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PSO system

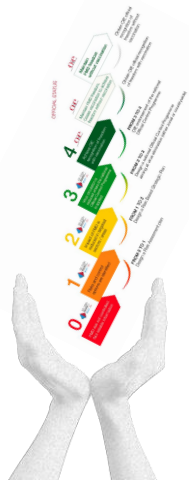
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East Africa PCP-FMD Roadmap meeting



What is a **PSO**?

PCP Support Officers (PSO)



What is the **role** of a PSO?

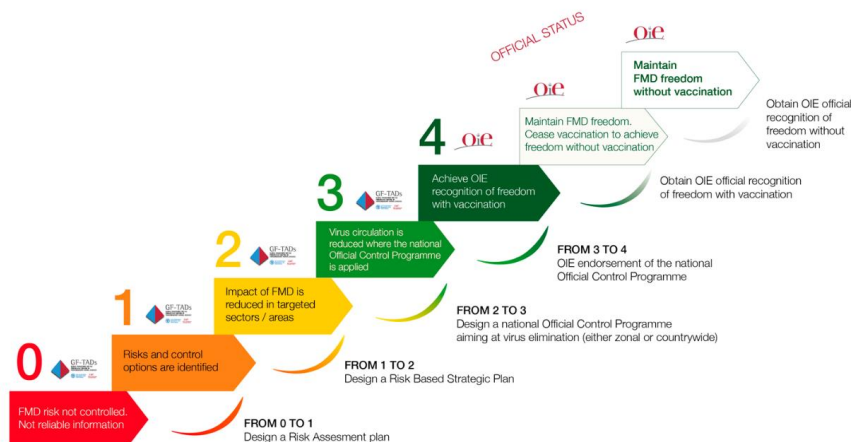
- PCP-FMD experts, approved by the FAO/OIE FMD-Working Group;
- Motivate countries to continue FMD control along the PCP-FMD;
- Priority with countries assessed in a **provisional** stage by the Regional Advisory Group (RAG);



Expected outcomes

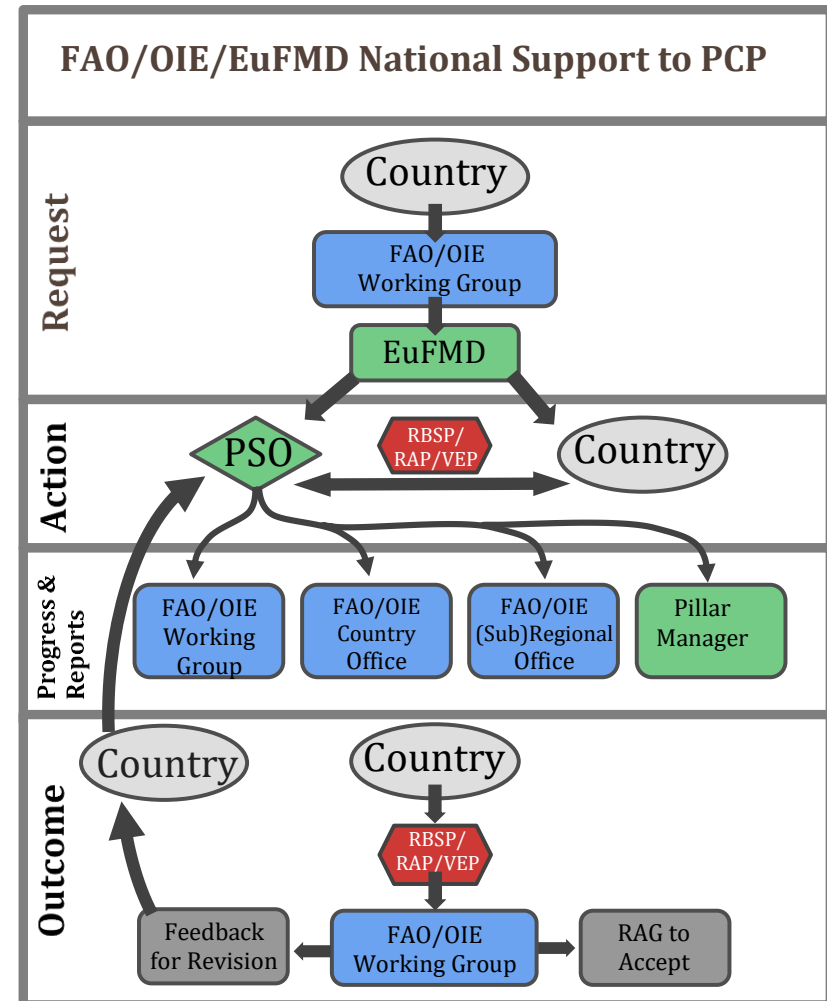
- If country assigned a provisional stage, the FMD-WG will send a letter offering the PCP support through a nominated PSO

- PSO will endeavor to:
 1. Ensure that veterinary authorities familiar with the PCP principles;
 2. Promote and support progressive FMD control through liaising directly with the FMD focal points in assigned countries (provisional stages 1-3)
 3. Keep an accurate and complete overview of FMD control activities
 4. Regularly report to the FMD-WG and FAO/OIE country and regional offices on activities and results



PSO Terms of Reference

- Liaise with the OIE delegate, the points-of-contacts for PCP, Epidemiology and Laboratory to support and guide the veterinary authority to complete the PCP Stage and/or to progress FMD control along the PCP
- Follow up on recommendations given by the RAG at regional roadmap meetings
- Tailor support to the individual needs of the country. Keep relevant regional or sub-regional FAO and OIE officers informed about activities and planning



PSO Support

- Support is primarily “desk-based” and may include:
 - Referring the point-of-contact to information and documentation for the country to apply for a higher PCP-Stage
 - Explain risk-based control and management (PCP principles)
 - Provide expertise on FMD issues like:
 - Routes of transmission
 - Economic impact of FMD
 - Risk assessment
 - Diagnostics and PVM
- If funds allow, country missions may occur for specific needs





PSO experience and competencies

Nominated PSOs will have an excellent understanding of the PCP-FMD, understanding of the organization and functioning of Veterinary Services and technical experience with FMD control.

These levels of understanding are reflected by:

- Proven application of PCP-FMD principles and attendance at Roadmap meetings
- Experience in working with national veterinary services
- Contribute to the production of technical documents related to FMD.





PSO nominations

Region	Date of latest Roadmap meeting	PCP-FMD stage	Countries in provisional stage	Proposed PSO
East Africa	October 2014	1	South Sudan	Kees van Maanen
		2	Sudan	
Middle East	October 2017	2	Bahrain, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, UAE	Giancarlo Ferrari
			Saudi Arabia	Nick Lyons
		3	Kuwait	Giancarlo Ferrari
SAARC	December 2016	1	Bangladesh Sri Lanka Bhutan	Chris Bartels
		2	Afghanistan	Giancarlo Ferrari
SADC	September 2017	1	DRC	TBD
		2	Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania, Zimbabwe	David Paton
West Africa	September 2016	1	Benin, Burkina-Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Niger, Togo	TBD
West Eurasia	April 2016	2	Kyrgyzstan	Carsten Potzsch



PSO - summary

- PSOs are a team of experts that are able to provide support to countries in provisional stages to upgrade them to full stages
- Support is desk based but may involve missions if available
- System is being initially supported by EuFMD Pillar III funds, allocated to supporting the activities of the GF-TADs working group, though further support would enhance the system



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