



# Towards a More Resilient Veterinary Workforce for Africa 2024

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# Africa PPP Forum in the Veterinary Domain

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# Africa Livestock

## Opportunities

**\$ 150 billion**

By 2050 **Worth** of Africa's  
livestock sector

**40%**

**of agricultural GDP**  
Average **Contribution** from  
Livestock

**55%**

of sub-Saharan Africa's  
workforce is **employed** in  
agriculture

**250 million+**

people directly **engaged** in  
livestock production

**About 140 million jobs**

**for women in livestock** by 2030  
\*

**40%**

**of Africa's 1.2 billion** people  
were **under 14 years old**\*\*

\*\* Data on land and credit from: <https://blogs.afdb.org/investing-gender/using-data-close-gender-gaps-and-accelerate-women%E2%80%99s-empowerment-africa-1>

\*\*\* FAO. 2018. The future of Africa's agriculture rests with the youth.

# Continental and regional initiatives

African Development Bank  
Livestock Investment Master Plan

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REINFORCING VETERINARY GOVERNANCE IN AFRICA

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LIVESTOCK POLICY LANDSCAPE IN AFRICA:  
A REVIEW

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## LEGISLATION

**37%**

Members have **Veterinary legislation that covers most fields of the veterinary domain**, including those fields under other Competent Authorities.

**16%**

Members have the **capability and authority to implement Veterinary legislation through a programme** of communication and awareness raising and through formal, documented compliance and inspection activities

## REGULATION

**48%**

Members have veterinary statutory boards, which regulate veterinarians in all sectors of the veterinary profession, set educational standards, and apply disciplinary measures

## Accreditation/ Authorisation/ delegation

**48%**

The public sector of the VS develops accreditation authorisation/delegation programmes for certain tasks using formal agreements, but these activities are not routinely reviewed.

## COMMUNICATION

**72%**

Members' VS maintain at least dedicated and specialist communications function which communicates with stakeholders occasionally, but it is not always up-to-date or pro-active in providing information.

## JOINT PROGRAM

**24%**

Members' VS at least formally participate with producers and other non-government stakeholders in the delivery of joint programmes and advise of needed changes and improvements

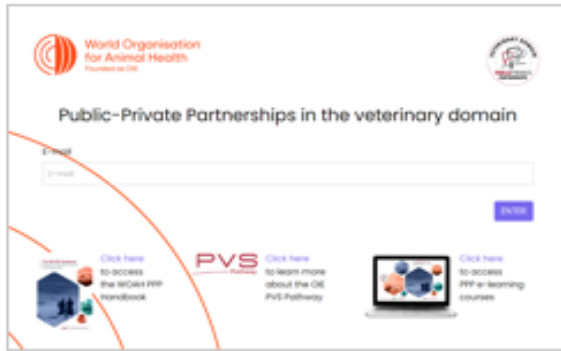


# Public-Private Partnerships *Building capacities*

## Global Level

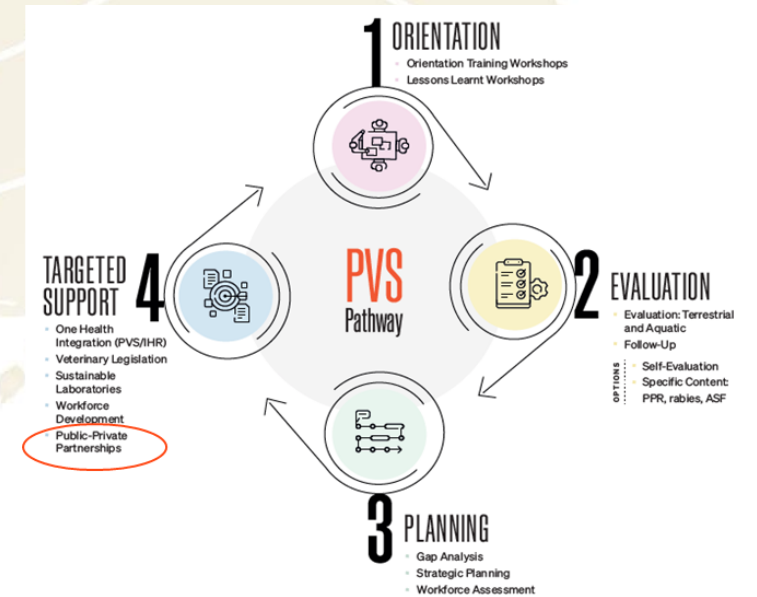
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## National Level

PPP Targeted Support in the PVS Pathway



## Regional Level

Regional workshops: Sharing best practices and capacity building on PPP project development and efficient management



PPP Targeted Support implemented in Tanzania and Ethiopia

How to get PPP Targeted Support

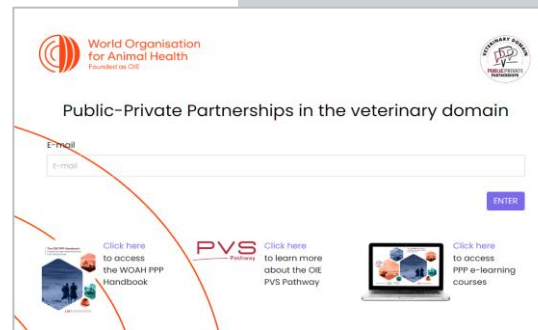
Any WOAH Member who has benefitted from a PVS Evaluation, Follow-up, or Gap Analysis mission in the last five years can request PPP TS based on the report's recommendations on the specific competencies.

# Cases from Africa in the WOAHP PPP Database *Open-access and collaborative*

**PPP Cases reported:**

**31 PPP cases from 15 African countries**

- |             |              |
|-------------|--------------|
| 1. Ethiopia | 10. Namibia  |
| 2. Gambia   | 11. Nigeria  |
| 3. Ghana    | 12. Tanzania |
| 4. Guinea   | 13. Tunisia  |
| 5. Kenya    | 14. Uganda   |
| 6. Lesotho  | 15. Zimbabwe |
| 7. Malawi   |              |
| 8. Mali     |              |
| 9. Morocco  |              |



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# Enabling environment for PPP in the Veterinary domain in Africa

## Enabling Environment PPP project development and implementation in the veterinary domain

- 42 out of 54 African countries have enacted PPP legislation.
- Since 2015, 28 countries in Africa adopted PPP Laws.
- Government teams focusing on PPPs comprise independent institutions and units attached to **Ministries of Finance**, technical ministries, or the **Prime Minister's or President's office**.

Veterinary services improvement



At the country level

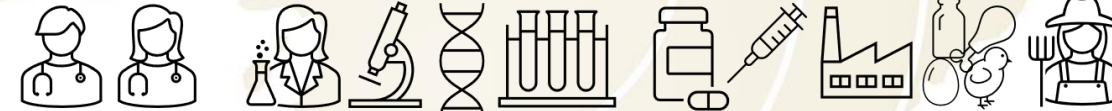


At the Sub-regional level



At the Continental level

Diversified activities and stakeholders



*There is a need to view ongoing PPPs in the veterinary domain in Africa to **create synergies** in efforts and improve efficiency in addressing the gaps in Veterinary Services.*

# Cocreation of the Africa PPP Forum with consultations- 1

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## Africa Public-Private Partnership Forum in the Veterinary Domain (AF3P)



- The Orientation Meeting: **On 4 April 2024**, at the AU-IBAR offices in Nairobi, Kenya
- The hybrid event saw robust participation from stakeholders across the continent
- Representatives from FAO, AU-PANVAC, ECCAS, ECOWAS, IGAD, SADC, and various organisations, including GALVmed, ILRI, STDF, WTO and LVIF, participated in discussions to align objectives, finalise governance structures, and explore sustainability avenues.

# Cocreation of the Africa PPP Forum with consultations-2

## Report of the Meeting of the Regional Commission for Africa

### Session 1

The Regional Commission for Africa met by videoconference on 21 May 2024, at 1:00 p.m. CEST. The meeting was attended by 84 participants, including Delegates from 29 Members of the Commission, 5 observers, and representatives from 16 International and Regional Organisations:

Members of the Commission: Algeria, Benin, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Congo (Rep. of the), Congo (Dem. Rep. of the), Cote d'Ivoire, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Eswatini, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea Bissau, Libya, Madagascar, Mali, Malawi, Morocco, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, Rwanda, Senegal, Seychelles, South Africa, Togo and Tunisia.

Observers: Coalition of African Animal Welfare Organisations (CAAWO), Permanent Interstate Committee for Drought Control in the Sahel (CILSS), ReAct Africa.

International/regional organisations: African Union Interafrican Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR), African Union Panafrican Veterinary Vaccines Centre (AU-PANVAC), Global Alliance for Livestock Veterinary Medicines (GALVmed), Economic Commission for Livestock, Meat and Fisheries (CEBEVIRHA), European Commission (EC), Common Market for Eastern and South Africa (COMESA), Global Alliance for Rabies Control (GARC), Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO), International Centre for Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE), International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI), West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU), World Bank (WB), World Health Organization (WHO).

The Meeting was chaired by Dr Honoré Robert N'lemba Mabela, President of the Regional Commission for Africa and Delegate of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, accompanied by Dr Karim Tounkara, Regional Representative for Africa.

the Africa PPP Forum in the Veterinary Domain was presented at the [WOAH Regional Commission for Africa](#), which met by videoconference on 21 May 2024.

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## Vision

# Africa PPP Forum in the Veterinary Domain

Strengthen African  
animal health and  
welfare systems  
through a  
collaborative  
framework for  
Veterinary Services  
and their partners.

## Nature of the forum

- The Forum is not a decision-making body and will aim to reach a consensus on issues being discussed.
- There are no costs associated with membership.

## Members from the following organisations working in Africa

- Intergovernmental organisations
- Regional Economic Communities (REC)
- Non-governmental organisations
- National governmental institutions
- Private sector entities organised through constituencies or international business associations, farmer/producer associations and trade association
- Philanthropic foundations
- Academic and research institutions

## Expected output

1. Facilitate legal and regulatory frameworks and development of guidelines for **improved governance and management** of PPPs implementing PPPs
2. Develop an **Implementation Guide** with templates for MoUs, agreements, Standard Operating procedures, and best practices in PPP project development, implementation, and evaluation.
3. **Increased consultation and joint programs** among public and private stakeholders
4. Provide a **digital forum for networking**
5. Provide an **advocacy platform** for increased awareness among policymakers and end beneficiaries, including farmers
6. Producers and non-government stakeholders **contribute resources** and may lead the development and delivery of effective joint programmes with the VS.
7. Offer a **Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) platform** for the dissemination of knowledge and information products, including best practices and lessons learned from existing PPPs



**How will WE achieve this collectively?  
How can YOU support this initiative?**

**Technical Session (11:00-13:00) will address these questions!**

**THANK YOU**





# African Union's key interventions to address emerging Public-Private Partnerships needs in the Veterinary Domain

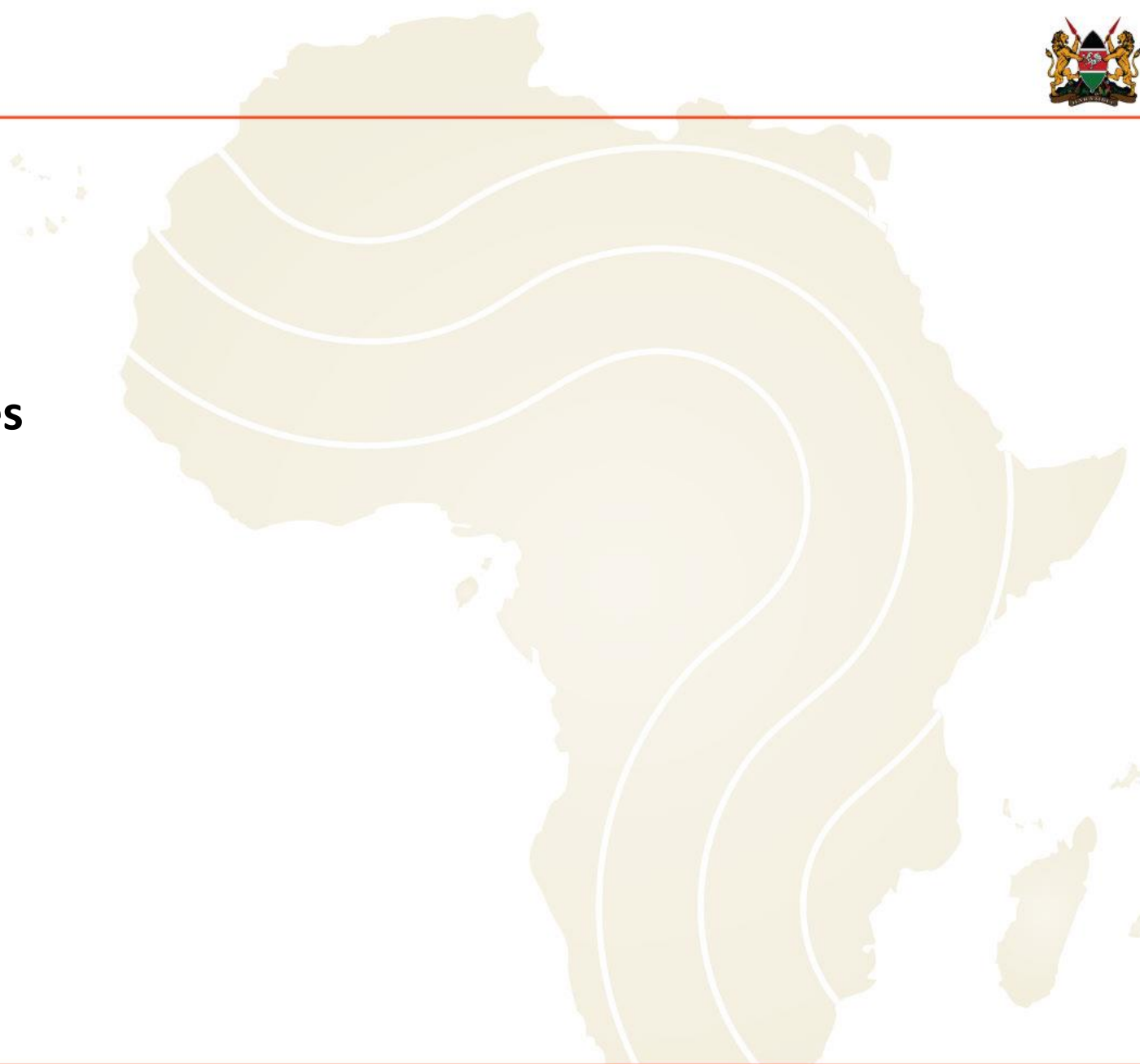
## AU-IBAR

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# Outline

- AU-IBAR Overview
- Veterinary Services: Key challenges
- Core areas for PPP Interventions
- AU-IBAR initiatives on PPPs
- The way forward



# AU-IBAR brief overview

## *Who we are?*

Specialized Technical Office of the AUC - under the Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Blue Economy and Sustainable Environment (DARBE)

## *VISION*

An Africa in which animal resources contribute significantly to the reduction of poverty and hunger

## *MISSION*

To provide leadership in the development of animal resources for Africa through supporting and empowering AU Member States and Regional Economic Communities.

## *MANDATE*

To support and coordinate the utilization of animals (livestock, fisheries and wildlife) as a resource for human wellbeing in the Member States of the African Union and to contribute to economic development.



# Core functions

Assist member states  
mainstreaming  
livestock in CAADP

Provide technical  
backstopping to MS  
and RECS

Formulation and  
Harmonization of  
Policies, Regulations  
and Guidelines

Facilitate formulation  
and adoption of  
Common Positions

Data Compilation,  
Analysis and  
Dissemination

Play Advocacy role

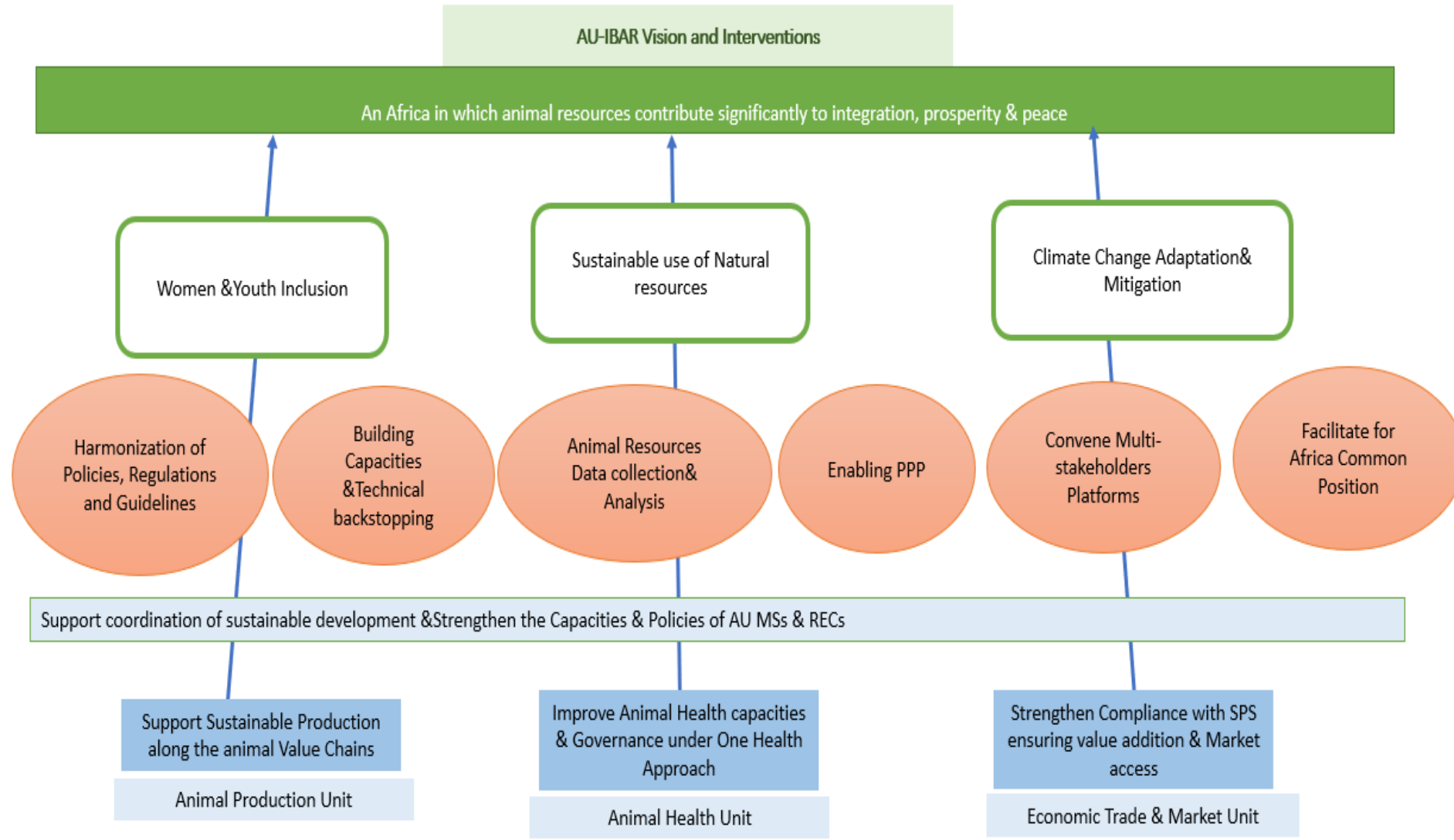
Partnerships to  
Identify Research and  
Training Priorities

Convene, co-ordinate  
and host Multi-  
Stakeholder Platforms  
to drive priorities

Emergency Support

Co-ordination of  
Animal resources  
Development

Facilitate Mutual  
Accountability



## Veterinary Services: key challenges

- The animal disease burden in Africa is huge;
- Example: estimated annual losses are between US\$ 1.4 and 2.1 billion worldwide with Africa bearing 40% of the losses.

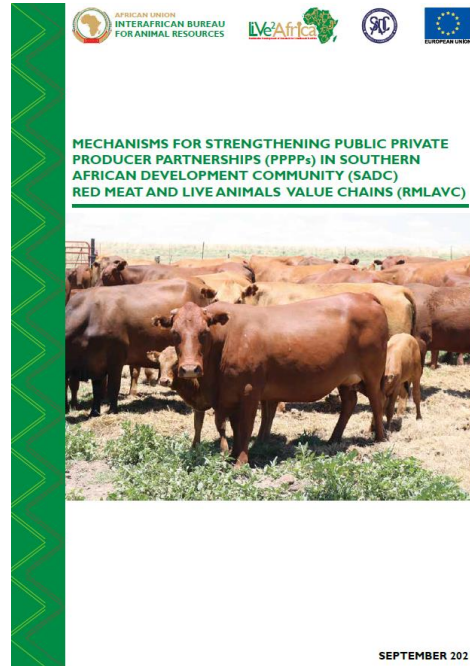
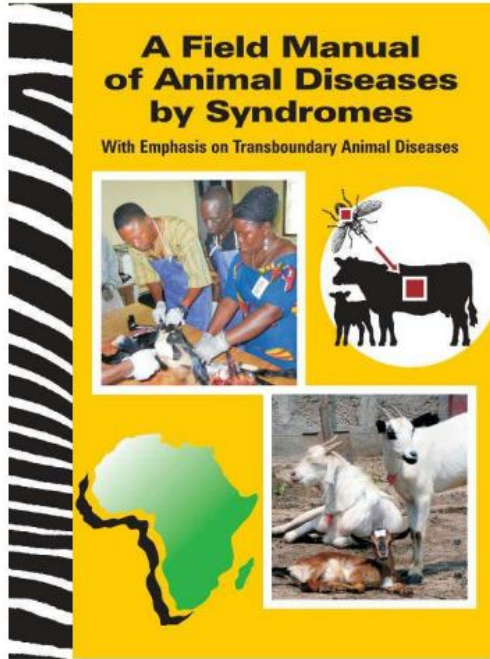
## Performance of Veterinary Services in Africa

- **PVS evaluation has revealed**- a lack of adequate data management systems, under-investment, insufficient regulatory frameworks, weak field services, poor laboratory systems, Inadequate Risk management systems, systems-surveillance systems, detection, preparedness and response
- **Most countries scored** below 3 in most of the Critical Competencies;
- **Continental policy objective** Strengthen veterinary governance, animal health and Animal Welfare systems and service delivery, aligned to Agenda 2063 and SDGs; CAADP/Malabo Declaration, AHSA and AWSA

## Core areas for PPP Interventions

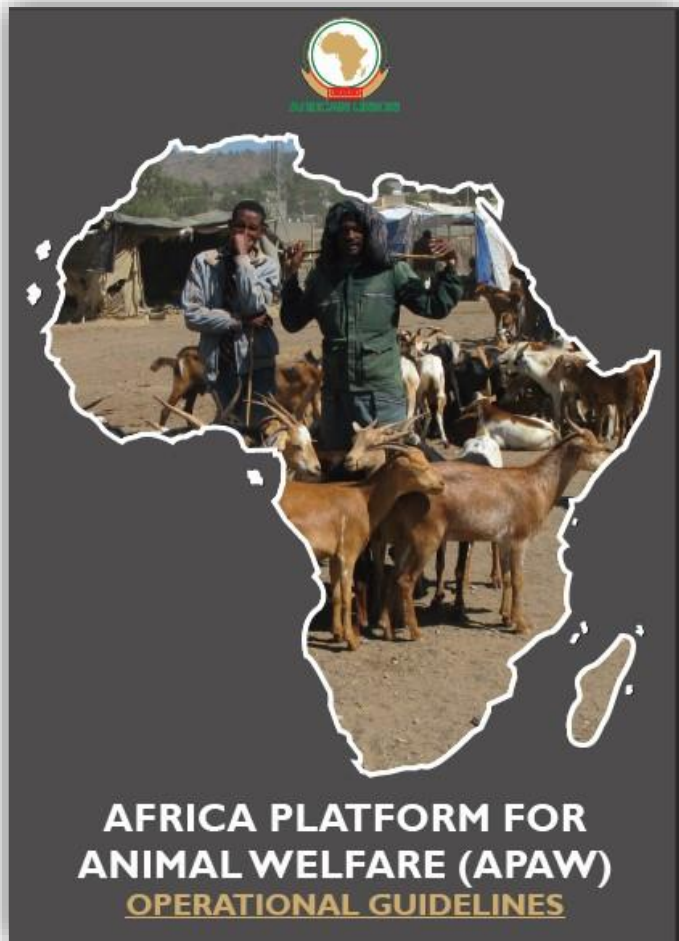
1. Disease Surveillance, Control and Response
2. Capacity development and building
3. Infrastructure development (e.g Laboratories, abattoirs etc)
4. Research and Development
5. Animal Welfare
6. Veterinary legislation and regulations

# AU-IBAR initiatives on PPPs



Capacity building for quarantine stakeholders for animal inspection, certification, and welfare as per WOA Code, Djibouti





**The Continental Animal Health Platform of Public and Private Actors involved in AH (CAHP-Africa): A tool for African Union (AU) to provide strategic engagement of Animal Health stakeholders.**

Coordination Committee for Animal Welfare in Africa (CCAWA) for **African Platform for Animal Welfare (APAW)**



### Project

European Union support to the Eradication of PPR (Peste des petits ruminants) from Africa

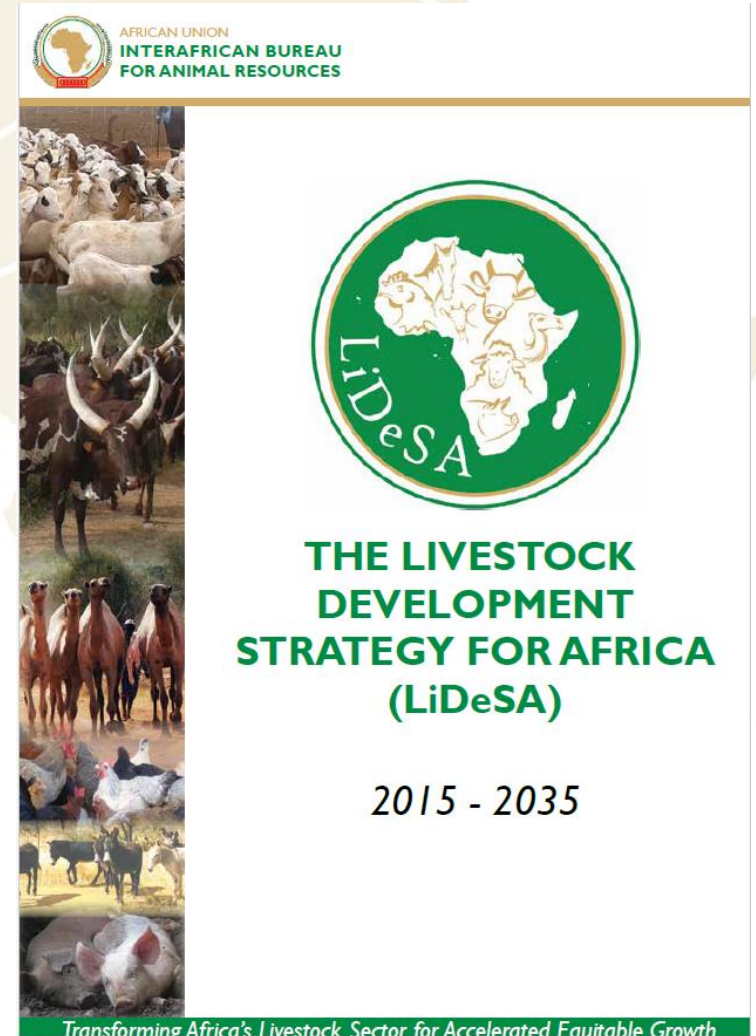


2024-2027

Flagship initiative that will promote PPP engagement for effective implementation for PPR Eradication

## AU-IBAR's initiatives with potential for high PPPs impacts across the veterinary domain

- Key areas with high PPP potential include:
  - ✓ Modernization of policies and legislations;
  - ✓ Development and modernization of animal health infrastructure;
  - ✓ Improved utilization of private veterinarians for public work through accreditation schemes/programmes (sanitary mandate);
  - ✓ Strengthening and harmonization of disease surveillance/detection systems;
  - ✓ Strengthening of laboratory systems;
  - ✓ building capabilities for enhancing compliance with sanitary standards (particularly key in the context of the AFCFTA)
  - ✓ Assuring the welfare of animals at farm level
  - ✓ Information management systems
  - ✓ Breeding programmes



# The way forward

- **Strengthen functional multisectoral coordination mechanisms** at national, regional and continental levels – leverage on building TRUST, ACCOUNTABILITY and TRANSPARENCY
- **Promote capacity building** of veterinary services, other sectors and community to better able develop and deploy risk management tools(actors are operating at different levels)
- **Strengthen enabling environment** covering legislation and regulation
- **Encourage resource mobilisation** for sustainability



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# Stakeholders' view on the Africa PPP Forum in the Veterinary Domain

Moderator: Dr Bouna Diop



# Panel Discussion Implementation



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# Panel Discussion

## Innovation, Sustainability and Investments



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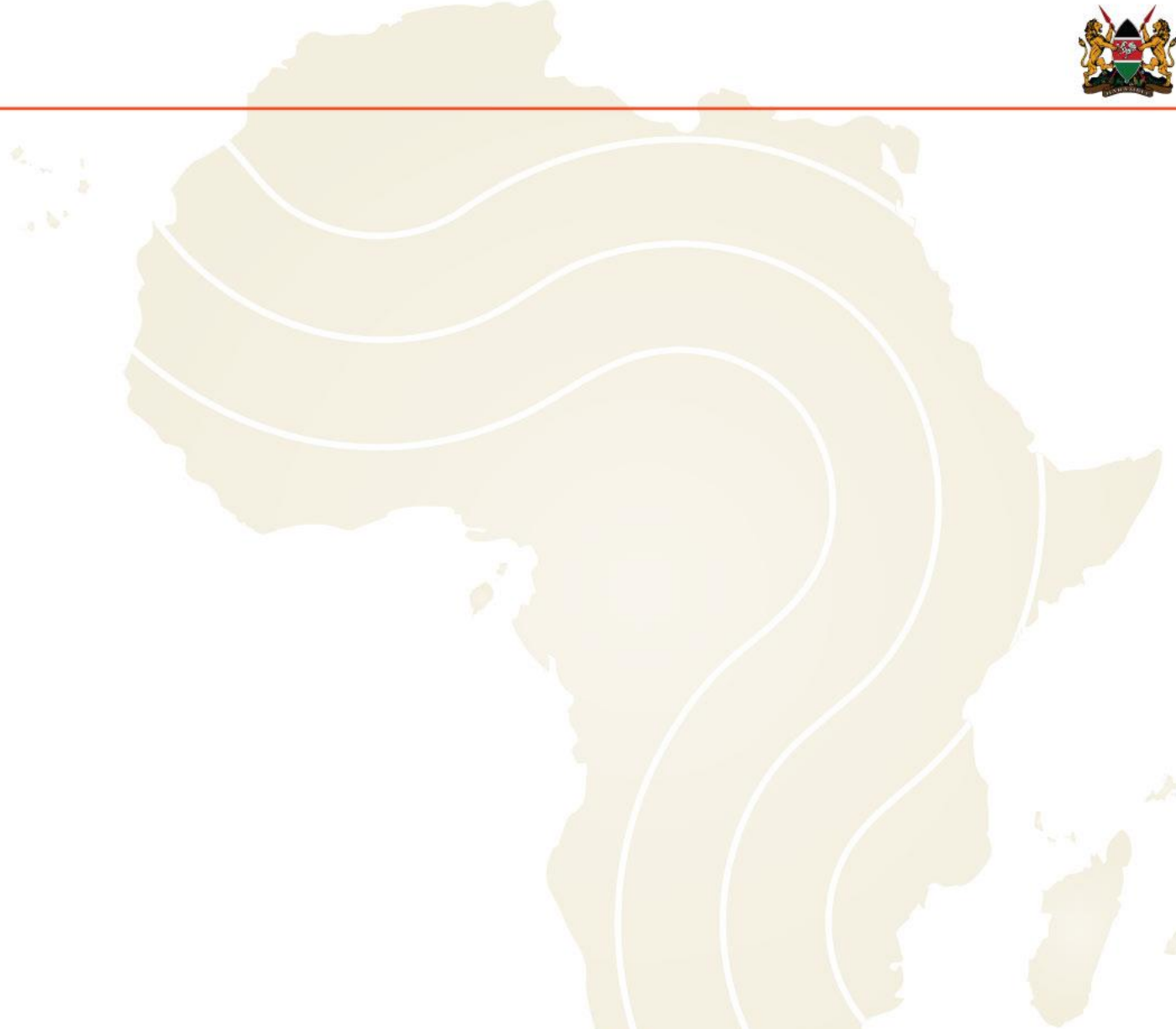


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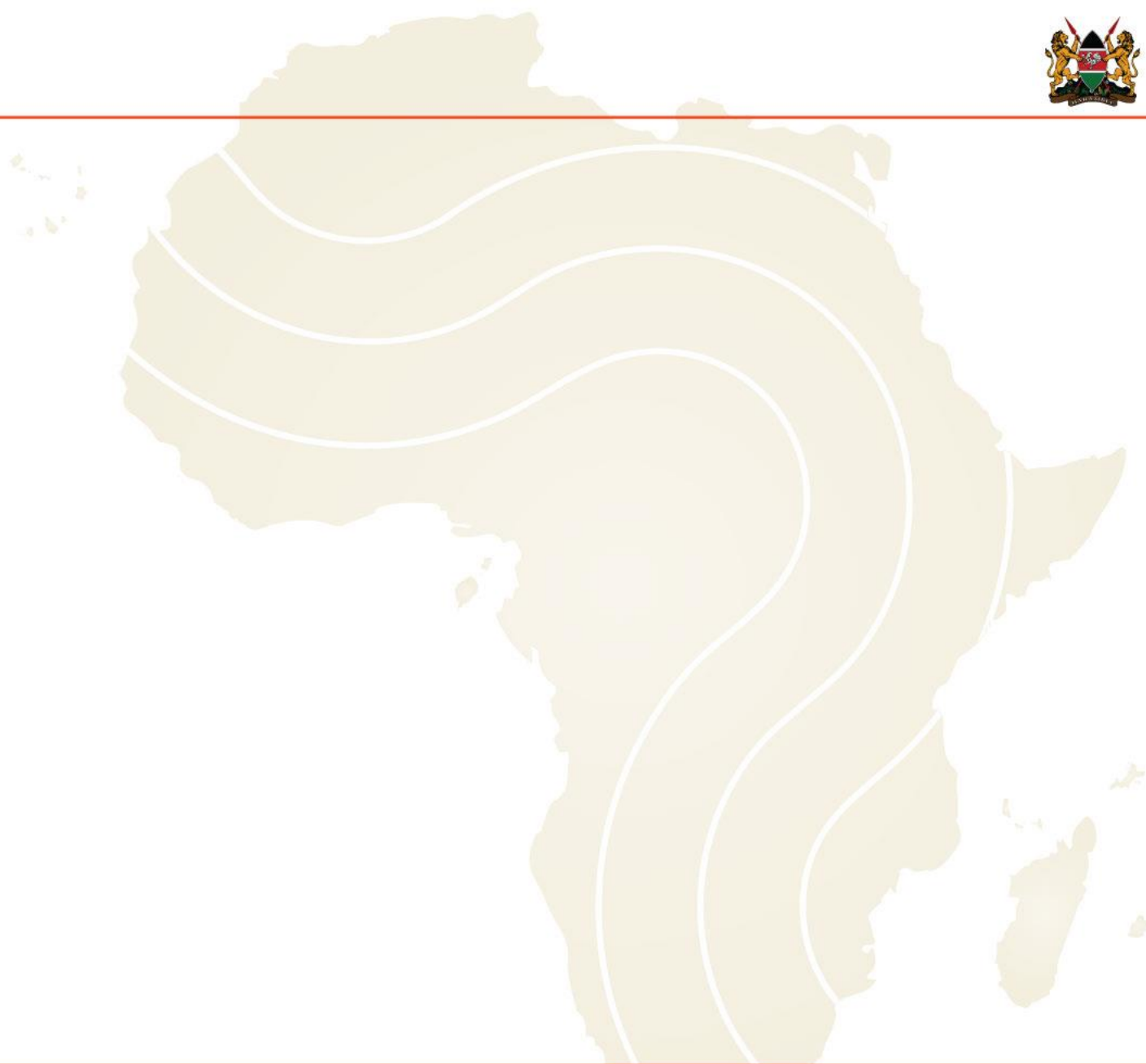


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# Inviting interested stakeholders to cocreate Operational plan

## In the Technical session

11:00-13:00

Impact	A3PF improved the quality of veterinary services for livestock producers in Africa by fostering collaboration between the public and private sectors. This led to the adoption of international animal health standards, enhancing market access and strengthening economies. It also built trust between governments and private partners, reduced business risks, and created investment opportunities while addressing gender inequality.				
Outcomes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Improved quality and reach of Veterinary Services services through strengthened partnerships</li> <li>2. Enhanced legislative and regulatory environment for public and private partnerships in the veterinary domain.</li> <li>3. Improved sustainability of PPP interventions due to stronger governance and legal frameworks.</li> <li>4. Increased regional and international trade in livestock and aquaculture products due to compliance with international standards</li> </ol>				
Outputs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop an Implementation Guide with templates for MoU, agreements, Standard Operating procedures, and best practices in PPP project development, implementation, and evaluation.</li> <li>• Facilitate legal and regulatory frameworks and development of guidelines for improved governance and management of PPPs implementing PPPs</li> <li>• Increased consultation and joint programs among public and private stakeholders, including representatives of smaller producers, regarding current and proposed policies and programmes, developments in animal health and food safety, and proposed interventions at the WOA, Codex Alimentarius Commission, WTO SPS Committee, etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a digital forum for networking</li> <li>• Provide an advocacy platform for increased awareness among policymakers and end beneficiaries, including farmers</li> <li>• Producers and other non-government stakeholders contribute resources and may lead the development and delivery of effective joint programmes with the VS.</li> <li>• Offer a Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (MEL) platform for the dissemination of knowledge and information products, including best practices and lessons learned from existing PPPs</li> </ul>			
Activities	<p>Stakeholder discussion and capacity building</p> <p>Annual meeting (1) and ten half-yearly thematic working group meetings (2x5)</p>	<p>Assessing enabling environment on policy and regulatory aspects in the veterinary domain across Africa sharing insights gained from WOA, AU-IBAR and their partner network</p>	<p>Assessing and monitoring the TWG's activities and evaluating the impact of A3PF is crucial for documenting efforts to attract investment and ensure sustainability.</p>	<p>Sensitising the international and continental financial institutions for greater investment in the veterinary domain in Africa in alignment with their plan for AfCFTA</p>	<p>Communicating and advocating for more political and financial interventions from public and private stakeholders in Africa</p>