WEB INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP
30th June 2020
14.00 – 16.15 CET

PANDEMIC! A one health view of emerging infectious diseases
What veterinary sciences can contribute

Lessons learnt from Covid19

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New diseases are continually emerging. A conservative estimate is that there is one new human disease every eight months, with even more emerging in animals. Emerging diseases are a threat for mankind and new ways are needed for their prevention and control. Moreover, it is becoming clear with the COVID-19 human pandemic, such emergencies also impact negatively on the control of animal diseases generally. The proposed discussion will focus on the following topics:

- COVID-19 as a multidisciplinary research accelerator for animal health;
- Overview on the epidemiological background of Coronaviruses and other pandemic agents and the progress of technology in delivering improved surveillance and control of the associated diseases;
- How to give direction to the future Strategic Research Agendas (SRAs) for veterinary science to improve preparedness and cope with novel and re-emerging diseases.

**INTRODUCTION**

There are several lessons for veterinary medicine to be learnt from COVID-19; the key questions to be discussed in this workshop are:

**How can research on animal infectious diseases contribute to prevent and control future human and animal pandemics?**

**How can Strategic Research Agendas in animal health be improved to prevent and respond in a timely manner to new and emerging animal diseases?**

We will scrutinise these questions starting from the following assumptions:

- The successful control of global diseases is dependent on a number of factors. Herd immunity can be enhanced by vaccination, but newly emerging diseases severely constrain the available time to develop, test, regulate, produce, and deploy effective vaccines.
- Effective disease control requires good understanding of the disease aetiology, epidemiology and pathology.
- Veterinary research can lead to answers on immunology, host-pathogen interaction, and spillover potential with far-reaching significance also for human medicine. Animal models are still fundamental for studying and developing new vaccines and therapeutics.
- This pandemic has again highlighted the importance of hygiene, biosecurity, and preventive medicine as first lines of defense against emerging infectious diseases.

The Collaborative Working Group on Animal Health and welfare research (CWG-AHW) and the Global Strategic Alliances for the Coordination of Research on the Major Infectious Diseases of Animals and Zoonoses and its related International Research Consortium (STAR-IDAZ IRC), with the support of APRE (Agency for the Promotion of European Research), invite you to participate in a discussion (online) between representatives of public research institutions, pharmaceutical industry and government. The discussion will aim to encourage the exchange of innovative ideas, possible actions to support a public-private-partnership approach, new tools for financial support of research, and to better define short-term strategies to give a new direction to SRAs on animal health through collaboration between the different actors.

Participants will be able to actively interact in the discussion and express ideas and needs using their smartphone.
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PROGRAMME

14.00 -14.10  
Welcome introduction and instructions for the interactive participation

Introduction to the day  
Hein Imberechts,  
CWG-AHW—Chair

Briefing to set interactive tool for your active participation  
Matteo Sabini,  
APRE

14:10-15:10  
Talks

Moderator: Stefano Messori,  
STAR-IDAZ IRC/World Organisation for Animal health (OIE)

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| COVID-19 as accelerator of multidisciplinary research approach.     | Ilaria Capua,  
Head of the One Health Center of Excellence for Research and Training, University of Florida, USA |
| The role of wildlife in emerging threats.                           | Linfa Wang,  
Director of the Programme in Emerging Infectious Diseases at Duke-NUS Medic School, Singapore |
| ZAPI modular vaccine approach as an answer to pandemic and panzootic disease threats. | J. Christophe Audonnet,  
Senior Director, Vaccines R&D, Coordinator of ZAPI IMI Project, (Zoonoses Anticipation and Preparedness Initiative) Boehringer Ingelheim Animal Health France |
| Emerging threats: how close are we to being able to predict the next pandemic. | Mark Woolhouse,  
Chair of Infectious Diseases Epidemiology, Usher Institute, University of Edinburgh, UK |
| STAR-IDAZ IRC: improving the focus of the research effort to deliver the necessary disease control tools. | Alex Morrow,  
Chair of STAR-IDAZ IRC Secretariat and International Evidence Lead Animal Health and Welfare at Defra, UK |
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15:10 – 16.10  Round table and mutual learning session

Other invited speakers for the round table:

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<td>Arjan Stegeman</td>
<td>Full professor of Farm Animal Health and Epidemiology of Infectious Diseases at Utrecht University The Netherlands</td>
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| Jean Charles Cavitte | Research Policy Officer
Unit B2: Research and Innovation
European Commission, DG AGRI |
| Hein Imberechts      | Coordinator One Health EJP/Chair CWG AHW                                              |
| Luke O’Neill         | Professor of biochemistry in the School of Biochemistry and Immunology at Trinity College Dublin and Founder Director, Trinity Biomedical Sciences Institute, Trinity College, Dublin |

The speakers will discuss with quick snapshot replies on the themes of the event within a round table.

Workshop audience will be actively involved in the discussion through the use of their smartphone, suggesting questions and solutions on the discussed themes.

All contributions will be collected in a final reporting following the web event.

16.20  Conclusion
Scientific committee

from CWG AHW and STAR-IDAZ IRC

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