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Why the 8th Strategic Plan Matters for GF-TADs Africa

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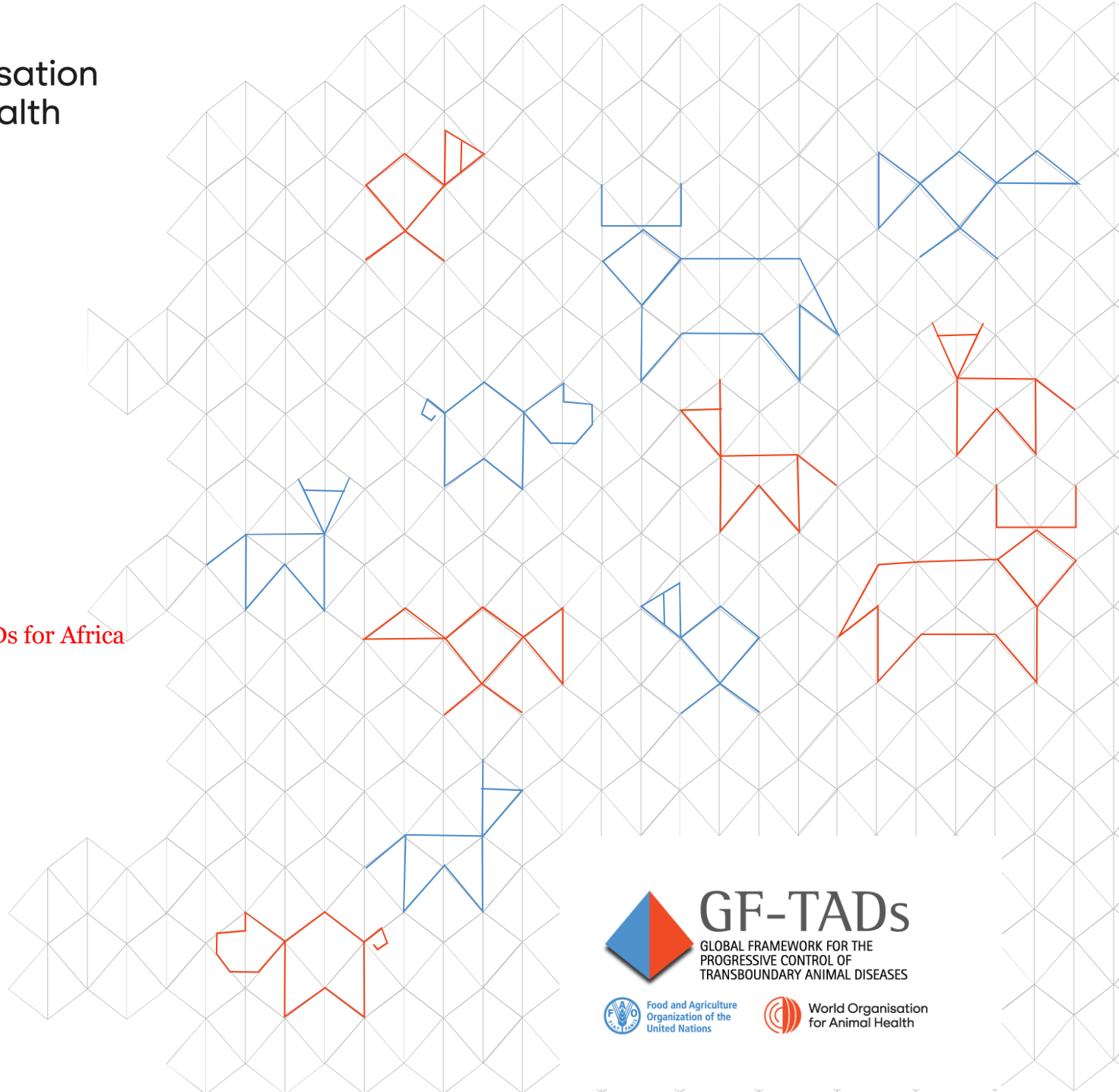

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- Strategy adopted at the 93rd General Session for the period 2027-2031
- Commitment to strengthen structure and transparency in monitoring and implementation
- To be implemented through WOAH annual global roadmaps and Regional Workplan Frameworks, developed through Regional Commissions
- Structured monitoring at all levels, to ensure accountability and enable the tracking of measurable progress

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OUR VISION

A world with strong animal health systems, recognised as critical to tackling global challenges and ensuring a better future for all.

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MISSION AND GUIDING PRINCIPLES

To improve animal health and welfare by developing global standards, strengthening animal health systems, and positioning animal health as central to tackling global challenges.

Through agile and inclusive leadership guided by scientific excellence, good governance and transparency, innovation, solidarity and collaboration.

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The 8th Strategic Plan: 3 Strategic Orientations

STRATEGIC ORIENTATION ONE

Develop global standards, adaptable and applicable to all Members.

How WOAH continues to reinforce standard-setting and the scientific evidence that underpins it.

STRATEGIC ORIENTATION TWO

Empower Members to build robust animal health and welfare systems and strengthen veterinary public health.

How WOAH empowers Members to apply standards effectively to strengthen their animal health systems.

STRATEGIC ORIENTATION THREE

Position animal health as central to tackling global challenges.

How WOAH increases visibility and resource mobilisation for animal health.

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The 8th Strategic Plan: 4 Strategic Enablers

ENABLER ONE

Governance and partnerships for scientific robustness and sustainability.

ENABLER TWO

Leadership in animal health data.

ENABLER THREE

People at the heart of WOAH.

ENABLER FOUR

Performance and accountability.

Enablers describe how WOAH will strengthen essential foundations.

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The WOAH 8th Strategic Plan provides a strategic framework to strengthen national, regional and global animal health systems, which remain the cornerstone of TAD prevention, detection and control.

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Alignment Between WOAH 8SP and the FAO GPP-TAD Initiative

A table linking WOAH Strategic Orientations to GF - TADs objectives	
WOAH 8SP	**Contribution to GF-TADs and Global Strategy**
Strategic Orientation 1: *Develop Standards*	Harmonised standards and risk-based disease control
Strategic Orientation 2: *strengthen animal & public health systems*	Capacity development, surveillance and preparedness
Strategic Orientation 3: visibility and resource mobilisation	Advocacy and sustainable financing for disease control
Enabler 2: *Animal health data*	Animal health data, analytics and epidemic intelligence
Enabler 1: *Governance & Partnerships*	Partnerships and multisectoral coordination

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One Health Quadripartite Priority Diseases

Animal health systems are at the centre of One Health.

The Quadripartite collaboration between:

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UN environment programme

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Recognises that many high-impact disease threats emerge at the human-animal-environment interface.

Current priority areas include:	
Rift Valley fever	Rabies
Brucellosis	Anthrax
Emerging zoonotic coronaviruses	Antimicrobial resistance (AMR)
Avian Influenza of high pathogenicity (HPAI)	

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Africa has a unique opportunity to align three major agendas:

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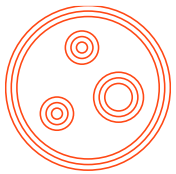
By aligning these frameworks, Members can:



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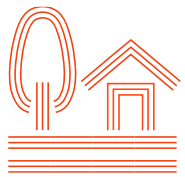
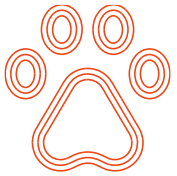


Improve resource mobilisation.



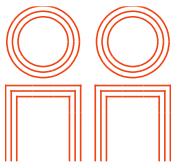
Strengthen regional collaboration.



Improve preparedness for emerging diseases



Accelerate progress towards PPR eradication



Strengthen resilience of livestock systems and livelihoods

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