

**AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE WORLD ORGANISATION FOR ANIMAL HEALTH (OIE)  
AND  
THE INTERNATIONAL POULTRY COUNCIL (IPC)**

1. The World Organisation for Animal Health, hereinafter referred to as OIE, and the International Poultry Council, hereinafter referred to as IPC, will keep the other party informed of its activities which may be of mutual interest.
2. The OIE is the world organisation in charge of animal health and welfare. It publishes namely health standards for international trade in animals and animal products, provides a better guarantee of the safety of food of animal origin, promotes animal welfare, through a science-based approach, provides expertise and encourages international solidarity in the control of animal diseases and is in charge of collecting, analysing and disseminating scientific veterinary information.
3. The IPC was organized on 7 October 2005 to bring together leaders of the private sector in representing the world's poultry-producing countries in addressing issues concerning trade, science, food safety and animal welfare, and to promote a common understanding of and confidence in poultry products among customers and consumers worldwide.
4. The two organisations will endeavour to cooperate further through both formal and informal consultations on issues of common interest, in particular on the issues listed below.

**ISSUES OF COMMON INTEREST**

- The provision of general information on the poultry sector, particularly on its relations and interactions with official veterinary services.
- Veterinary research into poultry diseases.
- Cooperation in the development and revision of international animal health and zoonoses standards relevant to the international trade in poultry and poultry products.
- Cooperation in the development and promotion of science-based international animal welfare standards relevant to the international trade in poultry and poultry products.
- Exchange of views on the approach by intergovernmental bodies such as the WHO, FAO and their subsidiary body (Codex Alimentarius) on disease surveillance and control strategies, food safety and in protecting the health and economic interests of consumers, which may impact on the poultry sector and/or international trade.
- Exchange of views and participation at meetings on relevant aspects of animal health and zoonoses, animal welfare and food safety.

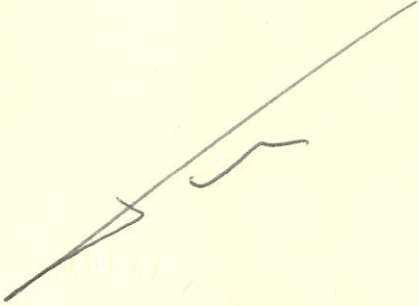
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5. Each organisation will invite the other party to participate as observer in its meeting where matters of mutual interest may arise and make the reports of these meetings available.
6. The OIE and the IPC will exchange free copies of documents and publications on subjects of mutual interest. Both organisations will benefit from the concessionary rates applied to their affiliated members or organisations for further orders of publications.



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