

Official recognition of CBPP-free status and endorsement of official control programmes for CBPP

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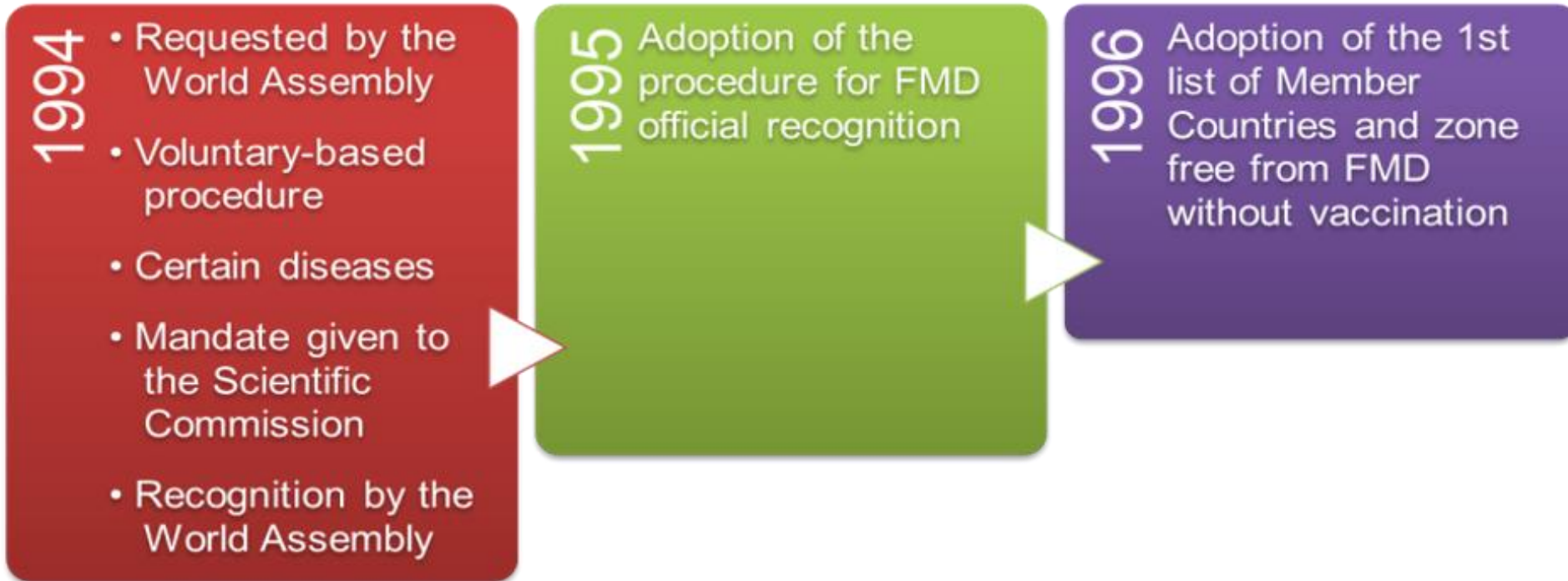
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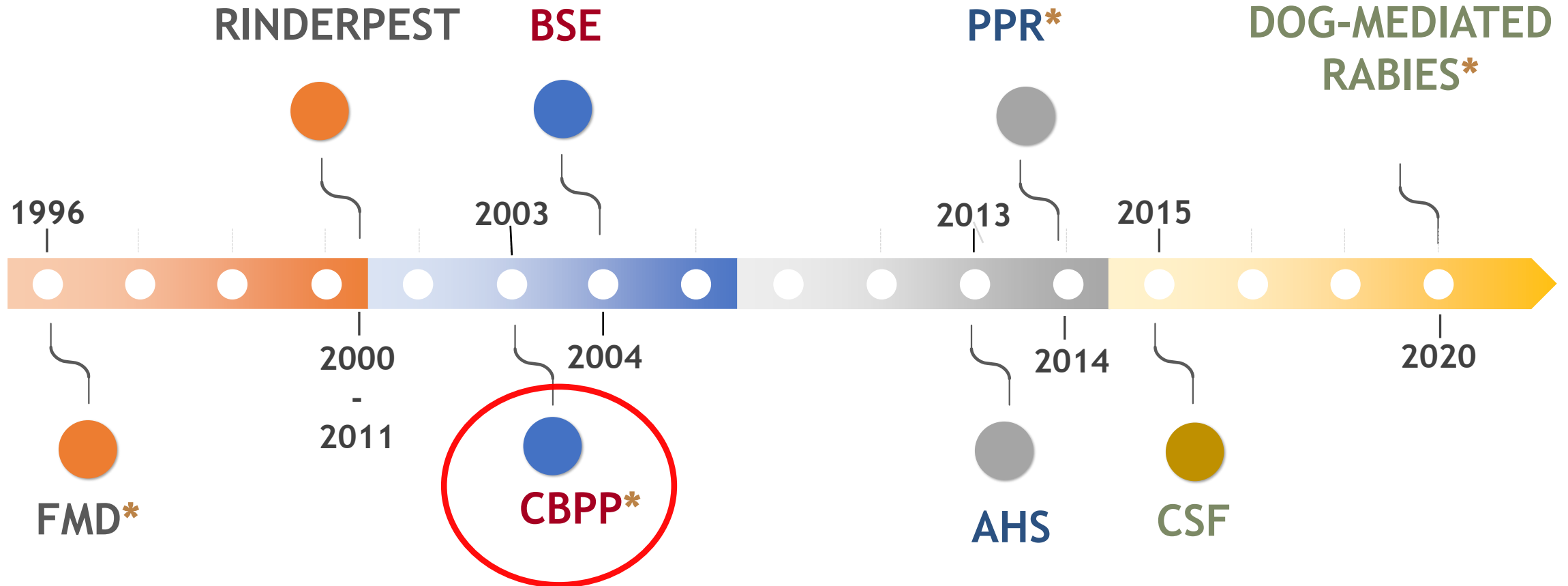
Outline

- History of WOAHA official recognition of animal health status and endorsement of control programmes
- Standard Operating Procedures for official recognition of animal health status and endorsement of control programmes
- *Terrestrial Animal Health Code* requirements for official recognition of CBPP-free status or Endorsement of an official CBPP control programme
- Countries and zones having official CBPP-free status or WOAHA endorsement of their CBPP control programmes

HISTORICAL



 **Chronology of diseases included in the procedure & official recognition of the first list of Members/zones free of disease and endorsement of control programmes** ⁴



* Endorsement of official control programme (for CBPP: 2015)



The main objectives:

- Protect animal and human health in international trade;
- Facilitate trade;
- Guarantees to trading partners;
 - Long term perspective** documented and updated evidence on the disease-free situation;
 - Veterinary Services** meet baseline requirements concerning disease control and trade activities.
- Objective of the Global Strategies (FMD and PPR)



The main objectives/incentives of the endorsement:

- countries have access to international expertise (Scientific Commission provides technical guidance on the progress of their programme through the annual reconfirmation process);
- to progressively improve the situation and eventually attain official recognition of disease status,
- to help the Veterinary Services to be provided some support from their government,
- to help countries to be provided some support from donors.



Standard Operating Procedures for official recognition of animal health status & endorsement of control programmes



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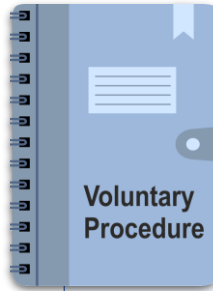
Standard Operating Procedure for official recognition of animal health status and for the endorsement of official control programmes of Members

Description/ Scope:	This procedure describes the process for the preparation, assessment and approval of dossiers for the official recognition of animal health status and for the endorsement of official control programmes of Members.
Related documents:	Guidelines for the Official Status Recognition Process ¹ (Annexed) Resolution No. 15 of the 2020 Adapted Procedure Resolution No. 16 of the 2020 Adapted Procedure
Related processes:	Expert Mission Deployment - Procedure (Mission_SOP) - Guidelines (Mission_Guidelines) Reconfirmation of a Status or Programme - Procedure (Reconfirmation_SOP) - Guidelines (Reconfirmation_Guidelines) Suspension, Recovery and Withdrawal - Procedure (Suspension_SOP) - Guidelines (Suspension_Guidelines) Addendum: Establishment of a protection zone
List of acronyms:	AHG: <i>ad hoc</i> Group Assembly: World Assembly of Delegates DDG: Deputy Director General, Standards and Science DG: Director General SD: Status Department GS: General Session SCAD: Scientific Commission for Animal Diseases <i>Terrestrial Code: Terrestrial Animal Health Code</i>

Step	Time Reference	Responsible person	Action	Reference Document
1.	After the GS	DG	Sends letter to Delegates confirming SCAD and AHGs dates and deadlines for dossiers submission.	

2 months

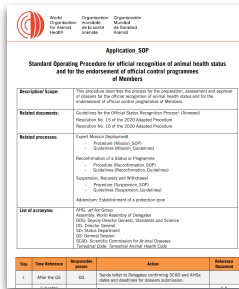
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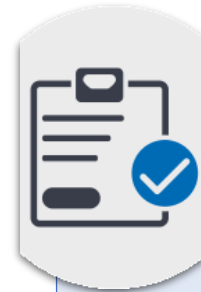
A voluntary procedure developed on Members' request to facilitate trade



Resolutions adopted by the World Assembly



SOPs and rules & guidelines



Updated when relevant



Available online in the three WHO official languages

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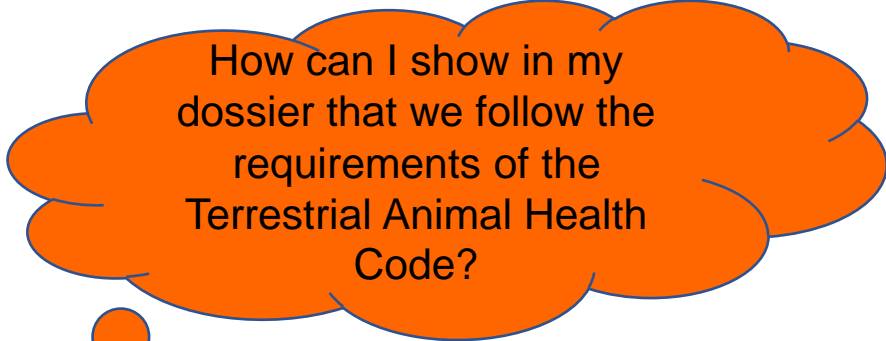


The procedure : submission of an application

- Compliance with the relevant provisions of the *Terrestrial Code*.
- Complete – relevant to template **Questionnaire** in Chapters 1.10. of the *Terrestrial Code* (also in WOAHP website) – **documented evidence**
- 50 pages + appendices (properly cross-referenced) + executive summary
- Digitalised map if relevant (free zone)
- Proof of payment - fee
- Contact details of technical staff



KEY QUESTION



Demonstrate by **EVIDENCE**





Horizontal Chapters

- Disease notification (1.1.) compliance with WAHIS
- Animal health surveillance (1.4.) surveillance
- Import risk analysis (2.1.)
- Evaluation of Veterinary Services (3.2.) quality of the Veterinary Services
- Veterinary legislation (3.4.) quality of the Veterinary Services
- Import/export procedures (5)
- Obligations related to certification (5.1.)

CBPP-specific: Chapter 11.5.

(most recent update adopted in 2014; currently undergoing revision!!)

- General provisions, case definition
- Safe commodities
- Criteria for disease status: country, zone or compartment
- Provisions for import of commodities
- CBPP surveillance
- Endorsment of control programme





Article 11.5.1.	General provisions, including case definition
Article 11.5.2	Safe commodities
Article 11.5.3 and 11.5.4	Articles related to status: CBPP free country or zone and Recovery of free status
Article 11.5.6	CBPP free compartment
Articles 11.5.7. to 11.5.12.	Recommendations for importation from: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- CBPP-free countries, zones, or compartments- CBPP-infected countries or zones
Articles 11.5.13 to 11.5.15.	CBPP surveillance (general principles, methods, strategies)
Article 11.5.16. to 11.5.17.	Application for recognition of freedom from CBPP and re-application following an out break for a country of a zone
Article 11.5.18	Requirements for endorsement of a CBPP control programme


Article 11.5.3 : CBPP free country or zone

To qualify for inclusion in the existing list of CBPP free countries and [zones](#), a Member Country should:

1. have a record of regular and prompt animal disease reporting;
2. send a declaration to the WOAHA stating that:
 - i. there has been no outbreak of CBPP during the past **24 months**;
 - ii. no evidence of CBPP infection has been found during the past **24 months**;
 - iii. no vaccination against CBPP has been carried out during the past **24 months**,and supply documented evidence that surveillance for CBPP in accordance with this chapter is in operation and that regulatory measures for the prevention and control of CBPP have been implemented;
3. not have imported since the cessation of vaccination any animals vaccinated against CBPP.





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- ✓ To assist Members
 - ✓ To assist experts
 - ✓ To give more transparency and consistency to the evaluation process
 - ✓ To standardise the evaluation among countries

[Chapter 1.10 of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code](#)

- 1. Introduction:** Geographical features, Livestock demographics, Wildlife demographics and Slaughterhouses/abattoirs, markets and events associated with the congregation of susceptible livestock (e.g., fairs, shows, competitions)
- 2. Veterinary system:** Legislation, *Veterinary Services*, *Animal identification*, registration, traceability and movement control
- 3. CBPP eradication:** History and a description of how CBPP was controlled and eradicated (e.g., slaughter policy, zoning, vaccination, movement control)
- 4. CBPP diagnosis**
- 5. CBPP surveillance**
- 6. CBPP prevention**
- 7. Control measures and contingency planning**





Questionnaire layout: WOAAH endorsement of control programme

[Chapter 1.10 of the Terrestrial Animal Health Code](#)

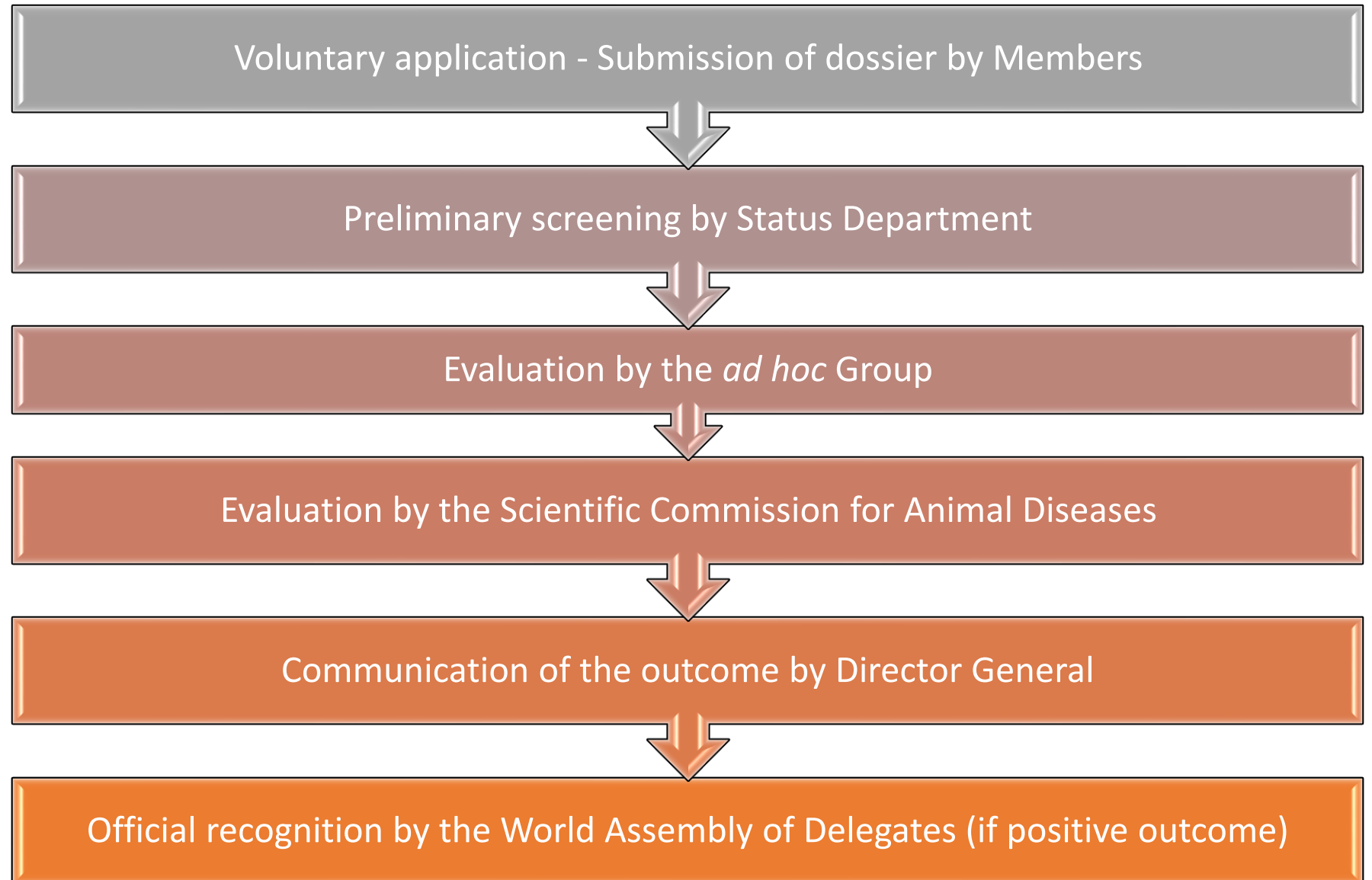
- 1. Introduction**
- 2. Veterinary system**
- 3. Official control programme for CBPP submitted for WOAAH endorsement**

A concise plan of the measures for the control and eventual eradication of CBPP in the country, including:

- a) Epidemiology**
- b) CBPP surveillance**
- c) CBPP diagnosis**
- d) Strategies**
- e) CBPP prevention**
- f) Control measures and emergency responsw**



The procedure





WOAH calendar meetings:

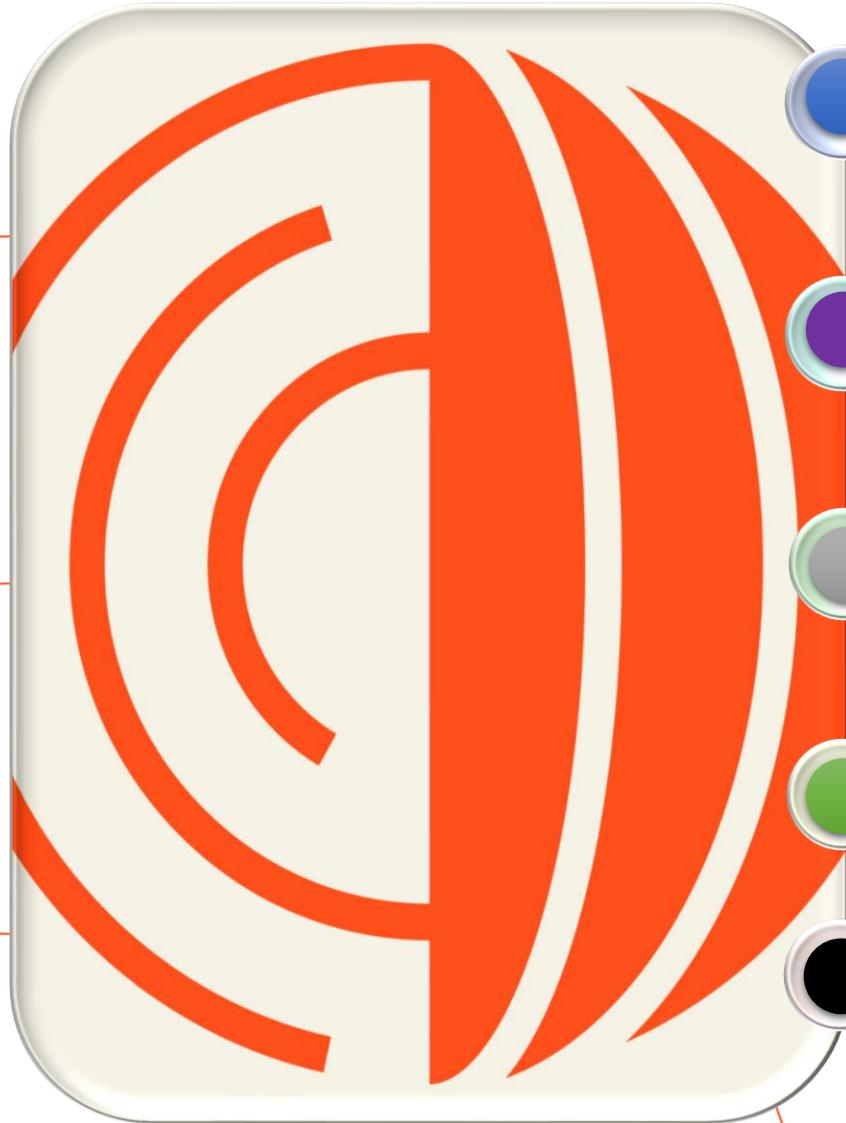
- Cycle from a General Session to the following one
- Letter from the DG after each General Session announcing dates of the AHG
- Deadline to submit dossier: ~~2 months~~ before the meeting of the AHG

Tentative dates of official status evaluation ad hoc Groups (AHG)

Disease	Date of meeting	Deadline for submission of dossier
AHS	26–28 September 2023	27 July 2023
BSE	3–5 October 2023	4 August 2023
Dog-mediated rabies	3–5 October 2023	4 August 2023
PPR	17–19 October 2023	18 August 2023
FMD	23–26 October 2023	25 August 2023
CSF	7–9 November 2023	8 September 2023
CBPP	5–7 December 2023	6 October 2023



The procedure : Preliminary screening by Status Dept



Archiving and screening



Acknowledge receipt of the submission to the Delegate



Request of additional information or amended dossier, if gap(s) identified



Translation in English if needed



Processing for the *ad hoc* Group

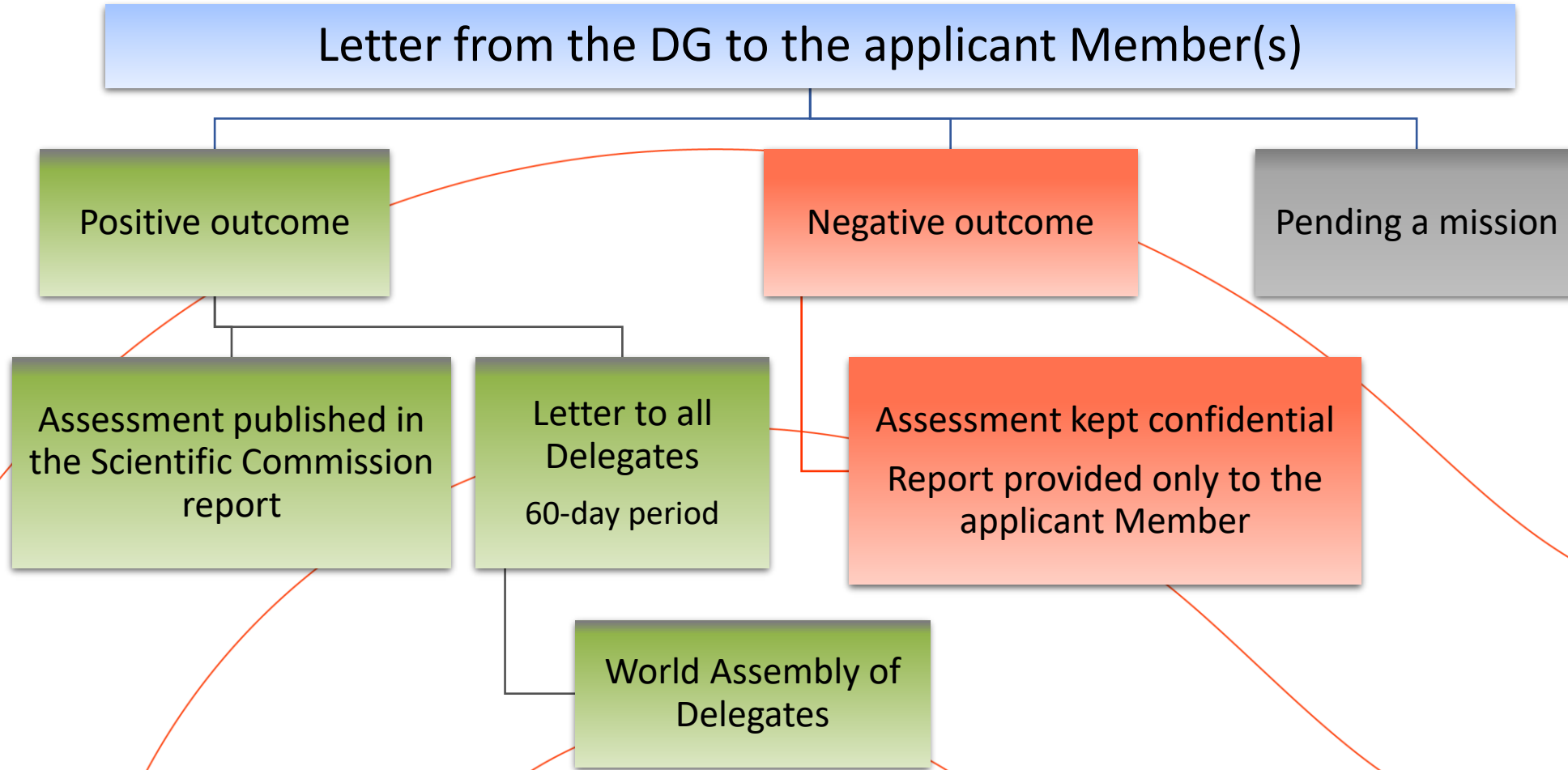


The procedure : Evaluation by the ad hoc group

An *ad hoc* Group:

- Usually comprises six internationally recognised experts
 - take into consideration geographical representation and gender balance, when possible.
- Assessment against *Terrestrial Code* requirements
 - Based on:
 - Information from the application (esp. evidence) and other reports (e.g., WAHIS, PVS)
 - Experts' knowledge
 - Information available in the public domain
 - Possible interaction (electronic) with the applicant Member
 - Detailed evaluation report and recommendations forwarded to the Scientific Commission

- Scientific Commission: Members elected by the World Assembly of Delegates for a three-year term
- Assess the dossier, including the *ad hoc* Group recommendations
- Possible interaction with
 - The chairperson of the *ad hoc* Group
 - Applicant Members, including the possible visit of a delegation
/!\ official request to WOAHA by the Delegate before 31 December
- Final recommendation proposed for adoption by the World Assembly of Delegates
- May request an expert mission (field or virtual) to verify the dossier



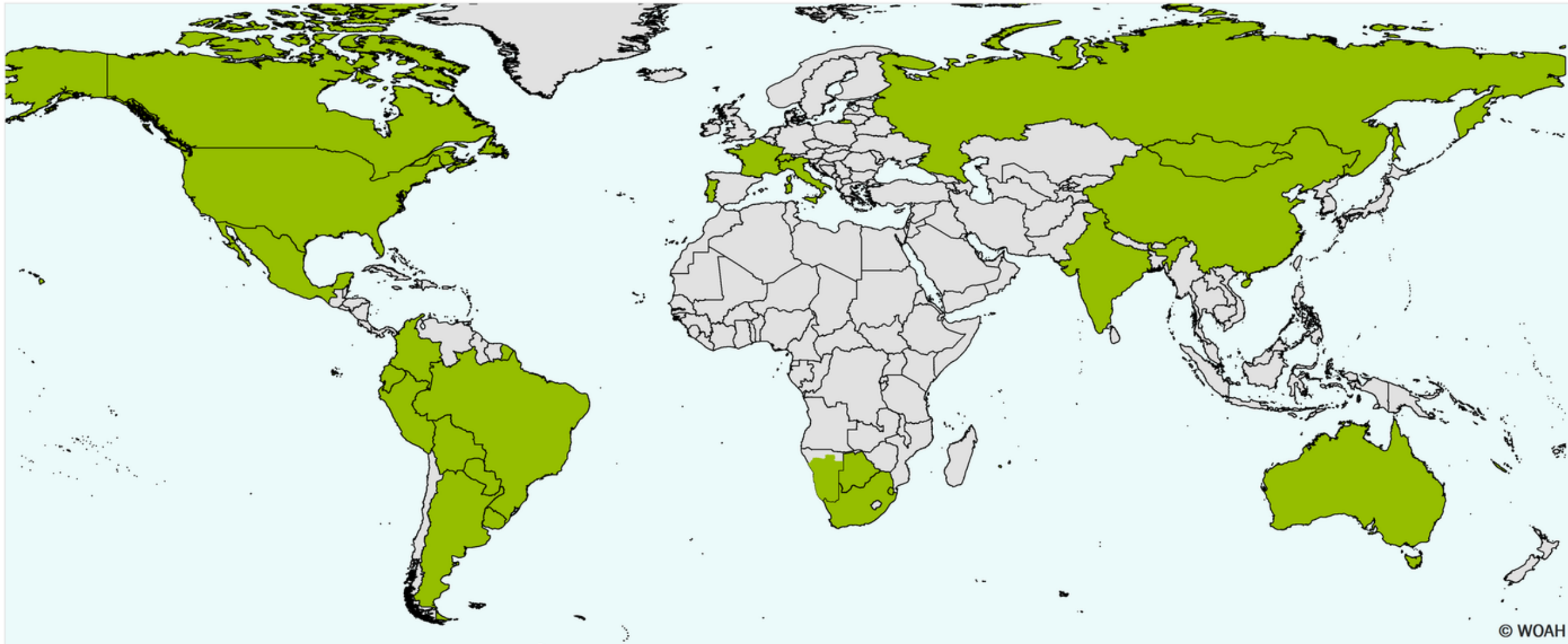
The procedure: Official recognition

- by adoption of a Resolution by the World Assembly of Delegates at the General Session





WOAH Members' official CBPP status map

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-  Members and zone recognised as free from CBPP
-  Countries and zone without an official status for CBPP



List of CBPP free Members 25

According to [Resolution No. 13](#) (90th General Session, May 2023)

CBPP free Members

Members recognised as **free from CBPP** according to the provisions of the Chapter 11.5. of the *Terrestrial Code*:

Argentina	Eswatini	Peru
Australia	France ⁽¹⁾	Portugal ⁽²⁾
Bolivia	India	Russia
Botswana	Italy	Singapore
Brazil	Mexico	South Africa
Canada	Mongolia	Switzerland
China (People's Republic of)	New Caledonia	United States of America
Colombia	Paraguay	Uruguay
Ecuador		

(1) Including French Guiana, Guadeloupe, Martinique, Mayotte and Réunion.

(2) Including Azores and Madeira.

CBPP free zone⁽³⁾ 1

Members having a **CBPP free zone** according to the provisions of Chapter 11.5. of the *Terrestrial Code*:

Namibia: (Map ↗)	one zone located south of the Veterinary Cordon Fence, designated by the Delegate of Namibia in a document addressed to the Director General in October 2015.
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(3) For detailed information on the delimitation of the zone of the Member recognised as CBPP free, enquiries should be addressed to the Director General of the WOAH.

List of Members with an endorsed official control programme for CBPP 2

According to [Resolution No. 14](#) (90th General Session, May 2023)

Members with an endorsed official control programme for CBPP, according to the provisions of Chapter 11.5. of the *Terrestrial Code*:

Namibia	Zambia
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Thank you

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