



## Third Meeting of the Standing Group of Experts (SGE) on African swine fever (ASF) of the GF-TADs for Africa

Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire



1 – 3 August 2023

### Provisional Programme

Tuesday 1 August 2023		
08:00 – 09:00	Arrival of participants	
Session 1. Welcoming remarks by the Bureau of the Regional Steering Committee		
09:00 – 09:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>African Union</li> <li>Food and Agriculture Organisation</li> <li>World Organisation for Animal Health</li> </ul>	Nick Nwankpa Mohammed Shamsuddin Roland Dlamini
09:20 – 09:30	Adoption of the agenda Objectives and expected outputs of the meeting	Karim Tounkara, Secretary of the GF-TADs for Africa, WOA, Bamako
09:30 – 10:00	Break	
Session 2. Governance aspects		
10:00 – 10:15	Presentation of the minutes of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> SGE meeting	Patrick Bastiaensen, Sub-Regional Representation for Eastern Africa, WOA, Nairobi
10:15 – 10:25	Overview of the action points of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> SGE meeting and their level of implementation	Viola Chemis, Regional Activities Department, WOA, Nairobi
10.25 – 11.25	Regional updates on the current disease situation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RAHC (ECOWAS)</li> <li>EAREN (IGAD) ICPALD</li> <li>RESEPI Central Africa</li> <li>SADC-LTC (EIS)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vivian Iwar</li> <li>W. Kinyangui</li> <li>J-M. Feussom</li> <li>M-L. Penrith</li> </ul>
11.25 – 12.00	<u>Discussion</u> : current disease situation	Facilitator



### Session 3. Strengthen biosecurity for the control of ASF along the value chain


12:00 – 12:30	Key-note <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cote d'Ivoire</li></ul>	Vessaly Kallo, Director of Veterinary Services, Cote d'Ivoire
12:30 – 13:00	Biosecurity in the different value chains <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sector 1 : Industrial, intensive</li><li>• Sector 2 : Smallholder, semi-intensive</li><li>• Sector 3 : Backyard, free-range, scavenging, extensive</li></ul>	Mary-Louise Penrith, University of Pretoria, South Africa
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00 – 15:00	Member country presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cabo Verde</li><li>• Cameroon</li><li>• Togo</li><li>• Uganda</li></ul>	
15:00 – 15:30	Sector 1 : Biosecurity at farm-level	Jeroen Dewulf, Ghent University, Belgium
15:30 – 15:50	Sector 1 : Compartmentalisation - principles	Charmaine Chng, Science Department, WOAH, Paris
15:50 – 16:10	Sector 1 : Compartmentalisation - application	Mpho Maja, Director Animal Health, DARRL, South Africa
16:10 – 16:30	Break	
16:30 – 16:50	Sector 1 : Feed	Peter Evans, Veterinary Director, SAPPO, South Africa
16:50 – 17:10	Sector 1 : Movement control, quarantine, identification and traceability	Jeroen Dewulf, Ghent University, Belgium
17:10 – 17:30	<u>Discussion</u> : certifying ASF compartments for trade	Facilitator


08:00 – 09:00	Arrival of participants	
Session 3. Strengthen biosecurity for the control of ASF along the value chain (continued)		
09:00 – 09:20	Sector 2 : Good biosecurity practices in the small holder sector : an example from Vietnam 	Pawin Padungtod ECTAD Country Programme, FAO, Vietnam
09:20 – 09:40	Sector 2 : Good biosecurity practices in the small holder sector : <i>community approach to biosecurity improvements</i> (CABI) in the Philippines 	....., ECTAD Regional Office, FAO, Bangkok
09:40 – 10:00	Sector 2 : Biosecurity along the value chain (pens, transport, slaughter slabs, markets)	Michel Dione, International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), Dakar
10:00 – 10:20	Sector 2 : Feed and swill feeding	Casimir Marcel Ndongo – Kounou, ECTAD, FAO, Yaounde
10:20 – 10:40	Sector 2 : Movement control of people (traders, animal health service providers) and animals (pigs, rodents, birds, etc...), on-farm quarantine, introduction of new animals, all-in / all-out, renting boars	Djassi Edoukou, Independent ASF consultant, Abidjan
10:40 – 11:10	<u>Discussion</u> : what are the incentives for reporting and the benefits of applying strict biosecurity	Facilitator
11:10 – 11:30	Break	
11:30 – 11:50	Sector 3 : Community-contracting and self-regulation at community-level	Erica Chenais, Department of Disease Control and Epidemiology, Swedish National Veterinary Institute, Uppsala, Sweden
11:50 – 12:10	Sector 3 : Community-based biosecurity in resource-limited settings	Andrij Rostalnyy, ASF Working Group, NSAH, FAO, Rome
12:10 – 12:30	Sector 3 : Scavenging for food and use of food waste	Edward Okoth, International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), Kabete
12:30 – 13:00	<u>Discussion</u> : is community-based self-governance the solution ?	Facilitator
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	



Session 4. Enhanced surveillance and diagnostic capabilities for ASF control

Topic :	Field surveillance, surveillance along the value chain	
14:00 – 14:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Purposes of surveillance : disease control or disease intelligence ?</li></ul>	Misheck Mulumba, Onderstepoort Veterinary Research (OVR) institute, South Africa
14:20 – 14:40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Challenges in active and passive surveillance for ASF or for syndromic surveillance in the pig-sector and how to improve the systems (including abattoir and market surveillance)</li></ul>	Michel Dione, International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), Dakar
14:40 – 15:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Understanding cross-border movements and spatial and temporal transmission of ASFV through molecular techniques</li></ul>	Gerald Misinzo, Sokoine University of Agriculture (SUA), Tanzania
15:00 – 15:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• On-farm surveillance</li></ul>	José Manuel Sánchez-Vizcaíno, Viral Immunology and Preventive Medicine Unit, VISAVET, Madrid, Spain
15:20 – 15:40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Wildlife surveillance</li></ul>	Ferran Jori, UMR ASTRE, CIRAD, Montpellier, France
15:40 – 16:00	Break	
16:00 – 16:30	Member country presentations – field surveillance <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• South Africa</li><li>• Nigeria</li></ul>	
16:30 – 17:30	<u>Discussion</u> : Indirect surveillance approaches (by proxy) : sentinel animals, carcass price monitoring, marketing volumes, environmental sampling, opportunistic sampling of wildlife...	Facilitator

08:00 – 09:00	Arrival of participants	
Session 4. Enhanced surveillance and diagnostic capabilities for ASF control (continued)		
Topic :	Diagnostics	
09:00 – 09:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New diagnostics considered for the Terrestrial Manual</li> <li>• FAO – WOAH Guidelines on ASF diagnostics</li> <li>• Pen-side tests and feedback from countries</li> </ul>	Livio Heath, Onderstepoort Veterinary Research (OVR) institute, South Africa
09:20 – 09:40	Changes to the WOAH Terrestrial Manual (ASF Chapter)	Emmanuel Couacy-Hymann, Chair of the WOAH Biological Standards Commission, CNRA-LIRED, Côte d'Ivoire
09:40 – 10:10	Member country presentations - diagnostics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Congo (Dem. Rep.)</li> <li>• Kenya</li> </ul>	
10:10 – 10:40	Break	
10:40 – 11:00	Building a regional ASF laboratories network	Livio Heath, Onderstepoort Veterinary Research (OVR) institute, South Africa
11:00 – 11:20	R&D and capacity building activities of the Joint FAO/IAEA Centre on ASF diagnosis and surveillance through the VETLAB Network.	Charles Euloge Lamien, Joint Division FAO/IAEA, Vienna
11:20 – 12:20	National reference laboratories' presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NVRI</li> <li>• LNERV - ISRA</li> <li>• LNAVET</li> <li>• NAHDIC (AHI)</li> </ul>	
12:20 – 12:40	Twinning for ASF, an ongoing example <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ghana</li> </ul>	Theo Odoom, Accra Veterinary Laboratory, Ghana
12:40 – 13:10	<u>Discussion</u> : Adopting molecular techniques so as to build capacity to differentiate wild from vaccine strains in the future, asymptomatic virus strains, differential diagnoses for ASF, and linking syndromic surveillance outcomes to diagnostic protocols.	Facilitator

13.10 – 14.00	Lunch	
14.00 – 15.00	Closed meeting of chairs and rapporteurs	
Session 5. Final deliberations, action points, next meeting		
15:00 – 15:15	Presentation of the draft action points	Rapporteurs
15:15 – 16:00	<u>Discussion</u> : draft action points	Facilitator
16:00 – 16:10	Proposed amendments to the Terms of Reference and to the list of technical items ( <i>vaccines</i> )	Viola Chemis, Regional Activities Department, WOA, Nairobi
16:10 – 16:15	Dates and venue / format of SGE nr 4	Karim Tounkara, Secretary of the GF-TADs for Africa, WOA, Bamako
16:15 – 16:30	Closing statement by the Chair	Nick Nwankpa, Chair of the GF-TADs for Africa Regional Steering Committee, AU-IBAR, Nairobi
16:30	Break and departure of participants	

This meeting is organised under the auspices of the

