

RAPPORT DE MISSION/ MISSION REPORT

Dr Bernard Vallat, Directeur général

Vienne (Autriche)

Dates de la mission/Dates of the meeting : 6 - 7 juin 2008

Objet de la mission / aim of the meeting:

- Répondre à l'invitation de la Fédération Vétérinaire Européenne (FVE) et s'exprimer en Assemblée Générale annuelle de cette Organisation.
- Prendre note des délibérations de la FVE relatives à leur participation au Congrès Mondial Vétérinaire à Vancouver.

Résumé et conclusions/ Summary and conclusions:

J'ai mis l'accent lors de ma présentation sur l'importance du rôle des vétérinaires privés pour l'atteinte des objectifs de l'OIE dans le domaine de l'amélioration de la santé et du bien-être animal au niveau mondial.

Ma présentation a tenté de fournir des arguments aux vétérinaires pour qu'ils démontrent, chacun dans leurs pays respectifs l'importance de la contribution des vétérinaires au bénéfice de la société toute entière, notamment dans le domaine de la santé publique, tout en évitant le risque de tomber sous la tutelle d'autres professions (voir programme scanné et présentation power point).

Ce message a été particulièrement bien reçu et appuyé par l'Assemblée où plus de 30 pays étaient représentés par les Délégués des Organisations vétérinaires nationales privées.

Les discussions ont également porté sur le Congrès Mondial Vétérinaire de Vancouver. Il est à noter que la FVE soutiendra la candidature à la Présidence de la WVA de son ancien Président hollandais de la FVE.

P.J : 1 programme

1 présentation power point (également consultable dans la rubrique « Documentation : présentations power point de l'OIE »)

Diffusion : Directeurs généraux adjoints, Chefs de Service et adjoints, A. Dehove, Chargé(e)s de mission, S. Bègue, M. Teissier, M. Zampaglione, Représentants régionaux et sous-régionaux, R. Abila, C. Planté, A. Thiermann



FEDERATION OF VETERINARIANS OF EUROPE

FVE/08/am/011
Rev 5, 20 May 2008

FVE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

6- 7 June 2008

**Österreichische Akademie der Wissenschaften
Austrian Academia of Sciences
Entrance: Woillzeile 27A
1010 Vienna**

***Draft* AGENDA**

Members

- Austria
- Belgium
- Bosnia-Herzegovina
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- EUROM
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Iceland
- Ireland
- Italy
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malta
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Serbia
- Slovak Republic
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Turkey
- United Kingdom

FRIDAY 6 JUNE

9.00 START OF MEETING

WELCOME

by the president of FVE, Dr Walter Winding
and
the president of the Austrian Veterinary Chamber, Dr Helmut Wurzer

OFFICIAL OPENING ADDRESS

By Austrian Official *(to be confirmed)*

President

Walter Winding

Vice-Presidents

Ljiljana Marinko

Rainer Schneidhuf

Stephen Ware

Margaretta Widell

Observers

- Albania
- Ukraine

Sections

UEVP
Practitioners

EASVO
State Officers

UEVH
Hygienists

EVERI
Veterinarians in
Education, Research

1) Apologies

2) Adoption of Agenda (FVE/08/am/011)

3) Adoption of Minutes of the last General Assembly Meeting (FVE/07/am/55)

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4) Report of activities

a) Presentation

Walter Winding and Jan Vaarten

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Guest speaker: Dr B. Vallat

World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE)

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5) Application for FVE Membership of the Veterinary Chamber of Montenegro (Application letter and statutes)

11.00 – 11.30 COFEE BREAK

6) Proposal for a definition of an Act of Veterinary Surgery (FVE/08/doc/009)

For discussion and if possible adoption

Stephen Ware

7) European Code of Conduct (FVE/07/doc/079)

For discussion and if possible adoption

Walter Winding and Catherine Roy

8) Financial matters (FVE/08/doc/024, rev1)

Stephen Ware

a) 2007

i) Presentation of 2007 statement of income and expenditure

ii) Presentation Balance per 31 December 2007

iii) Report external auditor

iv) Report of FVE-Financial Committee

v) Vote for approval and discharge of the accounts for the year 2007

b) 2009 Budget

i) Presentation of proposal for budget and subscription fees 2009

ii) Vote for adoption

c) Nomination of new member for the FVE Financial Committee

13.00 -14.00 LUNCH BREAK

9) Animal Health

a) Community Animal Health Strategy

The European Veterinary Week

Eric Marin (EU Commission, DG SANCO)

- b) Veterinary Medicinal products

10) Animal Welfare

Nancy De Briyne

- a) Transport of animals (**FVE/08/pos/001**)
- b) Animal Welfare and Labelling
- c) Protection of Welfare around Slaughter
 - i) Position Paper (**FVE/06/doc/033**)
 - ii) Animal Welfare Operative (**FVE/07/doc/73**)

John Williams

Cornelia Rossi-Broy and Richard Weillenman

11) Public Health

Nicole Schreiner

- a) Working Group on Hygiene
- b) MRSA conference (**FVE/08/rep/017**)

15.30 -16.00 COFFEE BREAK

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Guest speaker: Dr K. Jurka

Dr. Karl Jurka Politik- und Marketingberatung GmbH
Leading European consultant and lobbyist

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12) Education

- a) Report of the meeting of the European Coordination Committee on Veterinary Training (ECCVT)

Karin Östenson

17.00 END OF MEETING DAY 1

20.00 DINNER

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SATURDAY 7 JUNE

9.00 START OF MEETING DAY 2

13) FVE sections

- a) UEVP
Report from General Assembly and recommendations for FVE
Christophe Buhot
- b) EASVO
Report from General Assembly and Recommendations for FVE
Cornelia Rossi-Broy
- c) UEVH
Report from General Assembly and recommendations for FVE
Henning Knudsen
- d) EVERI
Report from General Assembly and Recommendations
Richard Weillenman

14) Statutory Bodies

Report on the meeting of statutory bodies Working Party
Christian Rondeau

10.30-11.00 COFFEE BREAK

15) Projects

- a) TAIEX seminars
- Zagreb
- Brno
- Future events
Ljiljana Markus-Cizelj

16) Miscellaneous

- a) Date of next meeting (Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 November 2008, Hanover)
- b) Spring 2009 FVE GA (Friday 22 and Saturday 23 May, Stockholm)
- c) Autumn 2009 FVE GA (Friday 13 and Saturday 14 November, Brussels)
- d) Spring 2010 FVE GA (proposal by SVS, Switzerland)

13.00 END OF MEETING

Dr Bernard Vallat
OIE Director General



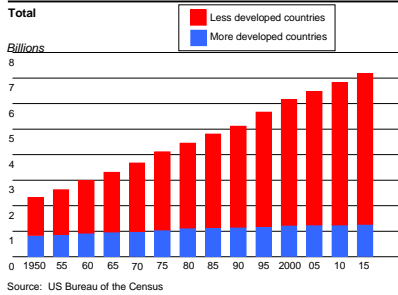
Why is the Veterinary Profession a Global Public Good

Federation of Veterinarians of Europe
General Assembly
6 June 2008, Vienna (Austria)



Trends in Global Population

Global Population: 1950-2015



Source: Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Atlanta



Last year, over 21 billion food animals were produced to help feed a population of over 6 billion people resulting in trillions of pounds of products distributed worldwide. Projections toward 2020 indicate that the demand for animal protein will increase by 50%, especially in developing countries.

Source: Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Atlanta

Animal health is a key component of food security

- 1 billion poor farmers survive thank to livestock
- Impact of animal diseases on animal production worldwide exceed 20%
- Strong links between animal health, food security and public health
- Animal proteins are crucial for humans



Safe Food always begins with healthy animals



Animal health is a key component of animal welfare





☞ Nowadays pathogens are transported around the world faster than the average incubation time of most epizootics.



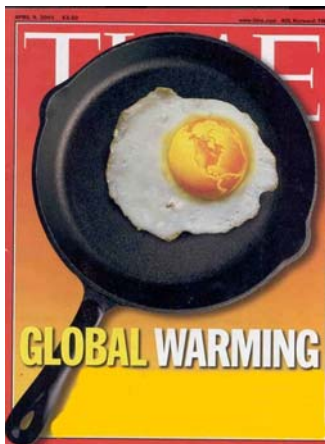
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Annual Global Trade in Exotic Animals

- ✓ 4 million birds
- ✓ 640,000 reptiles
- ✓ 40,000 primates
- ✓ Illegal trade unknown - estimate \$4-6 billion



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Current and Projected Importance of Factors Influencing new diseases emergence

FACTEUR	2007	2017	2027
Human demographics and behavior	↑	↑↑	↑↑↑
Technology and industry	↑	↑	↑
Economic development and land use	↑	↑↑	↑↑↑
International travel and commerce	↑	↑↑	↑↑↑
Microbial adaptation and change	↑	↑	↑
Breakdown of public health measures	↑	↑	↑
Climate change and weather	↑	↑↑	↑↑↑
Changing ecosystems	↑	↑	↑
Poverty and social inequality	↑	↑↑	↑↑↑
War and famine	↑	↑	↑
Lack of political will	↑	↑	↑
Intent to harm	↑	↑	↑

Source : Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Atlanta

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Zoonotic potential of animal pathogens

- 60% of human pathogens are zoonotic
- 75% of emerging diseases are zoonotic
- 80% of agents having a potential bioterrorist use are zoonotic pathogens



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Examples of recent crises

- BSE (Europe, Japan, North America)
- Foot-and-Mouth Disease (UK)
- Avian Influenza (Asia, Europe, Africa, Middle East)
- NIPAH Virus (Malaysia)
- Rift Valley Fever (Africa)
- Virus West Nile (North America)



Socio-Economic Impacts of Transboundary/Emerging Diseases

- Strong negative impacts on animal production and food security
- Increase of poverty
- Threats to human health
- Loss of trading opportunities in animals and animal products (because of animal health status)
- Increased uncertainty about the stability of investments
- Socio-economic confusion
- No interest for insurance companies



Current International Sanitary Governance in the Field of Animal Origin Pathogens

- World Animal Health Organization - OIE
- World Trade Organization - WTO
- United Nations:
 - FAO - WHO
 - Codex Alimentarius
 - Biological Weapon Convention
 - Others
- Regional Organizations



THE OIE'S GLOBAL OBJECTIVE

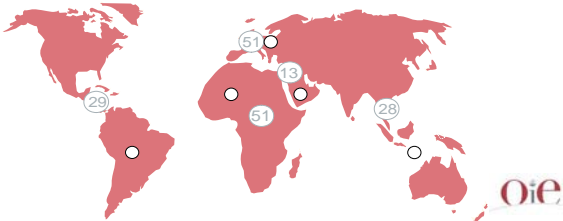


- the OIE was created in 1924 to prevent animal diseases from spreading around the world
- the 4th Strategic Plan is one step further and extends the OIE's global mandate to "the improvement of animal health all over the world"



World Organisation for Animal Health 172 Member Countries (February 2008)

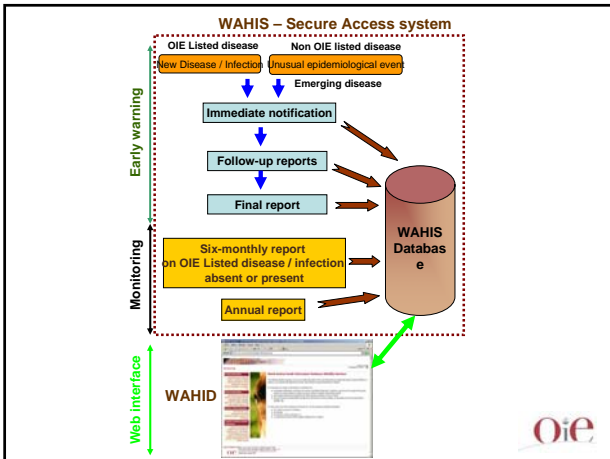
- Five permanent Regional Representations: Bamako, Buenos Aires, Tokyo, Sofia and Beirut
- Four Sub-regional Representations: Bangkok, Gaborone, Panama, Brussels
- Five Regional Commissions: Africa, America, Asia-Pacific, Europe and Middle East

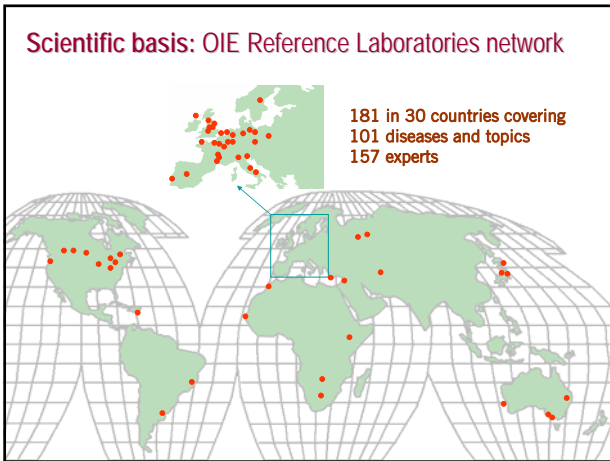


Objectives of the OIE

1. To ensure transparency in the global **animal disease and zoonosis situation**
2. To collect, analyse and disseminate **scientific veterinary information**
3. To provide expertise and encourage international solidarity **in the control of animal diseases**
4. Within its mandate under the WTO SPS Agreement, to safeguard world trade by publishing **health standards** for international trade in animals and animal products
5. To improve the legal framework and resources of **national Veterinary Services**
6. To provide a better guarantee of the **safety of food of animal origin** and to promote **animal welfare** through a science-based approach







VETERINARY ACTIVITIES: Main benefits for the International Community

- To lessen poverty and improve food security
- To improve Public Health by fighting against animal diseases and preventing human diseases of animal origin, including those that are food borne
- To improve the sanitary safety of international trade in animals and their products
- To facilitate access to regional and international markets for Member Countries
- To provide animal welfare standards acceptable by the entire international community

NEW OIE STRATEGIC ITEMS

- Capacities building: training of Delegates and their relevant staff, in particular national focal points (relation with the OIE, sanitary information system, aquatic animal diseases, wildlife, veterinary medicinal products...) and statutory body representatives
- Strengthening public and private components of Veterinary Services and the Veterinary Profession using compliance with OIE standards on quality
- Strengthening all capacity building tools and activities directed to veterinarians and para-professionals



NEW OIE STRATEGIC ITEMS (cont.)

- Strengthening the OIE's influence on global, regional and national policies, about governance policies dealing with animal health and prioritisation within scientific research policy
- Strengthening of OIE as an adviser of Member Countries to settle their sanitary disputes
- One health concept
- Veterinary Education



How to minimize the Threat of Emerging Animal Diseases

- ✓ Surveillance mechanism of the entire national territory under governmental supervision - EU obligations
- ✓ Early detection
 - Awareness
 - High quality of public and private component of Veterinary Services
- ✓ Rapid and transparent notification
 - Appropriate national chain of command



How to minimize the Threat of Emerging Animal Diseases (cont)

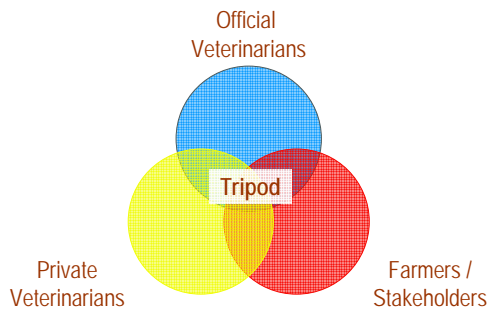
✓ Rapid response

- rapid confirmation of suspects
- confinement and humane stamping out
- use of vaccination if appropriate

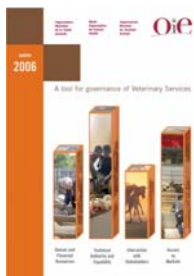
✓ Governance, legislation, policies and resources, in compliance in all countries with OIE international standards on quality of national animal health systems democratically adopted by 172 Member Countries



Key tripod for early warning and rapid response



The OIE-PVS Tool



Evaluation of the Performance of Veterinary Services

a tool for Good Governance of Veterinary Services
(last updated in July 2007)

70 countries already evaluated by the OIE on a voluntary basis



The PVS background

OIE international standards:

- **Chapter 1.3.3:** Evaluation of Veterinary Services (which include public and private components)
- **Chapter 1.3.4:** Guidelines for the Evaluation of Veterinary Services
- Development of the OIE World Animal Health and Welfare Fund (to implement PVS and regional capacity building programs)



PVS Procedure

- Training and certification of OIE experts
- Draft PVS Country Report
- OIE Peer Review
- Final PVS Country Report
- Acceptance by the Country
- Gap analysis
- Investment preparation (national and international channels)



Global Public Good Concept

- Global public goods are goods whose benefits extend to all countries, people, and generations.
- Animal Health Systems are a **Public Good**. Eradication of diseases have international and inter-generational spillovers
- Countries are depending from one another and an inadequate action by one nation can jeopardize all the others
- If one country fails, it may endanger the entire planet.



Conclusion

- Solidarity
- Early detection, transparency, networks
- Rapid response
- Laboratories
- Good Governance, obligations of OIE Members



Conclusion (cont)

- Support to OIE standards – Gap analysis
- Evaluation and permanent follow-up
- Role of the farmers
- Veterinary profession is essential
- Veterinary education needs to be updated



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