

FMD Risk Assessment Workshop

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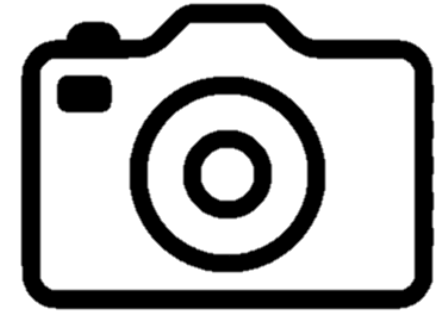
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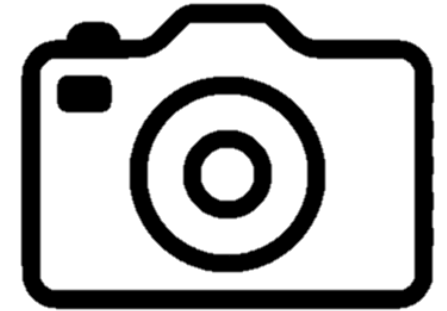
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Why Risk Assessment

- The FMD progressive control pathway (PCP) is a tool to assist endemic countries, developed and endorsed by the European Commission for the Control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease (EuFMD), FAO and WOAHA.
- The FMD – PCP recommends that control efforts should be coordinated at regional level. The pathway offers a structured stepwise approach to FMD control
- FMD risk assessment is the process of estimating the likelihood and biological and economic consequences of entry, establishment or spread of FMDV within an importing/exporting country, but it may also be applied to a zone, province, village, individual livestock holding or even a known movement pathway



Objectives

1. Improved understanding of the **FMD risk assessment process**, including development of Risk Assessment Plans (RAPs) and Risk Based Strategic Plans (RBSPs).
 - a) Strengthening the knowledge and understanding of risk assessment for advancement of FMD control in Africa;
 - b) Enhance the capacity of PCP Support officers (PSOs) in risk assessment

2. Better **collaboration** between FMD PCP focal points and epidemiologists/ laboratory personnel in the region is strengthened and the implementation of FMD control measures in the region is enhanced.
 - a) To Enhance networking and information sharing between participating countries and strengthen collaboration between field and laboratory/epidemiology personnel for better FMD prevention, outbreak response and detection.
 - b) Foster good interaction between Africa regional PSOs with the Veterinary Services staff;



Objectives

3. Contribute to the progression of member countries on the FMD PCP
 - a) To provide guidance on the developing GF-TADs designed risk assessment plans (RAP) and risk based strategic plans;
 - b) Support the development of regional FMD prevention and control strategies in support of trade facilitation

4. This activity contributes to all five strategic objectives/cross-cutting areas of the WOAHO 7th Strategic plan (2021-2025), specifically:
 - Scientific expertise
 - Responding to Members' needs
 - Collaboration with partners
 - Efficiency and agility

**Expected workshop outcomes**

1. The capacities of veterinary services and PSOs on risk assessment and developing RAPs and RBSP are strengthened;
2. The collaboration between regional PSOs, FMD PCP focal points and epidemiologists/ laboratory personnel in the region is strengthened;
3. The implementation of FMD control measures is enhanced.
4. Report of Workshop proceedings

Thank you

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