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State of play of PVS evaluations and Gap analysis carried out in Europe

Feedback from experience gained

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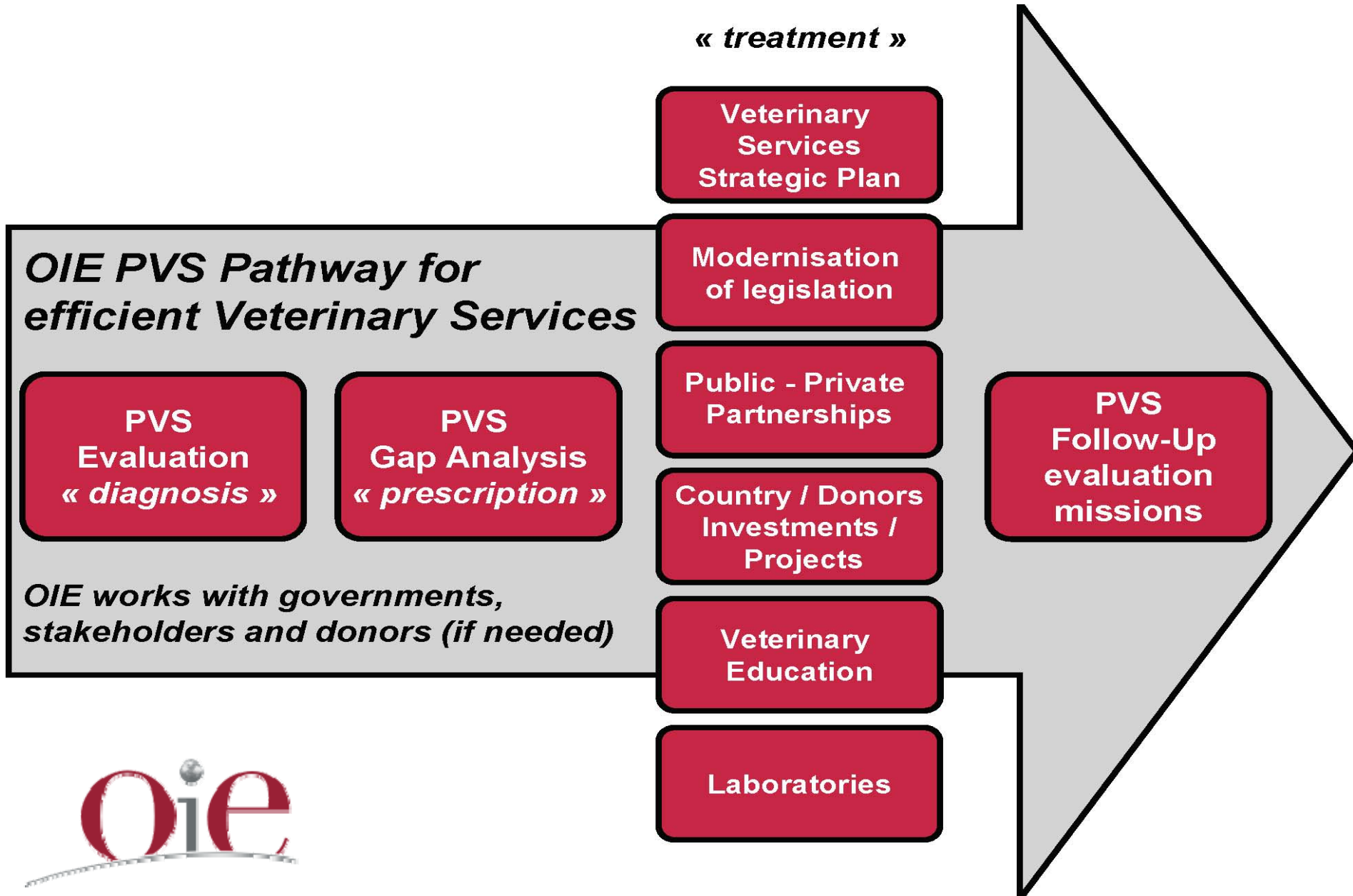
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PVS Pathway

Veterinary Services → Global Public Good

- The OIE considers VS to be a Global Public Good and their **bringing into line with international standards** (in terms of legislation, structure, organisation, resources, capacities, the role of the private sector and paraprofessionals) as a public investment priority.

The PVS Pathway



OIE-PVS Tool for the Evaluation of the Performance of Veterinary Services

- PVS evaluations provide a framework to assess the **compliance of VS** with the quality standards set out in the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code, in particular in the chapters 3.1. and 3.2.
- The objective is to **identify gaps and weaknesses** in the performance of VS, to **recommend actions** that could improve performance in critical areas, and to **develop investment projects** which could draw on national resources or attract international donors to make significant investments with the overall objective of strengthening the VS.

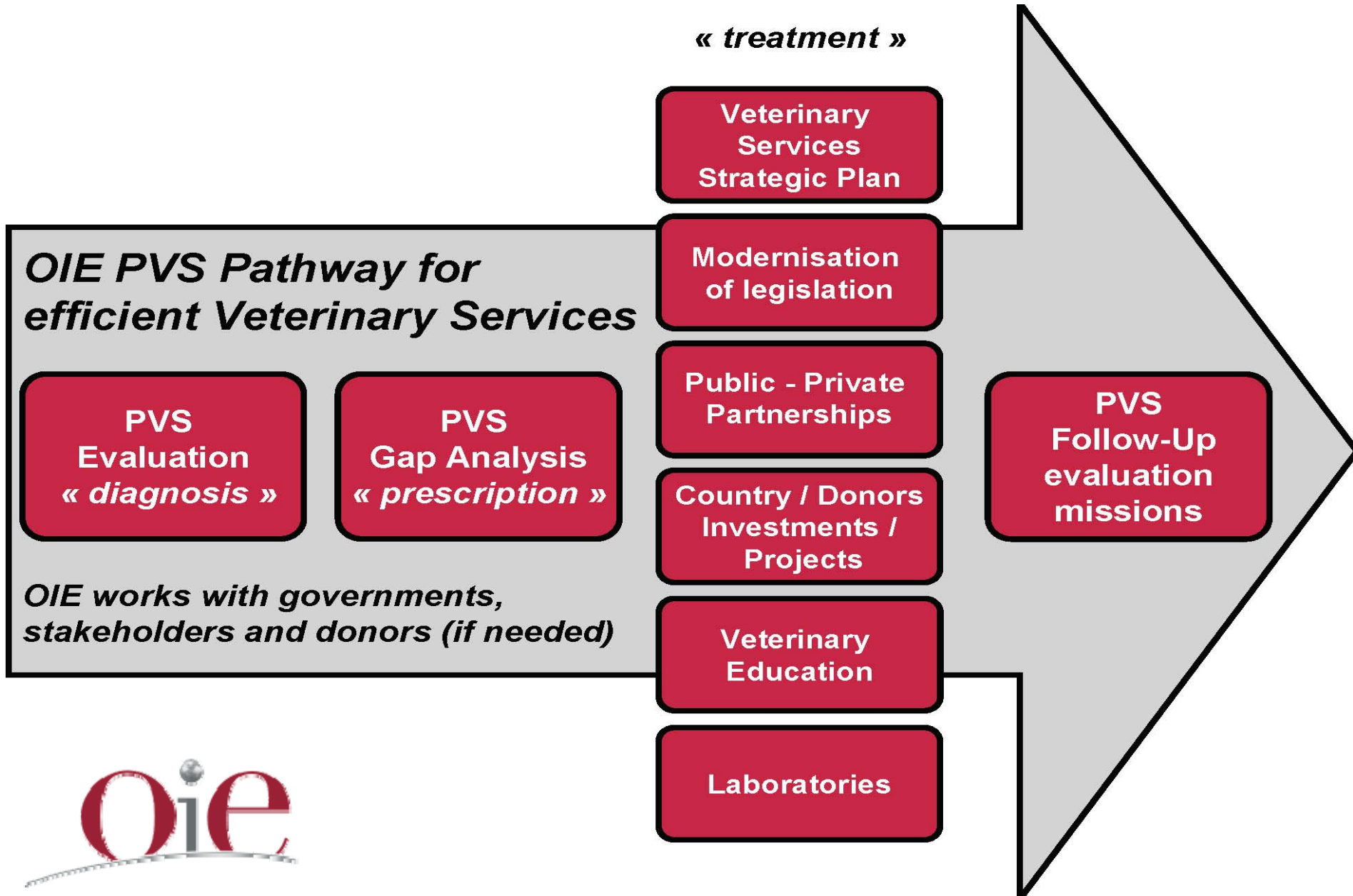
PVS-Gap Analysis

- For those countries that have been evaluated, the OIE recommends the conduct of a follow up mission, so-called 'PVS-Gap Analysis' also based on the use of the OIE-PVS Tool, to determine **priority activities** to consider among the different PVS critical competencies, to define **concrete actions** to remedy these gaps and to **quantify** the needs and investments.

PVS update in the European Region

- OIE HQ and OIE Regional Representation for Europe strongly and permanently encourage the countries of the region to send a request of evaluation mission to the OIE to benefit from this program.

The PVS Pathway



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State of play PVS – 19/02/2010

OIE Regions	OIE Members	PVS Requests received	PVS Missions done	Reports available
Africa	51	44	39	31
Americas	28	17	17	15
Asia & Pacific	31	16	13	10
Europe	52	11	11	6
Middle East	13	13	11	4
Total	175	101	91	66

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State of play Gap Analysis – 19/02/2010

OIE Regions	OIE Members	Gap Analysis Requests received	Gap Analysis Missions done
Africa	51	24	12
Americas	28	7	1
Asia & Pacific	31	9	1
Europe	52	3	2
Middle East	13	3	3
Total	175	46	19

OIE-PVS missions

- **Europe:**

Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, **Bulgaria**, Georgia, **Kazakhstan**, Kyrgyzstan, **Romania**, Tajikistan, Turkey, **Ukraine and Uzbekistan**

In grey: Authorization to realise confidentiality of PVS reports to OIE partners and donors

OIE-PVS missions

Country without PVS request

Europe

EU member countries (except Bulgaria and Romania), Andorra, Belarus, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Macedonia, Iceland, Israel, Liechtenstein, Moldavia, Montenegro, Norway, Russia, San Marino, Serbia, Switzerland and Turkmenistan

Gap Analysis missions

Europe

- **Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkey**

In Grey: pending

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State of play Legislation – 19/02/2010

OIE Regions	OIE Members	Legislation Requests received	Legislation Missions done
Africa	51	13	4
Americas	28	/	/
Asia & Pacific	31	3	3
Europe	52	2	1
Middle East	13	4	1
Total	175	22	9

Legislation missions

Europe:

Kazakhstan and **Kyrgyzstan***

*done.

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OIE PVS Feedback meeting

- 9-10 December 2009 OIE HQ, Paris
- 58 PVS participants
- Most participants were PVS experienced experts

Agenda

- Collection and feedback from PVS assessors (Africa, America, Asia, Europe and Middle East)
 - Experience applying PVS tool and Manual
 - For responding questions:
 - What was good?
 - What could be improved?
 - What should be improved?

Agenda

- Animal welfare
 - How to incorporate animal welfare in the PVS
 - Developments with the terrestrial code
 - Other initiatives
- Legislation guidelines
 - Current state of play
 - What has been learned from missions
 - Future developments of OIE veterinary legislation initiative
- Aquatic governance
 - Use of the PVS tool for the evaluation of aquatic Animal Health Services

Agenda

- Economics: Link with gap analysis
 - Investing in VS
 - OIE economic studies
 - Link with OIE PVS Gap Analysis
- Management
 - How to incorporate management in the PVS
- Education
 - As a key element in PVS evaluation
 - What have we learned to date?
 - How to improve in the future?

Meeting on the *ad hoc* group on evaluation of Veterinary Services

- 11 December 2009. OIE HQ, Paris
- Objectives of the meeting
 - **Adjustment of some competencies** and indicators of OIE PVS Tool based on the advice of experienced evaluators (PVS Feedback workshop)
 - Undertake revision of PVS Tool to produce a **fifth edition** (2010)
- Considerations
 - PVS Tool and procedure are **well accepted** as support of major donors.
 - The legal base for the PVS Tool is the **Terrestrial Animal Health Code** and new competencies should only be included where there are relevant standards in the Code

Outputs of *ad hoc* group on evaluation of Veterinary Services

Recommendations relevant to OIE PVS Experts

- Provide further **training** to PVS certified experts:
- To refresh **training** of experienced evaluators.
- Training of new evaluators that have the knowledge and experience to conduct evaluations of **aquatic animal health services**.

Recommendations on new competencies

- Animal welfare
 - To **include** in Chapter II Technical Authority and Capability.
 - **Under** the technical authority of VS
 - Considered with **caution** as food security and human health have highest priority for developing countries and have the primary target for support by donors in the context of investment in VS.
- VS Management
 - To include in Chapter I.
 - To include human and financial resource management,

Recommendations on the Evaluation of Aquatic Animal Health Services (AAHS)

- To develop a modified PVS Tool for use in the evaluation AAHS.

Discussion and recommendations on existing competencies

- **Technical independence**
 - Text was not modified as current wording adequately covers *‘in a manner contrary to the provisions of the OIE (and of the WTO SPS Agreement where applicable)’*
- **Stability of structures and sustainability of policies**
 - Too much emphasis on stability in the organisational structure of VS and it is necessary to **consider flexibility and modernisation.**

Discussion and recommendations on existing competencies

- **Coordination capability of the sectors and institutions of the Veterinary Services**
 - Add sub point to deal with capability of the VS to coordinate with other Ministries and organisations within government.
 - Add sub point to deal with capability of the VS to coordinate with veterinary associations, private veterinarians and farmers

Discussion and recommendations on existing competencies

- **Competencies relating to financial resources** (Funding, Contingency and compensatory funding; and Capability to invest and develop)
 - Capabilities for financial management and budgeting should be addressed in more detail dealing with VS Management
 - To address VS funding through national sources and availability of donor contributions as an important source of resources to the VS in developing countries.
 - In many cases VS do not have a mandate for ‘investment and development’ therefore the absence of this capacity should not be treated as a significant gap.

Discussion and recommendations on existing competencies

- **Veterinary laboratory diagnosis**
 - Small countries with limited numbers of livestock do not need to have their own laboratory, and decision on classification should be based on **common sense and experience, and arrangements for access to the laboratory**

Discussion and recommendations on existing competencies

Quarantine and border security

- To divide this competence in two separate elements

Veterinary public health and food safety

- To add a specific competency in relation to **VS controls in slaughtering and processing facilities**
- To address **coordination** with other government officials
- To address not only food borne disease but **all zoonoses** (OIE engagement with key international partners in 'One World, One Health')

Discussion and recommendations on existing competencies

Veterinary medicines and veterinary biologicals

- To consider the chain of command and procedures for the approval and prudent use of veterinary products including import, export, manufacture and GMP, labeling, sale, prescription

Consultation with stakeholders

- To include references to veterinary professional associations as they are important stakeholders

Traceability

- To move this competency to Chapter 2 (Technical Authority and Capability), considering the relevance of traceability for disease surveillance and control
- As identification and traceability are distinct functions and may be best separated.

Thank you for your attention



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