

Twinning Project Aim

To improve and build competence in diagnosis, surveillance and disease control

Final aim: to increase the number of OIE Reference Laboratories in the Southern part of the World



OIE Twinning: Benefits for Parent Laboratory Country

Creating the conditions and/or supporting the requirements needed to face and control infectious diseases in their original location fit perfectly with the "one planet one health" concept

OIE Twinning: Benefits for Parent Laboratory



According to our experience, we strongly believe that OIE Twinning projects (TPs) are also very valuable for Parent Laboratory (PL)!



Benefits for the PL personnel

TPs could significantly improve the knowledge on diseases which are not present in the PL **Countries**



Benefits for PL personnel



... and the opportunity to better understand, in loco, health priorities and diagnostic/epidemiological needs of developing Countries for better targeted interventions/projects

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In a CL country, personnel of the PL may improve their skill

By working either in the field or in the Lab, in a different environment, they will improve their capability to:

- solve problems;
- work in an autonomous way;
- interact with different cultures and sociopolitical scenarios.



Benefits for Parent Laboratory

TPs give the opportunity to share experience and collaborate on topics of common interest different from those chosen for the Twinning, ...



... and furthermore, due to the fact that some diseases which are exotic in PL countries are endemic in the Candidate Laboratory (CL) countries, it is possible to carry out animal field trials otherwise difficult and expensive



Through TPs, it is possible to create a scientific network between the laboratories located in the CL Region



Benefits for Parent Laboratory

.... and share important materials which could be used either for diagnostic or research purposes and publications

Long Term Scientific Collaboration



LTSC between Southern and Northern Laboratories is, in our opinion, the natural consequence of an OIE Twinning Project





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