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New Delhi, India, 13 - 16 November 2023

PROGRAMME

MONDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2023

- 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Arrival of participants and distribution of material
- 11:00 a.m. Opening ceremony
- 12:00 p.m. Group Photo / Break
- 12:30 p.m. Approval of the Programme
[Appointment of the Conference Committee](#)
(Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson and General Rapporteur)
Appointment of session chairpersons and rapporteurs
(Technical items and Animal Health Situation)
- 12:45 p.m. Posters Session opening
- 1:00 p.m. Lunch
- 2:00 p.m. [Keynote: Improving animal health globally to ensure a better future for all](#)
(Dr Monique Eloit, WOAH Director General)
- 2:30 p.m. Discussion
- 3:00 p.m. [Implementation of Regional Work Plan Framework](#)
(Dr Hirofumi Kugita, WOAH Regional Representative for Asia and the Pacific)
- 3:30 p.m. Discussion
- 4:00 p.m. Coffee break
- 4:30 p.m. [Analysis of the Animal Health Situation in Members in the region during 2022/2023](#)
(Dr Jenny Hutchison, Head of the World Animal Health Information and Analysis Department (virtual presentation))
- 5:30 p.m. **SIDE EVENT** (open to those interested participants): [Partnerships to Strengthen National Veterinary Services](#)
- 6:30 p.m. End of the session
- 7:30 p.m. Reception hosted by WOAH

TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2023

- 9:00 a.m. [Technical item I \(with questionnaire\): Preventing Zoonoses at Source – towards enhancing capacity for prevention, rapid detection, awareness, control, and research on zoonoses](#) (Prof. Serge Morand, Researcher of the French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS) and Prof Nitish Debnath, DAI's Country Team Lead for the Fleming Fund, Bangladesh program)
- 9:45 a.m. Discussion
- 10:15 a.m. Coffee break
Preparation of Recommendation No. 1 by designated small group
- 10:45 a.m. [Rabies: Towards “Zero by 30”](#) (Dr Shrikrishna Isloor, Karnataka Veterinary, Animal and Fisheries Sciences University, Dr Kinzang Dukpa, WOAHA Regional Project Coordinator (virtual presentation), WOAHA Science Department team (virtual presentation))
- 11:15 a.m. Discussion
- 11:45 a.m. [News from the Pandemic Fund and the World Bank on financing pandemic prevention and preparedness](#) (Dr Franck Berthe, Senior Health Specialist, One Health Lead The Pandemic Fund, World Bank)
- 12:10 p.m. Country Reports
- [India](#) (Dr Abhijit Mitra, Animal Husbandry Commissioner)
 - [Nepal](#) (Dr Umesh Dahal, Director General, Department of Livestock Services)
- 12:30 p.m. Discussion
- 1:00 p.m. Lunch
- 2:00 p.m. [Revision of the Terrestrial Code: Process, September report highlights and key topics for Asia and the Pacific](#) (Dr Kiyokazu Murai, Member of the Terrestrial Animal Health Standards Commission and Deputy Director for Multilateral Affairs from the International Animal Health Affairs Office, Animal Health Division, of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan)
- 2:30 p.m. Discussion
- 3:00 p.m. [Livestock traceability in India](#) (Ms. Varsha Joshi, Additional Secretary, Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying, MoFAHD, Government of India)
- 3:25 p.m. Discussion
- 3:45 p.m. Coffee break
- 4:15 p.m. [Updates of RAWS](#) (Dr Kate Littin, Chair of RAWS Advisory Group) (virtual presentation)
- 4:40 p.m. Discussion
- 5:00 p.m. End of the session

WEDNESDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2023

- 9:00 a.m. [Technical Item II: One Health approaches to addressing risk: Case studies and discussions focussed on AI with the objective of implementing effective/efficient surveillance and data sharing across sectors including wildlife and the environment](#) (Dr Erik Karlsson, Deputy Head of Virology Unit, Institute Pasteur Cambodia)
- 9:45 a.m. Discussion
- 10:15 p.m. Coffee break
Preparation of Recommendation No. 2 by designated small group
- 10:45 a.m. [Revision of the Aquatic Code: Process, September report highlights and key topics for Asia and the Pacific](#) (Dr Ingo Ernst, President of the Aquatic Code Commission (virtual presentation))
- 11:15 a.m. Discussion
- 11:45 a.m. [Updates on Asia-Pacific Network on Aquatic Animal Health](#) (AP AquaNet) (Dr Eduardo Leaña, Senior Programme Officer, NACA)
- 12:15 p.m. Discussion
- 12:45 p.m. Lunch
- 2:00 p.m. [Assessing and improving the quality of disease notification to WOA: Asia-Pacific experience in supporting early threat warning](#) (Dr Paolo Tizzani, WOA: Data Integration Department (virtual presentation), and Dr Jacqueline Lusat, WOA: Animal Health Information Officer)
- 2:30 p.m. Discussion
- 3:00 p.m. [Updates of Regional GF-TADs](#) (Dr Baoxu Huang, President of Regional Steering Committee of GF TADs)
- 3:25 p.m. Discussion
- 3:45 p.m. Coffee break
- 4:15 p.m. PVS Targeted Support: synergies for strengthening national Veterinary Services (Ms Barbara Alessandrini, Head, WOA: Capacity Building Department)
- 4:30 p.m. Panel Discussion
- 5:15 p.m. Discussion of recommendations
- 6:15 p.m. End of the session
- 7:30 p.m. Reception hosted by India

THURSDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2023

- 8:30 a.m. The PVS Information System: Objectives, access to, and use of PVS data (**Note:** *This presentation unavailable as the system has not yet been launched. Please follow woah.org for further information and news.*)
(Ms Barbara Alessandrini, Head, WOAHA Capacity Building Department)
- 10:30 a.m. Break
- 11:00 a.m. The PVS Information System: Objectives, access to, and use of PVS data (cont.)
(Ms Barbara Alessandrini, Head, WOAHA Capacity Building Department)
- 12:00 p.m. Proposal of date and venue of the 34th Conference of the WOAHA Regional Commission for Asia and the Pacific
- 12:10 p.m. Conference conclusions and Adoption of Recommendations
- 12:40 p.m. Closing Ceremony
- 1:00 p.m. Lunch
- 2 :00 p.m. OPTIONAL : Cultural and/or technical visit (to be identified with the host country)