



## Policy Dialogue on Regional Program for Control and Prevention of Transboundary Animal Diseases (TADs)<sup>1</sup>

**Nur-Sultan, 23-25 April 2019**

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SPS National Working Group of Kazakhstan and Asian Development Bank

### AGENDA as of 22 April

<b>Day 1, 23 April 2019</b>	
8:30 – 9:00	<b>Registration</b>
<b>Opening Session</b> 9:00 – 9:15	<p><b>Welcome Remarks</b></p> <p>Ms. Gulmira Issayeva, Vice Minister, Ministry of Agriculture and Chairperson, SPS National Working Group (NWG) of Kazakhstan</p> <p>Mr. Giovanni Capannelli, Country Director, Kazakhstan Resident Mission, Asian Development Bank (ADB)</p>
9:15 – 9:45	<b>Group Photo, Coffee Break</b>
<b>Session 1</b> 9:45 – 10:10	<p><b>Modernizing Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures to Facilitate Trade in CAREC</b> <b>Presenter:</b> Ms. Dorothea Lazaro, Regional Cooperation Specialist, East Asia Department, ADB</p> <p><b>10-minute presentation followed by Q&amp;A</b> <i>The session will discuss the progress of SPS initiatives to achieve the CAREC Common Agenda for Modernization of SPS Measures for Trade (CAST) and the CAREC Integrated Trade Agenda (CITA) 2030. The discussion will provide broader context for SPS initiatives in the veterinary sector to deepen regional economic cooperation.</i></p>
<b>Session 2</b> 10:10 – 10:35	<p><b>Facilitation of Agriculture Trade – Animals and Products of Animal Origin</b> <b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Manon Schuppers, Animal Health Expert, KSTA 9500 (ADB Consultant)</p> <p><b>15-minute presentation followed by discussion</b> <i>The session will discuss the importance of agriculture trade, focusing on animals and products of animal origin.</i></p>

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<b>Session 3</b> 10:35 – 11:30	<b>Global and Regional Initiatives in Animal Health Measures</b>  <b>Peste des Petits Ruminants (PPR) Roadmap for West Eurasia Region</b> <b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Mereke Taitubayev, Head, Sub Regional Office for Central Asia, World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE)  <b>Progressive Control Pathway for Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD)</b> <b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Bouda Vosough Ahmadi, FMD Risk Assessment Specialist, European Commission for the Control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease (EuFMD)  <b>15-minute presentation each followed by discussions</b>
<b>Session 4</b> 11:30- 12:00	<b>Regional Program for Control and Prevention of TADs – Presentation of the Concept Note</b> <b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Manon Schuppers, ADB Consultant  <b>20-minute presentation followed by discussion</b> <i>The presenter will discuss the concept note, encompassing the economic rationale and regional mechanisms for control and prevention of TADs.</i>
12:00 – 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>Session 3 continued</b>  13:30 – 13:50	<b>Global and Regional Initiatives in Animal Health</b>  <b>Regional Animal Health Network and Brucellosis Control Pathway</b> <b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Eran Raizman, Senior Animal Health & Production Officer, Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia, Food and Agriculture Organization, United Nations  <b>15-minute presentation each followed by discussions</b>
<b>Session 5</b> 13:50 – 15:10	<b>Country Presentations: Priority Diseases, Control Program, Challenges and Plans</b>  <b>Moderator:</b> Mr. Ying Qian, Director, Public Management, Financial Sector and Regional Cooperation Division, East Asia Department, ADB  <b>Presenters:</b> Veterinary representatives to CAREC SPS NWGs from <b>Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic</b>  <b>Discussants:</b> Dr. Manon Schuppers, ADB Consultant Dr. Mereke Taitubayev, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia Dr. Bouda Vosough Ahmadi, EuFMD Dr. Eran Raizman, FAO  <b>10-minute presentation followed by discussion</b> <i>NWGs will present the status of animal diseases important to their country; their control, monitoring and surveillance program; and the challenges and their long-term plans against such diseases.</i>
15:10 – 15:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>

<p><b>Session 5 Continued</b> 15:30 – 16:40</p>	<p><b>Country Presentations (continuation)</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Mr. Ying Qian, ADB</p> <p><b>Presenters:</b> Veterinary representatives to CAREC SPS NWGs from <b>Mongolia, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan</b></p> <p><b>Discussants:</b> Dr. Manon Schuppers, ADB Consultant Dr. Mereke Taitubayev, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia Dr. Bouda Vosough Ahmadi, EuFMD Dr. Eran Raizman, FAO</p>
<p><b>Session 6</b> 16:40-17:10</p>	<p><b>Proposed Central Asian Biosafety Channel Construction Aid Project</b></p> <p><b>Moderator: Ms. Dorothea Lazaro, ADB</b></p> <p><b>Presenter:</b> Mr. Jun Xu, Director, Animal and Plant Quarantine Division, Urumqi Customs, People's Republic of China</p> <p><b>10-minute presentation followed by discussion</b> <i>The session will discuss the proposed activities, including (i) strengthening of bilateral meetings to enhance information exchange between Kazakhstan and PRC; (ii) training on epidemic disease test technology to be conducted by PRC for Central Asian countries; (iii) jointly build a laboratory alliance in Khorgos International Border Cooperation Center; and establishment of animal epidemic disease surveillance program.</i></p>
<p><b>Session 7</b> 17:10 – 17:20</p>	<p><b>Wrap up of Day 1</b></p> <p><b>Presenter:</b> Ms. Dorothea Lazaro, ADB</p> <p><i>The session will summarize outcomes of day 1 and outline next steps.</i></p>

<b>Day 2, 24 April 2019</b>	
<b>Session 8</b> 9:00 – 9:15	<b>Introduction to Group Work for Revision of the Concept Note</b> <b>Presenter:</b> Dr. Manon Schuppers, ADB Consultant  <i>The presentation will introduce the organization of the group work for the revision of the Concept Note for the Regional Program for Prevention and Control of TADs.</i>
<b>Session 9 (Breakout Session A)</b>  09:15 – 10:00	<b>Revision of the Concept Note – Identification of objectives</b>  <i>During this group work activity, country representatives will discuss the regional objectives for the next 5 years concerning the facilitation of international trade of live animals and animal products. Representatives will consider objectives from both the public and the private sector.</i>  <i>Country representatives will discuss in 2 groups in 2 short sessions.</i>  <b>Facilitators:</b> Dr. Manon Schuppers, ADB Consultant Dr. Mereke Taitubayev, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia Dr. Bouda Vosough Ahmadi, EuFMD Dr. Eran Raizman, FAO Dr. Ruth Oliva Abascal, Technical Assistant, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia
10:00 – 10:15	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>Session 10 (Breakout Session B)</b>  10:15 – 11:00	<b>Revision of the Concept Note – Identification of animal health related challenges</b>  <i>During this group work activity, country representatives will identify and discuss the challenges that currently impede international trade of live animals and animal products with a particular focus on challenges related to the prevention and control of TADs. Representatives will focus on challenges encountered by both the public and the private sector.</i>  <i>Country representatives will discuss in 2 groups in 2 short sessions.</i>  <b>Facilitators:</b> Dr. Manon Schuppers, ADB Consultant Dr. Mereke Taitubayev, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia Dr. Bouda Vosough Ahmadi, EuFMD Dr. Eran Raizman, FAO Dr. Ruth Oliva Abascal, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia
<b>Session 11 (Plenary Session)</b>  11:00 – 12:00	<b>Revision of the Concept Note – Presentation of objectives and challenges</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Dorothea Lazaro, ADB  <b>Discussants:</b> Dr. Manon Schuppers, ADB Consultant Dr. Mereke Taitubayev, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia Dr. Bouda Vosough Ahmadi, EuFMD Dr. Eran Raizman, FAO Dr. Ruth Oliva Abascal, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia  <i>During this plenary session, a representative of each group will present the objectives and challenges identified during the preceding discussion rounds.</i>

12:00 – 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>Session 12 (Breakout Session C)</b>  13:30 – 14:30	<p><b>Revision of the Concept Note – Identification of regional initiatives</b></p> <p><i>During this group work activity, country representatives will identify and discuss regional initiatives to promote the prevention and control of TADs that will address the challenges identified in the earlier session (see also Concept note chapters 2.2.2 and 3.7). Initiatives will focus on possible public, private and public-private partnership initiatives. The representatives will identify implementation mechanisms for the initiatives as well as possibilities for cooperation with existing initiatives and platforms. Finally, the participants will discuss possible financing mechanisms for the identified initiatives.</i></p> <p><i>Country representatives will discuss in 2 groups in 2 short sessions.</i></p> <p><b>Facilitators:</b> Dr. Manon Schuppers, ADB Consultant Dr. Mereke Taitubayev, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia Dr. Bouda Vosough Ahmadi, EuFMD Dr. Eran Raizman, FAO Dr. Ruth Oliva Abascal, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia</p>
14:30 – 14:45	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>Session 13 (Plenary Session)</b>  14:45 – 15:30	<p><b>Revision of the Concept Note – Presentation of proposed regional initiatives</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Dorothea Lazaro, ADB</p> <p><b>Discussants:</b> Dr. Manon Schuppers, ADB Consultant Dr. Mereke Taitubayev, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia Dr. Bouda Vosough Ahmadi, EuFMD Dr. Eran Raizman, FAO Dr. Ruth Oliva Abascal, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia</p> <p><i>During this plenary session, a representative of each group will present the regional initiatives, their implementation mechanisms and their financing mechanisms as identified during the preceding group discussions.</i></p>
<b>Session 14</b> 15:30 – 16:15	<p><b>Experts' Responses and Recommendations</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Ms. Dorothea Lazaro, ADB</p> <p><b>Discussants:</b> Dr. Manon Schuppers, ADB Consultant Dr. Mereke Taitubayev, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia Dr. Bouda Vosough Ahmadi, EuFMD Dr. Eran Raizman, FAO Dr. Ruth Oliva Abascal, OIE Sub Regional Office for Central Asia</p> <p><i>The sessions will discuss experts' recommendations in the implementation of a regional program for control and prevention of TADs based on the agreed initiatives. The discussions will focus on regional cooperation mechanisms such as resource sharing, information exchange for risk profiling and analysis, and coordinated border management. The session will lay out next steps, options and activities to institutionalize a regional program for control and prevention of TADs.</i></p>

<b>Session 15</b> 16:15 – 16:45	<b>Country Statements and Next Steps</b> <b>Moderators:</b> Mr. Ying Qian, Director, ADB Kazakhstan NWG Representative  <i>NWG representatives per country will issue concluding statements regarding the proposal and options for the regional program for control and prevention of TADs.</i>
<b>Closing Session</b> 16:45 – 17:00	<b>Closing Remarks</b>  Ministry of Agriculture of Kazakhstan Representative Mr. Ying Qian, Director, ADB

<b>Day 3, 25 April 2019: Study Visits</b>	
8:30 – 8:45	<b>Assembly at the Astana Marriott Hotel Lobby</b>
8:45 – 10:45	<b>Travel from Marriott Hotel to SC Food farm (Azat Village)</b>
10:45 – 12:15	<b>Visit at the SC Food farm to observe the FMD-free Farm Management</b> <b>Facilitator:</b> Mr. Maksut Baktibayev, CEO of “SC FOOD”
12:15 – 13:30	<b>Lunch</b>
13:30 – 15:30	<b>Travel from SC Food to Republican Veterinary Laboratory (Nur-Sultan)</b>
15:30 – 17:00	<b>Discussions at the Republican Veterinary Laboratory (to be confirmed)</b> <b>Facilitators:</b> Mr. Arman Aliyev, Head of Republican Veterinary Laboratory Mr. Sayan Kurmangaliev, Head of the Veterinary Safety, Directorate, Veterinary, Phytosanitary and Food Safety Department (Member, SPS NWG of Kazakhstan)
17:00 – 17:20	<b>Return to Astana Marriott Hotel</b>