

## Terms of Reference for the WOAH National Focal Point for Wildlife

Details on proposed tasks of the national focal point for wildlife:

- 1. to establish a network of wildlife experts within his/her country or to communicate with the existing network;
- to establish and maintain a dialogue with the Competent Authority for wildlife in his/her country, and to facilitate cooperation and communication among several authorities where responsibility is shared;
- under the authority of the WOAH Delegate of his/her country, to support the optimal collection and submission of wildlife disease information to the WOAH through WAHIS (immediate notifications and follow-up reports, six-monthly reports, and annual questionnaires) to enable the WOAH Delegate to more efficiently manage his/her WOAH Member obligations;
- to act as a contact point with the WOAH Animal Health Information Department and the Scientific and Technical Department on matters related to information on wildlife including wildlife diseases;
- 5. to receive from the WOAH Headquarters copies of the reports of the Working Group on Wildlife Diseases, selected reports of the Scientific Commission for Animal Diseases and other relevant reports, should they address discussion points on wildlife or the livestock-wildlife interface and conduct the in-country consultation process with recognised wildlife and animal health experts on draft texts of standards proposed in those reports as well as draft standards proposed by the Terrestrial Animal Health Standards Commission when dealing with wildlife diseases; and
- to prepare comments for the Delegate on each of the relevant meeting reports
  reflecting the scientific view and position of the individual WOAH Member and/or the
  region including comments on the proposals for new WOAH standards and
  guidelines related to wildlife.