

WOAH Whole Journey Scenario (WJS) concept

Regional Training Seminar for WOAH National Focal Points for Animal Welfare

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Whole Journey Scenario workshops

- **Objective** to help countries improve animal welfare during long distance and cross-border transport in compliance with WOAH standards for the whole duration of the journey along the specific route
- **Focus** on the responsibilities of the Competent Authorities over the entire journey
- **Opportunity** to share best practices and strengthen collaboration between Competent Authorities and other authorities



Whole Journey Scenario workshops

Regional workshops

- Pilot 'Whole Journey Scenario' Workshop for Europe - April 2018, Poland
Follow-up meeting - November 2021



- 'Whole Journey Scenario' workshop on animal welfare during transport Middle East - November 2019, Amman (Jordan)



Multi-regional workshops

- Multi-regional Whole Journey Scenario workshop on long-distance transport by land and sea between Europe and the Middle East
June 2021 – Teleconference



Multi-regional WJS workshops

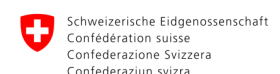
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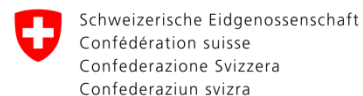


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Agenda

- **WOAH and WOAH mandate on animal welfare, and global and regional strategy and update on new activities (guidance documents and the Observatory thematic study)**
- **Recall of TAHC Chapter 7.2 and 7.3**
- **Country reports (overview of state of play and update for since previous meeting - competent authorities, border post, main livestock trade, legislation, implementation of the WOAH standards and main challenges)**
- **Australian Standards for the Export of Livestock and Exporter Supply Chain Assurance System/ Emergency procedure / Communication between Competent Authorities**
- **NGO perspective**
- **REMESA Scientific and Technical Office**
- **National School of Veterinary Medicine Tunis (ENVM) (twining project)**
- **Working group exercises – case studies**
- **Session on slaughter of animals**



Main points discussed

15 WOA
Members

44

Participants

- Multiregional whole journey scenario workshop are useful and instrumental to improve multiregional collaboration and collaboration between Competent Authorities
- need for strengthening communication and collaboration between Competent Authorities
- importance of defining responsibilities
- importance of appropriate journey planning and preparation before animals' departure
- importance of emergency procedures including process of verification, updates, and revisions
- need to further develop procedures in the event of refusal to allow the completion of the journey





Challenges

- Lack of awareness of importers' drivers, workers and handlers and authorities
- Many authorities involved with overlapping tasks and responsibilities
- Lack of standard procedures that include details of SOPs.
- Weak infrastructure for animal transport (quarantine, loading stations, rest houses, harbors etc.)
- Inability to accommodate large numbers of animals, especially in some seasons such as the pilgrimage season and Ramadan.
- Security problems in some countries



Solutions ideas

- Revise legislation in line with animal welfare standards during transport and import.
- Defining competencies with following awareness and training programs
- Coordinating between all parties and defining responsibilities (regulation, instructions, manuals)
- Raise the efficiency of the infrastructure through the collaboration of the company with all relevant authorities
- Risk analysis - addressing gaps between the two countries

Thank you!

Merci

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