

# Session 2: Engaging in the WOA Standard Setting Process

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**WOAH International Standards.  
Promoting Member Engagement in the  
Process for their Elaboration.**

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# How can you Contribute?



# Members are an important part of the process

Delegates  
International Organisations  
OIE Global Conferences

Members can comment  
on:

- ✓ Proposed new work
- ✓ Prioritisation of work



FOR ADOPTION

CYCLES



Members:

- ✓ Elect Sp. Commissions
- ✓ Can propose experts for AHG/WG



Members can:

- ✓ submit comments on draft new and revised texts under development

Members:

- ✓ Adopt new or revised standards

And then, Members should:

- ✓ Implement standards into national legislation

# How Members and IOs can participate in the process?

## New requests

## Members & IOs

- Request new work, including a rationale and supporting evidence;
- Provide opinions on the prioritisation of work items;
- Provide relevant information or scientific evidence for consideration during development of relevant item.

## Commenting on proposed new or revised texts

## Members & IOs

- Propose additional or alternative science-based amendments, including a rationale and supporting evidence;
- Submit evidence-based concerns on potential challenges for the implementation of the proposed texts (e.g. national or regional level, production systems), including alternative amendments;
- Propose editorial amendments to improve the understanding or the meaning (in any of the three languages).

## Adoption

## Members

- Members can make interventions at the General Session to request changes to proposed amendments, express support or objections;
- If consensus is reached, the World Assembly of Delegates adopts the new or revised texts;
- If consensus is not reached, proposed text can return to the Commission for further work or exceptionally adoption could be subject to a vote.



# Thank you!

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