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Terms of Reference for OIE Focal Points on Wildlife and recommended skills

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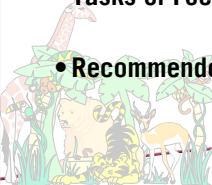

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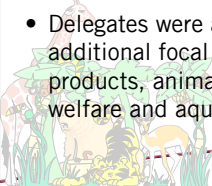

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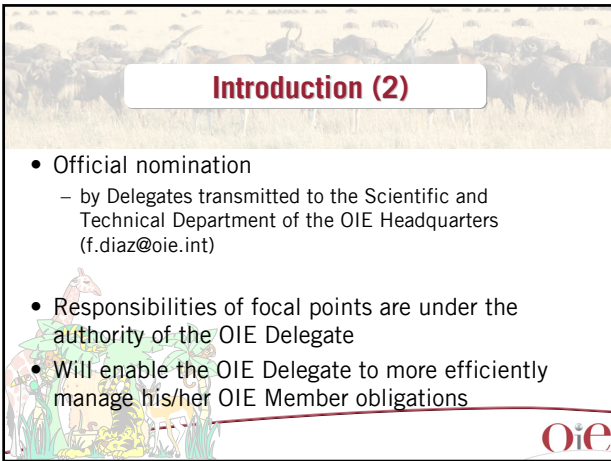





Introduction (1)


- During the 76th General Session in May 2008 the importance of the focal point for information on animal diseases was re-iterated.
- Delegates were also requested to nominate additional focal points for **wildlife**, veterinary products, animal production, food safety, animal welfare and aquatic animal diseases.

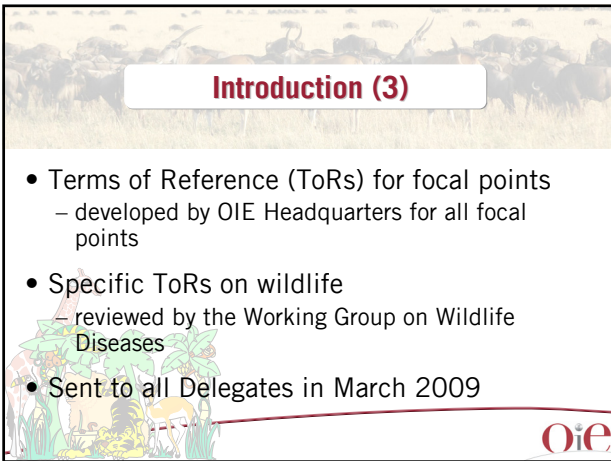





Introduction (2)


- Official nomination
 - by Delegates transmitted to the Scientific and Technical Department of the OIE Headquarters (f.diaz@oie.int)
- Responsibilities of focal points are under the authority of the OIE Delegate
- Will enable the OIE Delegate to more efficiently manage his/her OIE Member obligations

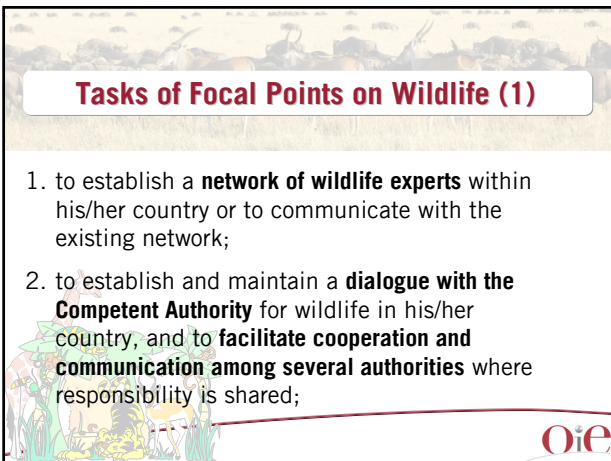




Introduction (3)


- Terms of Reference (ToRs) for focal points
 - developed by OIE Headquarters for all focal points
- Specific ToRs on wildlife
 - reviewed by the Working Group on Wildlife Diseases
- Sent to all Delegates in March 2009





Tasks of Focal Points on Wildlife (1)

1. to establish a **network of wildlife experts** within his/her country or to communicate with the existing network;
2. to establish and maintain a **dialogue with the Competent Authority** for wildlife in his/her country, and to **facilitate cooperation and communication among several authorities** where responsibility is shared;



Tasks of Focal Points on Wildlife (2)

3. to support the optimal collection and submission of **wildlife disease information** to the OIE through WAHIS;
4. to **act as a contact point** with the OIE Animal Health Information Department and the Scientific and Technical Department on matters related to information on wildlife including wildlife diseases;



Tasks of Focal Points on Wildlife (3)

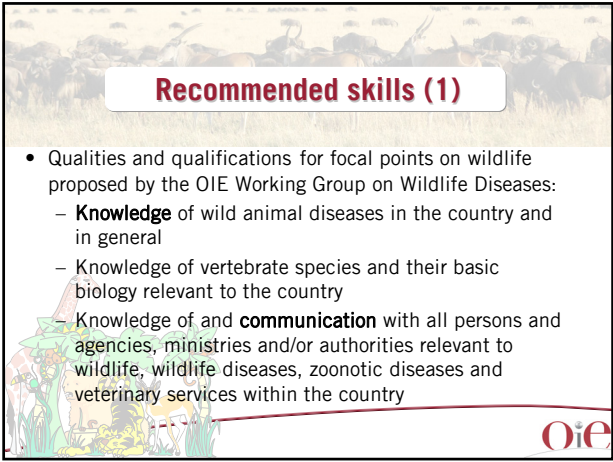
5. to **receive** from the OIE Central Bureau
 - copies of the **reports** of the Working Group on Wildlife Diseases
 - selected reports of the Scientific Commission for Animal Diseases
 - other relevant reports on wildlife or related to the livestock-wildlife interface and
- **conduct the in-country consultation process** on draft texts of standards dealing with wildlife diseases;



Tasks of Focal Points on Wildlife (4)

6. to **prepare comments** for the Delegate
 - on relevant meeting reports
 - on the proposals for new OIE standards and guidelines related to wildlife
- reflecting the **scientific view and position** of the individual OIE Member and/or the Region.

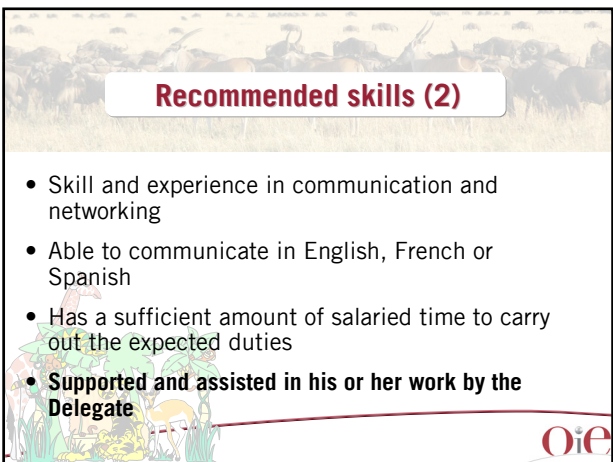




Recommended skills (1)

- Qualities and qualifications for focal points on wildlife proposed by the OIE Working Group on Wildlife Diseases:
 - **Knowledge** of wild animal diseases in the country and in general
 - Knowledge of vertebrate species and their basic biology relevant to the country
 - Knowledge of and **communication** with all persons and agencies, ministries and/or authorities relevant to wildlife, wildlife diseases, zoonotic diseases and veterinary services within the country

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Recommended skills (2)

- Skill and experience in communication and networking
- Able to communicate in English, French or Spanish
- Has a sufficient amount of salaried time to carry out the expected duties
- **Supported and assisted in his or her work by the Delegate**

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Thank you for your attention

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