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**“OIE Activities to Support Good Veterinary Governance
(Performance of Veterinary Services, Legislation, Veterinary
Education, Veterinary regulation, etc..”**

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Background Information

World organisation for Animal Health (OIE)

Background Information (evolution/history)



- Formed in 1924 as the *Office International des Epizooties* (OIE) – to fight TADs (Rinderpest)
- In 2003 became the World Organisation for Animal Health, but retained acronym “OIE”
- Responsible for Animal Health, Welfare and Veterinary Public Health – sets science based Standards for these
- Recognised by the WTO as a reference body for this mandate
- Currently 181 member countries (represented by their Directors of Veterinary Services – OIE Delegate)
- Operates through a network of Regional/Sub-Regional Offices & Reference Centres (= Ref Labs + Collaborating Centres)

Background Information (181 MC)



Certain countries belong to more than one region

Background Information – the OIE Delegate

APPOINTED

by the national government

Most often, the country's Chief Veterinary Officer

FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Adopting international veterinary standards
- Notifying to the OIE of the national animal disease situation
- National representative with international status

Background Information

National Focal Points



APPOINTED by the Delegate

for each of the following 8 areas:

Animal diseases

Wildlife

Animal disease notification

Veterinary products

Communication

Animal welfare

Animal production food
safety

Veterinary Laboratories

Background Information

National Focal Points



ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- **Assist the Delegate to**
 - carry out its diverse responsibilities
 - liaise with areas even not under the delegate's responsibility
- **Technical contact points** with the OIE regional offices and headquarters
 - Under the authority of the Delegate
- **Information exchange** and international **networking**

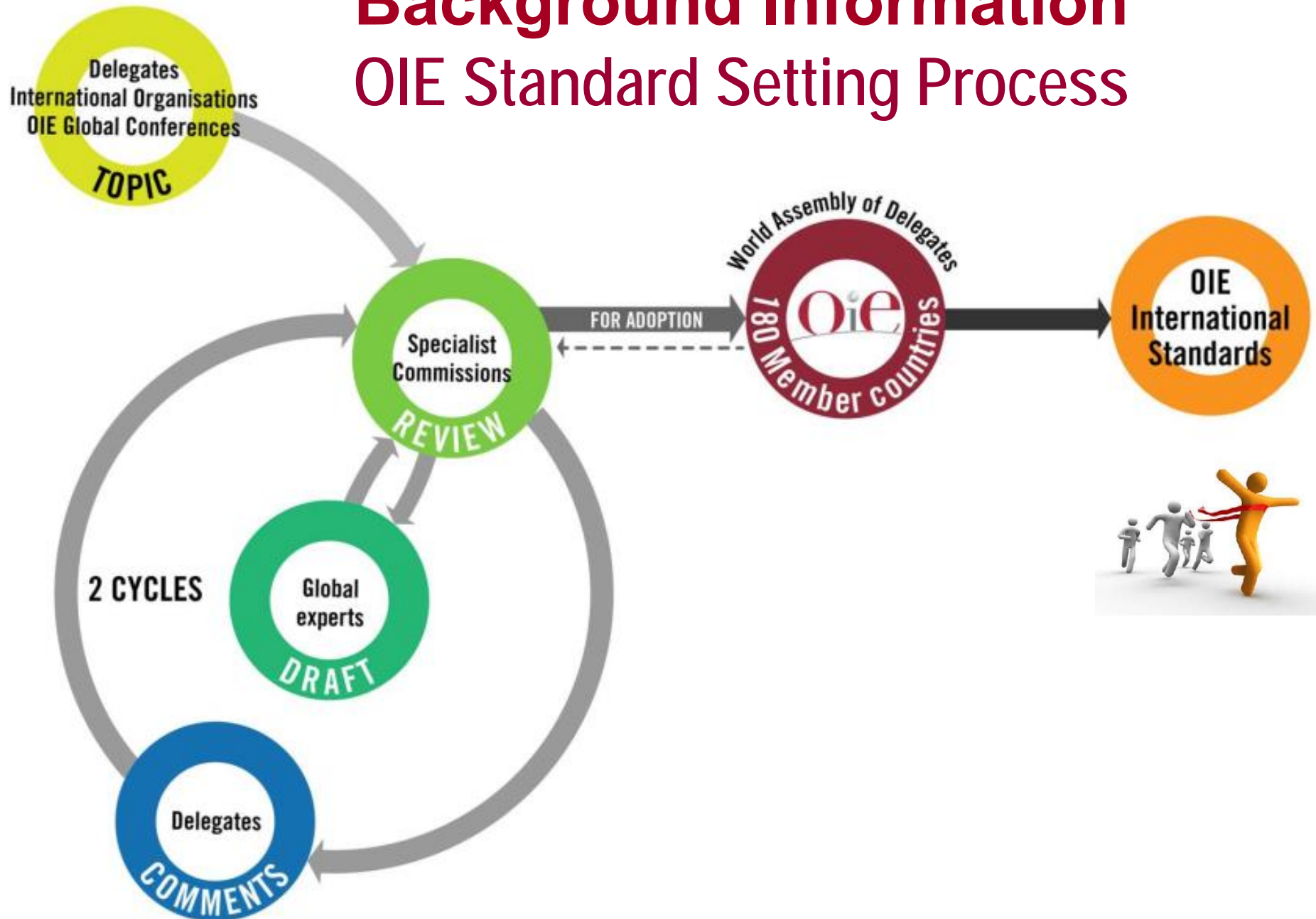
Background Information

OIE Mandate



- Responsible for setting science based Standards on;
 - Animal health
 - Animal welfare
 - Veterinary public health (including zoonosis)
- Delivered through National Veterinary Services (VS)
- VS need to be of good quality & integrity (good Veterinary Governance, VG)
- OIE Support to Member Country VS to achieve good VG.

Background Information OIE Standard Setting Process



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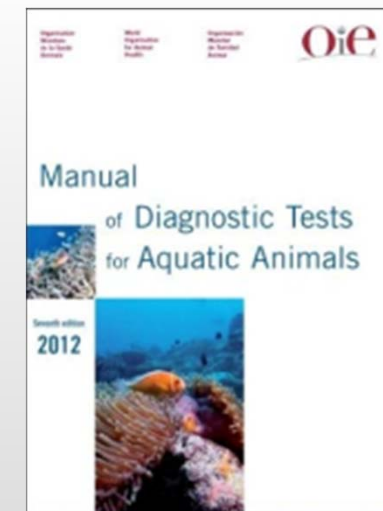
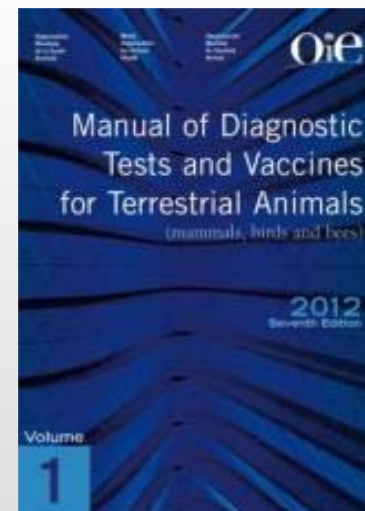
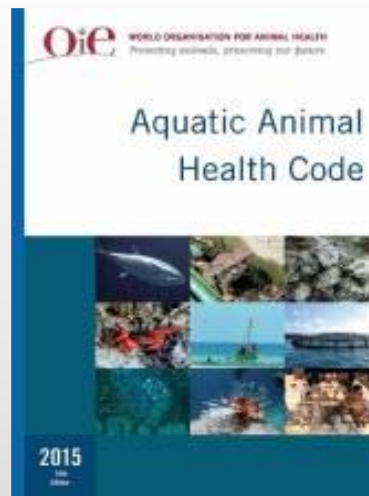
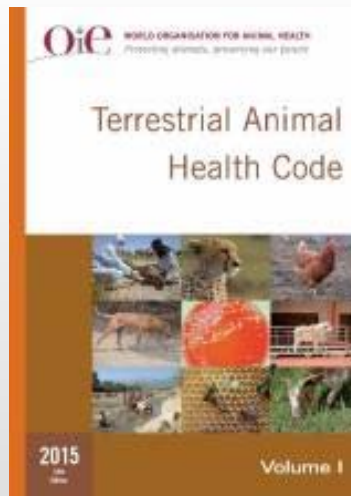
OIE Standards

CODES

- Terrestrial
- Aquatic

MANUALS

- Terrestrial
- Aquatic



Codes and Manuals available on the OIE website www.oie.int

Not to be used as a textbook

OIE Support to VS (Training)

OIE Support to VS - (Training)



- OIE Delegates
- Focal points
 - FP for Vet. Medicinal Products (5th cycle)
 - Vet Laboratories (4th cycle)
 - Disease notification
 - Wildlife, etc...
- Other key persons (experts) identified by the Delegate

OIE Support to VS - (Training)



Focal Points for VMP training (4th cycle) in Entebbe, Uganda



Training on the preparations of dossiers for application for diseases freedom application

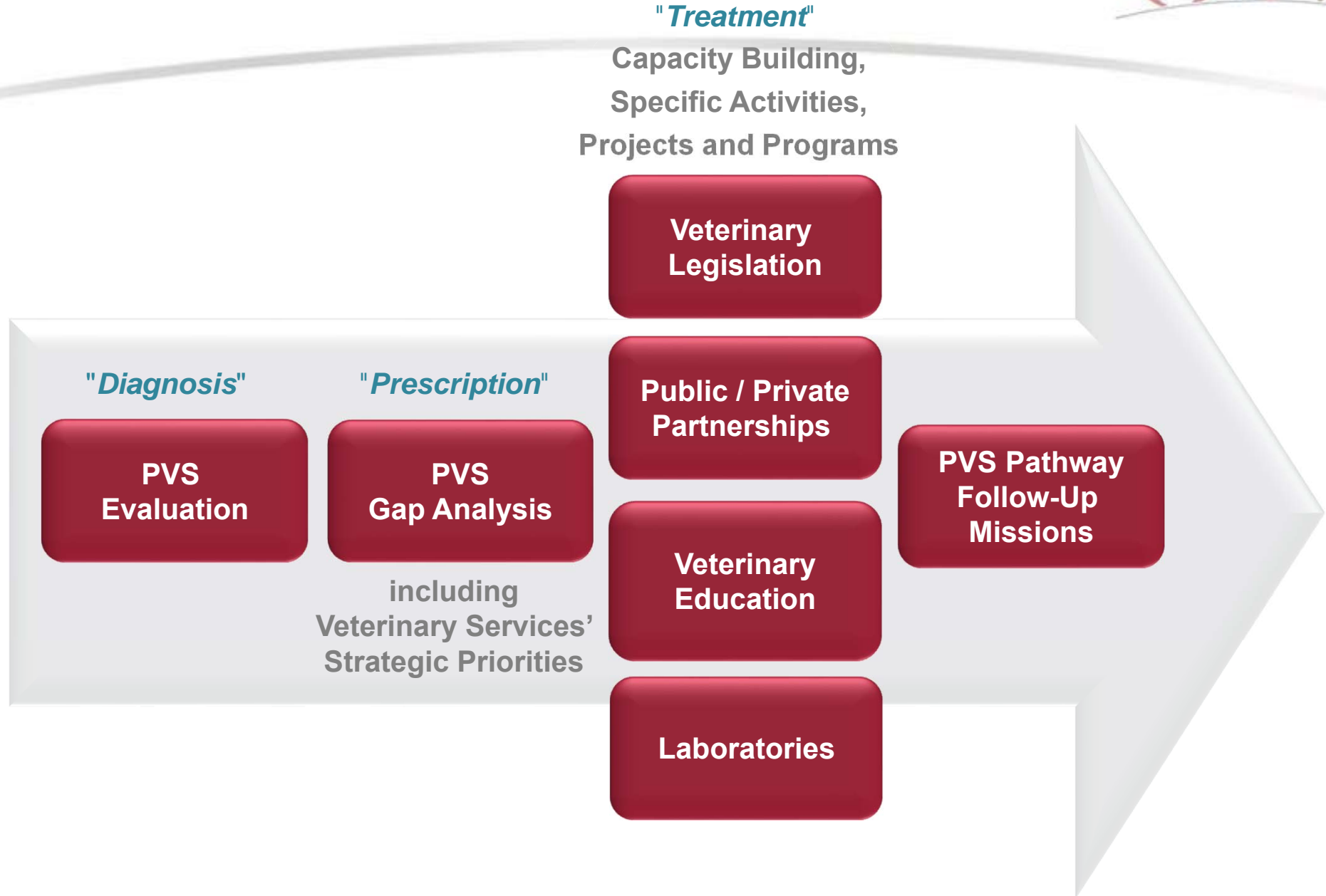


OIE Support to VS (PVS Evaluation)

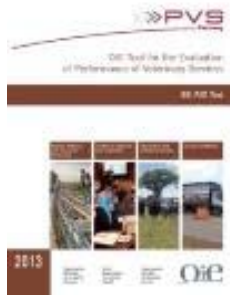
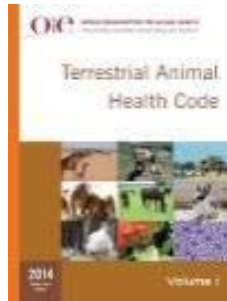
PVS Evaluation

- > A **qualitative assessment** of a national Veterinary Services' performance and their compliance with the OIE international standards on the quality of Veterinary Services
- > The PVS Evaluations help raise awareness and improve the understanding of all sectors including other administrations regarding the fundamental components and critical competencies that these services must have in order to function effectively

The PVS Pathway

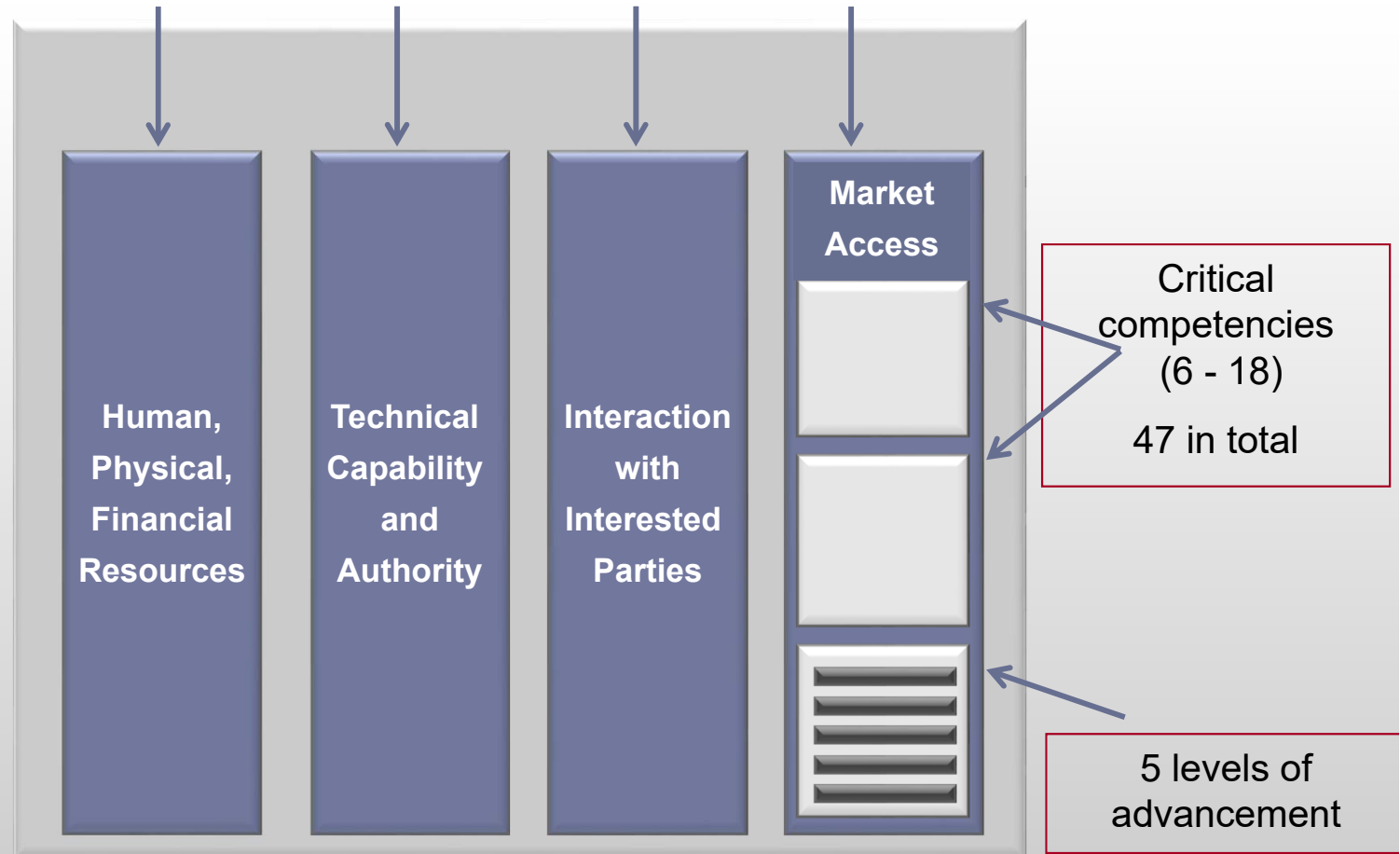


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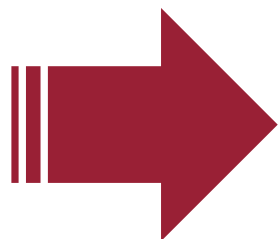
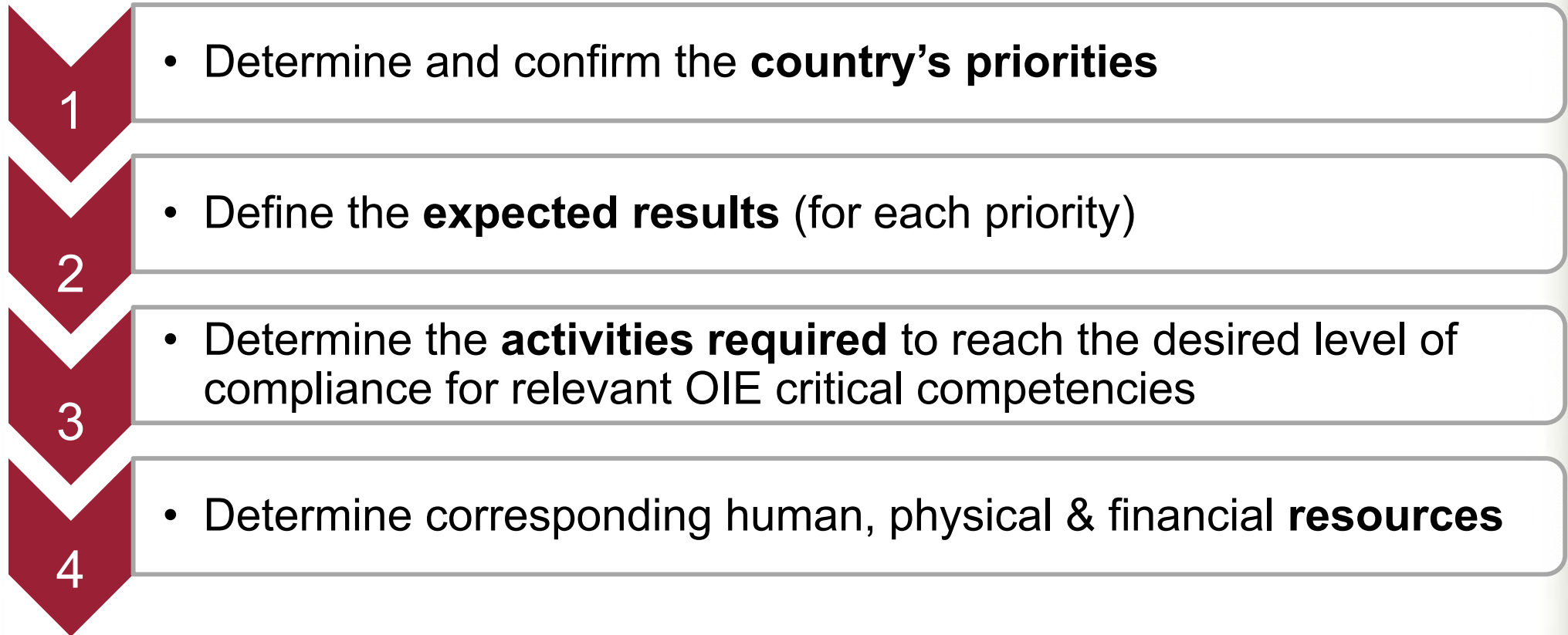


Section 3 Quality of Veterinary Services

4 fundamental components



PVS Gap Analysis (PVS Costing Tool)



Veterinary Services Annual budget for the next 5 years (including extraordinary investments)
↔ Cost of compliance

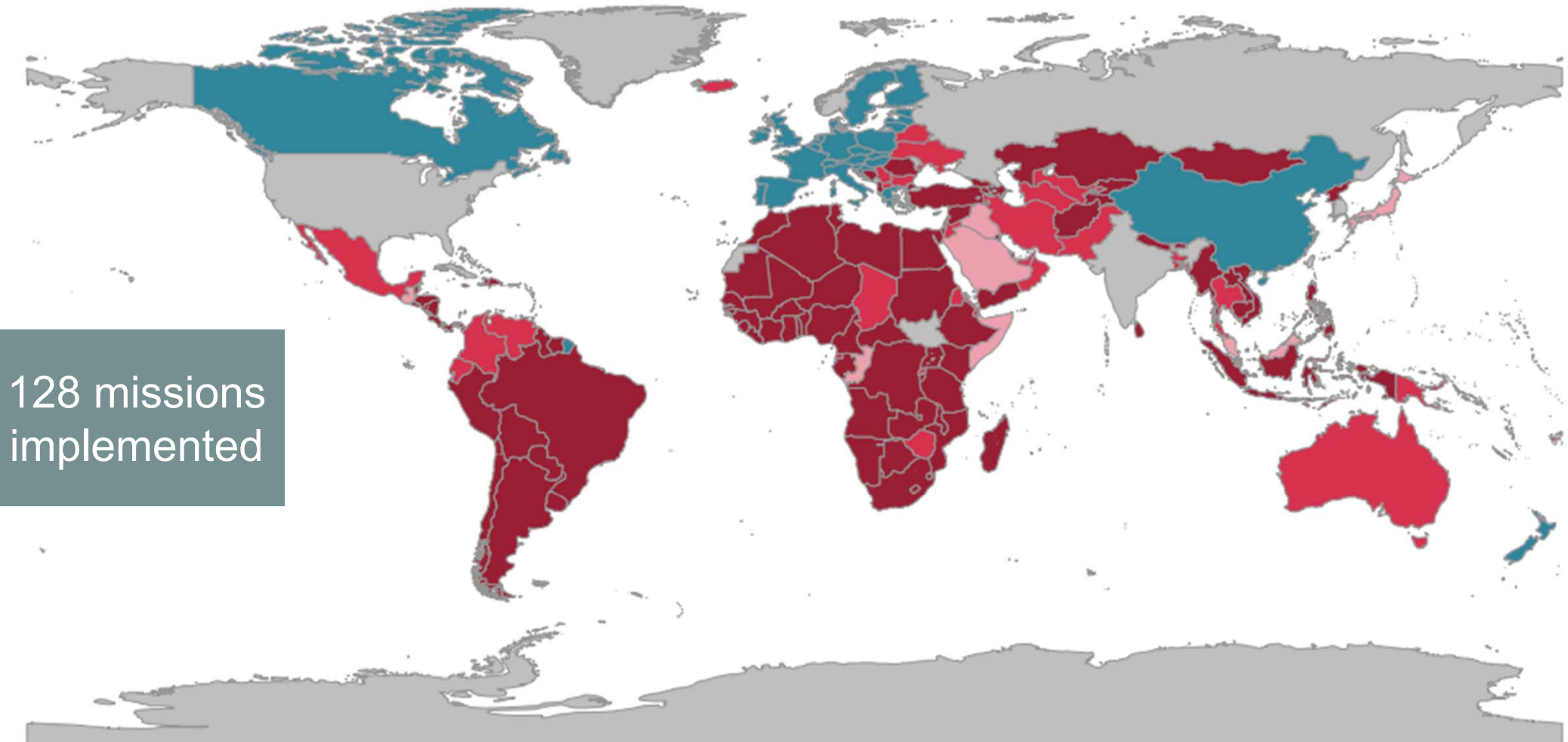
- > In numerous countries, veterinary legislation is outdated and inadequate
- > Any Member that has undertaken an OIE PVS Evaluation may request a mission dedicated to the supply of advice and assistance in modernising the national veterinary legislation
- > **Chapter 3.4** of the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code provides the essential elements on veterinary legislation

PVS Evaluation Follow-Up Missions



- > Conducted every 3 to 5 years, this mission measures the progress that countries have made during the implementation of the PVS Pathway in sustainably improving their compliance with the OIE's standards on quality
- > It assesses and monitors progress

PVS evaluation missions



128 missions implemented

Mission requested

Mission completed

Report Available

Specific approach

OIE PVS Gap Analysis



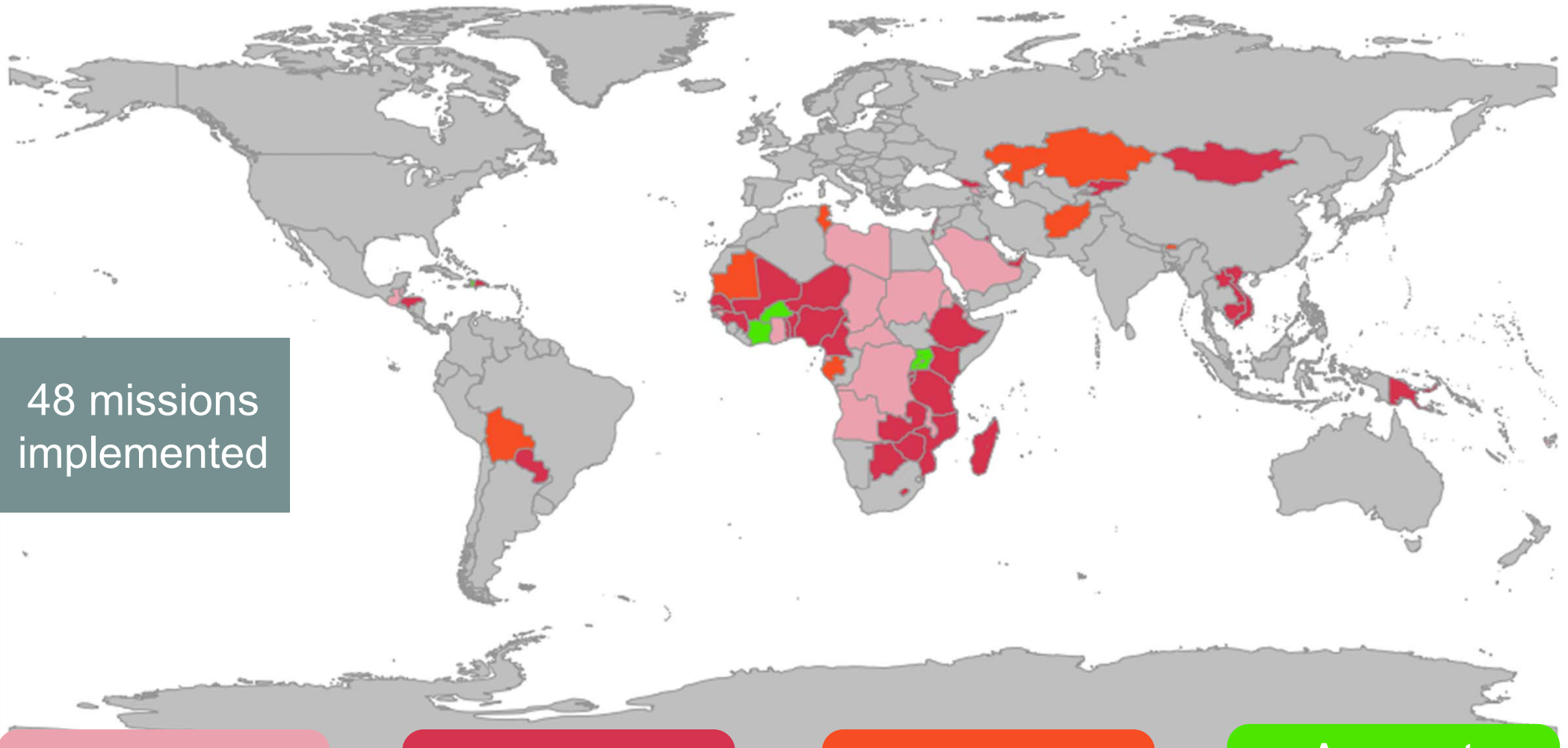
80 missions implemented

Mission requested

Mission completed

Report Available

PVS Veterinary legislation programme



48 missions implemented

Identification mission requested

Identification mission done

Agreement Preparatory phase

Agreement Implementation phase

Recommendations from past OIE Conferences: OIE Global Conference on Veterinary Legislation Djerba, Tunisia December 2010



Global PVS diagnosis

- > Inadequate chain of command
- > Inadequate budget
- > Unsuitable veterinary legislation
- > Absence or lack of control over veterinary para-professionals
- > Weak emergency preparedness and response
- > Surveillance and laboratory network under-performing
- > Weak control on veterinary products
- > Need to collaborate with other relevant stakeholders

OIE Support to VS (Veterinary Education)

OIE support to VS to improve VG (Veterinary Education)

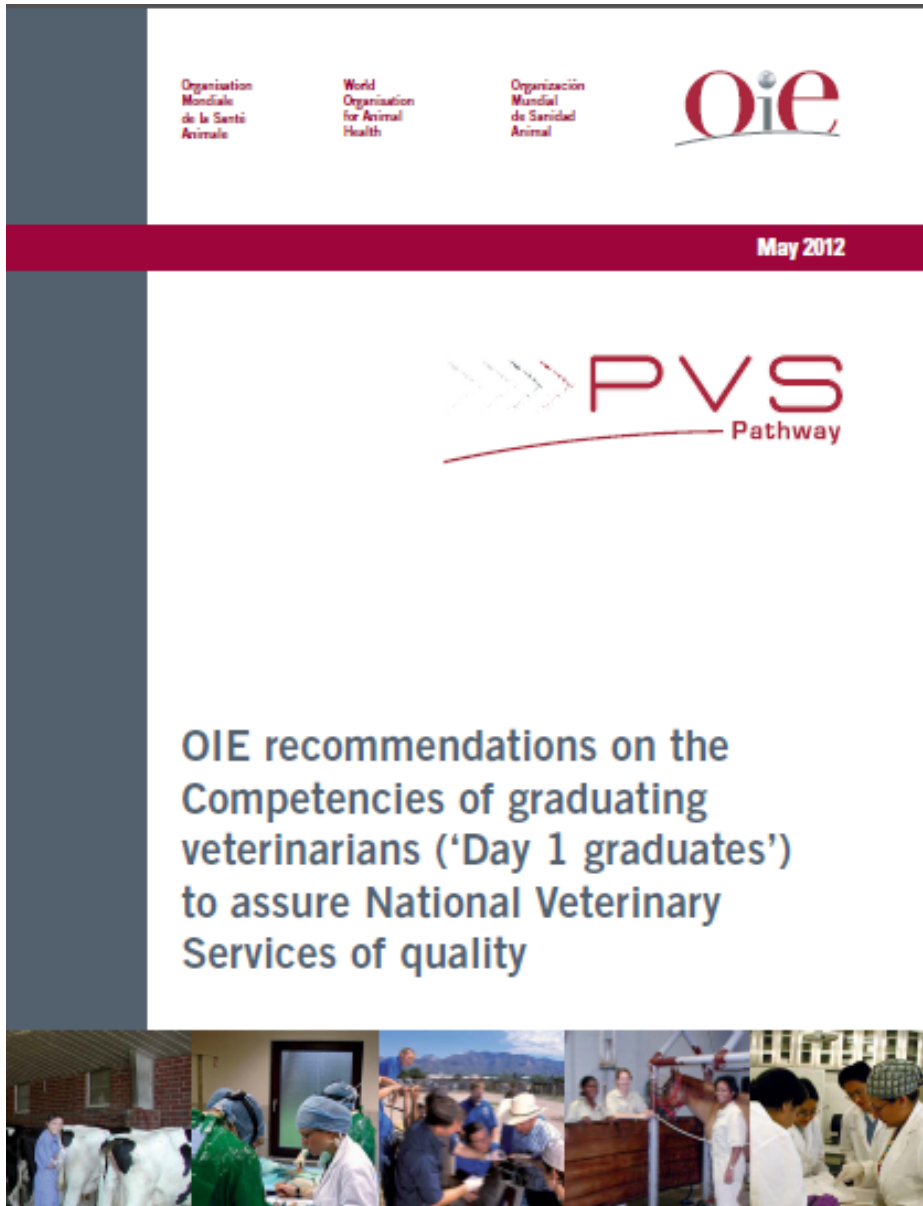


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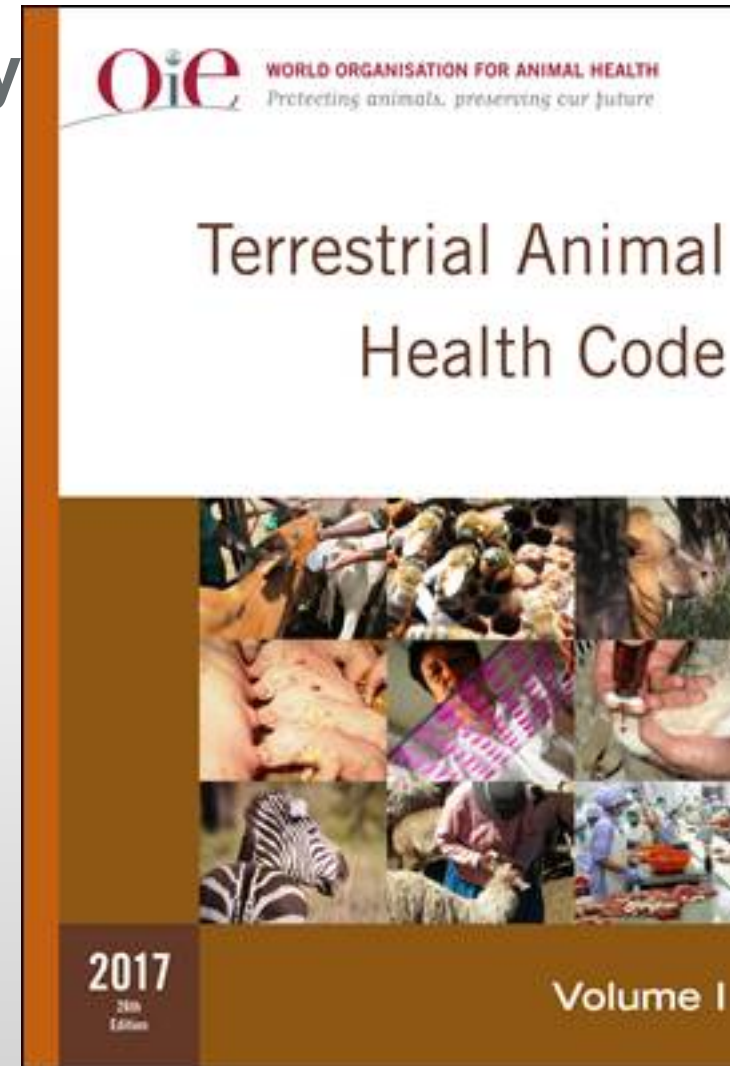
4th OIE Global Conference on Veterinary Education - Bangkok, Thailand June 2016



OIE Support to VS (Veterinary Regulation)

OIE standards applicable to VSBs

- **Definition-Veterinary statutory body** means *an autonomous regulatory body for veterinarians and veterinary paraprofessionals.*
- **CHAPTER 3.2. – Evaluation of Vet. Services (esp. - Article 3.2.12.)**
- **CHAPTER 3.4. – Veterinary Legislation (esp. - Article 3.4.6.)**



OIE standards applicable to VSBs

CHAPTER 3.2. (Article 3.2.12) - Evaluation of the VSB for;

- 1) Scope
- 2) objectives and functions
- 3) legislative basis, autonomy and functional capacity
- 4) composition
- 5) accountability and transparency of decision-making
- 6) training programmes and programmes for continuing professional development, for Vets & VPPs
- 7) financial sources and financial management
- 8) mechanisms for coordination between Veterinary Authority and VSB

OIE support to VS to improve VG (Veterinary Regulation): OIE Regional Conference on the role of Veterinary Statutory Bodies Bamako, Mali April 2011



OIE support to VS to improve VG (Veterinary Regulation): 3rd OIE Global Conference on Vet. Education and the role of VSB Foz do Iguaço, Brasil December 2013



OIE support to VS to improve VG (Veterinary Regulation):



Left to right : participants from Namibia, Mozambique, Mauritius and Malawi. Picture © P. Bastiaensen (oie) 2017.

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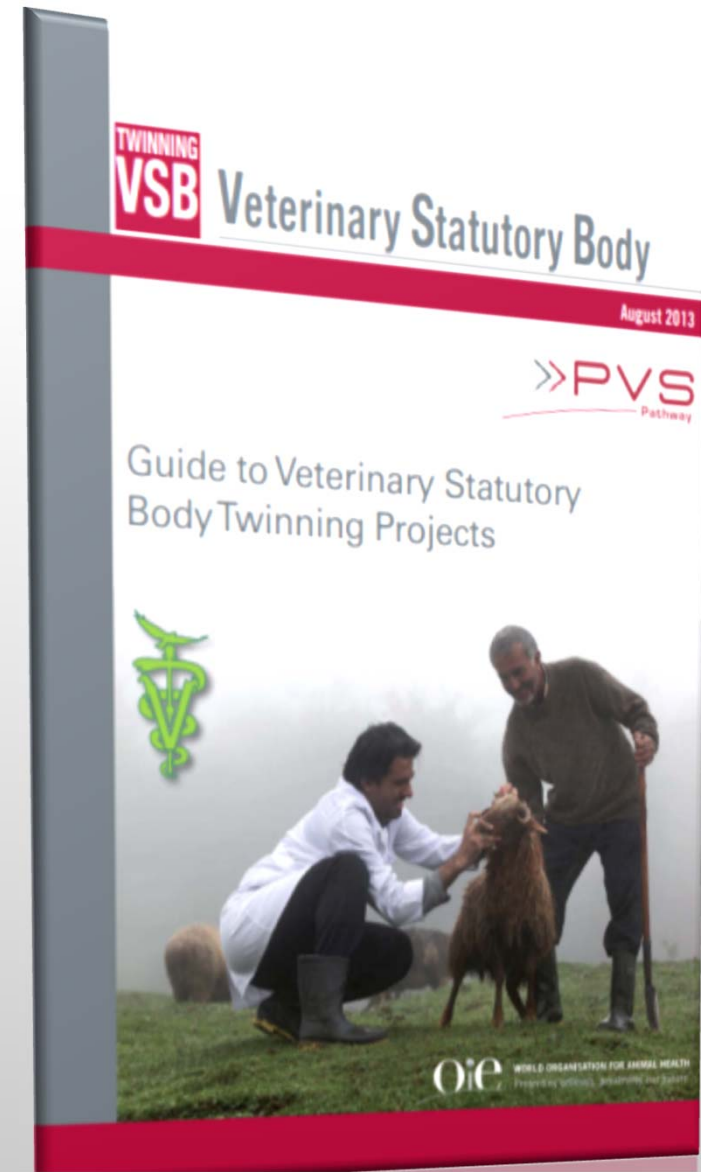
OIE - GALVmed Regional Conference on the role of VPP in Africa, Irene, South Africa
October 2015



OIE support to VS to improve VG (Veterinary Regulation) Twinning agreements between VSBs

Guide to Veterinary Statutory Body Twinning projects

- Undertaken by a well-established VSB (the 'Parent') and a beneficiary VSB (the 'Beneficiary') to build institutional capacity in compliance with the Code;
- If eligible, projects may be funded through the OIE or endorsed by the OIE without receiving funding from OIE.



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- **Ongoing** - Conseil National de l'Ordres des Vétérinaires (France) - Russian Veterinary Association (Russia)
- **Approved - South African Veterinary Council - Veterinary Council of Tanzania**
- **Expression of Interest** –
 - Polish National Veterinary Chamber – Kyrgyz Veterinary Statutory Body (Kyrgyzstan);
 - Federazione Nazionale Ordini Veterinari Italiani - Consejo Científico Veterinario, Cuba;
 - Ethiopian Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries – *Parent yet to be formally identified, to establish VSB;*
 - Ordre National des Médecins Vétérinaires du Togo – *Parent vet to be formally identified.*

Conclusion

- Veterinary Governance is crucial to the delivery of quality veterinary services
- Member countries should uphold good veterinary practices
- The OIE will continue to assist MC in this regard

Thank you for your attention



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