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GF-TADs updates

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- 14 18 January 2019: ASF Expert Mission to Bulgaria
- □ 13 February 2019: SGE RAB1, Brussels Kick-off meeting
- 25 February 2019: SGE LSD Teleconference on LSD vaccination programmes
- 11 13 March 2019: SGE ASF12 back-to-back with a joint GF-TADs/BTSF event, Prague





SGE RAB1



Date: 13 February

Venue: AFSCA, Brussels, Belgium

Participation: 13 countries of the Balkan sub-region + Russia and Belgium

 Main objective: to address a specific request of several CVOs from the Balkan sub-region, where the coordination of <u>oral rabies vaccination</u> campaigns (ARV) against rabies in wild carnivores appears to be an issue.









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Overall situation 2018





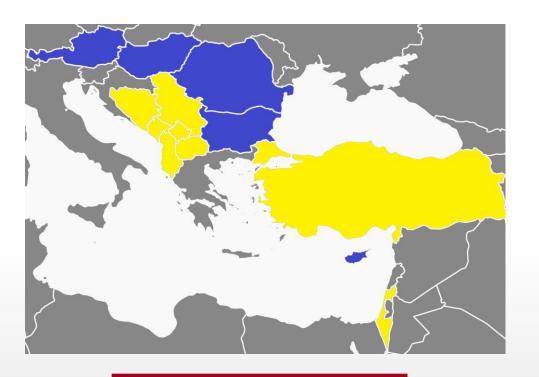
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Conclusions

- Good progress on the eradication of rabies has been made in the region;
- But several strong concerns remain:
 - a weak surveillance and monitoring,
 - a discontinuity of vaccination is already taking place in the region
 - > strong need for strategic coordination and technical guidance.
- Approval of a series of 13 recommendations.

Follow-up: SGE RAB2 to meet in 2020, possibly extended to some other countries





SGE LSD Teleconference



Photo from the Russian presentation at SGE LSD1 2016

- Date: 25 February
- Participation: 13 of the 21 member countries
- Main objective: to take stock of vaccine stockpiles already available in the countries and express possible additional needs for the 2019 vaccination



- The 13 countries provided precise figures on:
 - number of LSD vaccine doses needed in 2019
 - number of LSD vaccine doses in stock from previous years
 - number of LSD vaccine doses to be provided by the EU LSD Vaccine bank or from other sources epidemiological situation, activities and plans
- The European Commission
 - provided an update on state of play of vaccine grants from the EU LSD vaccine bank for 2019
 - clarified that EU support for LSD surveillance is possible for those countries or areas thereof, where vaccination has ceased or is reduced in the framework of the vaccination exit strategy



2018: no outbreak in Europe

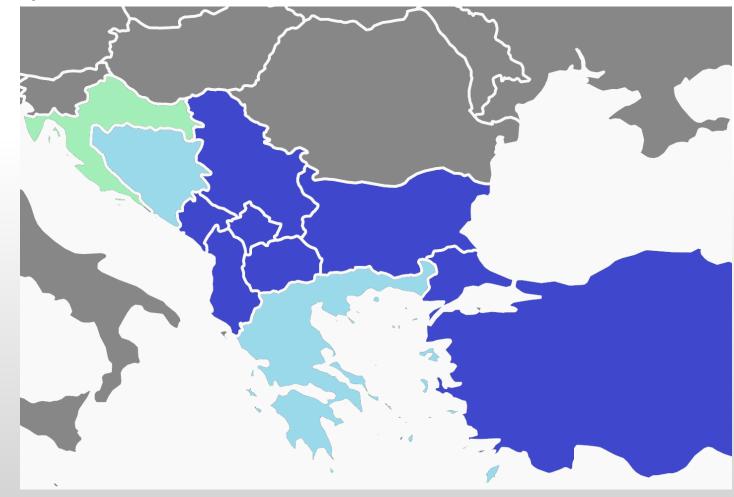
Vaccination map 2018

Stop vaccination

Total vaccination

No vaccination

Partial vaccination





Vaccination map 2019 – according to exit strategy defined in Ohrid (SGE LSD7)





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Follow-up: SGE LSD8 to meet on 28 May in Paris

SGE LSD9 to meet in Serbia next October or November





ASF





14 - 18 January 2019: ASF Expert Mission to Bulgaria

Recommendations include

- the need to reinforce the control of the registration of backyards
- a suggestion to provide simultaneously the results of trichinella and ASF testing to the hunters
- a better marking of the infected areas
- the need to raise the level of passive surveillance and to enhance connection between private and official veterinarians (awareness campaigns).

Mission report presented and approved in Prague, 11 March 2019

Follow-up: ASF expert mission in Belgium before the summer break



11-12 March 2019: SGE ASF12 13 March 2019: joint GF-TADs-BTSF event

Venue: Prague, Czech Republic

Participation: 32 countries, ~80 participants

Main objectives:

- update on the epidemiological situation in each affected country,
- > to study the successful eradication of ASF in wildboar in the Czech Rep.







- 13 infected countries presented their epidemiological situation
 - Eradication achieved by the Czech Republic
 - Otherwise no major change since SGE ASF11 Warsaw and infection of Belgium
- OIE presented the worldwide situation, particularly in Asia
- Presentation and adoption of the report of the GF-TADs ASF experts in Bulgaria
- Detailed presentation of the situation in Belgium
- Detailed success story of the Czech Republic

 RECOMMANDATIONS
- EFSA November updates
- ASF Competence Centre in Lithuania
- Outcome of conferences (Brussels 19 December, Dortmund 30 January)
- FAO project on ASF emergency preparedness in the Balkans
- OIE awareness campaign on ASF; update on the publication of the 'Handbook'

Joint GF-TADs-BTSF event: concrete feedback from a variety of CZ field experts

Follow-up: SGE ASF13 to meet on 29 May in Paris

Expert mission in Belgium – June?

SGE ASF14 to meet on 10-11 September in Sofia, Bulgaria



GF-TADs governance

GF-TADs Regional Steering Group:

Venue: Brussels, Belgium

Tentative dates: 6-7 or 7-8 November 2019



Cost of the GF-TADs activities (1)

		LSD7	ASF12
•	Number of participants	40	75
•	Meeting IT + coffee breaks + lunch Interpreters	745 0	19 727 831
•	Official dinner	800	6 184
•	Transfers at destination	1 350	242
•	Flights	11 130	10 200
•	Accomodation	4 176	8 128
•	Miscelaneous	1 240	5 967
	GRAND TOTAL	19 441	51 279
	Total per participant	486	684



Cost of the GF-TADs activities (2)

	LSD7		ASF12	
	Total	Per partic.	Total	Per partic.
Host country	3 983	100	14 021	187
EC	10 084	252	22 879	305
OIE	446	11	2 844	38
Self-funded participants	4 928	123	11 536	154
GRAND TOTAL	19 441 €	486 €	51 280 €	684 €

