

**WORLD TUBERCULOSIS DAY**  
**Webinar: Advancing the One Health approach for control of zoonotic tuberculosis in Africa on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**Time:** 12:00–13:30 Central European time, GMT+1 (Equivalent to 13:00–14:30 Central African Time GMT+2)

**Language:** English with French interpretation

**Moderator:** Dr Gregorio Torres, Head of the Science & Disease Management, WOA

| TIME (GMT+1) | DURATION               | SESSION   | CONTENT   | SPEAKERS  |
|--------------|------------------------|---|---|---|
| 12:00–12:05  | 5 mins                 | Opening   | Welcome address. Brief introduction to the webinar, overview of the agenda  | Prof Dissou Affolabi, National TB Programme coordinator of Benin and Head of the <i>WARN/CARN-TB network secretariat</i>  |
| 12:05–12:15  | 10 mins                | Gaps/Progress in the roadmap for zoonotic tuberculosis and challenges | Current situation & challenges faced in controlling zoonotic TB   | Dr Corinne Merle<br>World Health Organization – <i>Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases.</i>  |
| 12:15–12:25  | 10 mins                | WOAH Strategies for control of bovine tuberculosis                    | Tools for endemic countries, Guidelines for control of MTBC infection in livestock  | Dr Monal Ajit Daptardar<br><i>Scientific Coordinator WOA</i>  |
| 12:25–12:55  | 30 mins (10 mins each) | 1- Madagascar<br>2- Algeria<br>3- Ethiopia                            | Country Perspectives focusing on needs and next steps   | Dr Joelle RAZAFIMAHEFA,<br><i>Faculté de Médecine Fianarantsoa, Madagascar</i><br><br>Dr Maamar Khames <i>Université de Médéa : Médéa, Algérie</i><br><br>Dr. Getnet Mekonnen, <i>Deputy Director General, Ethiopian Animal Health Institute, Ministry of Agriculture, Ethiopia</i> |
| 12:55–13:15  | 15 mins                | Q & A – Interactive discussion on how to scale up                     | Open round of discussion  | All Speakers  |
| 13:15–13:25  | 10 mins                | How do countries build a Business Case for investment in ZTB.         | From a donor's perspective. How to catalyse investment towards the implementation of ZTB Roadmap – towards a compelling business case | Dr Nick Juleff<br><i>Deputy Director Gates Foundation</i>   |
| 13:25–13:30  | 5 mins                 | Closing Remarks   | Takeaway messages   | Dr Baba Soumare<br><i>Deputy Director General - Global Framework and Capacity Building, WOA</i>   |