

# Webinar on Glanders

**- An introduction to the new WOAAH project -**

**- Objectives of this Webinar -**

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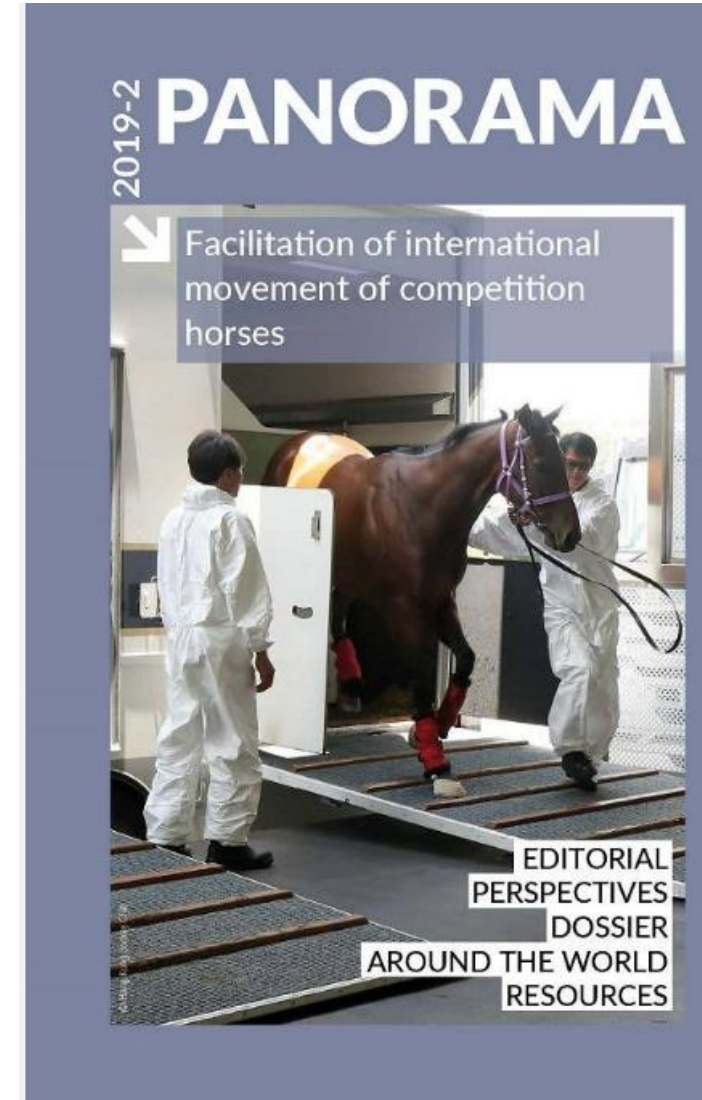
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- WOAHA has worked on facilitation of international horse movement in PPP with the equestrian sector (FEI, IFHA) since 2012.
- It developed several concepts that have found international recognition and acceptance (e.g EDFZ, HHP)
- In this context it supported the update of several TAHC & Manual chapters on equine diseases, including Equine Influenza





- International horse sport and related movement has seen a steady growth and increasing economic importance globally and in Asia before the COVID 19 pandemic – and is picking up again
- The equestrian events at the Asian Games (to be held in China in September 23) are testimony to this
- The Covid-19 pandemic, however, brought the sport and WOAHA's work on international horse movement to a stand still
- To revive the subject and to improve the results from previous work, but with an emphasis on the Asia and Pacific region, WOAHA has started this new project in November 2022
- A point of departure for this new project are the three roadmaps that were developed during the 2019 sub-regional Workshop on international horse movement, held in Hongkong







## Expected outcomes of the new project

- The project is planned initially for 1 year, but with an option of 1 year extension
- The key stakeholders – at the same time contributors and beneficiaries – are:
  - *The Veterinary Services*
  - *The National Equestrian Federations*
  - *The National Racing Associations*

The expected **outcomes** of the project are:

1. Establish a regional coordination mechanism for international horse movement between the public and private sector
2. Offer a capacity building program on equine diseases, WOH concepts (EDFZ, HHP, zoning) and emergency preparedness for emerging equine diseases
3. Assessment of laboratory capacity to diagnose equine diseases and building networks between public and private laboratories
4. Propose harmonized import health certificates
5. Presentation of project outputs to partners during Regional Workshops /meetings



- Today's Webinar is the fourth in a series of Webinars organised by our project
- The topics for the Webinars have been determined during a survey with the participating 20 countries
- Glanders is a concern not only to the equine sector, but to Public Health, particularly as differentiating it in humans from melioidosis is difficult.

All webinars are publicly available on:

<https://rr-asia.woah.org/en/projects/horse-movement/international-horse-movement-in-asia-and-the-pacific/>



## The objectives of this Webinar





Glanders is a wide spread disease, particularly in Asia and of major importance for international horse movement. Glanders is often included in requirements for horse import into countries of the region.

This Webinar serves to learn more about glanders and:

- To inform you about important the provisions for trade in the TAHC chapter
- To give you an overview of glanders and melioidosis and how they affect Public Health
- To give an example of a national control program
- To emphasize the importance and role of WOAHP Reference laboratories

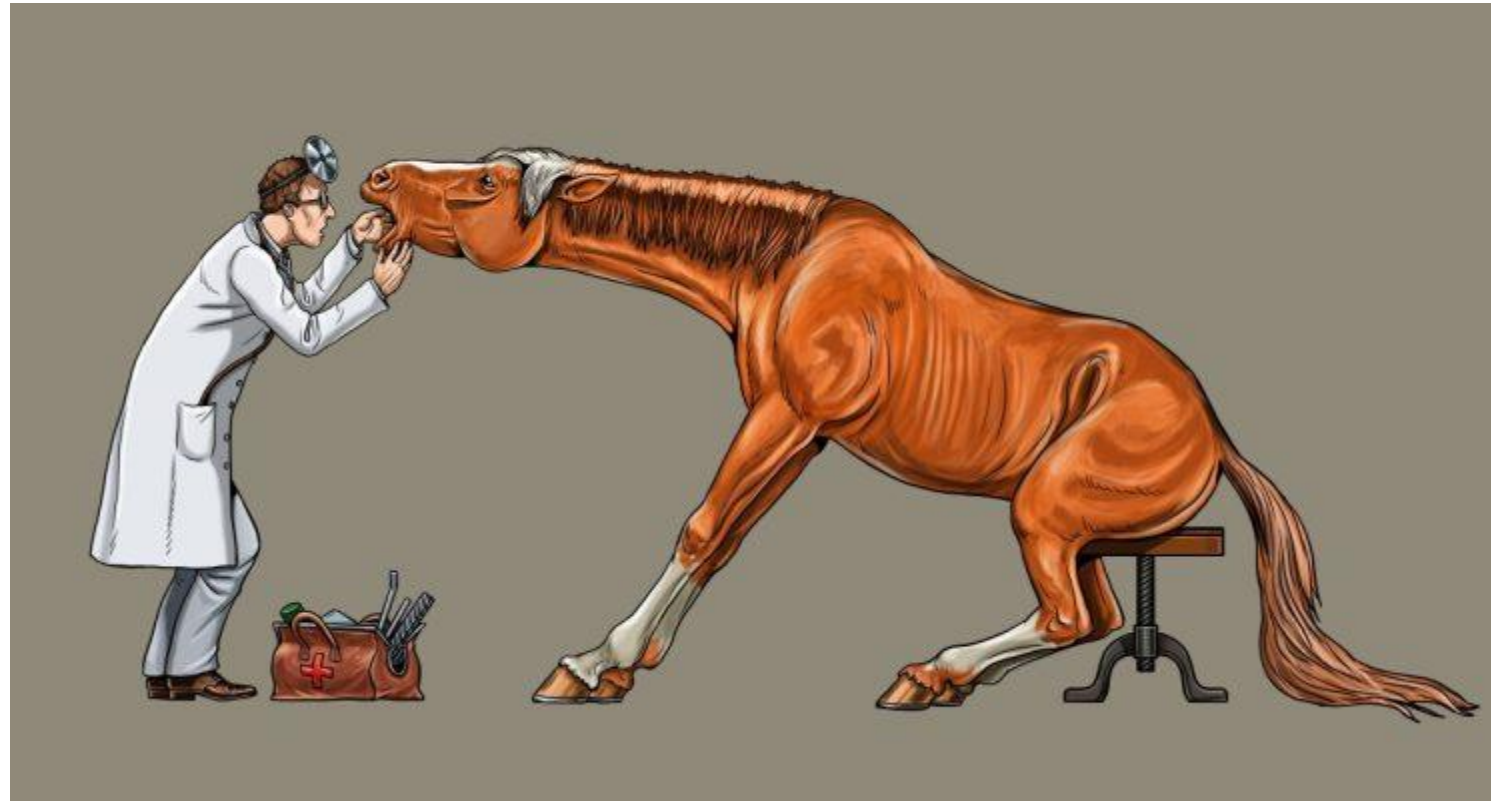


- The provisions of the Code chapter on glanders
  - ➔ consequences for importation requirements
- Session on glanders
  - General overview on the disease, its distribution, diagnosis and prevention
  - A national control program that aims at large scale eradication of glanders
  - Latest developments in laboratory diagnosis of glanders and differentiation of melioidosis
  - The role of the WOAHP Reference Laboratories





Thank you for your attention!



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