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## **Evolution of the OIE PVS Pathway: perspectives for the Americas**

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19-23 November 2018, Punta Cana, Dominican Republic

# Summary

- **Context of the evolution**
- **Evolution of the PVS Pathway**
- **What is needed?**
- **Perspectives for the Americas**
- **Future activities**



# Context of the evolution

Context of the evolution:

# OVERVIEW



**10 years of existence...**  
**OIE's flagship programme**  
**Global impact**

# Thus...

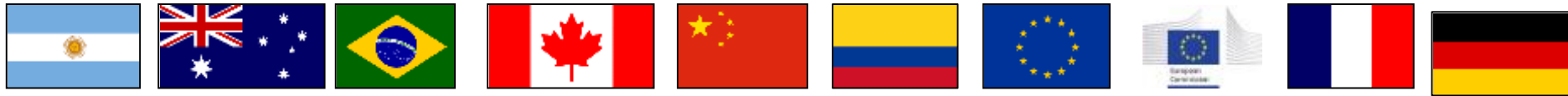


This **10 year birthday** milestone provided us with a symbolic opportunity to pause and reflect on this landmark programme to ensure a bright future

Context of the evolution:

# **FUNDING**

# Donors and partners







- No longer automatic that all PVS Pathway missions can be funded by OIE
- Donors are becoming more prescriptive:
  - Priority countries
  - Harder to fund missions
- The OIE's role is to work with its partners, donors and Members to ensure the PVS Pathway remains relevant

Context of the evolution:

# **SYNERGIES WITH PRIORITY INITIATIVES**

# IHR Monitoring and Evaluation Framework

*OIE/WHO collaboration*

## International standards and guidelines



**ANIMAL HEALTH**



**HUMAN HEALTH**

## ■ Global Disease Strategies

- PPR
- FMD

## ■ Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR)



## ■ Others in the future?

Context of the evolution:

# **OIE'S SIXTH STRATEGIC PLAN**

# **– Strategic Objective n°3 – Ensuring the Capacity and Sustainability of Veterinary Services**

- Improved policy advice in support of Veterinary Services
- Expansion of the scope of the PVS Pathway Tools





# Evolution of the PVS Pathway



# 23rd Conference of the OIE Regional Commission for the Americas

14 to 18 November 2016, Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia







# Contribution of the Regional Commission

- The myths are demystified!
- Working groups on the evolution options:
  - Training on the PVS Pathway with the aim of a PVS Self-Evaluation
  - Official integration of the PVS Pathway into country strategic planning cycles
  - Content dedicated to priority topics during future missions of the PVS Pathway
  - PVS Pathway capacity building programme coordinated by National Focal Points for PVS Pathway





# OIE PVS Pathway 'Think Tank' Forum

4-6 April 2017, Paris, France



# PVVS

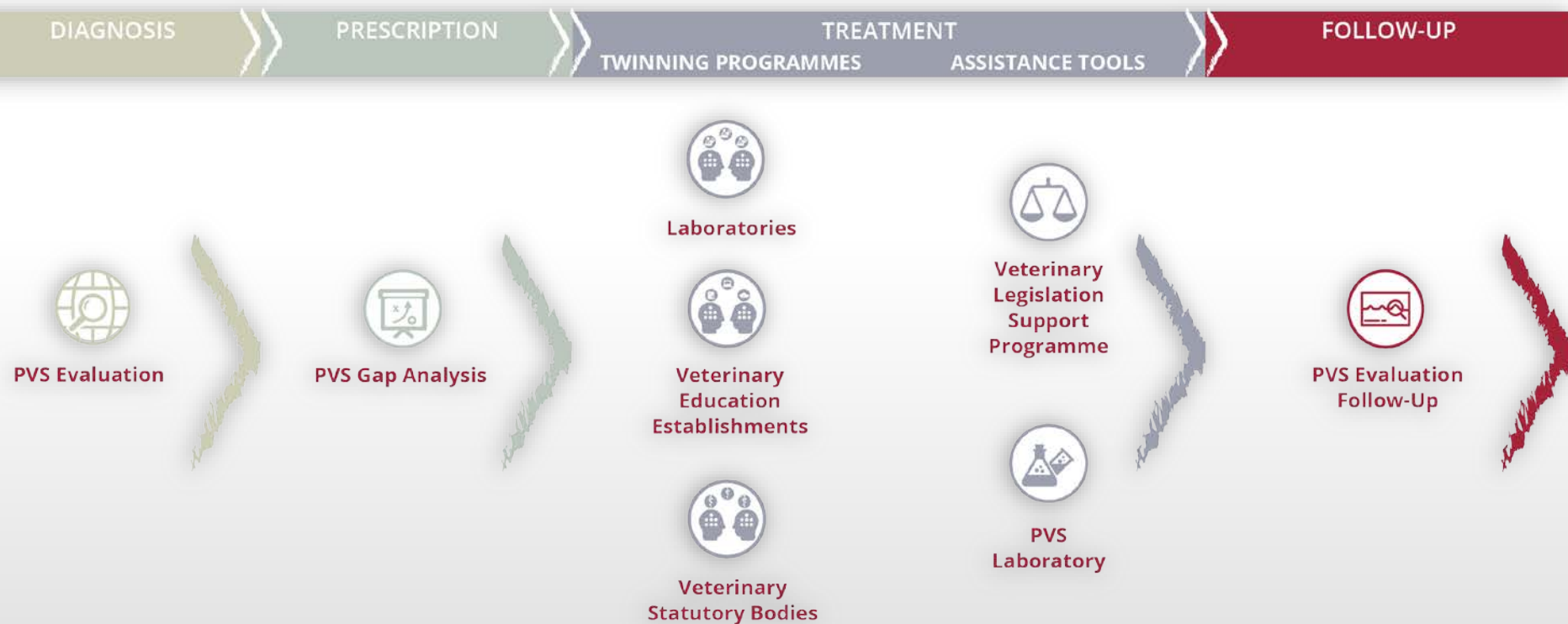
**10 years together**  
to improve Veterinary Services

2007 | 2017



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iymtiMQjXJE>

# The OIE PVS Pathway Arrow...



*The OIE collaborates with governments, donors and other stakeholders*

# ...has become the PVS Pathway Cycle:

See the Brochure



EVOLVING THE OIE PVS PATHWAY TO BETTER RESPOND TO COUNTRIES' NEEDS  
PVS Pathway Cycle for the Strengthening of Veterinary Services



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# General Session 2018





# STAGE 1

## ORIENTATION

- A** Sub-Regional Orientation Training Workshop
- B** Sub-Regional Lessons Learnt Workshop





# STAGE 1 ORIENTATION



## A-Sub-Regional Orientation Training Workshops

- To demystify PVS and enhance understanding, ownership and use, including tailored engagement
- To improve preparation and conduct of missions and thus report quality and use
- To potentiate PVS Self-Evaluation
- To create knowledgeable contact persons in country and a sub-regional network for shared learning
- To develop new observers > experts

# STAGE 1 ORIENTATION



## B- Sub-Regional Lessons Learnt Workshops

- To re-unite the PVS sub-regional network<sup>1</sup> after a threshold of missions, with a focus on lessons learnt, report analysis and sub-regional planning, with interested:
    - Regional Economic Communities
    - OIE resource partners
1. *Comprises national specialists previously trained in, hosting and/or observing PVS missions in the region*



## STAGE 2

Stage 1  
Orientation

### EVALUATION



- A PVS Evaluation
- B PVS Evaluation Follow Up
- C PVS Self-Evaluation
- D PVS Evaluation (Aquatic)
- E Specific Content (PPR)

OPTIONS

A- PVS Evaluation

B- PVS Evaluation Follow Up

OPTIONS:

C- PVS Self-Evaluation

D- PVS Evaluation (Aquatic)



E- Specific content (PPR)

- To provide guidance in linking of stronger VS to a practical animal health or “One Health” priorities
- Limited number of global priorities:
  - Peste des petits ruminants (PPR) eradication – Available
  - Rabies – *potential candidate*
  - AMR – *different approach (incorporated in 7th edition of Tool)*



## STAGE 3

Stage 1  
Orientation

Stage 2  
Évaluation



## A- PVS Gap Analysis (PVS Costing Tool)



## B- PVS Strategic Planning Support

- **After a PVS Gap Analysis**
- Through a joint OIE-country workshop (involvement of stakeholders)
- To incorporate findings and recommendations within:
  - Newly initiated national strategic plan
  - OR
  - Established national strategic planning cycle
- Output – agreed template incorporating PVS findings for country use
- Optimises sustainability and country ownership
- Targets those with difficulty using reports



## STAGE 4

Stage 1  
Orientation

Stage 2  
Évaluation

### TARGETED SUPPORT

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- A One Health Integration (PVS/IHR)
- B Veterinary Legislation Support
- C Sustainable Laboratories
- D Veterinary and Paraprofessional Education
- E OIE National Focal Points Training

Stage 3  
Planning

## A- One Health Integration (PVS/IHR)



### International Health Regulations (IHR) and PVS Pathway National Bridging Workshops

- To explore in depth overlapping areas and develop, where relevant, appropriate bridges to facilitate coordination between sectors to operationalise “One Health”
- Based on results of both PVS Pathway and IHR Monitoring and Evaluation Framework (Joint External Evaluations - JEE)



# OIE PVS and WHO IHR Linkages

‘Equivalent’ systems targeting international:

animal health

and

public health



World Health Organization



**BOTH  
TARGET  
Global  
Health  
Security**

**OIE Code**

**PVS Pathway**

**PVS Evaluation**



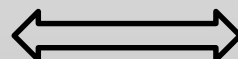
**International Health Regulations (IHR)**

**IHR Monitoring & Evaluation Framework**

**Joint External Evaluations (with PVS experts)**



**PVS Gap Analysis**



**Support to the NAPHS – *planned***

## B- Veterinary Legislation Support

- **Veterinary Legislation Support Programme (VLSP)**
  - Missions and agreements
- **Evolution of the VLSP**
  - Increase the number of Agreements concluded following the identification missions (at present: 15 Agreements are signed or in preparation)
  - Added focus on legislation related to biological threat reduction (BTR)
    - Workshop organised for OIRSA Member Countries (Panama 2017)
    - 3 VLSP identification missions « BTR » in these countries (2016-2018)
  - Launch of other initiatives with the aim of carrying out VLSP identification missions related to specific themes: AMR, PPR...



## C- Sustainable Laboratories

### ■ PVS Sustainable Laboratories mission

- To determine the resources needed to meet the needs of Veterinary Services via a sustainable, efficient and viable national veterinary laboratory network
- Typical situation – personnel, maintenance and/or consumables do not match physical infrastructure – latter nationally or donor funded without due consideration for longer term sustainability
- PVS Sustainable Lab mission balances lab inputs based on actual VS testing needs

### ■ Veterinary Laboratory Twinning Projects

## D- Veterinary and Paraprofessional Education

- Veterinary Education Twinning Projects
- Work with Veterinary Statutory Body (VSB)
- Work on Veterinary Para-professionals (VPP) – *Day one competencies (finalised), model curricula (in development)*



## E- OIE National Focal Points Training

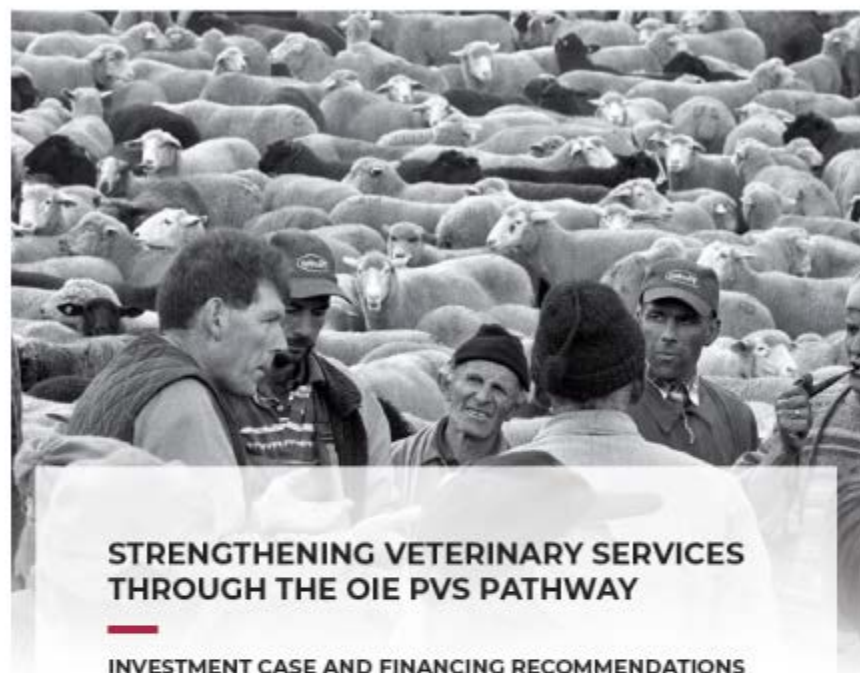
- Workforce Development through National Focal Points
  - Through regional seminars/workshops
  - National Focal Points are designated by the OIE Delegate for eight key topics of critical importance to the Veterinary Services
  - To assist the Delegate in fulfilling his/her responsibilities to the OIE
  - Approach being updated...



# What is needed?

***The PVS Pathway  
investment case is  
finalised.***

***It is being used to seek  
donor support in order to  
strengthen the evolution  
of the programme.***



**STRENGTHENING VETERINARY SERVICES  
THROUGH THE OIE PVS PATHWAY**

**INVESTMENT CASE AND FINANCING RECOMMENDATIONS**

**MAY 2018**



# Perspectives for the Americas



## A- Sub-regional orientation training workshops

- North America

- Canadian PVS information seminar (March 2015) > Canadian PVS training with US + Mexican participation (December 2016) > PVS Evaluation of Canada (March 2017)

- OIRSA

- PVS Orientation Training in Mexico for OIRSA Member Countries
- Biggest limitation for undertaking missions is funding availability...





## B- Sub-regional lessons learnt workshops

- **CVP** – *a pioneering model for the new OIE cyclical approach...*
  - PVS Training (June 2014) > PVS missions with CVP observers (2014-2017) > PVS reports analysis (lessons learnt) workshop (May 2018)

**A- PVS Evaluation**

**B- PVS Evaluation Follow Up**

**OPTIONS:**

**C- PVS Self-Evaluation**

**D- PVS Evaluation (Aquatic)**

**E- Specific content (PPR)-**



- PVS self-evaluation in Argentina, Chile and Brazil (others?)
- PVS Evaluation Aquatic (Brazil, Panama, Belize) - to be soon proposed to Peru and Colombia
- PVS Specific Content (PPR less relevant, but scoping a pilot country for rabies specific content mission)
- Again, biggest constraint is donor support...

## A- PVS Gap Analysis (PVS Costing Tool)



## B- PVS Strategic Planning Support

- Many countries have used PVS reports, especially Gap Analysis, in their own national strategic planning
- Piloting of new methodology underway, should be more widely available after March 2019 (PVS Advanced Training)... but pending funding in this region.....
- Naturally follows a PVS Gap Analysis

## A- One Health Integration (PVS/IHR)



### International Health Regulations (IHR) and PVS Pathway National Bridging Workshops

- Not well progressed in the Americas, due to constraints on the WHO side, especially relating to engaging with pre-cursor JEE missions.
- JEEs only in USA – 2016 and Canada - 2018
- Some renewed interest in NBWs now being explored.....including possibly a rabies focus!

## E- OIE National Focal Points Training

- **Workforce Development through National Focal Points**
  - Through regional seminars/workshops
  - The OIE has initiated a discussion about adjusting the Focal Points' training approach
  - Establishment of a platform of the Collaborating Centres for the training of official veterinarians
    - Centro Buenos Aires para la Capacitación de los Servicios Veterinarios (Buenos Aires, Argentina)
    - Center for Animal Health and Food Safety (Saint Paul/Minnesota, USA)

# Other/Future activities



# Future Activities – Methods and Code

- Finalisation of the 7th edition of the OIE PVS Tool
  - Developed by the **OIE Ad Hoc Group on the Evaluation of Veterinary Services** (meeting end of May 2018)
  - **2 new CCs proposed:**
    - Antimicrobial resistance
    - Veterinary clinical services
- **Revision of Chapters 3.1 and 3.2 of the *Codes***



# Future activities - General

- **Training of experts on the new activities** proposed by the PVS Pathway (beginning of 2019)
- **End of the pilot phase of some activities**
- **Communications Strategy** - donor messaging and website
- **Reports Operational Database Project**
- **External evaluation of the PVS Pathway**
- **Reflection about the PVS Pathway positioning within the mandate of the OIE**





# Thank you for your attention!



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