



 Organization
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Animale

 World
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Animal

The OIE: missions organization and functioning Objectives and structure of OIE 4th Strategic Plan

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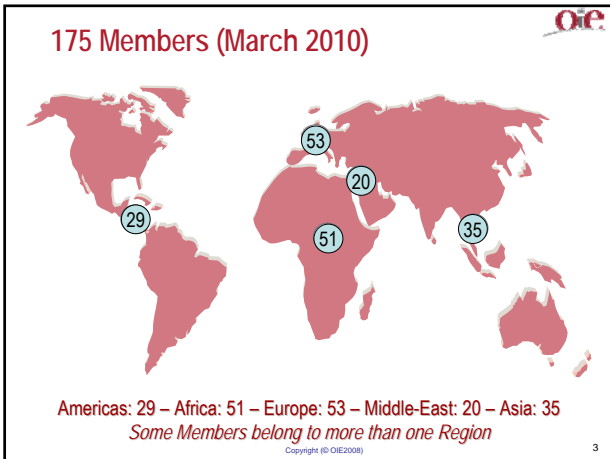



- An intergovernmental Organisation
- Founded in 1924 by 28 countries
- Precedes the U.N.

World Organisation for Animal Health

Common name adopted by the
International Committee on May 2003


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Contributions

- ➔ **Ordinary**
 - 6 categories of Members
 - Special amount for poor countries
 - 10% for the Regions
- ➔ **Voluntary**
 - financing of specific activities (Regional and Sub-Regional Representations)...
 - World Fund for Animal Health and Welfare
 - Current main donors of the World Fund: World Bank, Japan, France, Italy, Australia, Canada, USA, United Kingdom, Switzerland




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OIE Objectives

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OIE OBJECTIVES

ANIMAL HEALTH INFORMATION

to ensure transparency in the global animal disease and zoonosis situation

to collect, analyse and disseminate scientific veterinary information

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OIE OBJECTIVES

INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS

Promulgate health standards for:

- safety of international trade in animals and animal products (within its WTO mandate)
- animal disease surveillance

- Contribute to food safety and food security
- Promote animal welfare, through a science-based approach

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ACTIVITIES OF VETERINARY SERVICES

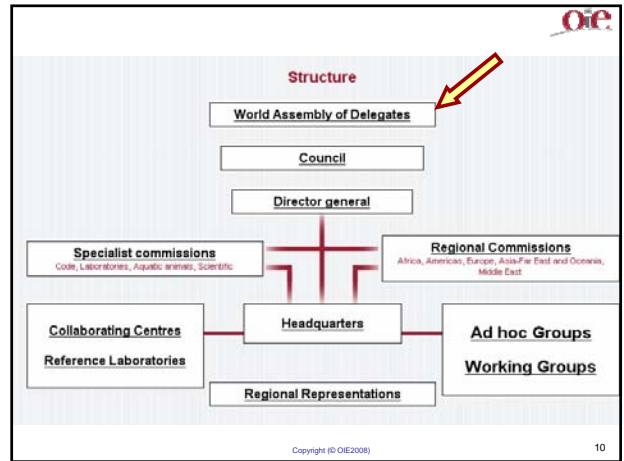
to provide expertise and encourage international solidarity in the control of animal diseases

to improve governance and the legal framework and resources of national Veterinary Services

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Structure & functioning

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OIE World Assembly of Delegates

- The highest authority of the OIE
- Comprises all the OIE Delegates
- Meets at least once a year
- Principle of 'one member, one vote'
- Elects the members of the governing bodies of the OIE
- Elects the members of the Specialist Commissions
- Elects the Director General for a 5-year term

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OIE Delegate

- usually the Chief Veterinary Officer of his/her country
 - member of the World Assembly of Delegates (meets at the General Session)
- focal point for the OIE in his/her country
- responsible for harmonising his/her country's import regulation with OIE standards and/or basing them on scientific risk analysis
- informs the OIE of the animal disease situation of his/her country
- specific national and international status

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Focal Points

National specialist focal points:

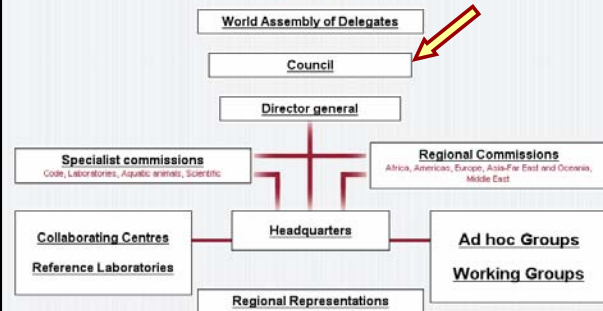
- ✓ Aquatic animal diseases
- ✓ Wildlife
- ✓ Animal health information systems
- ✓ Veterinary products
- ✓ Animal welfare
- ✓ Animal production food safety



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Structure



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The Council

May 2009 - May 2012

- ▶ President: Dr Carlos Correa Messuti (Uruguay)
- ▶ Vice-President: Dr Carlos Agrela Pinheiro (Portugal)
- ▶ Past President: Dr Barry O'Neil (New Zealand)
- ▶ Members (Delegates):
 - Dr Brian Evans (Canada)
 - Dr Florência Cipriano (Mozambique)
 - Dr Rachid Bouguedour (Algeria)
 - Dr Tenzin Dhendup (Bhutan)
 - Dr Nikolay Vlasov (Russia)
 - Dr Nasser Eddin Al-Hawamdeh (Jordan)

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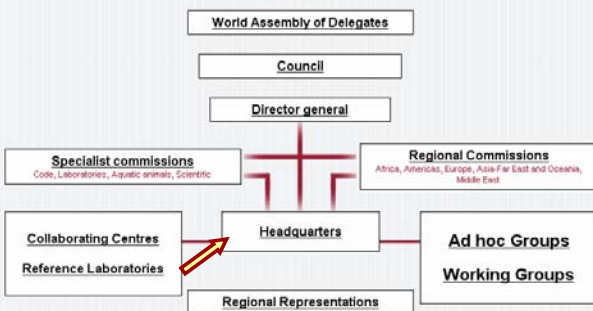
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- board of management
- represents the World Assembly of Delegates in the interval between General Sessions
- examines technical and administrative matters to be presented to World Assembly of Delegates for approval:
 - programme of OIE technical work
 - OIE budget
- elected for a 3-year term (with the exception of the former President)

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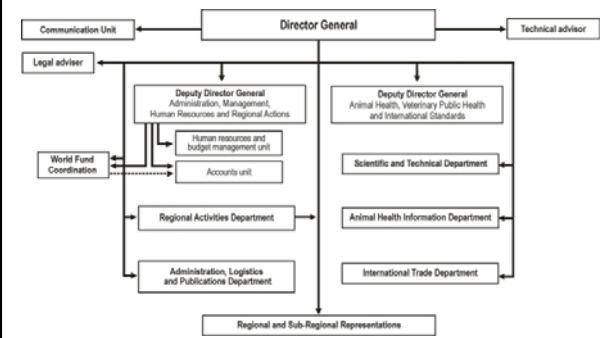
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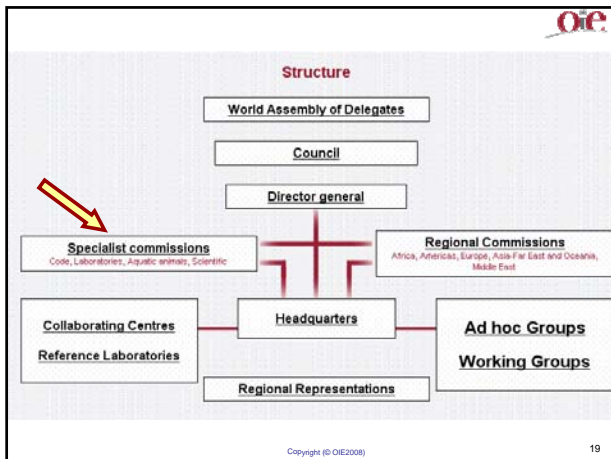
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Specialist Commissions

Role is to use current scientific information to:

- study epidemiologic issues especially the prevention and control of animal diseases
- develop and revise OIE's international standards
- address scientific and technical issues raised by Members
 - but not bilateral trade problems (OIE may address these through the provision of scientific advice and through informal mediation)

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Specialist Commissions (contd)

Terrestrial Animal Health Standards Commission "Code Commission"

Responsible for updating the *Terrestrial Animal Health Code* annually

Responsible for ensuring it reflects current scientific information

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Specialist Commissions (contd)

Scientific Commission for Animal Diseases "Scientific Commission"

Assists in identifying the most appropriate strategies and measures for:

- disease surveillance
- disease prevention and control methods

Examines Members' submissions regarding their animal health status for those countries that wish to be included on the OIE official list of free countries and zones for certain diseases

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Specialist Commissions (contd)

Biological Standards Commission "Laboratories Commission"

Establishes or approves methods for diagnosing diseases of mammals, birds and bees

testing biological products, such as vaccines, used for control purposes

Oversees production of the *Manual of Diagnostic Tests and Vaccines for Terrestrial Animals*

Oversees the OIE global network of Reference Laboratories and Collaborating Centres (222 institutions)

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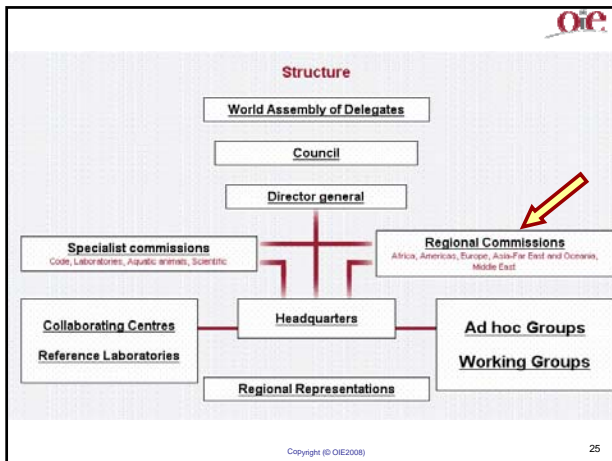
Specialist Commissions (contd)

Aquatic Animal Health Standards Commission "Aquatic Animals Commission"

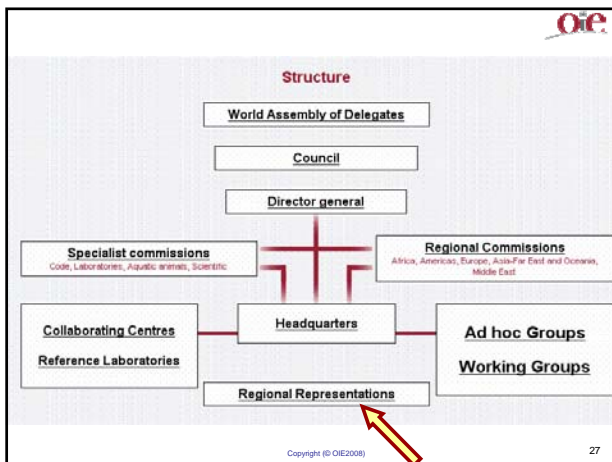
Compiles information on diseases of fish, molluscs, crustaceans and amphibians, and on methods used to control these diseases

Responsible for updating the *Aquatic Animal Health Code* and the *Manual of Diagnostic Tests for Aquatic Animals*

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- ### Regional Commissions
- AFRICA
 - AMERICAS
 - ASIA, FAR EAST and OCEANIA
 - EUROPE
 - MIDDLE EAST
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- ### OIE Regional and Sub-Regional Representations
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|-----------------------------------|--|
| Africa | Bamako, Mali
Gaborone, Botswana
Tunis, Tunisia
Eastern Africa (2010) |
| Americas | Buenos Aires, Argentina
Panama City, Panama |
| Asia, Far East and Oceania | Tokyo, Japan
Regional coordination Unit for the Southeast Asia FMD Campaign → Bangkok, Thailand
Beijing, China? |
| Europe | Sofia, Bulgaria
Brussels, Belgium |
| Middle East | Beirut, Lebanon |
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OIE Regional and Sub-regional Representations in Africa



OIE Regional Representative for Africa:
Dr Abdoulaye Bouna Niang



OIE Sub-Regional Representative for the Southern African Development Community (SADC): Dr Bonaventure J. Mtei

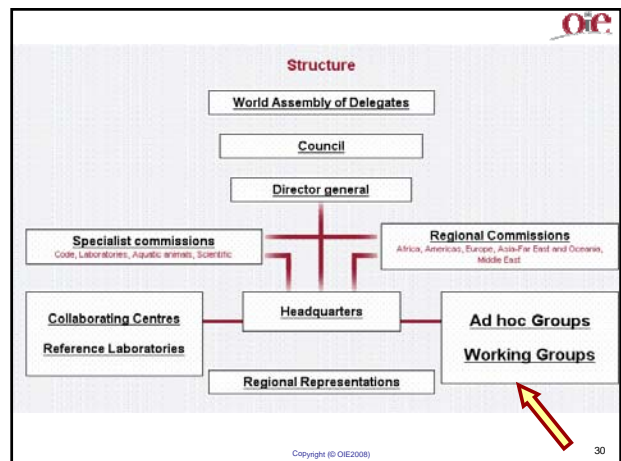


OIE Sub-Regional Representative for North Africa:
Dr Faouzi Kechrid



OIE Sub-Regional Representative for Eastern Africa and the Horn of Africa: Dr Walter Masiga

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The Working Groups



Wildlife Diseases



Animal Production Food Safety



Animal Welfare

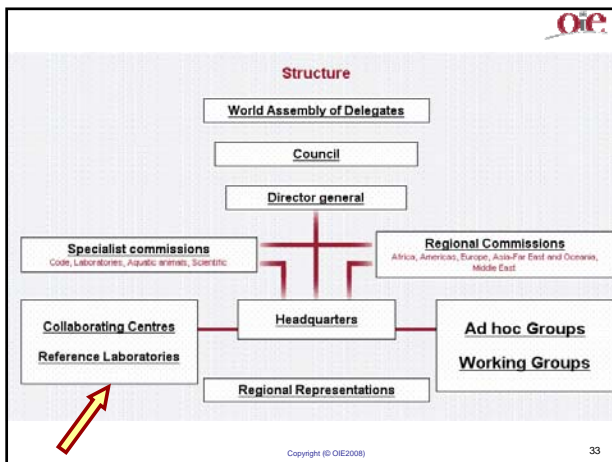
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The Ad hoc Groups

Set up, when needed,

- with world renowned scientists
- to prepare recommendations to the Specialist Commissions, Working groups and the World Assembly of Delegates

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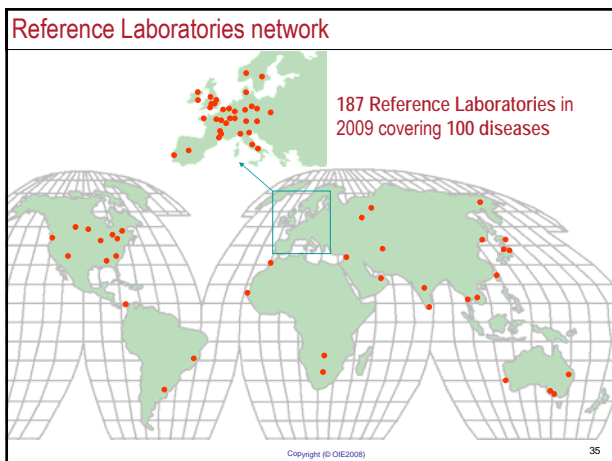


Reference Laboratories

- 187 Reference Laboratories
- in 36 Countries
- covering 100 diseases or topics
- 161 experts (team leaders)



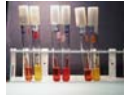
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Reference Laboratories (cont.)

Expert Centres for worldwide standardisation

- Store and distribute reference reagents
- Develop / conduct / validate diagnostic tests
- Coordinate technical and scientific studies
- Provide technical and scientific training
- Organise laboratory proficiency testing



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Collaborating Centres



- 35 Collaborating Centres
- in 20 Countries
- covering 33 topics
- 35 experts (team leaders)

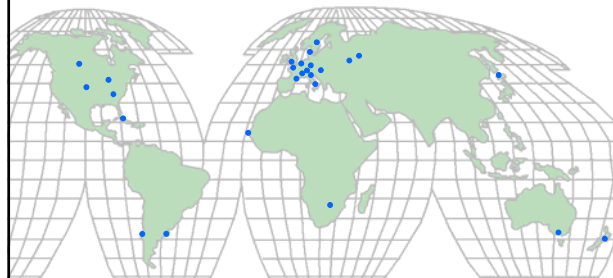
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Collaborating Centres network



35 Collaborating Centres covering 33 topics



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Collaborating Centres (cont.)



Centres of expertise on 'horizontal subjects':

- Assist in the elaboration of procedures to harmonise animal disease regulations / international standards
- Coordinate collaborative studies
- Provide technical training
- Organise and host scientific meetings for the OIE



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New policies Reference Laboratories and Collaborating Centres



- Twinning
- Networking
- Specific projects



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OIE Publications & Web Site



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Publications of the OIE



Bulletin *every 3 months*

Scientific and Technical Review *every 4 months*

World Animal Health *every year*

Technical items, Newsletters, Specialised books *variable*



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On the OIE Web Site...

- Early warning
- Weekly Disease Information
- International Standards (Codes, Manuals, etc.)
- Scientific and Technical Review (contents and abstracts)
- Scientific and general information on OIE activities
- Animal diseases and zoonoses
- Editorials from the Director General

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OIE 4th Strategic Plan (2006 – 2010)

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The OIE's global objective

The OIE was created in 1924

to prevent animal diseases
from spreading around the world

The 4th Strategic Plan 2006/2010 extended this OIE's global mandate to

**“the improvement of animal health all
over the world”**

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Priorities of the 4th Plan (2006-2010)

Consolidation of 4 tasks from the former Strategic Plan

- ▶ To ensure transparency in the global animal disease situation
- ▶ Publishing science based standards, especially with reference to the WTO – SPS Agreement
- ▶ Publishing guidelines for the prevention, control and eradication of animal diseases, including zoonoses;
- ▶ Recognition of Members health status

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Items brought up from 4th Strategic Plan

- Capacity building: training of Delegates and relevant staff, in particular national focal points (relation with the OIE, disease information, aquatic animals, wildlife, veterinary products, animal welfare)
- Strengthening the OIE's influence on global, regional and national policies, on governance policies for veterinary services and prioritization within scientific research policy
- Strengthening of OIE as an adviser of Members to help to avoid and to resolve trade disputes



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Mandate of 4th Strategic Plan *“the improvement of animal health all over the world”*

- Brought OIE to play even a greater role in policies linked to:
 - Improve public health by controlling zoonosis and food borne diseases
 - Improvement of safety of trade of animals and animal products
 - Promotion of access to regional and international markets
 - Promotion of animal welfare by ensuring animal health and adopting international standards
 - Promotion of the role of National VS influencing policies and providing capacity building

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5th Strategic Plan (2011-2015)

Subject of next presentation

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Conclusion

The ongoing implementation of successive Strategic Plans via the Director General's work programme will continue to show that, since 1924,



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for the international community and that its cost for Members is negligible compared to the services it provides

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