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The role of the Regional Commissions and Council in supporting the mandate of the OIE

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The OIE mandate

Economic prosperity, social and environmental welfare of populations

2020

Protecting animals



Preserving our future

Delivering timely, high quality information and services to

allow the management of risks to terrestrial and aquatic animal health and welfare

minimise associated dangers to human health

protect the environment and biodiversity in a “One Health” approach



The OIE Sixth Strategic plan (2016-2020) and the related roadmap

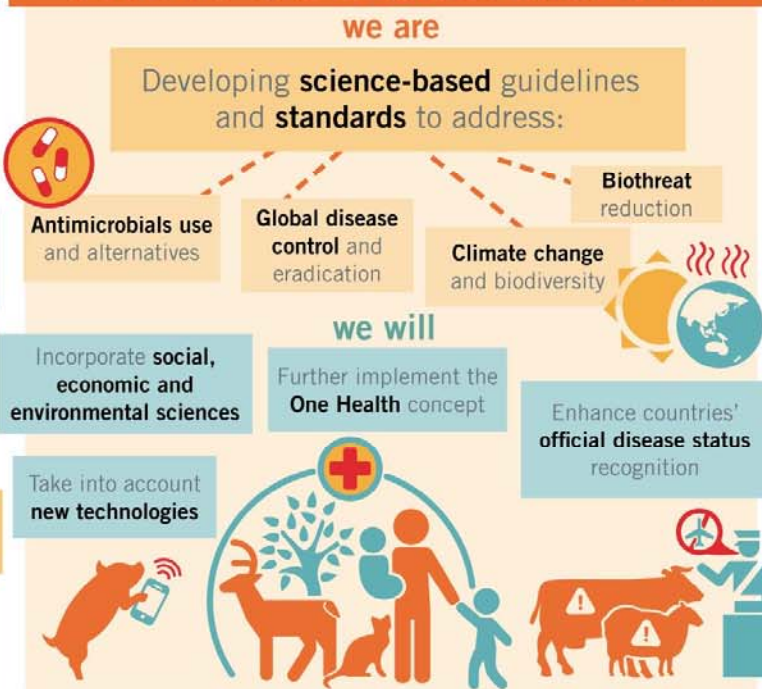
We work to protect the health and welfare of animals globally, leading to economic prosperity as well as social and environmental well-being of populations

Reinforcing trust through **TRANSPARENCY** and communication



* The OIE World Animal Health Information System

Improving animal health and welfare by appropriate **RISK MANAGEMENT**



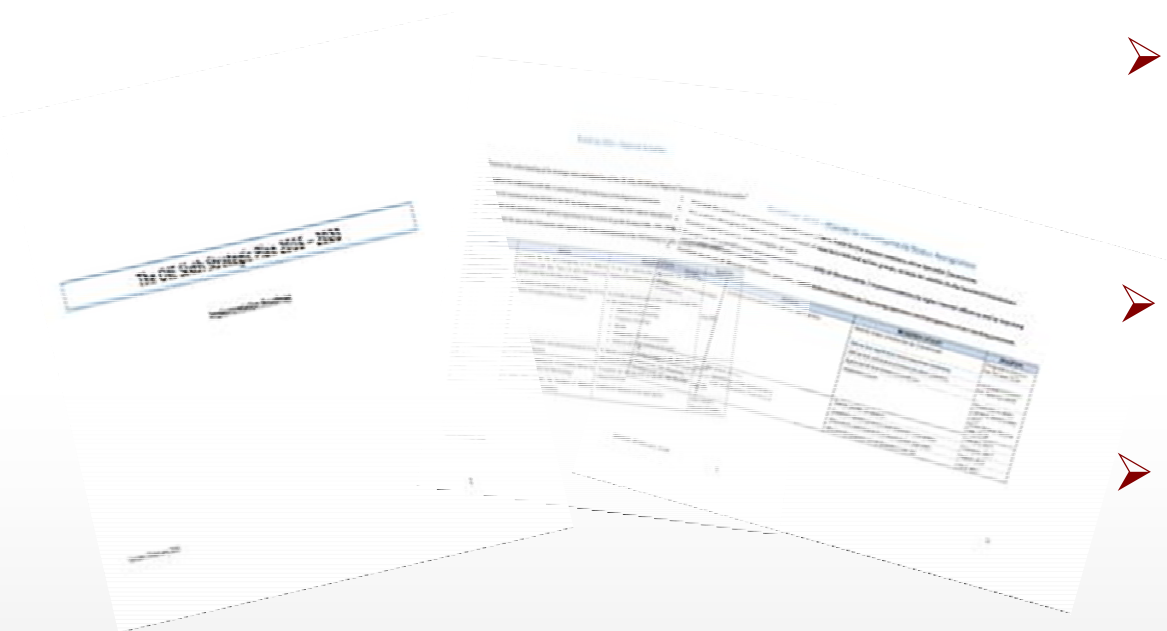
Supporting and strengthening **VETERINARY SERVICES** at the front lines of public health



*OIE Programme to improve the performance of Veterinary Services



Implementation roadmap



Working programme for the forthcoming period to respond to Member Countries' expectations

- Designed to better support the accomplishment of the objectives of the 6th Strategic Plan
- Covers the three cross-cutting areas of the Strategic Plan
- Refers to the activities carried out by the OIE-HQ, RR/SRR and also by the Regional Commissions
- Considers a coordinated and participative work in order to address regional concerns among others
- Look for a better understanding of the strategic roles and objectives of the OIE HQ, the RR/SRR, the RC, and the Council



The OIE HQ and the RR/SRR working together to respond to Member Countries' expectations!

OIE HQ Roadmap

Addressing key issues for which:

- significant changes are expected by Member Countries
- activities will be directly followed by the OIE Director General

Accomplishment of the OIE mandate

OIE RR/SRR Roadmap

Working programme for the forthcoming period:

- to support the OIE HQ Roadmap
- to address RR/SRR key activities to support the OIE mandate



Themes for RR/SRR Roadmap

to be based on the OIE 6th Strategic Plan strategic objectives:

- Disease Risk Management
 - Trade standards
 - Disease Control Coordination
- Transparency and Communications
 - Disease Reporting/Analysis
 - Communications/media
- Veterinary Services Capacity and Sustainability
 - PVS Pathway
 - Focal Points/New Delegates/Twinning/Trade Dispute

...and its Cross cutting Areas –

- Science
- Inclusiveness, Engagement, Transparency
- Governance

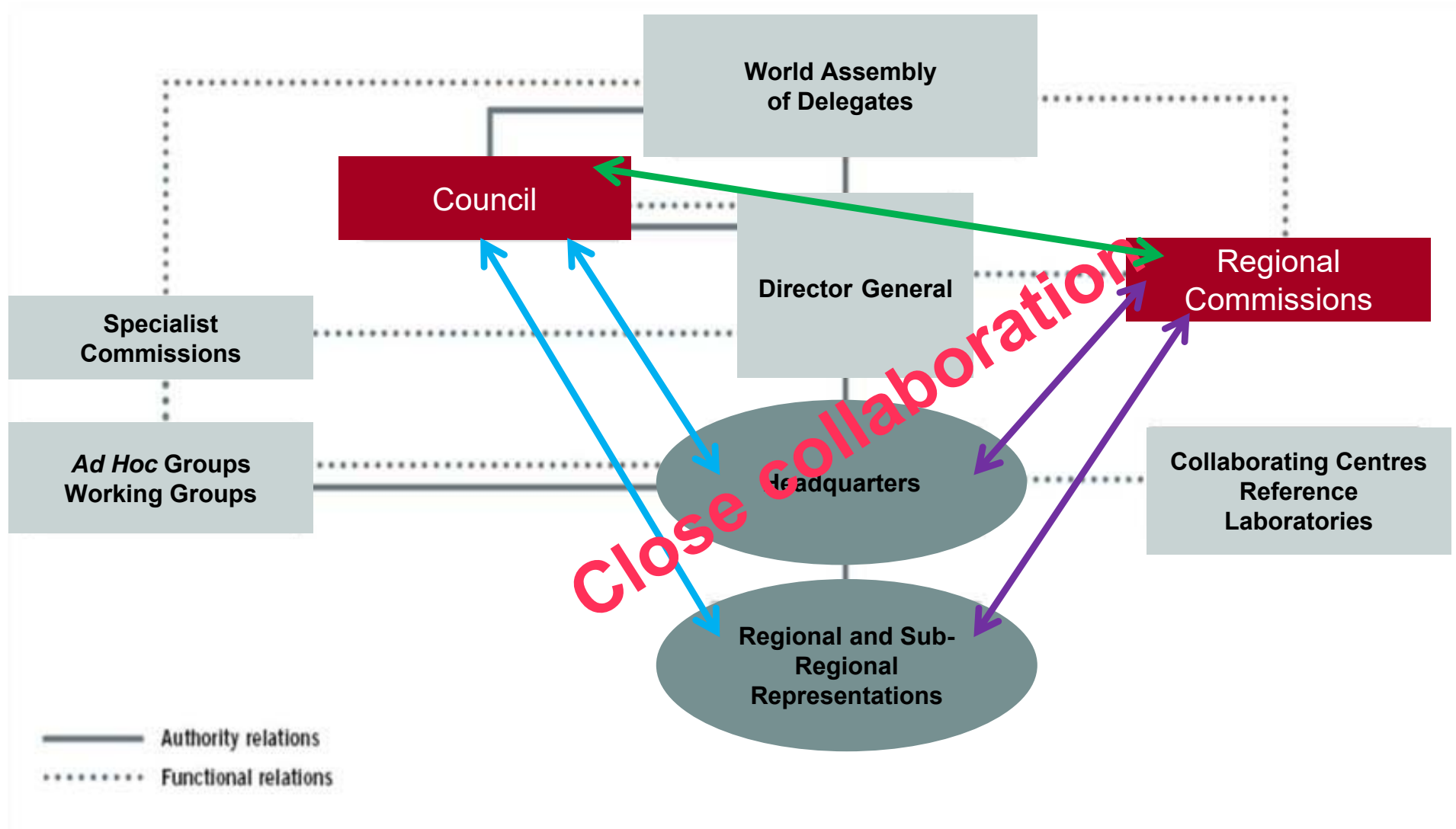
Roadmap Process

- Mapping your current activity
- Presentations from RR/SRRs and Departments
- Discussion RR/SRRs with Departments
- List of Actions (now)
- Template for Reporting
- Template for Roadmap
- Modalities, details and additional actions unique to your region to be added by you



The Council and the Regional Commissions within the OIE Governance structure

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The Council

Represents the World Assembly of Delegates

- Members elected by OIE Delegates

3-year
Term

2015
2018

Functions

- Examines the technical and administrative documents prepared by the Director General and submitted to each Member Country prior to the World Assembly of Delegates
- Approves the OIE's provisional budget and monitors its implementation
- Represents the World Assembly of Delegates between General Sessions

The Regional Commissions

Address specific regional issues



- Bureau composed of **4** Delegates elected for a **3-year** term of office by the World Assembly
- Regional Commission Conférences
 - Every 2 years
 - In one of the countries of the region
- **Recommendations** submitted to the World Assembly for approval and implementation by the Director General
- Entitled to propose adaptations of OIE programmes, strategies, policies and activities to the **conditions and needs of the region**
- Meet annually during the World Assembly



The role of the Council in supporting the mandate of the OIE

6th Strategic Plan Cross-Cutting area	Modalities	Actions involving the Council
Governance	Closer relationship with the OIE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Closer relationship with the Members of the Bureaux, the OIE HQ, and the RR/SRR ✓ Meet with the Bureaux of the RC (before the SG? back to back with other activities, virtual? calls?) ✓ Provide feedback to the Members of the Bureaux after Council's meetings ✓ Consult the Bureaux to ensure regional concerns be addressed by the Council ✓ Provide suggestions and proposals to the plan of activities of the RR/SRR (RR/SRR to share the plan)

Posible reflexiones para estas acciones

More Meetings?

Frequency?

Per region or separately?



Need for reporting?

Budgetary and timely implications?



The role of the Regional Commissions in supporting the mandate of the OIE



The Bureaux of the Regional Commissions are key actors in the work of the OIE and they are encouraged to implement the Sixth Strategic Plan as appropriate to the needs of their Regions, with the assistance of Headquarters and the Regional Offices

6th Strategic Plan Objectives	Modalities	Actions involving the Bureau
Securing animal health and welfare by appropriate risk management	<p>Active involvement in the OIE standard setting process</p> <p>Implementation of OIE standards, guidelines, and activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Act as a bridge between the OIE and the countries of the region ✓ Raise high-level authorities' awareness of OIE activities and active participation ✓ Promote the implementation of OIE's activities at national level ✓ Support in improving the contribution of countries to the OIE activities
Establishing trust through transparency and communication	Improvement of countries' transparency and timely reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Provide input to the OIE for better addressing the regional needs
Ensuring the capacity and sustainability of Veterinary Services	To contribute to strengthening the capacities of the Veterinary Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Lead the regional contribution to the scientific expertise of the OIE (eg. experts for Specialist Commissions, examine applications from MC for new OIE Reference Centres)

6th Strategic Plan Cross-Cutting area	Modalities	Actions involving the Bureau
Governance	Greater regional ownership of issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Understanding and application of the role and prerogatives of the RC (Basic Text) ✓ Closer relationship within Members of the Bureau and the OIE ✓ Active participation in the General Session ✓ Occasional participation in Council meetings ✓ Discuss on the plan of activities of the RR/SRR to give an advisory opinion (suggestions, proposals addressing the regional needs)

Posible reflexiones para estas acciones



How to be better involved?

Special training for new elected Members?

Questionnaire to RC on their expectations ?

*Regional Commission work plan framework/
roadmap initiative?*



Support from the Regional Commissions and Council to the Regional Conferences


**6th Strategic Plan
Cross-Cutting area**

Modalities

Actions involving the Bureau

Governance

Dynamic of the
Regional
Conferences /
Meetings of the
Regional
Commissions
during the
General Session

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- ✓ Better involvement of the development of the Regional Conference recommendations, Selected Technical Items and speakers
 - ✓ Active participation of the Conference (drafting, working groups, discussions)
 - ✓ After the conference (follow up of recommendations)
 - ✓ Provide new ideas for improvement of the Regional Conferences
 - ✓ Better involvement on the development of the agenda and during the meeting of the RC during the SG

Posible reflexiones para estas acciones



New timetable proposals?

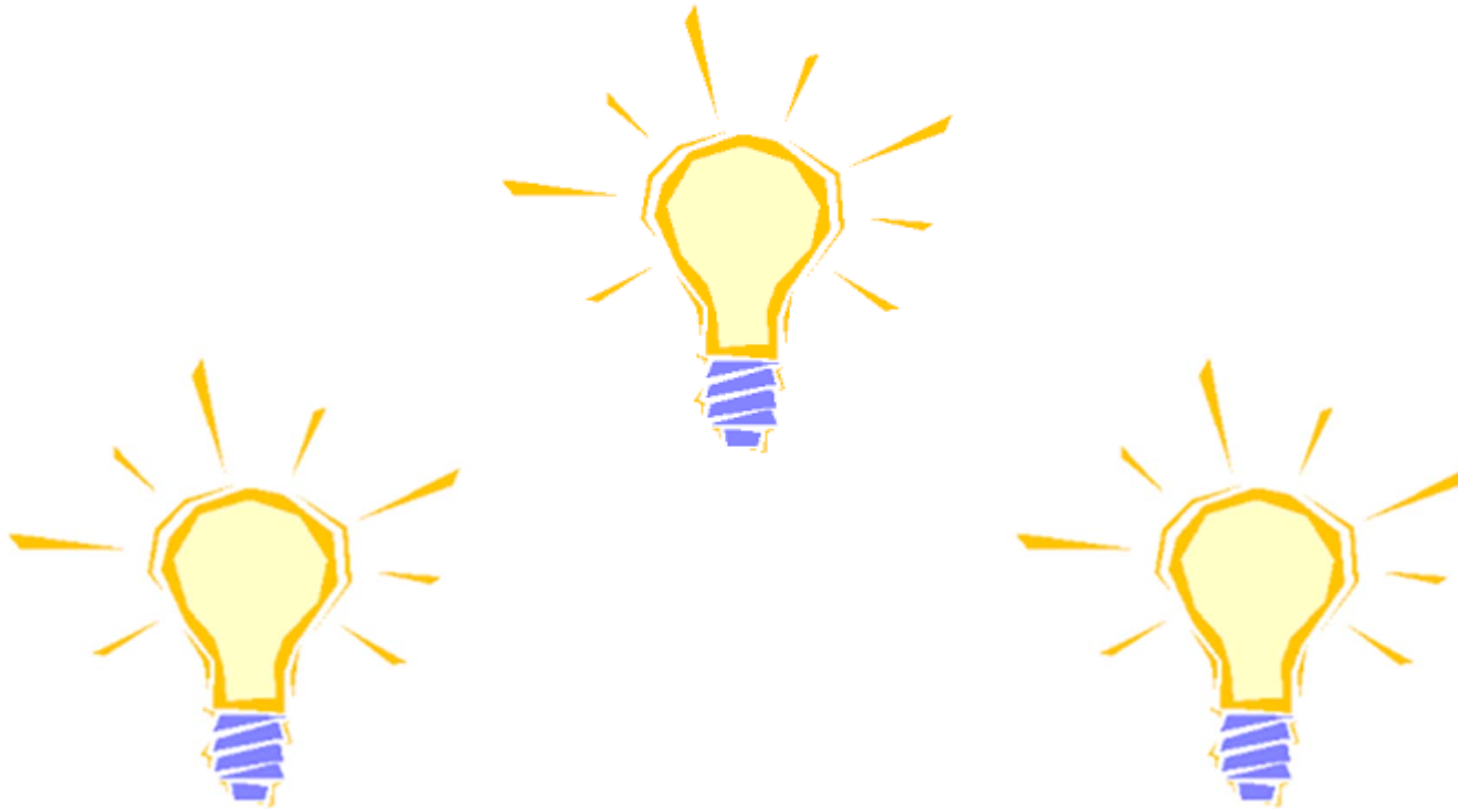
Final report structure?

Duration?

Posters Session?

Working groups?

More ideas?



Thank you for your attention !



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