

OIE Collaborating Centres Reports Activities

Activities in 2021

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ToR: To provide services to the OIE, in particular within the region, in the designated specialty, in support of the implementation of OIE policies and, where required, seek for collaboration with OIE Reference Laboratories

ToR: To identify and maintain existing expertise, in particular within its region

1. Activities as a centre of research, expertise, standardisation and dissemination of techniques within the remit of the mandate given by the OIE

Animal welfare	
Title of activity	Scope
Contribution to Responsible Reptile Sourcing Standard (RRSS) multi-stakeholder consultation process	Input into consultation on this standard, relevant to the OIE standard for humane reptile killing Ch 7.14.
EmVetNet - Covid 19 thematic platform on Animal Welfare	Provided expertise to this Platform.
Open Philanthropy Project to support implementation of Chapter 7.3. Animal welfare and pig production systems and also Chapter 7.6 Killing for disease control purposes in ASF	Still in discussion and awaiting decision from funding body.
International Society for Applied Ethology 2021 Conference (online) "Developing Animal Behaviour and Welfare: Real Solutions for Real Problems".	Participation in the organisation and attendance at the conference, to support the development of expertise in the region.

ToR : To propose or develop methods and procedures that facilitate harmonisation of international standards and guidelines applicable to the designated specialty

2. Proposal or development of any procedure that will facilitate harmonisation of international regulations applicable to the surveillance and control of animal diseases, food safety or animal welfare

Proposal title	Scope/Content	Applicable area
Open Philanthropy Project to support implementation of Chapter 7.3. Animal welfare and pig production systems and also Chapter 7.6 Killing for disease control purposes in ASF	Still in discussion and awaiting decision from funding body.	<input type="checkbox"/> Surveillance and control of animal diseases <input type="checkbox"/> Food safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Animal welfare

ToR: To establish and maintain a network with other OIE Collaborating Centres designated for the same specialty, and should the need arise, with Collaborating Centres in other disciplines

ToR: To carry out and/or coordinate scientific and technical studies in collaboration with other centres, laboratories or organisations

3. Did your Collaborating Centre maintain a network with other OIE Collaborating Centres (CC), Reference Laboratories (RL), or organisations designated for the same specialty, to coordinate scientific and technical studies?

Yes

Name of OIE CC/RL/other organisation(s)	Location	Region of networking Centre	Purpose
International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI)	Nairobi and Ethiopia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Africa <input type="checkbox"/> Americas <input type="checkbox"/> Asia and Pacific <input type="checkbox"/> Europe <input type="checkbox"/> Middle East	Rebecca Doyle (Research Fellow AWSC at the University of Melbourne to Sept 2021) worked with ILRI to contribute an animal welfare perspective to ILRI's mission to improve food and nutritional security and to reduce poverty in developing countries through research for efficient, safe and sustainable use of livestock—ensuring better lives through livestock.
Discussion progressed to establish a Network of Animal Welfare Collaborating Centres		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Africa <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Americas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asia and Pacific <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Europe <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Middle East	

4. Did your Collaborating Centre maintain a network with other OIE Collaborating Centres, Reference laboratories, or organisations in other disciplines, to coordinate scientific and technical studies?

Yes

Name of OIE CC/RL/other organisation(s)	Location	Region of networking Centre	Purpose

<p>OIE CC in Veterinary Epidemiology and Public Health</p>	<p>New Zealand</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/>Africa <input type="checkbox"/>Americas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>Asia and Pacific <input type="checkbox"/>Europe <input type="checkbox"/>Middle East</p>	<p>Through research collaborations between the AWSBC and the EpiCentre, both at Massey University in New Zealand, the David Bayvel Collaborating Centre maintained a network with an OIE Collaborating Centre in Veterinary Epidemiology (OIE CC in Veterinary Epidemiology and Public Health in the Asia Pacific Region). Examples of collaborative research between the two OIE CCs include surveys of the health of working farm dogs (TeamMate Study; Isaksen et al. 2020 below) and industry-based research on the causes of mortality in bobby calves (Boulton et al. 2020 below) and validation of indicators of dehydration in young calves (Kells et al. 2020 below).</p>
<p>OIE Collaborating Centre Network for Veterinary Emergencies (EmVetNet)</p>		<p><input type="checkbox"/>Africa <input type="checkbox"/>Americas <input type="checkbox"/>Asia and Pacific <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>Europe <input type="checkbox"/>Middle East</p>	<p>Providing expertise and connection relating to animal welfare in emergencies</p>

ToR: To place expert consultants at the disposal of the OIE.

5. Did your Collaborating Centre place expert consultants at the disposal of the OIE?

Yes

Name of expert	Kind of consultancy	Subject
<p>Prof Paul Hemsworth</p>	<p>Contributing to the development of OIE welfare standards</p>	<p>World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) ad hoc Group, Pig Welfare.</p>
<p>Hayley Carr</p>	<p>Contributing expertise to EmVet</p>	<p>Animal welfare emergency management</p>

ToR: To provide, within the designated specialty, scientific and technical training to personnel from OIE Member Countries

6. Did your Collaborating Centre provide scientific and technical training, within the remit of the mandate given by the OIE, to personnel from OIE Member Countries?

No

ToR: To organise and participate in scientific meetings and other activities on

behalf of the OIE

7. Did your Collaborating Centre organise or participate in the organisation of scientific meetings on behalf of the OIE?

No

ToR: To collect, process, analyse, publish and disseminate data and information relevant to the designated specialty

8. Publication and dissemination of any information within the remit of the mandate given by the OIE that may be useful to Member Countries of the OIE

a) Articles published in peer-reviewed journals: 70

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9. Additional comments regarding your report:

Tena koe, Please see below additional information for questions 6 and 7. Thank you for receiving the 2021 annual report for the OIE Collaborating Centre for Animal Welfare and Bioethical Analysis (the David Bayvel Consortium) against the terms of reference (ToRs) for OIE Collaborating Centres. Once again, the activities of the OIE Collaborating Centre have been significantly impacted by measures taken by governments to manage COVID-19. In particular, were unable to conduct all the usual training and teaching activities, and much research activity has been restricted. The collaborating centre intended to focus on coordinating funding for these activities in support of the OIE intentions in 2021, but the impacts of COVID-19 have continued. This will be a focus for the proposed OIE Network of animal welfare collaborating centres, and a focus for our centre for 2022 and the following years. Additional information for questions 6 and 7 6. Did your Collaborating Centre provide scientific and technical training, within the remit of the mandate given by the OIE, to personnel from OIE Member Countries? No. There was no training delivered specifically for OIE Members. The Collaborating Centre partners delivered their usual teaching and training opportunities, including activities that are open to attendees from other countries including OIE Member countries, but additional activities were restricted by COVID. 7. Did your Collaborating Centre organise or participate in the organisation of scientific meetings on behalf of the OIE? No. The Collaborating Centre organised and participated in scientific meetings that were open to OIE members and that support the implementation of OIE standards, but did not organise or participate in any meetings on behalf of the OIE. See scientific meetings below. Thank you for your understanding and consideration. Naku noa, na Dr Kate Littin, on behalf.