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Successful implementation of the OIE Standards – including case studies on FMD and other TADS, in southern Africa.

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## **Presentation Layout**



- Importance of Livestock in southern Africa (used interchangeably with SADC region)
- Relevance of the OIE Mandate
- Successful use of OIE standards a case of FMD in southern Africa
- Miscellaneous
- Conclusion





## Importance of livestock to southern Africa



- Livestock constitute an important natural resource for the Southern African Region;
- over 60 % of the region's total land area suitable for livestock farming;
- Contributes significantly to Food Security across SADC region;
- Traditionally, these farm animals are a source of food, skins, fertiliser, traction power, medicine and other raw materials for the population of the region.
- An estimated 75% out of the above livestock population is kept under smallholder traditional farming systems.

(Source: SADC Website)

## Importance of livestock to southern Africa



- farm animal resources of SADC are rich and immensely diverse, with livestock populations in SADC estimated at;
  - 64 million cattle,
  - 39 million sheep,
  - 38 million goats,
  - 7 million pigs,
  - 1 million horses, and
  - 380 million poultry.

(Source: SADC Website)

## Importance of livestock to southern Africa



- Livestock Production offers the SADC region an opportunity for accelerated economic growth, but the region is hindered from achieving its goal of being self sufficient in livestock products by the following;
  - low productivity,
  - lack of efficient and effective animal disease control,
  - lack of marketing infrastructure,
  - poor market access of livestock products,
  - lack of availability of information, and
  - other associated factors

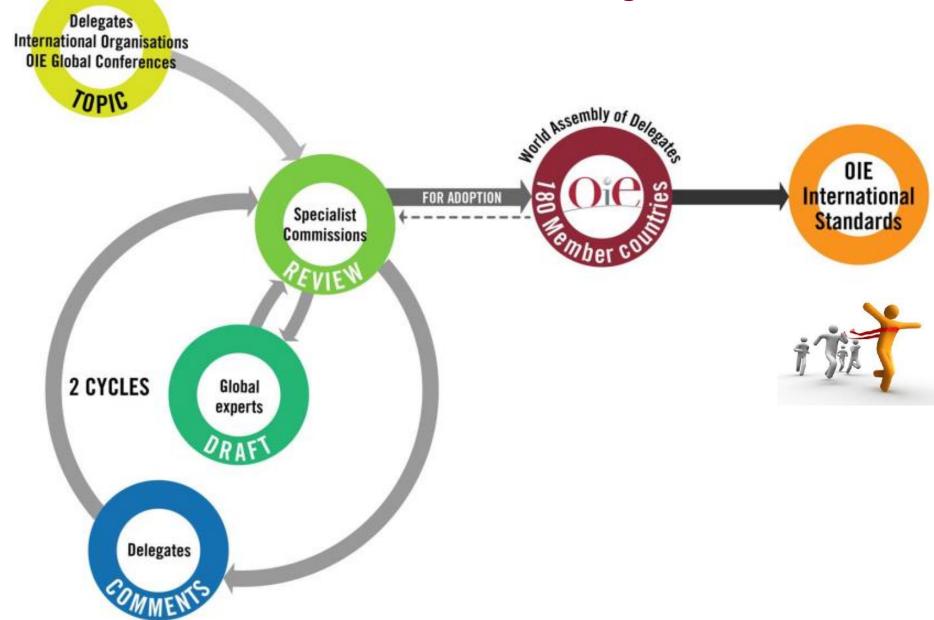
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### **OIE Mandate**



- Animal Health, Welfare and Veterinary Public Health
- Mandate recognised by the WTO SPS Agreement –
   International Standard Setting Body (ISSB)
- Develop animal health standards to protect <u>international</u> trade in <u>animals</u> and their products (refer to Standard Setting process)
- gathers and <u>disseminate</u> information about <u>animal</u> <u>diseases</u> around the world

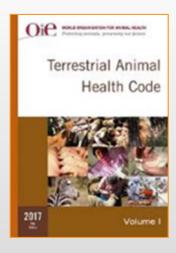
## **OIE Standard Setting Process**

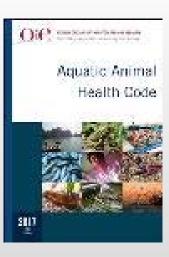


## **Publishing** OIE Standards – Codes and Manuals

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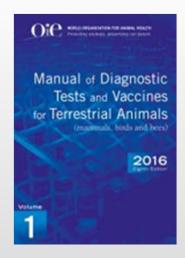
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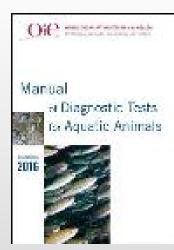




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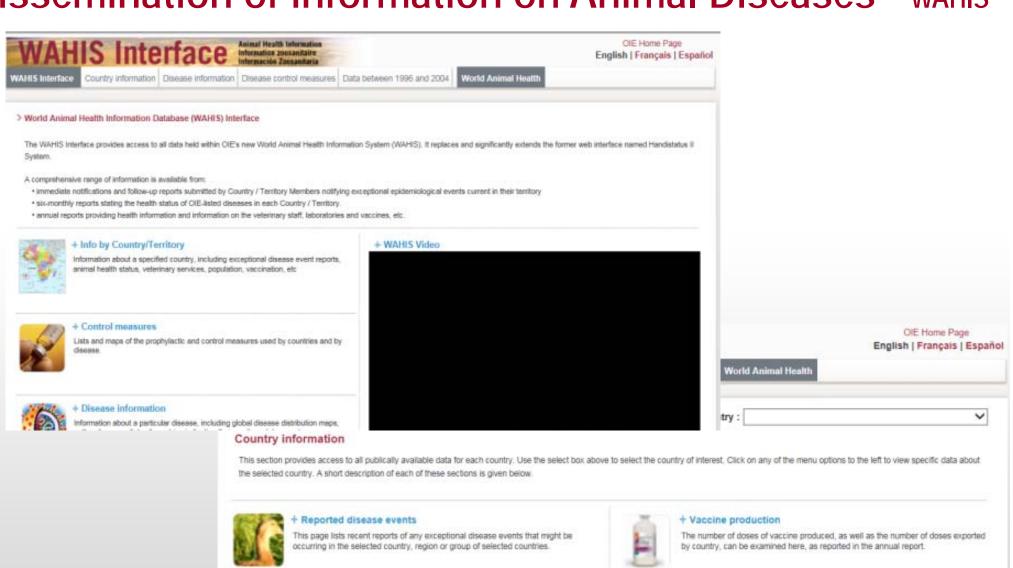
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Codes and Manuals available on the OIE website www.oie.int

### Dissemination of information on Animal Diseases - watts





#### + Animal health situation

A full report on the animal health situation of the selected country or countries. This lists every OIE-listed disease/nand indicates whether it has been reported as present or absent from the country in the specified time period, based on six-monthly reports.



#### + Vaccination

This section shows vaccination figures for those diseases or which vaccines are



#### Veterinarians and veterinary para-professionals

#### Servolar 1 + OIE notification history

Is the information about a particular country up to date in WAHIS Interface. Find out

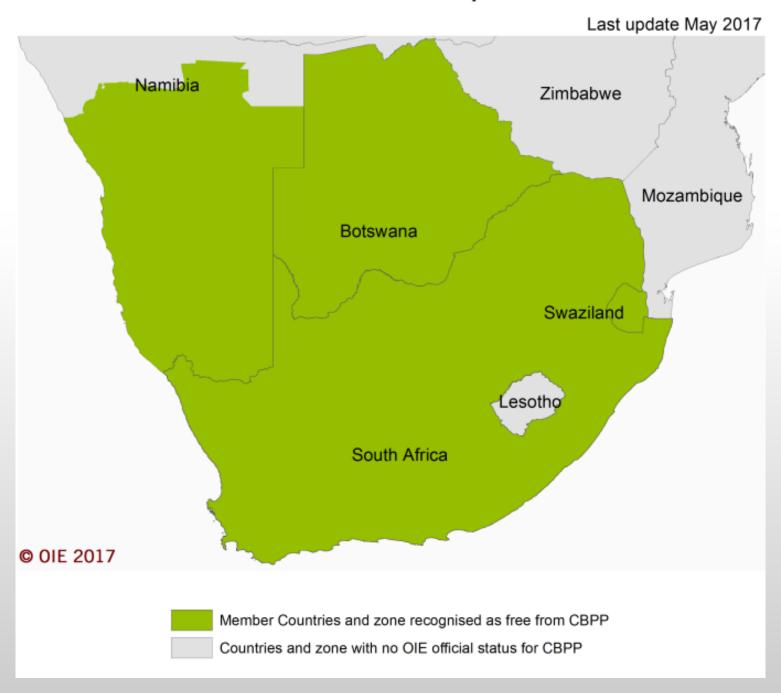


## Disease Free Status



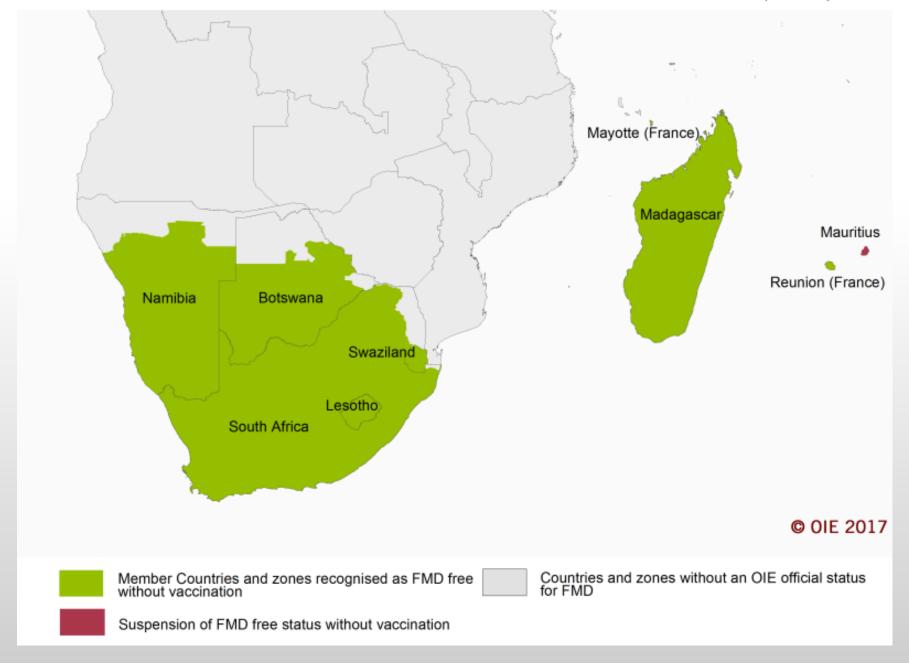
DISEASE	COUNTRY FREEDOM	ZONAL FREEDOM	ENDORSED OFFICIAL CONTROL PROGRAM
FMD	Lesotho, Madagascar & Swaziland	Botswana, Namibia & South Africa	Namibia
CBPP	Botswana, S. Africa & Swaziland	Namibia	Namibia
PPR	Botswana, S. Africa, Swaziland & Mauritius	Namibia	
BSE	Namibia (Negligible Risk)		

## SOUTHERN AFRICA: OIE Member Countries' official CBPP status map

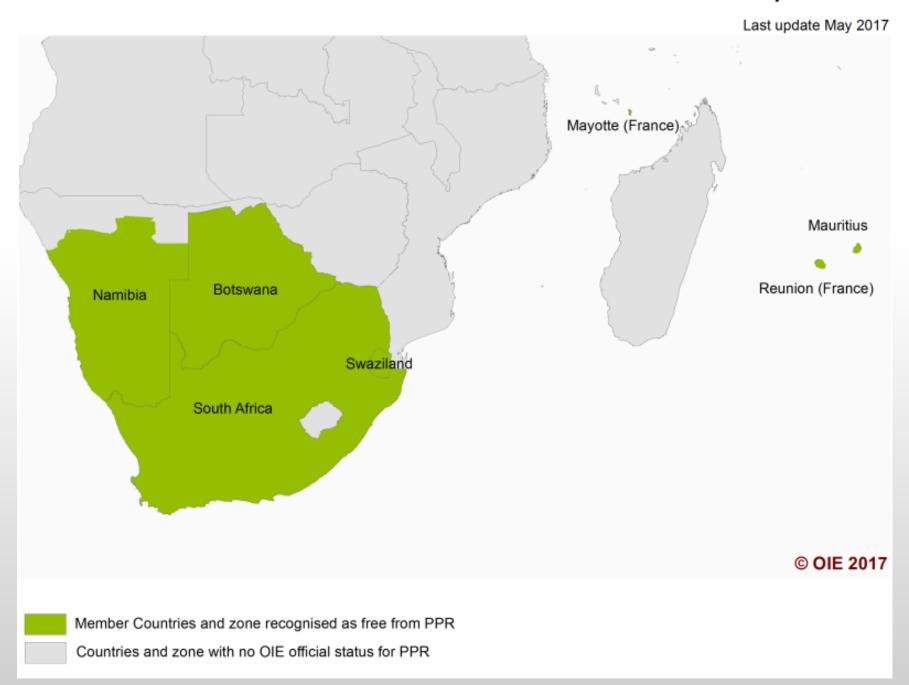


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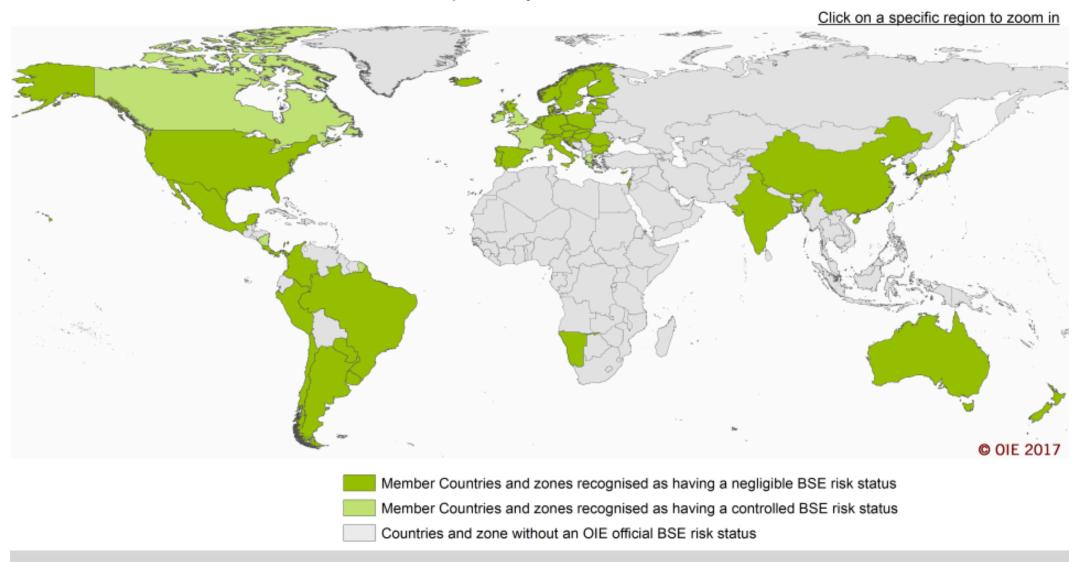


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### OIE Member Countries' official BSE risk status map

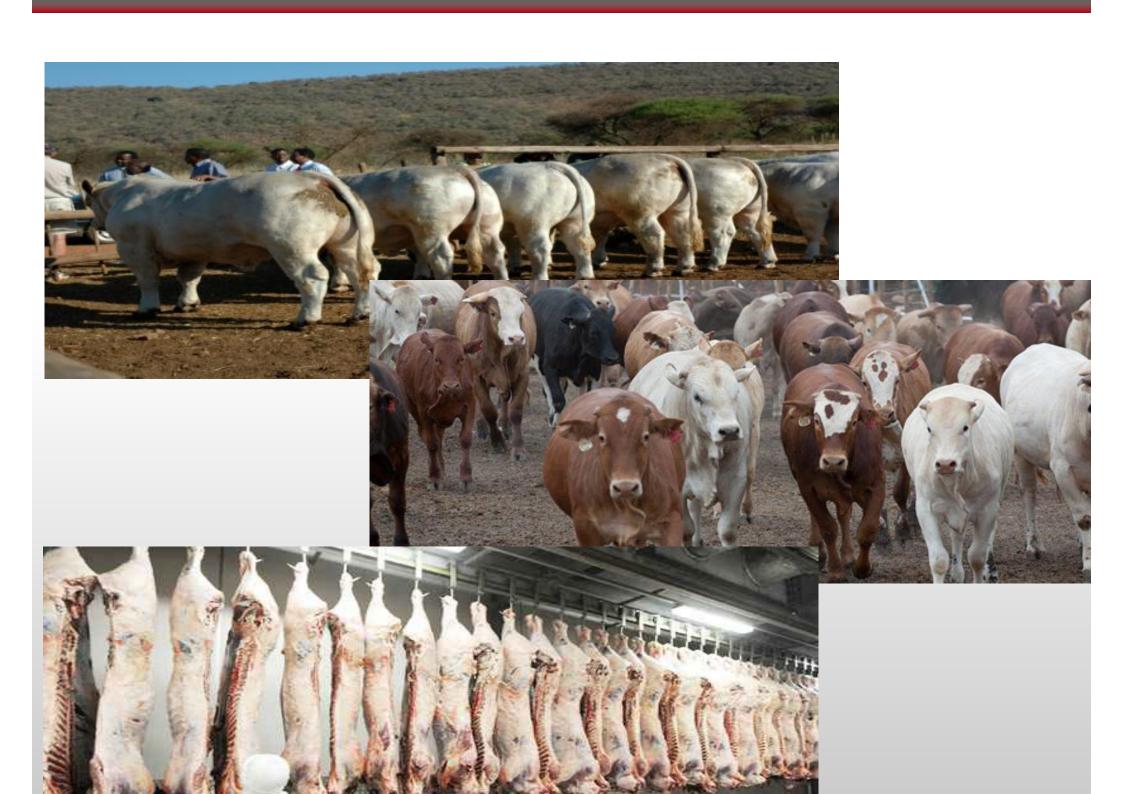
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## Advantages of Disease Free Status



- Open up more (exports) markets for animal and animal products
- Increase value of animals (net-worth)
- Better contribution of Livestock to the GDP
- Justifies more national funding (support)
- Motivation for genetic improvement of animals
- It is best practice!



### SOUTHERN AFRICA: OIE Member Countries' official FMD status map

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## FMD Management in Southern Africa

- FMD Control Program (Official disease control program)
- Zonation (Regionalisation)
- Protection Zone
- Containment Zone
- Trade in Safe Commodities

## Official disease control program



- a programme which is approved, and managed or supervised by the <u>Veterinary Authority</u> of a Member Country for the purpose of controlling a <u>vector</u>, pathogenic agent or <u>disease</u> by specific measures applied throughout that Member Country, or within a <u>zone</u> or <u>compartment</u> of that Member Country.
- Simply does national DVS know the national animal health situation in their country? – explains clearly the epidemiology of the disease and how all the risk factors, including the role of <u>wildlife</u>, if appropriate, are identified and managed.

- Integrated and complementary
- strategy mainly composed of movement control, surveillance, vaccination, public awareness, enabling legislation, biosecurity, traceability, etc
- Key to the strategy is the clear chain of command
- Done in accordance with OIE standards/guidelines

- **surveillance** (Chap. 1.4 & Articles 8.8.40 42)
  - Objective early detection, rapid response
  - Mainly Passive
  - by extension officers strategically deployed throughout the country
  - Facilitated by farmers, as they stay with animals most times
  - Facilitated by clear chain of command
  - Active surveillance targeted

### movement control

- Permit system (national and international), issued after inspection and sometimes testing of animals
- Monitored through check points at strategic areas (between districts/zones)
- Facilitated by extension officers strategically deployed throughout the country
- Ouarantine system





- separation of susceptible from reservoir hosts (African Buffalo)
  - Livestock management (Herding)
  - Good land tenure system (grazing land separated from game reserves)
  - Natural barriers
  - Cordon fences (well maintained and patrolled)
  - Good animal traceability system
- Vaccination with good quality vaccine
  - Strategic vaccination (location, frequency, etc)
  - Trained vaccinators
  - Coordinate annual vaccination campaigns (military style moving from low to high risk areas)
  - Efficacious vaccines
  - FMD research and vaccine matching





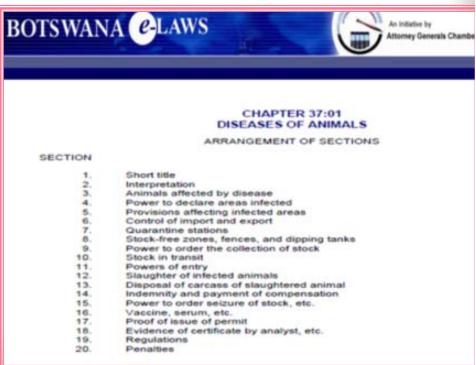
### Public awareness

- Public education on disease control
- Improves compliance from members of the public



- For enforcement (last resort)
- Diseases of Animals Act





# Zoning - Chapter 4.3. TAHC (Examples of Botswana, Namibia & S. Africa)

- zone/region means a clearly defined part of a territory containing an animal <u>subpopulation</u> with a distinct health status with respect to a specific <u>disease</u> for which required <u>surveillance</u>, control and biosecurity measures have been applied for the purpose of <u>international trade</u>.
- Based on the control strategy, a country can be divided into zones (OIE recognised regions)
  - FMD free country or zone where vaccination is not practised Article 8.8.2.
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  - Protection Zone

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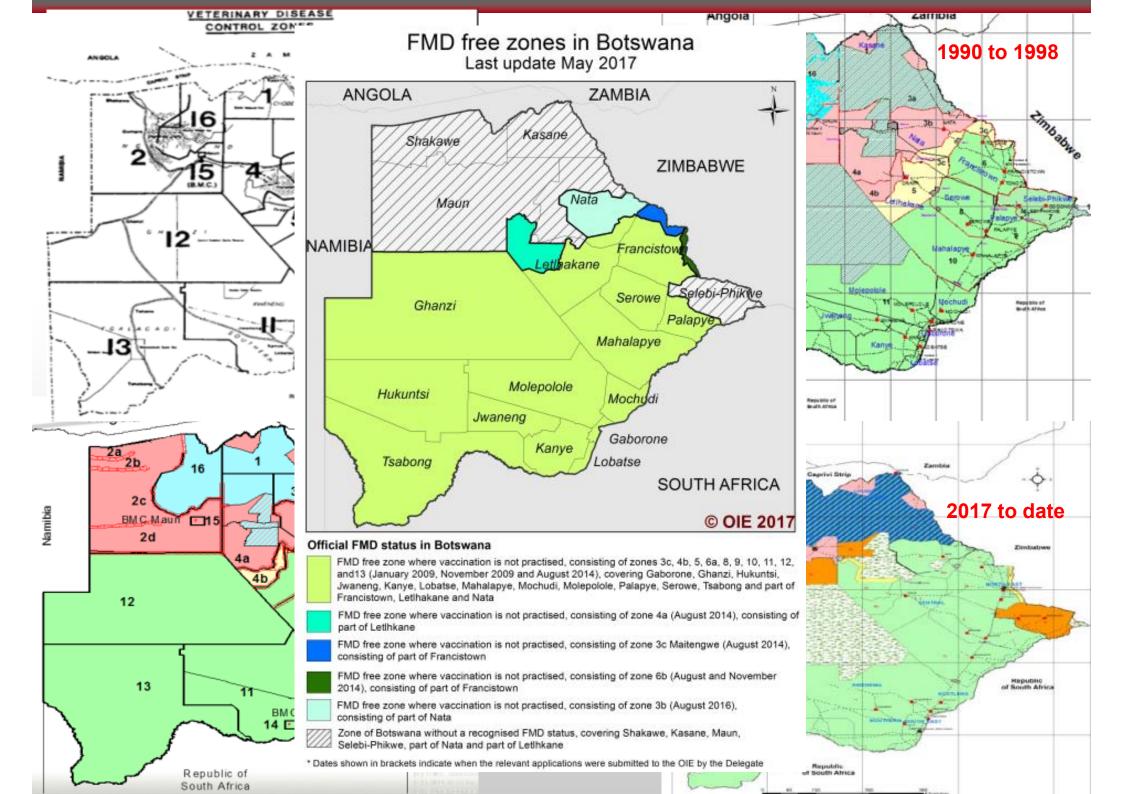


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  - Protection Zone a zone established to protect the health status of animals in a free country or free zone, from those in a country or zone of a different animal health status, using measures based on the epidemiology of the disease under consideration to prevent spread of the causative pathogenic agent into a free country or free zone. These measures may include, but are not limited to, vaccination, movement control and an intensified degree of surveillance.

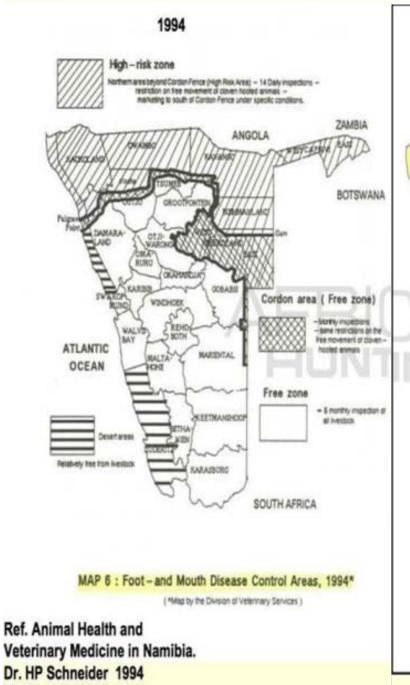
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  - Protection Zone
  - (Stock free region) self declared
- achieved by the use of biosecurity or physical barriers (cordon fences and/or natural barriers) separating FMD free areas from non free areas/countries
- Step-wise approach since the 1950s



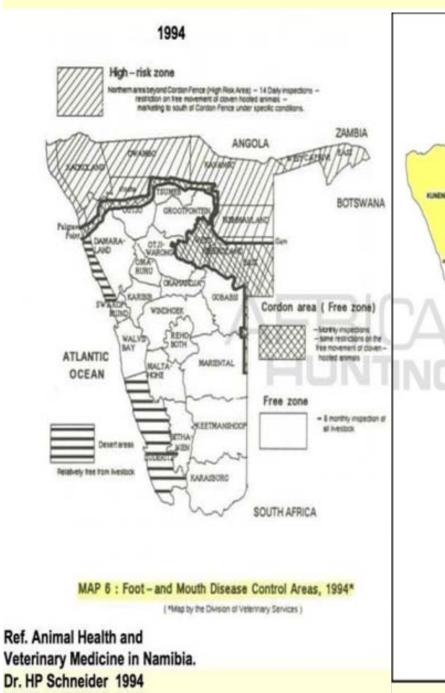
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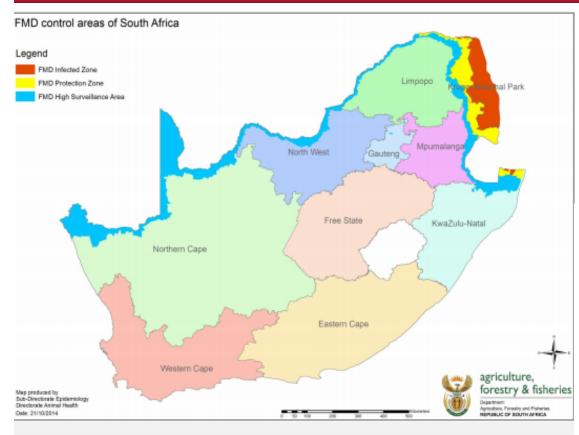
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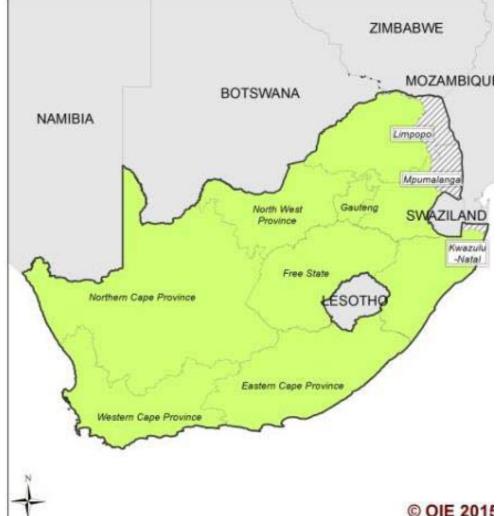
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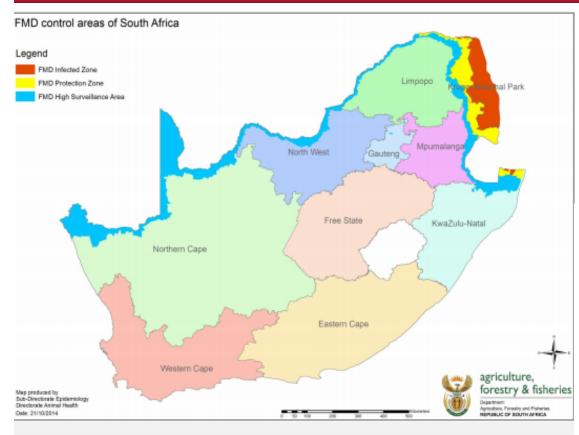
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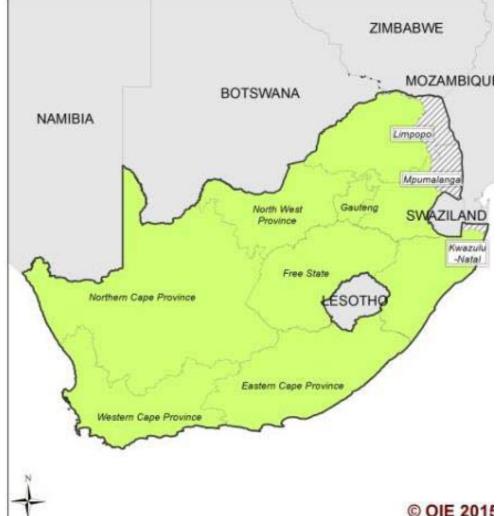
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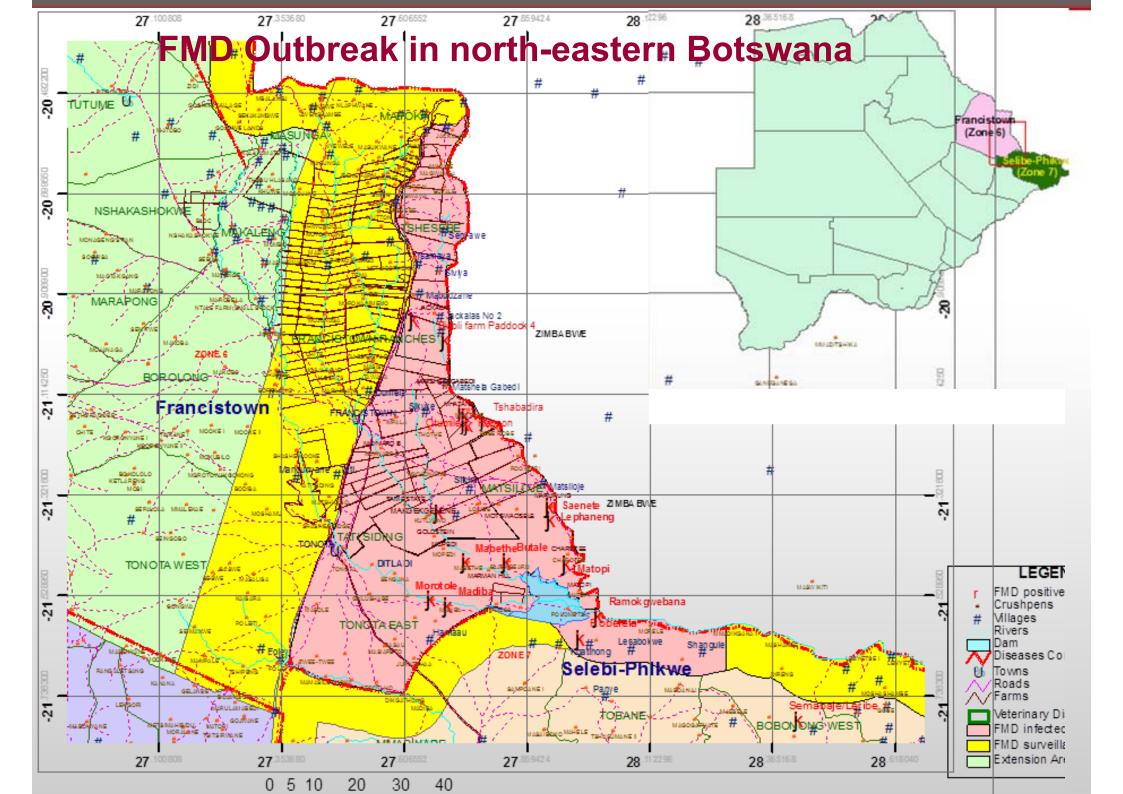
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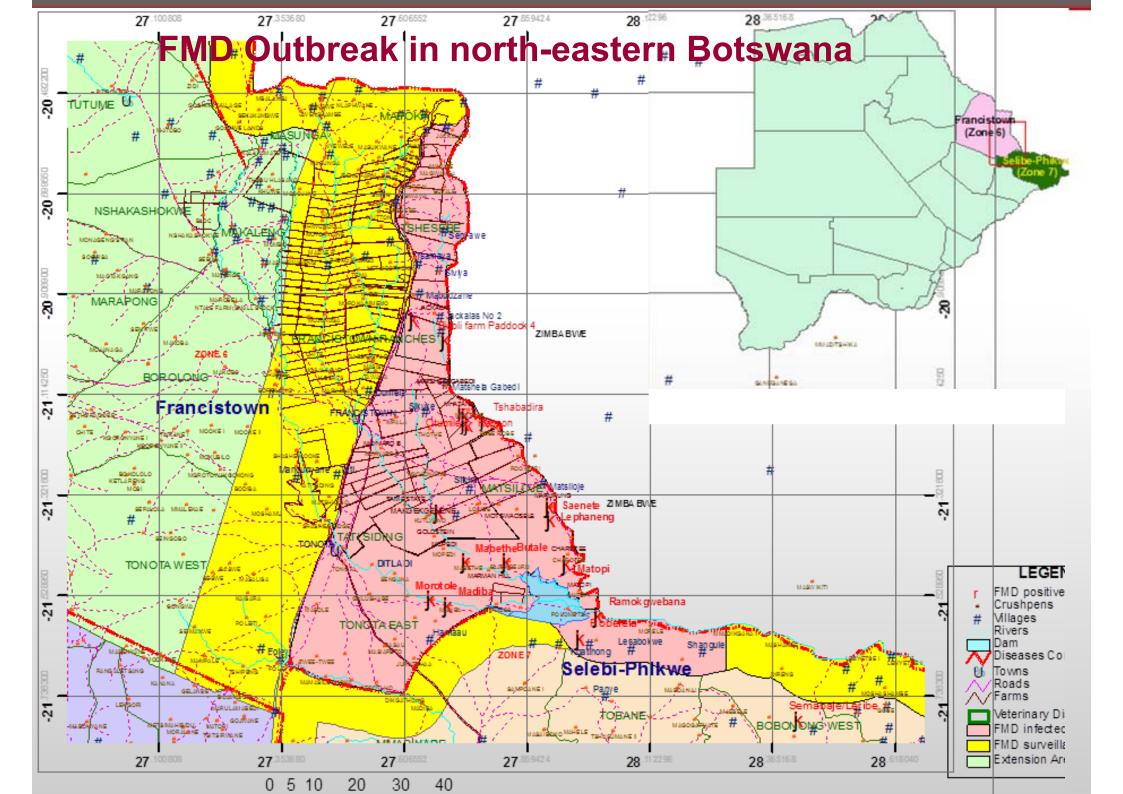


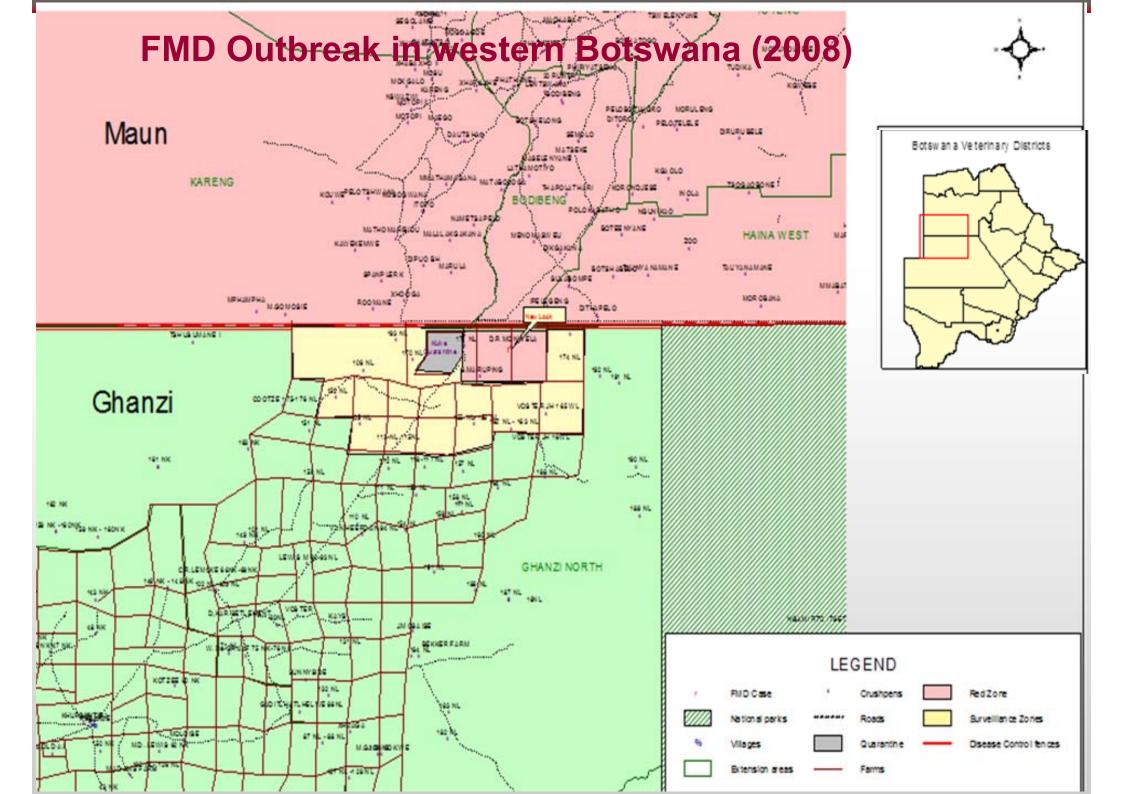
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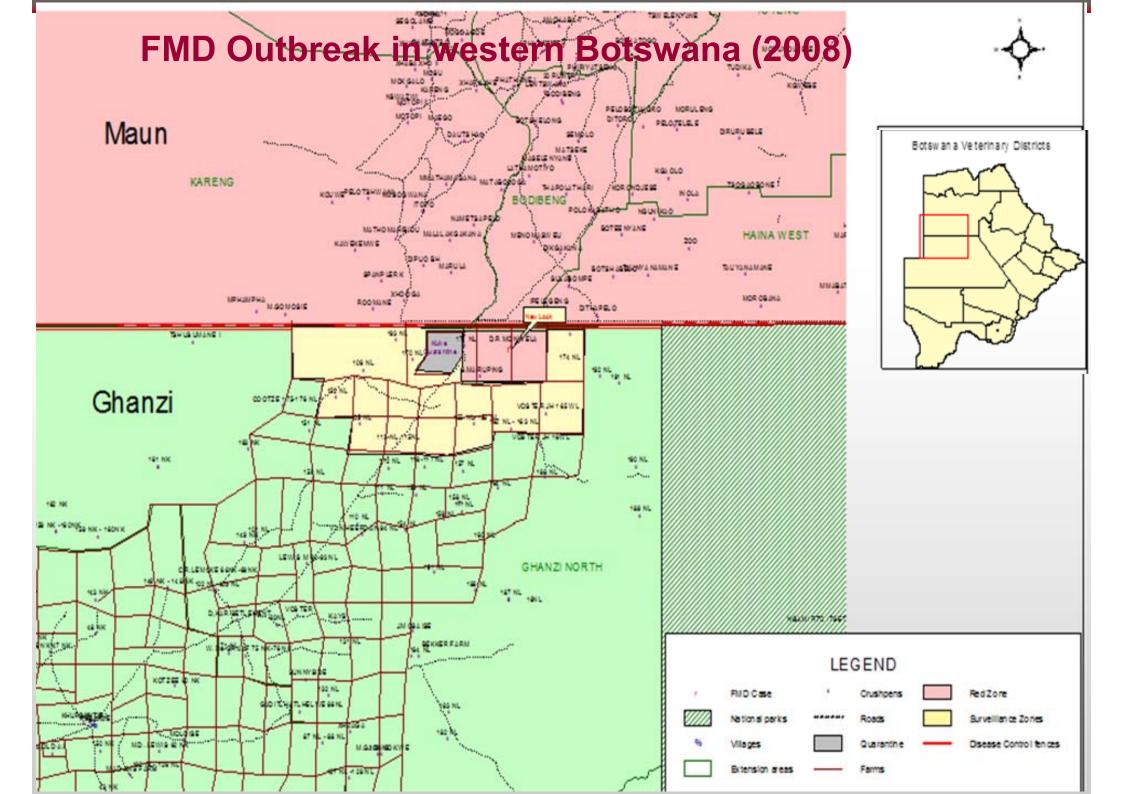


Containment Zone - a defined zone around and including suspected or infected establishments, taking into account the epidemiological factors and results of investigations, where control measures to prevent the spread of the infection are applied.









# Trade in Safe Commodities - FMD (Commodity Based Trade)

- Good cattle management
- Separation of infected from non-infected
- Robust vaccination regime with efficacious vaccines
- Effective surveillance
- Movement control
- Quarantine
- Thorough abattoir ante- & postmortem inspection
- maturation
- Deboning & Deglanding

In accordance with relevant provisions of the OIE TAHC

## Disease Notification (HPAI IN SA)

Oie

Highly pathogenic avian influenza, South Africa

Information received on 22/06/2017 from Dr Bothie Michael Modisane, Chief Director , Department of Agriculture, Forestry av Fisheries, Animal Production and Health, PRETORIA, South Africa

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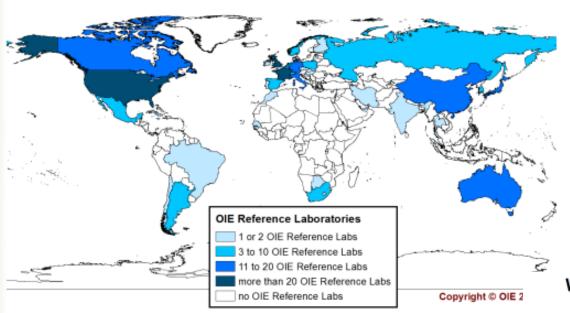


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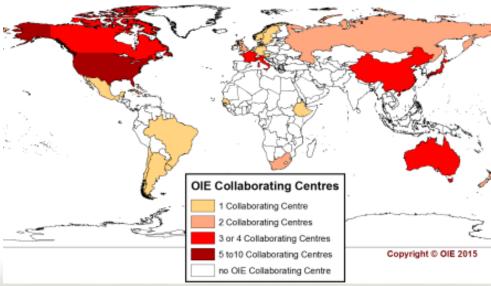
## Reference Centres



#### World Distribution of OIE Reference Laboratories



### World Distribution of OIE Collaborating Centres



# Challenges/Possible Solutions One

## Challenges

- Countries losing status
- Inadequate expertise
- Resource Limitation

## Possible solution

- Twinning (Laboratories, VSB, VEEs)
- PVS evaluation Laboratory missions , VLSP platform
- i. OIE training (Delegates, Focal Points, Experts, etc)
- ii. Public Private Partnerships (PPP)

## Conclusion



- Countries that implement OIE Standards can successfully;
  - "effectively and efficiently control animal diseases", thereby,
  - Improving "market accessibility of their livestock products" and'
  - seize "an opportunity for accelerated economic growth, and achieve the goal of being self sufficient in livestock products"
  - a turnaround for the current situation and concern to SADC and Africa as a whole.

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## Thank you for your attention



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