



HARNESSING THE ENGAGEMENT OF VETERINARY SERVICES WITH PRIVATE SECTOR FOR COLLECTIVE ACTION AGAINST DOG-MEDIATED RABIES IN AFRICA

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BACKGROUND

- Rabies: still present in Africa, 100% preventable
- Thousands of human deaths each year, mostly dog-mediated
- Global strategy: "Zero human deaths by 2030"





Our One Health approach

- ACT TO LIVE: CSO committed to fighting zoonoses
- Focus: community engagement & education
- One Health = synergy humananimal-environment



"Ideas in action for a healthier world"





Public—Private Partnerships

- Government (Ministry of Livestock, regional delegations)
- Private veterinarians (field actors)
- NGOs & associations (social mobilization)
- → Collaboration is key to "Zero by 2030"





Nos actions / Our actions

- Vaccination campaigns (free/low cost, with State + private vets)
- Education of school communities (children as change agents)
- Awareness: local radio, social media, events
- Strengthening synergies between public & private services











Résultats & Impact / Results & Impact

- Increased vaccination coverage through synergy
- Fewer reported bite cases / better post-exposure management
- Stronger community engagement
- Networking of stakeholders





Défis / Challenges

- Limited financial resources
- Logistical difficulties (remote areas)
- Low awareness in some communities
- Limited integration of private data into national systems





Perspectives / Way forward

- Strengthen Public-Private partnerships
- Extend vaccination/ sensitization to remote areas
- Develop community digital tools (alerts, vaccination follow-up)
- Mobilize youth and women as One Health champions





Conclusion & Q/A / Conclusion & Échanges

• Thank you for your attention / Merci pour votre attention

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