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**Autorité vétérinaire, veterinary authority** 

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Depart(e)ment of, division,  
direction, agency, agence de :


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**Veterinary Services**  
agency, agence de :

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**Ministry of**  
Department of, Ministry of, Ministère de .....  
**Livestock**.....  
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**Autorités Compétentes, Competent authorities** 


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Competence	Competence	Veterinary authority Autorité vétérinaire	Other Autre
Santé animale (terrestre)	(terrestrial) Animal health	✓	
Santé animale (aquatique)	(aquatic) Animal health	✓	ministry of fisheries
Santé animale (faune sauvage)	(wildlife) Animal health	✓ and KWS	Dr Gakuya
Santé animale (hygiène alimentaire)	Animal health (food safety)	✓	
Santé animale (médicaments vétérinaires)	Animal health (veterinary drugs)	✓ and <b>pharmacy &amp; poisons</b>	Ministry of Health (example)
Bien-être animal	Animal welfare	✓ & KSPCA	

**Points focaux, focal points** 

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Competence	Competence	Désigné, designated	Nom, name
Notification de maladies animales	Animal diseases notification	✓	Dr Moenga
Santé des animaux aquatiques	Aquatic animal health	✓	Dr Mbutia
Faune sauvage	Wildlife	✓	Dr gakuya
Hygiène alimentaire en phase de production animale	Animal production food safety	✓	Dr Gathura
Médicaments vétérinaires et produits biologiques	Veterinary drugs and biologicals	✓ <b>And Health</b>	John Smith (example)
Bien-être animal	Animal welfare	✓	Dr J.T Kariuki

**Role of the OIE Delegate** 

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- Rights and obligations of OIE Member countries and of the OIE Delegates
- Involvement in the WTO-SPS Agreement with focus on international trade of animals and animal products
- Involvement in the OIE PVS process for the assessment / evaluation of Veterinary Services
- Involvement in OIE GAP analysis
- Notification requirements to the OIE (immediate and 6-monthly)
- Involvement in national / zonal disease freedom recognition processes
- Annual declarations of disease/infection freedom
- Responses to draft OIE standards and guidelines and appointment of focal points
- Attendance of OIE regional commission and world assembly meetings
- Administrative responsibilities towards OIE
- Financial responsibilities towards OIE

**Défis, Challenges** 

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- One of the main challenges is the political goodwill as there is not always a good political commitment though currently it is there
- resources available to execute veterinary programs as these are not always commensurate with the GDP contribution by the sector and are still far from the recommendations of Maputo declaration
- The statutes requires revision though most are there but the biggest problem is their execution and not formulation
- After sessional paper 1 of 1986 the technical staff have gone down and there is need for continued pro-active engagement of the same though in the last one year there has been employment of about 1000 technical staff
- The porous nature of our borders calls for a harmonised regional disease control strategy...

## Suggestions



- I think I would be useful to the OIE and my country if given a strong support in more proactively lobbying by both OIE and other development partners like FAO to achieve focus on livestock sector issues like resources and political commitments
- There is need for OIE to support in meeting the obligations of the the delegate
- Although there are focal points for aquatic and wildlife there is need for more mainstreaming of the activities as they mostly fall in different ministries



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