OIE new developments on Animal Welfare

Second OIE Regional Workshop on Stray Dog population management for Balkan countries (SDB2)
Tirana / Albania – 14-16 June 2016
Introduction
Animal welfare has been identified as a strategic priority for the OIE since 2001, under the mandate granted by all Members.
EVOLUTION OF OIE ANIMAL WELFARE STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT

Transport
- How to move

Slaughter/Killing
- How to slaughter/kill

Production
- How to raise

- Use of Animal in Research and Education
- Stray dog Population Control
- Working Equids
CONCEPT OF THE WELFARE IN PRODUCTION SYSTEMS IN THE OIE AW CODE CHAPTERS:
OUTCOME-BASED MEASURES

**INPUT**
- Resources available (Resource-based measures)
- Management practices (Management-based measures)

**OUTPUT**
- Response of the animal
- Effects on the animal (Measurables)
  - Indicate the animal’s welfare (welfare indicator)
- Consequences (Adverse effects)

Animal tries to cope

Factors (Hazards)
CHALLENGES FOR OIE

➢ Complexity of Animal Welfare with important scientific, ethical, cultural, religious, economic and political dimensions.
  ➢ Essential to have a scientific base, but for adoption, account must be taken of other dimensions.

➢ Need to address AW on a global basis.
  ➢ OIE standards need to be relevant to all Members;
  ➢ Livestock production systems are extremely divers, even within the same country,
OIE STANDARDS ON ANIMAL WELFARE

Terrestrial Animal Health Code: Section 7
(http://www.oie.int/en/international-standard-setting/terrestrial-code/access-online/)

- Introduction to the recommendations for animal welfare (2003)
- Transport of animals by land (2005)
- Transport of animals by sea (2005)
- Transport of animals by air (2005)
- Slaughter of animals for human consumption (2005)
- Killing of animals for disease control purposes (2005)
- Control of stray dog populations (2009)
- Use of animals in research and education (2010)
- Welfare of Working Equids (2016)
Aquatic Animal Health Code: Section 7

- Introduction to recommendations for the welfare of farmed fish
- Welfare of farmed fish during transport (2009)
- Welfare aspects of stunning and killing of farmed fish for human consumption (2010)
- Killing of farmed fish for disease control purposes (2012)
OIE animal welfare activities and priorities
OIE ANIMAL WELFARE ACTIVITIES AND PRIORITIES (1)

Production systems
Animal welfare and **pig production systems** (ahG meeting, March 2016, Next one February 2017)
Animal welfare and **laying hens** production systems (ahG to be convene in November 2017)

- Killing methods for **farmed reptiles** for skin

**Natural disaster** risk reduction and management in relation to animal health and welfare
OIE ANIMAL WELFARE ACTIVITIES AND PRIORITIES (2)

Chapter 7.7
Stray dog population control

➢ Cross-reference AW standards with disease-specific Chapters of the Terrestrial Code (e.g. rabies)
➢ Review of the Article 7.7.8, to give an update and practical tool to estimate stray dogs population to VS. (proyect)
OIE Global Conférence on animal welfare
Venue

Hotel Presidente Intercontinental Guadalajara

Address: Avenida López Mateos Sur s/n, Ciudad del Sol, 45050 Guadalajara, JAL, México

Guadalajara, Mexico, 6-8 December 2016
General objectives

To encourage and to **support the implementation of OIE animal welfare standards by Member Countries**, with particular attention to strategies and implementation tools, the conference will highlight how **the improvement of animal welfare legislation**, the potential **inclusion of OIE standards in the negotiation of bilateral agreements on trade** covering animals and products of animal origin, and the development of strong partnerships with relevant stakeholders, have facilitated effective implementation tools at the national level.
Specific objectives

- to improve the implementation of OIE animal welfare standards worldwide, notably in developing countries, by recognising and learning from successful initiatives;
- to stimulate discussion between OIE national Delegates, animal welfare focal points and other stakeholders;
- to overcome the challenges to effective implementation of the OIE animal welfare standards everywhere;
- to highlight the roles and responsibilities that national Veterinary Services may take in the successful implementation of the OIE animal welfare standards;
- to strengthen the OIE Partnership with other animal welfare stakeholders by recognising the contributions decision makers, donors and the general community can make to programmes aimed at improving animal welfare and OIE animal welfare standard implementation;
- to discuss the future development of animal welfare science to support the design and update of OIE animal welfare standards and their implementation;
- to discuss, on the basis of the existing standards and guidelines and experiences and on the outcomes of the regional animal welfare strategies already implemented, a global strategy for animal welfare proposal.
Participants

- 450–500 (approximately)
- OIE national Delegates and other Veterinary Services representatives (especially national animal welfare focal points)
- OIE Collaborating Centres on animal welfare and animal welfare scientists
- Relevant International Organisations holding official Agreement with the OIE
- International Industry Organisations
- Veterinary Education Establishments and relevant research institutes
- Animal welfare NGO’s
- Veterinary Statutory Bodies and Veterinary Associations
- Donor community
- Civil society
Programme overview

• Follow up on the recommendations of the Kuala Lumpur Conference (2012)
• Challenges/Opportunities for the implementation of the OIE animal welfare standards
• Strengthening the OIE Partnership with other animal welfare stakeholders.
• Future development of animal welfare science and use of new technologies
• Discussion of an OIE global animal welfare strategy
• Conference Recommendations
• OIE ad hoc Group on Animal Welfare and Pig Production Systems
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• The OIE ad hoc Group on Animal Welfare and Pig Production Systems met at the OIE Headquarters on 22–24 March 2016. The ad hoc Group worked based on outcome-based criteria or measurable, which give a better indication of animal welfare. The Group followed the ToR prepared by the AWWG.

• Membership
  • Dr Birte Broberg (Chair), DENMARK
  • Professor Paul Hamilton Hemsworth, AUSTRALIA
  • Dr Jennifer A. Brown, CANADA
  • Professor Lixian Wang, CHINA
  • Dr Antoni Dalmau Bueno, SPAIN
  • Dr Cleandro Pazinato Dias, BRAZIL
Outline of the draft chapter

The draft new chapter is structured along the following lines:

- definition of pig production systems, management and environmental enrichment for use in the new Terrestrial Code chapter;
- scope of the recommendations;
- description of existing production systems for pig cattle production systems;
- identification and brief description of relevant ‘outcome-based criteria or measurables’;
- recommendations for measures applied to pigs;
- references.
Way forward

The draft text will be presented to:

- AWWG meeting (30th May – 1st June)
- TAHSC Commission meeting (September)
- Country Comments (deadline December 2017)
- TAHSC Commission meeting (February 2017)
- AWWG meeting (September 2017)
- OIE General Session (Adoption….. 2018)
http://www.oie.int/infographic/StandardsAW/index.html
Thank you for your attention!

Gracias!

Merci!