

## Terms of Reference and expected actions of OIE focal points on veterinary products



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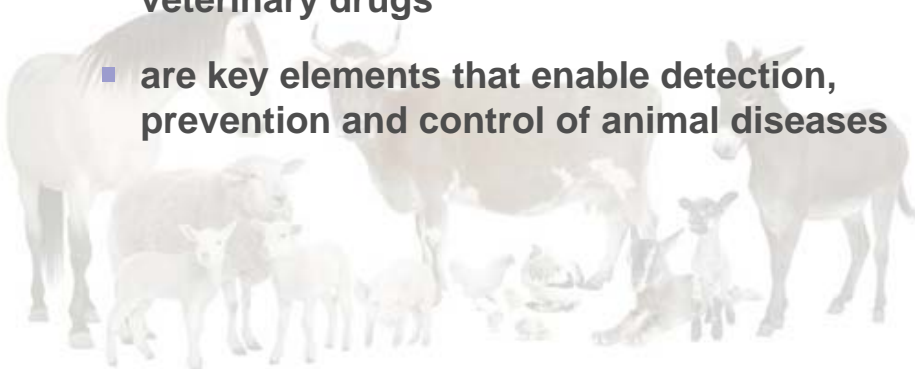
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## OIE Strategy for Veterinary Products

### Veterinary products

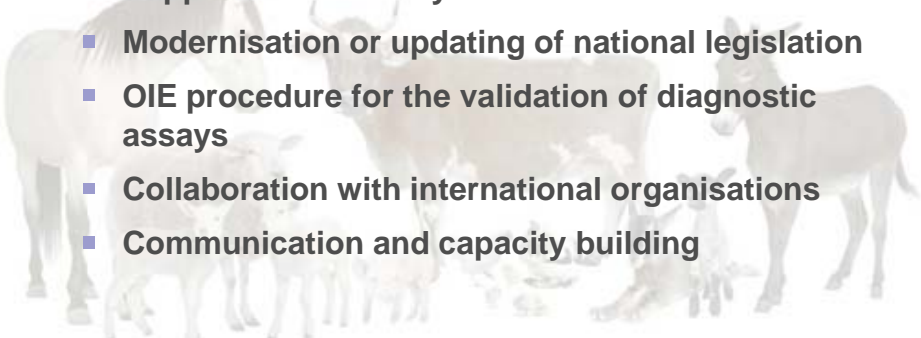
- include diagnostics, vaccines and veterinary drugs
- are key elements that enable detection, prevention and control of animal diseases



## OIE Strategy for Veterinary Products

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### Based on complementary approaches:

- Development and updating of international standards and guidelines
  - Support to Veterinary Services and laboratories
  - Modernisation or updating of national legislation
  - OIE procedure for the validation of diagnostic assays
  - Collaboration with international organisations
  - Communication and capacity building
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## RESOLUTION No. 25 on Veterinary Products

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-  Adopted at the 77th OIE General Session in May 2009
  -  Reflects the aim of promoting a coherent strategy and of strengthening OIE involvement in this field
  -  Six recommendations to OIE Members
  -  Seven recommendations to the OIE
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## Recommendations to OIE Members

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1. **Promote and enhance** in their respective countries **good veterinary governance**, which includes the compliance of Veterinary Services with OIE international standards, as an instrumental and essential prerequisite to the establishment and effective implementation of adequate and appropriate legislation covering all aspects of products for veterinary use, **including registration, quality control, distribution and final use**.
2. Develop and improve international and regional cooperation in the **establishment and enforcement of legislation to harmonise the regulatory framework between Members** so as to assist countries in need to effectively institute and maintain such mechanisms.

## Recommendations to OIE Members

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3. **Allocate appropriate human and financial resources to Veterinary Services and laboratories** to correctly implement the OIE standards and guidelines related to veterinary products and their control.
4. **→ Nominate a national focal point for OIE on matters related to veterinary products** according to the suggested Terms of Reference and encourage his/her participation in training sessions and appropriate international gatherings and meetings.

## Recommendations to OIE Members

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5. Promote the responsible and prudent use of veterinary medicinal products, in particular of antimicrobials used in veterinary medicine, and the monitoring of the potential existence or development of antimicrobial resistance.
6. Actively encourage the recognition and application of the international recommendations, guidelines and tools developed by the OIE and adopted by the International Committee on veterinary products.


## Recommendations to the OIE

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1. Continue to develop and update standards, guidelines and recommendations on diagnostic tests, vaccines and veterinary drugs, including antimicrobials.
2. Continue to work on the use of biotechnologies to improve vaccines and diagnostic tests, as well as on the innocuity of recombinant vaccines with regard to food safety.

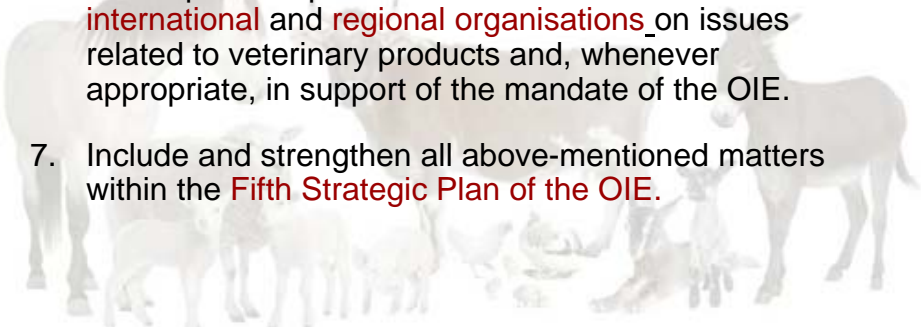
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3. Continue to **strengthen capacity building activities including training** particularly directed at Delegates and focal points, to enable OIE Members to organise, manage and implement appropriate legislation **for veterinary products including registration, quality control, distribution and final use of veterinary products** preferably using a regional or sub-regional basis.
  4. Provide and **promote communication** on OIE standards, guidelines, and recommendations related to veterinary products, particularly on veterinary drugs and vaccines.
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## Recommendations to the OIE

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5. Continue to **actively participate in and support VICH activities** and to share outcomes with OIE Members with a view to promoting VICH guidelines at global level.
  6. Develop and improve **collaboration with relevant international and regional organisations** on issues related to veterinary products and, whenever appropriate, in support of the mandate of the OIE.
  7. Include and strengthen all above-mentioned matters within the **Fifth Strategic Plan of the OIE**.
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## Communication and Capacity building

### OIE Conference on Veterinary Medicinal Products in Africa

Dakar (Senegal), 25–27 March 2008



### OIE Conference on Veterinary Medicinal Products in the Middle East Damascus (Syria), 2–4 December 2009

## Communication and Capacity building

### Regional Training Workshops of OIE National Focal Points for Veterinary Products

- Europe: 26 to 28 July 2010, Serbia
- Americas: 20 to 22 September 2010, Colombia
- ➔ Africa: 23 to 26 November 2010, South Africa
- Asia-Pacific: 28 -30 June 2011, Cambodia

 Covers all main subjects on autorisation, surveillance, distribution, use and control of veterinary products

## OIE National Focal Points for Veterinary Products

During the 76th General Session in May 2008 the importance of the focal point for information on animal diseases was re-iterated.

Delegates were requested to nominate focal points for :

- Animal disease notification
  - Wildlife
  - Aquatic animal diseases
  - Animal welfare
  - Animal production food safety
- Veterinary products

## OIE National Focal Points for Veterinary Products

Official nomination by Delegates transmitted to the Scientific and Technical Department of the OIE Headquarters (f.diaz@oie.int)

Responsibilities of focal points are under the authority of the OIE Delegate

Enable the OIE Delegate to more efficiently manage his/her OIE Member obligations

## OIE National Focal Points for Veterinary Products

### **Terms of Reference (ToRs) for focal points**

- established by OIE Headquarters for all focal points


### **Specific ToRs on Veterinary Products**

- Developed in consultation with the OIE Collaborating Centre for Veterinary Medicinal Products, AFSSA Fougères, France
- Sent to all Delegates in March 2009



## Terms of Reference for OIE National Focal Points on Veterinary Products

 **Establish a network of veterinary product experts** within his/her country or communicate with existing network;

 **Establish** and maintain a **dialogue with the Competent Authority** for veterinary products in his country, and to facilitate **cooperation and communication among** several **authorities** where responsibility is shared

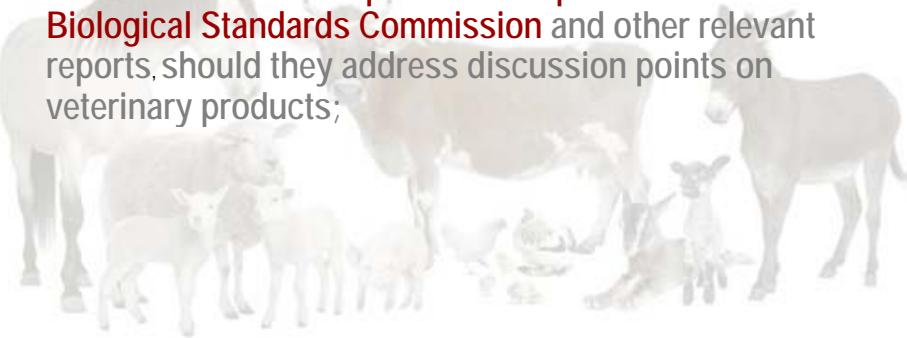
 **Under the authority of the OIE Delegate** of his country, **monitor legislation on and control** of veterinary products to ensure that these are in support of OIE international standards, guidelines and recommendations





## Terms of Reference for OIE National Focal Points on Veterinary Products

- Act as a contact point with the OIE on matters related to veterinary products;
- Receive from the OIE Headquarters information on VICH activities and copies of the reports of the Biological Standards Commission and other relevant reports, should they address discussion points on veterinary products;



## Terms of Reference for OIE National Focal Points on Veterinary Products

- Conduct, on request, the in-country consultation process with recognised veterinary product experts on draft texts of standards and/or on guidelines and recommendations proposed in those reports;
- Prepare comments for the Delegate on each of the relevant meeting reports reflecting the scientific view and position of the individual OIE Member and/or the region, including comments on the proposals for new or revised OIE standards and guidelines and recommendations related to veterinary products



## The OIE Fifth Strategic Plan 2011 - 2015

### mentions explicitly the need to:

- Develop and update standards, guidelines and recommendations on diagnostic tests, vaccines and veterinary drugs including antimicrobials.
- Promote the use of OIE recognised assays and diagnostic kits by both the public and the private sectors.



## The OIE Fifth Strategic Plan 2011 - 2015


### Modernisation or updating of national legislation

#### OIE Guidelines for Veterinary Legislation

- essential elements to be covered in veterinary legislation

#### First OIE Global Conference on Veterinary Legislation:

- to be held in Djerba (Tunisia), 7-9 December 2010



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## Expected actions of OIE National Focal Points on Veterinary Products: conclusion

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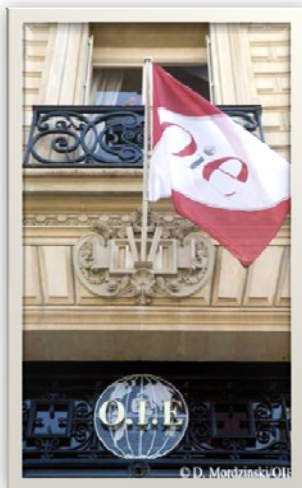
#### Six recommendations to OIE Members

-  Enable the OIE Delegate to more efficiently manage his/her OIE Member obligations
-  Under the authority of the OIE Delegate, contribute to implement the OIE strategy for veterinary products

#### Seven recommendations to the OIE

-  Act as a contact point with the OIE on all matters related to veterinary products
-  → participate to the training Workshops organised by the OIE !

## Thank you for your attention



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