



Managing an OIE PVS Evaluation

Part 1: from mission request to site selection

PVS Pathway Orientation Training Workshop for South-East Asia
10-13 December, Bangkok, Thailand

PRE-MISSION ACTIVITIES

Request

- Request from national OIE Delegate to OIE Director General
- OIE reply to Delegate proposing team and dates

The OIE provides letter models for each type of mission

- PVS evolution - proposed new options
 - specific content
 - strategic planning
- If approved--> OIE letter to team members
OIE → team experts
 - administrative steps, tools, reports, roles, etc.
- Template letter from Team Leader to OIE Delegate on preparation of mission, information requests, draft itinerary, etc.



Funding

- Eligible missions are funded by donors through the OIE World Animal Health and Welfare Fund
- OIE funds the team (intl. travel, per diem, fees)
- Country funds local travel, translation, meetings
- Donors set limits based on national eligibility



Funding

Developed countries (or ineligible) can self finance the evaluation

- prior budget agreement for the OIE team
- the OIE administers the mission and sends the invoice
- Developed countries can self-fund a mission through OIE → OIE administers the mission.



Team



Team members:

- 2 – 4 persons (often split for field visits)
- plus OIE regional observer (closing meeting)

Language skills:

Ideally language of the evaluated country – listening is key
- if translation is required seek professionals

Writing skills for the report (English, French or Spanish)

Skills and Experience:

Variety of experience amongst the team

Ideally one member with past PVS experience in the country

Need to update the expert pool → new trainees

Country of origin:

Geographically mixed

No real or perceived conflict of interest with country

Approved by the country under evaluation



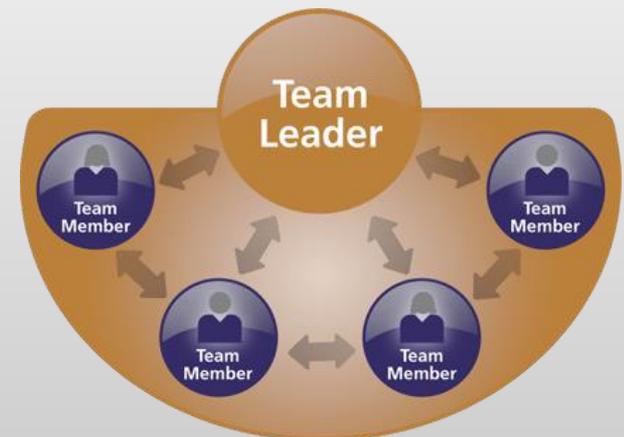
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Team Leader

- Lead mission planning: division of workload and in-country work
- Coordinate travel, visa & accommodation, budget requirements
- Lead opening and closing presentations
- Compile, edit and submit report
- Address peer reviewer's comments

1-3 Technical Experts

- Gather, assess and compile evidence, draft findings, ratings, recommendations and parts of the report



Team

Requirements

- PVS training + 1 x mission observer or 2 x mission observers (with the approval of the Team Leader after each mission)
- Knowledge/experience of veterinary services and OIE codes
- Professional, ethical, independent, listens and can offer frank, sound advice
- Relevant VS experience; OIE mission training and experience



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Team

Observers / Trainees:

- From OIE HQ or regions (RR/SRR), partner agencies and member countries
- Knowledge about cultural, political, economic, technical and methodological issues of importance for the country evaluated
- Enthusiasts and collaborators
- Candidates for work as future PVS Experts
- Knowledge of issues relevant to the country under evaluation

- **We need new experts**

Governance & Communication



- How will TL coordinate the mission?
 - Roles of team members?
 - Meetings? Conference calls?
 - Liaison with OIE HQ and regions

- Collaboration with Delegate/CVO on engagement:
 - **Up** to senior executive/Ministers
 - **Down** to provincial/field staff
 - **Across** to partner agencies, and
 - **Out** to academia / VSB / private vets / industry



Pre-Mission Information



- OIE provides a template to gather baseline documents and information
- Good pre-mission information is essential, but...

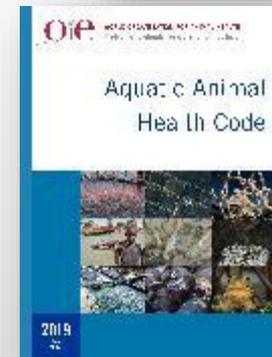
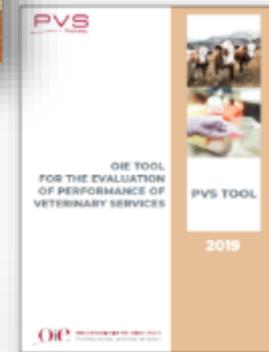
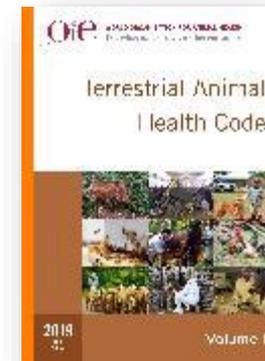
.....often lacking !

- Engage OIE RR/SRR pre-mission for local knowledge/advice
- Engage OIE World Animal Health Information and Analysis Department for data and feedback on the country
- Web research by team members



OIE References

- Download from the OIE website:
 - Terrestrial Animal Health Code
(<http://www.oie.int/international-standard-setting/terrestrial-code/access-online/>)
 - OIE Tool for the Evaluation of Performance of Veterinary Services (OIE PVS Tool), **7th edition**
([http://www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Support to OIE Members/pdf/PVS A Tool Final Edition 2013.pdf](http://www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Support%20to%20OIE%20Members/pdf/PVS_A_Tool_Final_Edition_2013.pdf))
- In the case of Aquatic Animal Health Services:
 - Aquatic Animal Health Code
(<http://www.oie.int/international-standard-setting/aquatic-code/access-online/>)
 - OIE Tool for the Evaluation of Performance of Veterinary Services and/or Aquatic Animal Health Services, First edition, 2013
([http://www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Support to OIE Members/pdf/A PVS Tool aquatic animals.pdf](http://www.oie.int/fileadmin/Home/eng/Support%20to%20OIE%20Members/pdf/A_PVS_Tool_aquatic_animals.pdf))



Duration

- Usually **2-3 weeks** depending on:
 - Size of the country
 - Organisation (centralised *or* federal)
 - Complexity of the field technical networks (laboratories, field services, slaughterhouses, border inspection)

- Range from one week to six weeks in special cases (India)



Itinerary & site selection

- Opening meeting
- “Courtesy” visit to Minister or Deputy (if appropriate)
- Typically first 3-5 days in capital together
- Split (or not?) for next week or weeks to the field
 - site selection and team deployment need thought



- Regroup in capital, usually 3-4 days before closing meeting (i.e. weekend)
- Compare notes, seek further documentation, consensus on ratings, draft preliminary findings
- Closing meeting

Table 4 site sampling

Site	Terminology or names used in the country	No. of sites	"Ideal" sample	Actual sampling
FIELD ANIMAL HEALTH NETWORK				
Field level of the VS (animal health)				
Private veterinary sector				
Other sites (dip tanks, crush pens....)				
VETERINARY MEDICINES & BIOLOGICALS				
Production sector				
Import and wholesale sector				
Retail sector				
Other partners involved				
VETERINARY LABORATORIES				
National, Regional and local labs				
Associated, accredited and other labs				
ANIMAL AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS MOVEMENT CONTROL				
Bordering countries				
Airports and seaports border posts				
Main terrestrial border posts				
Minor terrestrial border posts				
Quarantine stations for import or export				
Internal check points				
Live animal markets				
Zones, compartments				
PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTION OF ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS				
Export slaughterhouses				
National market slaughterhouses				
Local market slaughterhouses				
Slaughter areas/slabs/points				
On farm or butcher's slaughtering sites				
Processing sites (milk, meat, eggs, etc)				
Retail outlets (butchers, shops, rest.)				
TRAINING AND RESEARCH ORGANISATIONS				
Methodology/units				

Thank you for your attention!



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