







## **Zoonotic Influenza Webinar**

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## **Zoonotic influenza webinar** Regional Quadripartite for Asia and the Pacific

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Zoonotic influenza, or animal influenza viruses that can infect humans, remains a threat to the Asia-Pacific region and countries worldwide. Highly pathogenic avian influenza A(H5N1) is an example of direct animal-to-human transmissions, predominantly causing health issues to humans and animals, disrupting farmers' livelihoods and food security.

The COVID-19 pandemic, a human public health crisis resulting from a virus of potential animal origin, also underlined the need to apply the One Health concept in understanding and confronting global health risks.

With this growing concern, the Regional Quadripartite for Asia and the Pacific (FAO, UNEP, WHO and WOAH) invites you to a conversation with experts to discuss preparedness and prevention measures to reduce the risk of a pandemic influenza outbreak.

The two-day webinar consists of experts from various backgrounds, including surveillance and laboratory, as well as sharing knowledge and best practices among countries in the region.

The webinar aims to promote information exchange and interactions between sectors relating to zoonotic influenza by using the One Health approach. The webinar is hoped to reinforce multisectoral coordination and collaboration to achieve optimal national coordination amongst partners and agencies through strategic communication.

## **Expected outputs**

- Guidance provided to the targeted public on future collaboration related to zoonotic influenza in the region
- Enhanced awareness about zoonotic influenza to advocate for improved control policies
- Enhanced multisectoral coordination and information sharing at the national level
- Improved knowledge of best practices for multisectoral coordination relating to zoonotic influenza