

3rd East Asia Contact Person's Meeting

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia 25-27th June 2019

Summary and Recommendations

The 3rd East Asia Contact Person's meeting recognised:

1. The outcomes and recommendations from the 1st East Asia CVOs meeting and previous East Asia contact persons meetings held since July 2016.
2. The advancements in strengthening cooperation among East Asia members since the establishment of the East Asia CVO forum, such as with priority TADs and Veterinary Education
3. The projects and activities related to TADs control and other animal health activities being carried out in Asia by FAO and OIE;
4. Other collaborative activities of Members on TADs control in East Asia such as tripartite meetings of China-Japan-Korea as well as of China-Mongolia-Russia.
5. The importance of socio-economic factors, management practices, value chains, and other cultural influences in addition to disease occurrence in animal production.
6. The evolution of PVS tools and other resources available to support the veterinary services
7. The value of collaborating with other regional co-operations such as SEACFMD to share information, resources and technical expertise and forming formal and informal networks in Asia to strengthen the prevention and control of transboundary animal diseases in the region.

The meeting recommended to:

1. Continue to coordinate and collaborate on technical issues under guidance from the East Asia CVO's forum through the East Asia Contact Person's on a regular basis and organise meetings to coincide with other relevant regional meetings wherever possible.

2. Propose to hold an epidemiology network meeting back to back with SEACFMD network meeting in CAHEC in 2020 to cover focused areas and diseases to be identified, including endemic and exotic diseases.
3. Given the technical item 1 at 87th GS on *“how external factors (e.g. climate change, conflicts, socio-economics, trading patterns) will impact Veterinary Services, and the adaptations required”* consider organising a regional workshop or training for East Asia covering these issues such as foresight training.
4. To consider organising a workshop on border control involving interagency stakeholders such as customs, quarantine services, transport industry and others identified.
5. Continue to organise sub-regional and regional trainings involving East Asia members as has been conducted in previous years, taking into consideration other factors influencing animal health and production.

The Meeting thanked;

1. The Government of Mongolia and the General Authority for Veterinary Services for hosting the Meeting.
2. SEACFMD and OIE SRR-SEA for inviting the participants to join the 22nd SEACFMD National Coordinators Meeting.
3. the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries of Japan for its continuing support through its contribution to the OIE Trust Fund Project.