## Seventh meeting of the GF-TADs Global Steering Committee, OIE Headquarters, Paris, October 29-30, 2014 Recommendations

The GF-TADs Global Steering Committee (GSC) reiterates its commitment to Rinderpest post-eradication activities and the control of the priority diseases, in particular Avian Influenza, Rabies, FMD, PPR and ASF, the importance of strengthening Veterinary Services, and encourage FAO, OIE, and WHO when relevant, to continue efforts for a complete implementation of the recommendations previously approved by the fifth and sixth meeting of the GF-TADs Global Steering Committee.

The GF-TADs Global Steering Committee (GSC) acknowledges with thanks and appreciation the contribution and support of Italy for proposing a new secondment for the position of GF-TADs Global Secretariat. The GF-TADs Global Steering Committee (GSC) will appreciate that another stakeholder could propose a secondment to reinforce the GF-TADs Global Secretariat.

## The Global Steering Committee recommends that:

- 1. The Management Committee refine rules and develop SOP for labeling meetings as GF-TADs meetings at national, sub-regional, regional and global level;
- 2. Rabies must be considered as a priority disease in all regions and that the Regional GF-TADS Steering Committee for Africa keeps this disease as a priority as written in its Five-year Action Plan;
- 3. The concept of "transboundary diseases" includes any emerging disease with panzootic or pandemic potential. This could be also reflected in the priority diseases list of the GF-TADs Regional Steering Committee which should remain open to emerging diseases mentioned above;
  - 4. WHO, acknowledging the importance of collaboration with FAO and OIE for sharing responsibilities and coordinating of global activities to address sanitary risks at the animal-human-ecosystems interfaces, be committed for a better participation of the WHO Regional Offices at the GF-TADs Regional Steering Committee meetings and activities;
- 5. The Management Committee works on a document defining the Key Performance Indicators to be used for the reporting on activities at Global and Regional GF-TADs

Steering Committee meetings. After agreement on the document, the Global Secretariat will make a presentation at the next GF-TADs Regional Steering Committee meetings in each region;

- 6. OIE and FAO continues to carry out all appropriate measures to obtain information from the few countries which have not yet reported on rinderpest virus containing material they could sequester in national facilities since the global eradication declaration;
- 7. (i) Coordination between FAO and OIE should be improved for FMD meetings at regional and sub-regional levels; (ii) Recommendations adopted during the FAO-OIE Global conference in Bangkok in June 2012 are respected and followed up (implemented??); (iii) More success stories such as SEACFMD vaccine bank be publicized in order to convince donors to more contribute and invest at national, sub-regional and regional levels;
- 8. OIE-FAO International Conference on Control and Eradication of PPR be a pre-pledging conference with the presentation of the Global Strategy taking into account both the PPR eradication objective and the efficiency of Veterinary Services, highlighting that other diseases could be also controlled through the implementation of the PPR strategy;
- 9. OIE and FAO to have a better knowledge on the current epidemiological situation of RVF, to evaluate the use of vaccines and to provide tools to strengthen the epidemiosurveillance and the control of RVF;
- 10. The PVS pathway be used in all countries for evaluation of the Veterinary Services for the prevention, surveillance and control of diseases;

## **Next meeting**

The next GF-TADs Global Steering Committee meeting (GSC8) to be held in Roma, 27-28 October 2015 (to be confirmed six months ahead of this date).

