

PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Regional Workshop for WOA National Focal Point for Animal Welfare in Asia-Pacific 2025 Tokyo, Japan 21 -23 January 2025

Objectives

- 1) to increase understanding and awareness of animal welfare issues and facilitate networking among WOA National Focal Points for Animal Welfare
- 2) to provide actionable steps to implement animal welfare activities in their countries/territories, aligned with WOA Standards and Guidelines as well as RAWs
- 3) to ensure that WOA National Focal Points for Animal Welfare have the necessary information to participate in WOA standard-setting processes, including commenting on draft chapters
- 4) to discuss achievements, experiences, and challenges in implementing WOA Standards and Guidelines for animal welfare, and
- 5) to raise understanding and visibility of the role of the Collaborating Centre and the Collaborating Centre Network.

| 21 January 2025 Tuesday | | |
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| Session 1: Opening/introduction (facilitate by WOA RRAP, Tokyo) | | |
| Time | Session | Speaker |
| 9:00 - 9:30 | Registration | |
| 9:30 – 9:40 | Welcoming remarks | Dr M Okita (or a representative), WOAH Delegate of Japan |
| 9:40 – 9:50 | Opening remarks | Dr H Kugita, WOA RRAP |
| 9:50 – 10:00 | Introduction and objectives of the workshop | Dr J Lusat, WOA RRAP |
| 10:00 – 10:30 | Self-introduction/ 'icebreaker ' Group photo | |
| 10:30 – 10:50 | Coffee break | |
| 10:50 – 11:10 | WOAH Global Animal Welfare Strategy | Dr L Stuardo, Standard Department, WOA Headquarters |
| 11:10 – 11:30 | WOAH Regional Animal Welfare Strategy (RAWs) for Asia-Pacific, RAWs Action Plan (2024-2028) and RAWs Advisory Group | Dr C Guy, RAWs Chair |
| 11:30 – 12:30 | Interactive session – Mentimeter (40 min) & presentation (20 min) Terms of Reference (ToR) for WOA National Focal Point on Animal Welfare & engaging in the standard setting process | Dr L Stuardo, Dr A Sutar & Dr J Lusat - WOA |
| 12:30 – 13:30 | Lunch | |
| Session 2: Advancing implementation of animal welfare standards (facilitate by MAFF Japan) | | |
| Time | Session | Speaker |
| 13:30 – 14:00 | One Health/One Welfare approach to animal welfare | Dr Rebecca Doyle, Deputy Director, Animal Welfare Centre, Uni. of Edinburgh |
| 14:00 – 14:20 | WOAH animal welfare standards: an update of recent changes | Dr L Stuardo, Standard Department, WOA Headquarters |

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| 14:20 – 14:40 | International Coalition for Animal Welfare (ICFAW): Updates | Jeff Zhou (Compassion in World Farming International) & Thi Hang Le (Humane Society International) - ICFAW |
| 14:40 – 15:00 | The role of the Asia-Pacific WOAHC Collaborating Centre for Animal Welfare Science and Bioethical Analysis; the David Bayvel Consortium | Dr C Guy, MPI - WOAHC Collaborating Centre for Animal Welfare Science & Bioethical Analysis; the David Bayvel Consortium |
| 15:00 – 15:20 | Coffee break | |
| 15:20 – 15:40 | Capacity building: Insight from Performance for Veterinary Services (PVS) Pathway on animal welfare | Dr M Urabe & Dr Law Siu-Lun (Lucia), WOAHC RRAP |
| 15:40 – 16:00 | Animal welfare during transport by land and sea: level of implementation of WOAHC standards by Members' Veterinary Services (a study by WOAHC Observatory) | Dr L Stuardo, Standard Department, WOAHC Headquarters |
| Session 3: Strategies to progress animal welfare in the region (facilitate by Dr M Sinclair & Dr K Littin) | | |
| Time | Session | |
| 16:00 – 17:00 | WOAHC Member's presentation (5 Members X 5 min) and discussion (35 min) Group 1: Japan, Indonesia, Malaysia, Nepal, New Caledonia | |
| 18:00 – 20:00 | Welcoming dinner hosted by WOAHC | |

| 22 January 2025 Wednesday | | |
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| Session 3 continued: Strategies to progress animal welfare in the region (facilitate by WOAHC SRR, Bangkok) | | |
| Time | Session | Speaker |
| 9:30 – 9:40 | Summary of participant expectations for the animal welfare workshop | Dr Law Siu-Lun (Lucia) & Interns, WOAHC RRAP |
| 9:40 – 10:10 | Animal welfare advances in poultry production | Dr Ashleigh Bright, Food & Sustainability Researcher and Consultant |
| 10:10 – 10:40 | Advancing animal welfare for good business: economics and fish welfare | Dr Lu Chen, Catch Welfare Platform |
| 10:40 – 11:00 | Update on WOAHC animal welfare activities: ISO/TC 34 'Food products' | Dr L Stuardo, Standard Department, WOAHC Headquarters |
| 11:00 – 11:20 | Coffee break | |
| Session 3 continued: Strategies to progress animal welfare in the region (facilitate by Dr M Sinclair & Dr K Littin) | | |
| 11:20 – 12:20 | WOAHC Member's presentation (5 Members X 5 min) and discussion (35 min) Group 2: China, Philippines, Vietnam, Bhutan, Australia | |
| 12:20 – 13:20 | Lunch | |
| Session 3 continued: Strategies to progress animal welfare in the region (facilitate by WOAHC SRR, Bangkok) | | |
| 13:20 – 13:50 | Best practices in animal welfare legislation and enforcement | Dr Katherine Clift, Inspector-General of Animal Welfare & Live Animal Exports, DAFF Australia |
| 13:50 – 14:10 | Pre-recorded presentation (20 min) | |
| | | Dr L Hemsworth, Uni. of Melbourne - Asia-Pacific WOAHC |

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| | WOAH-ICFAW joint project to support the implementation of WOAHS standards on animal welfare in Southeast Asia (ToT workshop on humane killing/culling for disease control purposes and ToT workshop on pig production systems) | Collaborating Centre for Animal Welfare Science & Bioethical Analysis; the David Bayvel Consortium |
| Session 3 continued: Strategies to progress animal welfare in the region (facilitate by Dr M Sinclair & Dr K Littin) | | |
| 14:10 – 15:10 | WOAH Member's presentation (5 Members X 5 min) and discussion (35 min) Group 3: Chinese Taipei, Cambodia, Singapore, Bangladesh, Vanuatu | |
| 15:10 – 15:30 | Coffee break | |
| 15:30 – 17:00 | <p>Breakout workshops (90 min) Active participation from WOAHS Members is expected during this session. Participants will be divided into three groups. For detailed information on the workshops, please refer to the Appendix.</p> <p>Title: Challenges and solutions for implementing WOAHS animal welfare standards</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Focal point discussions on implementing WOAHS animal welfare standards (Dr. K Littin & Dr. M Sinclair) (<i>this session is intended for country/territory representatives only</i>) 2. Scientific and industry perspectives on improving poultry welfare (Dr. A Bright) 3. Scientific and industry perspectives on improving fish welfare (Dr. L Chen) | |

| 23 January 2025 Thursday | | |
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| Session 4: Recommendations and way forward (facilitate by Dr C Guy) | | |
| Time | Session | Speaker |
| 9:30 – 9:50 | Animal welfare in emergencies | Dr A Sutar, SRR SEA Bangkok |
| 9:50 – 10:10 | Summary of breakout focus groups | Dr K Littin & Dr M Sinclair |
| 10:10 – 11:10 | <p>Participatory panel discussion (60 min) This session will be moderated by the facilitators</p> <p>Title: Recommendations and way forward</p> | Facilitators X 2 Experts X 3 WOAH FPs X 4 WOAH X 1 |
| 11:10 – 11:30 | Coffee break | |
| 11:30 – 11:40 | Closing remarks from the Chair of RAWS Advisory Group | Dr C Guy, RAWS Chair |
| 11:40 – 11:50 | Closing remarks from the Pacific Community SPC | Ms. Elenoa Salele |
| 11:50 – 12:00 | Closing remarks | Dr H Kugita, WOAHS RRAP |
| 12:00 – 12:10 | Certificate for participants | Dr H Kugita, WOAHS RRAP |
| 12:10 – 12:20 | Feedback and evaluation (Microsoft form) | WOAHS RRAP |
| 12:20 – 13:30 | Lunch | |
| 13:30 – 14:30 | <p>Side event: For RAWS AG members/observers (tbc) RAWS AG meeting (9)</p> | RAWS AG Chair RAWS AG Secretariat |