

**Regional Training Workshop on
WOAH Procedures for Official Status Recognition,
Endorsement of Official Control Programmes and their
Maintenance with regard to
Contagious Bovine Pleuropneumonia (CBPP)**

30 March – 1 April 2026, Lusaka, Zambia



Workshop Objectives

Regional Training Workshop on WOAH Procedures for Official Status Recognition, Endorsement of Official Control Programmes and their Maintenance with regard to Contagious Bovine Pleuropneumonia (CBPP)

30 March – 1 April 2026, Lusaka, Zambia

Caesar Lubaba

Programme Officer (Trade in animal commodities and regional implementation of SPS measures)

Sub-Regional Representation for Southern Africa



Workshop Objective

1. Build capacity for application preparation

- Strengthen competencies in preparing dossiers for official recognition of CBPP-free status or endorsement of control programmes
- Improve the quality, completeness, and compliance of submitted documentation with WOAAH standards
 - many applications are delayed/rejected due to incomplete or inconsistent data.
 - Countries must present robust, evidence-based dossiers aligned with WOAAH requirements.

Workshop Objective

2. Clarify WOAHA requirements and procedures

- Explain the criteria outlined in the WOAHA Terrestrial Animal Health Code for CBPP status and programme endorsement
- Describe procedures for application submission, evaluation by WOAHA, and maintenance of official status
 - understanding both the technical standards and procedures for submission is critical
 - It is important to have ongoing compliance after recognition—not just achieving status.



Workshop Objective

3. Define Members' roles and responsibilities

- Clarify the responsibilities of Veterinary Services in data collection, validation, and reporting
- Reinforce obligations regarding transparency, timely reporting, and engagement with WOAHA
 - Successful applications depend on strong institutional coordination.
 - Veterinary Authorities must lead, but collaboration with laboratories and field services is essential.



Workshop Objective

4. Strengthen regional collaboration

- Promote coordination of cross-border surveillance and CBPP control strategies
- Encourage exchange of information, best practices, and harmonized approaches among Members
 - CBPP does not respect borders, so regional cooperation is very important.
 - Countries must think beyond national efforts and consider joint strategies.

Workshop Objective

5. Provide technical tools and resources

- Introduce WOAHA guidelines, templates, and tools for dossier preparation and self-assessment
- Facilitate access to technical expertise in dossier preparation
 - WOAHA provides a range of practical tools that are often underutilized.
 - This workshop aims to make these tools accessible and usable.



Workshop Objective

6. Facilitate experience sharing

- Provide a platform for Members to present experiences in CBPP status recognition or programme endorsement
- Encourage peer-to-peer learning through discussion of challenges, lessons learned, and good practices
- Real-world experiences often provide the most valuable insights for improving future applications.

