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- ▶ **Why update ?** To better reflect the specificities of the Africa region, where FAO, OIE and the African Union cover (almost) the exact same Member Countries, which is unique amongst the five GF-TADs regions.
- ▶ The revision of the ToRs started in mid-2019 through a working group composed of FAO, OIE and AU-IBAR staff, and was finalised by the end of 2019, with the aim to organise the 10<sup>th</sup> RSC in December 2019.

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## ► Voting members (18)

- The Director of the African Union *Interafrican Bureau for Animal Resources* (AU-IBAR);
- The Director of the African Union *Pan-African Veterinary Vaccine Centre* (AU-PANVAC);
- The President of **OIE Regional Commission for Africa**;
- Three (3) Members of the Bureau of **OIE Regional Commission for Africa**;
- One representative of each of the eight (8) Secretariats of **Regional Economic Communities**, recognized by the African Union Commission: CENSAD, COMESA, EAC, ECCAS, ECOWAS, IGAD, SADC and UMA;
- One representative of one of the **sub-regional epidemiology networks**;
- One representative of one of the **sub-regional laboratory networks**;
- One representative of the Africa Association of **Veterinary Education** Establishments (2A2E-V);
- One representative of the *Pan African Farmers Organization* (PAFO).

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- ▶ Non-voting members (9)
  - One representative of **OIE Headquarters** (OIE Paris);
  - One representative of **FAO Headquarters** (FAO Rome);
  - The **OIE Regional Representation** for Africa (RR/AF Bamako);
  - The **FAO Regional Representation** for Africa (RAF Accra);
  - One representative of the Regional Specialized Organization : **Commission Economique du Bétail, de la Viande et des Ressources Halieutiques** (CEBEVIRHA, CEMAC) ;
  - One representative of the Regional Specialized Organization : **International Livestock Research Institute** (ILRI);
  - One representative of the Regional Specialized Organization : West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU, **Union Economique et Monétaire Ouest-Africaine**, UEMOA);
  - One representative of the Regional Specialized Organization : **ECOWAS Regional Animal Health Centre** (RAHC)
  - One representative of the Regional Support Unit : **Réseau Méditerranéen de Santé Animale** (REMESA).

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- ▶ Private Sector : relevant regional bodies will promote the engagement of **private industry, livestock producer associations, cooperatives, private veterinarians and civil society** at large, and is envisioned at each opportunity and considered as part of the overall GF-TADS strategy, to gain such participation for better understanding of disease dynamics..
- ▶ The list of partners will be updated periodically by regional representations of FAO and OIE. The **donors and technical partners** for the Africa region are currently:
  - World Bank (WB)
  - European Commission (EC)
  - African Development Bank (AfDB)
  - Arab Organization for Agriculture Development (AOAD)

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- ▶ *Regional Specialised Organisations (RSO)* are legally established bodies : key actors in the implementation of GF-TADs.
  - Existing Regional Specialised Organisations : CEBEVIRHA (CEMAC), ILRI, WAEMU (UEMOA) and ECOWAS RAHC.
- ▶ *Regional Support Units (RSU)* are defined in the GF-TADs Cooperation Agreement:
  - *Réseau Méditerranéen de Santé Animale (REMESA)*

# GF-TADS Regional Steering Committee for Africa

## ► Basic T&C (terms and conditions)

- Chairperson is proposed from among the voting members of the Steering Committee. The appointment of the Chairperson shall be for a period of 3 years
- The Chairperson appoints two Vice-Chairpersons from among the (voting) members of the Steering Committee in agreement with the Steering Committee
- In case of change in some selected representatives of members of the Steering Committee, nomination of new members will be done at the next meeting of the Steering Committee
- The Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons reserve the right to co-opt other observers to a specific meeting, for a specific technical topic

# GF-TADS Regional Steering Committee for Africa

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- The RSC will meet at least every 2 years; however all reporting activities must be carried on, electronically, even if the RSC does not meet during the year.
- All meetings, including extraordinary meetings will be convened by the Chairperson with agreement of the Secretariat.
- Meeting costs of representatives from AU MCs and costs for the logistical organisation of meetings will be covered by the three organizations (FAO, OIE, and AU-IBAR) depending on the availability of resources.
- Non-voting members are expected to cover their own expenses or seek funding from partner organizations.
- The cost of operation of the Secretariat will be covered by the OIE.

# GF-TADS Regional Steering Committee

## ► Tasks and work programme

- To develop and validate the mid term regional strategy and its short-term operational *Action Plan* based on the GF-TADS Global Action Plan;
- To validate any updates to the operational *Action Plan* and follow up its implementation with the support of the Regional Secretariat;
- To validate the reports of meetings, the operational procedures and the GF-TADS **branding** of events proposed by the regional secretariat;
- To advise on the RSOs and RSUs annual work plans;
- To assist the regional secretariat to collect necessary information to compute key performance indicators and to report it to the Global Secretariat (GS);
- To advise on the coordination and management of the RSUs activities, providing harmonized policies;
- To ensure that the representatives of RSOs provide reports and coordinate the implementation of agreed actions ;
- For the Chairperson of the RSC to attend the GF-TADS Global Steering Committee meetings;
- To assist, when applicable, the RSOs and major donors in monitoring and evaluating the RSUs activities.
- To identify/engage potential NGOs, farmers' organizations and regional organizations to be invited to technical meetings such as **standing group of experts (SGE)** and sub-regional meetings;
- To identify and share information on success stories through relevant channels and to provide guidance to the regional secretariat on the information to share through the regional GF-TADS website.

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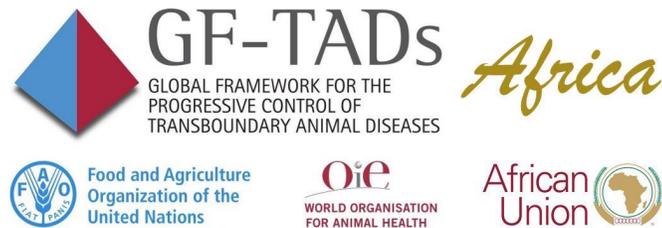
## ▶ Standing Group of Experts

- To establish *Standing Groups of Experts (SGE)* or *Regional Advisory Groups (RAG)* as necessary on priority TADs for the region.

> ASF Standing Group of Experts to be voted on Thursday

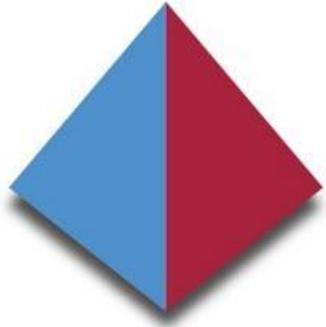
## ▶ Branding

- GF-TADs Africa will be branded and recognized as a partnership between FAO, OIE and the African Union Commission Institutions). Therefore, all documents related to this partnership will have the logos of the 3 institutions.



# GF-TADS (permanent) Regional Secretariat for Africa

- ▶ Based at the OIE Regional Representation for Africa (RR/AF) in Bamako, Mali
- ▶ Roles and duties
  - To prepare agendas, invitations, draft recommendations and reports for meetings;
  - To provide policy and strategic advice to the RECs, their regional technical agencies (Regional Specialized Organizations, RSO) and, where relevant, other platforms (Regional Support Units, RSU) between meetings of the RSC;
  - To undertake and maintain communication with the Global Secretariat (GS) and MC of the GSC, the RSOs, the RSUs and the FAO and OIE Regional/Sub-regional offices and any relevant stakeholder;
  - To support the development and implementation of the Regional strategy and its operational action plan and the recommendations of the RSC.



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