



# GF-TADS in the Middle East

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# GF TADs in the ME: Action plan



- ✓ Meetings of the GF-TADs Regional Steering Committee (RSC) for the ME
  - 5<sup>th</sup> in Dubai (UAE) April 26, 2012
  - 6<sup>th</sup> in Amman (Jordan) September 22, 2013
  
- ... **raised a regional consensus** on
  - the governance aspects of the GF-TADs
  - & the terms of reference for the regional action plan for the period 2012-2016

# GF TADs in the ME: Action plan



- ✓ Implementation of the 5 years action plan 2012- 2016;
- ✓ Development of a system to improve the generation of information and data in order to monitor the the activities related to the priority TADs of the Region;
- ✓ Establishment of a reporting mechanism of the of the GF-TADs Middle East activities, linked to the Global GF-TADs Secretariat

# Role of the GF-TADS SC ME



- ✓ Promote the control and eradication of specific TADs in the region
- ✓ Provide strategic direction to the Secretariat, and foster cooperation between member countries, donors, Regional Specialised Organisations (RSOs) and the Regional Support Units (RSUs) ;
- ✓ Ensure guidance and coherence, to monitor progress and determine, with the Secretariat, performance indicators for effective field, laboratory, epidemiological evaluation of disease events and control efforts.

## Priority TADs in the ME: FMD



- ✓ Countries should continue to update their PCP stage assessments and their FMD control roadmaps;
- ✓ The GF TADs SC support the member countries for the preparation of national strategies and programmes to convince governments and donors for more investment in preventing and controlling FMD;
- ✓ When appropriate, countries should refer to the OIE Code for official endorsement of national control programmes and recognition of FMD status;
- ✓ Articulation of the Middle East roadmap programmes with other regional control programmes (West Eurasia region & in Northern Africa).

# Priority TADs in the ME: FMD



## RAG assessment under GF TADs FMD-PCP

Country	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Bahrain	1	2*	2	3	3	3	4	4	4	4
Egypt	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	3	3
Iraq	2	2	2*	2	2	2	2	3	3	3
Jordan	1	1	2*	2	3	3	4	4	4	4
Palestine										
Kuwait	2	2*	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4
Lebanon	1	1	2*	2	3	3	3	4	4	4
Oman	2	2	2*	3	3	4	4	4	4	4
Qatar	2	2*	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4
Saudi Arabia	1	1*	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	4
Syria	2	2	2*	3	4	4	4	4	5	5
UAE	1	1	2	3	3	3	4	4	4	4
Yemen	1	1	1*	1	2	2	2	2	3	3

## Priority TADs in ME: PPR



- ✓ PPR become one of the main focus among the priority diseases of the GF TADs Regional Action Plan;
- ✓ The global PPR control strategy and its accompanying tools be finalized with the contribution of relevant organizations and experts from the region;
- ✓ A global network on research and expertise be established as soon as possible and that experts and relevant organizations and partners in the region contribute to the network;



# Priority TADs in ME: PPR



## Prevalence (OIE/WAHID)

Not present

Last occurrence
Lebanon 1997
Jordan 2000
UAE 2009
Bahrain 2011
Syria
Qatar





# Priority TADs in ME: PPR



## Regional FAO-OIE GF TADs workshop (Amman, Jordan, 2-4 March 2014)

- ✓ **Supported a PPR regional strategy linked to the on coming Global strategy for PPR control & eradication**
- ✓ **Identified regional gaps**
  - diagnostic & epidemiological capacities and networking
  - socioeconomic studies on the impact of PPR
  - control of SR movements
  - communication to raise political awareness & prioritize national PPR control programs

# Priority TADs in ME: RVF



## Inter-regional GF TADs RVF conference (Mombasa, Kenya - Oct. 2012) recommendations

- ✓ Develop targeted surveillance and control strategies taking into account successful experiences in affected countries;
- ✓ Explore the feasibility of the adaptation of “RVF risk based decision making framework” to the national contexts in order to improve the timeliness of preparations and linkage between EWS with response.
- ✓ Apply SPS and OIE standards for the trade of live animals and animal products and discourage trade bans for disease control exceeding the timeframe provisions given in the Code.

# Priority TADs in ME: RVF



## Inter-regional GF TADs conference on RVF (Djibouti -April 21-23, 2015) goals

- take forward the next critical steps of further refining RVF vaccination strategies for use in the context of disease control and safer trade complying with OIE Standards,
- and developing a strategy for regional vaccine bank management and distribution

# Priority TADs in ME: LSD



## Sub-regional GF TADs workshop on LSD (Larnaca, Cyprus – Feb. 28, 2013) recommendations

- ✓ Enhancement of official information sharing and notification to OIE/WAHIS on LSD and VBDs occurrence(s);
- ✓ Development of a regional epidemiological network on LSD and VBDs (linked to the international OIE collaborating centres) to support early warning efforts of regional Members;
- ✓ Regional countries under the threat of LSD and other VBDs should elaborate a joint regional emergency control plan.

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Country	Period	Reason
Lebanon	2012 (Nov)	First occurrence
Jordan	2013 (April)	First occurrence
Irak	2013 (August)	First occurrence
Turkey	2013 (August)	First occurrence
Iran	2014 (May)	First occurrence
Azerbaijan	2014 (July)	First occurrence
Cyprus	2014 (Nov)	First occurrence
Kuwait	2015 (Jan)	Reccurrence (1991)

## GF TADs main objectives

- ✓ Facilitate collaboration and maximize synergies among the countries and stakeholders in the region;
- ✓ Promote adequate governance of Veterinary Services in accordance with OIE standards through capacity building programmes at national and regional levels (that provide for appropriate legislation, human and financial resources and alliances between public and private sectors);

## Specific objectives of GF TADs

- ✓ Facilitate regional and cross-border collaboration in the field of animal health, including networking activities;
- ✓ Improve national and regional knowledge and information/data on priority animal diseases;
- ✓ Provide technical guidance to improve disease prevention, surveillance, early detection, notification and rapid response
- ✓ Improve diagnostic laboratory capacity and networking.



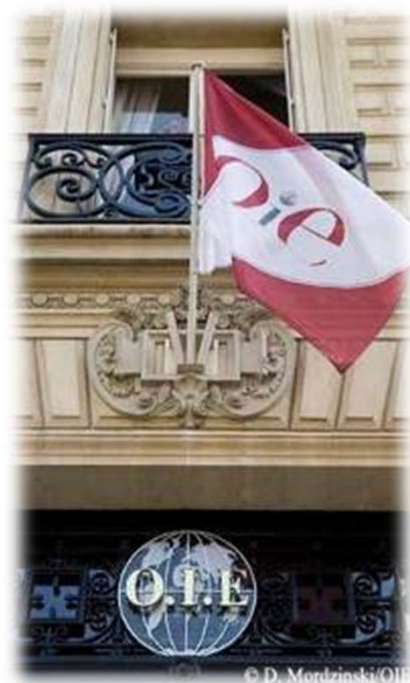
# GF-TADs ME: Next meeting



Regional OIE/FAO GF TADs Steering committee  
FMD/PPR round table (September, 2015)



# Thank you for your attention!



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