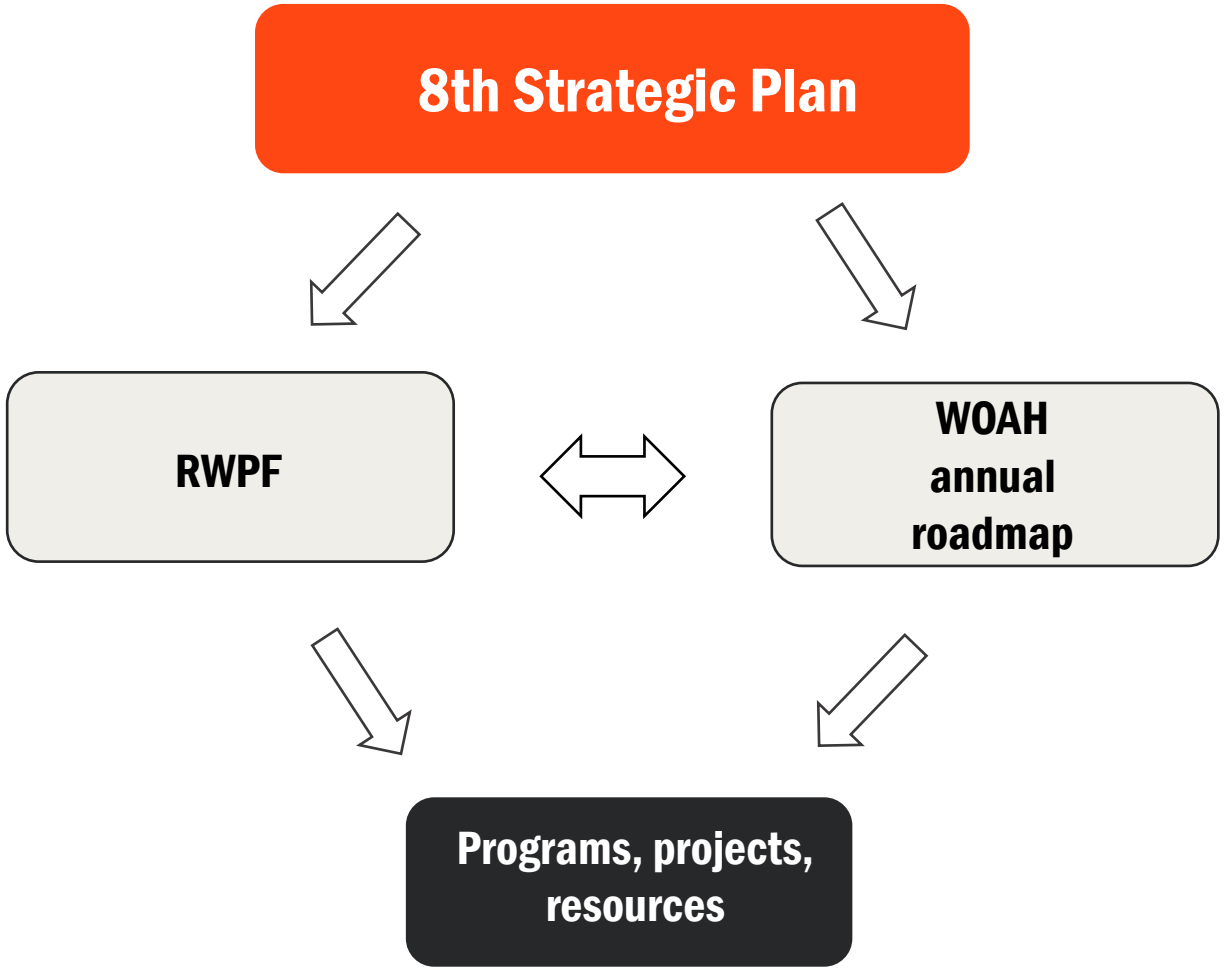
ENABLER FOUR

Performance and accountability.

Enablers describe how WOAH will strengthen essential foundations.

Structured implementation and monitoring

- Commitment to strengthen structure and transparency in monitoring, implementation and costing.
- Global WOAH roadmap & Regional Workplan Frameworks (RWPF)
- Project/programs aligned to strategic priorities
- Structured implementation and monitoring (M&E) at all levels
- Implementation of an annual planning cycle (needs assessments, budget allocation, implementation, monitoring, etc.)



The 8th Strategic Plan: Regional coordination perspective

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From the 8th Strategic Plan to the regional priorities : the role of the RWPF

- A strategic framework for the Regional Commission
- Based on regional priorities aligned to the 8th SP
- Led by the Bureau/RCG
- Supported by the RR/SRR and HQ, when needed
- Informing the RR/SRR activity planning (providing input for planning purposes) = **Responding to Members priorities**
- 1-year implementation cycle/ reporting in May
- Clear way to report on advancements

The 8th Strategic Plan: Regional Coordination perspective

Roles and responsibilities in the development

Regional Commission: ownership of the RWPF = identification of priorities

Regional Bureau: leadership of the entire process

RCG: providing advice, validation and supporting the development and review process

RR/SRR: facilitating development, acting as secretariat, providing guidance, implementing, and reporting

RCD: coordinating the overall process across the five regions, ensuring coherence while supporting RR/SRR in adapting the approach to their regional context

PMU: providing guidance on monitoring and reporting methodology and ensuring alignment with the WOAH annual roadmaps and 8SP monitoring framework

Translating regional priorities into activities

Regional Planning of Activities

Member priorities
Regional Conferences, Consultations and RC discussions, RCG discussions

Regional Work Plan Framework (RWPF)
Regional Commission priorities following the 8th SP

RR/SRR Core Functions, Capacity building, Global initiatives, Representation and advocacy, Extra-budgetary Activities, Existing grants, New project opportunities

contributes to :

- Global Planning and Prioritisation
- Global implementation of the 8SP (WOAH Annual Roadmap)
- Budgetary dialogue
- Advocacy &Resource mobilisation initiatives

Setting the scene for our discussion



Europe 2027–2031: Shared risks, different realities

- ✓ 53 Members, with very different epidemiological, institutional and economic contexts
- ✓ Increasing pressure from transboundary animal diseases, emerging and re-emerging threats, and climate-related risks
- ✓ Uneven capacity, workforce and sustainable financing across Veterinary Services
- ✓ Growing expectations on transparency, digitalisation, animal welfare and evidence-based decision-making
- ✓ Geopolitical complexity makes regional cooperation and trusted technical dialogue even more important

The Europe region is not homogeneous.
Our regional framework must therefore combine common priorities with differentiated support

What regional work is telling us

Preparedness & resilience
Biosecurity, emergency management, simulation exercises, resilient Veterinary Services

TADs & GF-TADs Europe
ASF, HPAI, PPR, SGP, LSD, rabies and FMD risk

One Health
Moving from recognition to operationalisation, with a clear role for Veterinary Services

IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT

Data & animal health intelligence
Reporting, interoperability, ADIS–WAHIS, epidemic intelligence and responsible AI

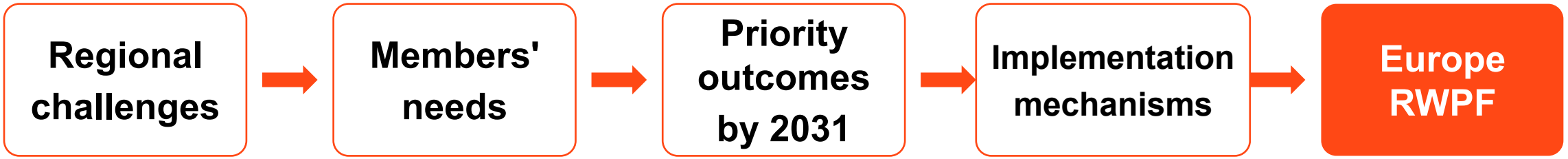
Capacity & workforce
PVS, laboratories, workforce development and legal mandates

Investment & implementation
Sustainable financing, economic evidence, cost of inaction and measurable follow-up

The common message is increasingly clear:

Members need support for implementation, not only policy guidance

From regional challenges to the Europe RWPF



- What matters most for your Veterinary Service?
- What should be different by 2031?
- Where can WOAH Europe add the greatest value?

Today we are not asking Members to comment on a finished plan.
We are asking you to help build it

Members consultation

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Next steps

September-October: 2 weeks to provide additional input

October: Riga follow up + Feedback/Validation of the RWPF template with the RCG

November - January: drafting of the RWPF (Secretariat)

February: Circulating proposal to the RCG for feedback (possible consultation with the Regional Commission)

March: Informing the Council on advancements

May: Presentation/Adoption at the Regional Commission meeting

June 2027: Start implementation and follow up

Thank you!

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