



**African Union**

**Interafrican Bureau for Animal Resources**

# AU-IBAR SPS related Activities

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# History of AU-IBAR

- 1951**     **Interafrican Bureau of Epizootic Diseases (IBED)**  
aimed at rinderpest eradication
  
  - 1956**     **Interafrican Bureau for Animal Health (IBAH)**  
transformed to widen the scope
  
  - 1965**     **Part of OAU**  
integrated as a regional technical office
  
  - 1970**     **Interafrican Bureau for Animal Resources (IBAR)**  
to reflect the expansion into livestock production issues
- AU-IBAR has been specialized technical office of the AUC-DREA from 2003**



# About AU-IBAR

## For whom?

- AU Member States and RECs

## To achieve which goal?

- To enhance the contribution of animal resources to economic growth and food and nutrition security and poverty reduction on the continent.



# Vision / Mission / Mandate

**Vision:** An Africa in which animal resources contribute significantly to the reduction of poverty and hunger.

**Mission:** To provide leadership in the development of animal resources for Africa through supporting and empowering AU Member States and Regional Economic Communities

**Mandate:** To support and coordinate the utilization of animals (livestock, fisheries and wildlife) as a resource for human wellbeing in the Member States, and to contribute to economic development, particularly in rural areas



# **IBAR Strategic Programs**

- 1. TADs and Zoonosis**
- 2. Natural Resources Management**
- 3. Investment and Competitiveness**
- 4. Standards and Regulations**
- 5. Policies and Capacity Building**
- 6. Knowledge Management**



# Core functions

- **Provide technical leadership and advisory services**
- **Facilitate development and harmonisation of policies**
- **Coordination of animal resources development matters**
- **Facilitate articulation of common African positions in global processes**
- **Play advocacy role on issues relevant for Africa**
- **Collate, analyse and disseminate data and information**
- **Provide strategic support to countries in emergency situations**



# Reinforcing Veterinary Governance in Africa

## Rationale

**Animal diseases constraint to livestock development and trade of livestock and livestock products**

**Eradication of animal diseases very expensive and very long process (60 years for the rinderpest and more than 200 million euro invested through IBAR )**

**The prevention and control of TADs, zoonoses are national and/or global public good**

**Inadequate investments Public and Private**

**Institutional environment not conducive to the provision of affordable, accessible and sustainable quality veterinary services**



# Reinforcing Veterinary Governance in Africa

- **47 ACP countries - 7 RECs** (+ non ACP states for common positions issues)
- 5 years
- Euro 31.2 M: Euro 30M from EU and Euro 1.2 M AU
- **Objective:** Improve the institutional environment at national and regional levels to provide effective and efficient animal health services in Africa
- 3 levels of intervention:
  - **Advocacy and awareness raising**
  - **CB for formulation (policies, strategies, legislations)**
  - **CB for implementation**





# Activities

## **Result 1: Knowledge and awareness for institutional change enhanced**

**Activity 1: Collating and documenting data to support knowledge creation.**

**Activity: 2 Undertake evidence-based advocacy**

## **Result 2: Institutional capacity for livestock policy formulation, animal health strategies and legislation enhanced**

**Activity 1: Build capacity for livestock policy and AH strategy formulation**

**Activity 2 Build capacity for the review and development of AH legislation**

**Activity 3 Provide guidance for adopting livestock policy, AH strategies and legislation review and harmonisation.**



# Activities (Ct'd)

**Result 3: Institutional capacity for the implementation of policies and enforcement of regulations enhanced**

**Activity 1: Enhance capacities for timely collection, analysis and sharing of accurate sanitary information**

**Activity 2: Strengthen disease prevention and control mechanisms at national and regional level**

**Activity 3: Facilitate the participation of African countries in AH standard setting processes**

**Activity 4: Enhance capacity of RECs and countries to assess the compliance of veterinary services with OIE standards**

**Main expected outcome is to have policies & strategies in place and integrated in national action and investment plans (through CAADP process)**

**PVS and GA are the starting point**



# Implementation

- OIE in charge of quality control on PVS pathway and Capacity building on Vet. Legislation.
- FAO in charge of support to policy analysis and strengthening regional networks
- AU-IBAR in charge of :
  - Overall coordination
  - Support to RECs
  - Inter regional harmonization
  - Advocacy and awareness
- RECs are both: Beneficiaries and Implementing Partners

## Cross-cutting issues:

- **OWOH**
- **PPP**



# Others AU-IBAR's SPS related activities

## Participation of African Nations to Sanitary and Phytosanitary Standard Setting Organizations (PAN-SPSO)

- **Euro 3.855 M ; 3 years – 47 ACP countries**
- **Objective** : Facilitate effective participation of African Countries in the activities of the OIE, IPPC and CAC during the formulation of international SPS standards
- **Activities/achievements:**
  - Common position of African countries in Standard Setting Process
  - Capacities of African countries and mechanisms for participation strengthened
  - SPS related data and information acquired and disseminated (incl. experts database)
  - Establishment/ strengthen National SPS committee



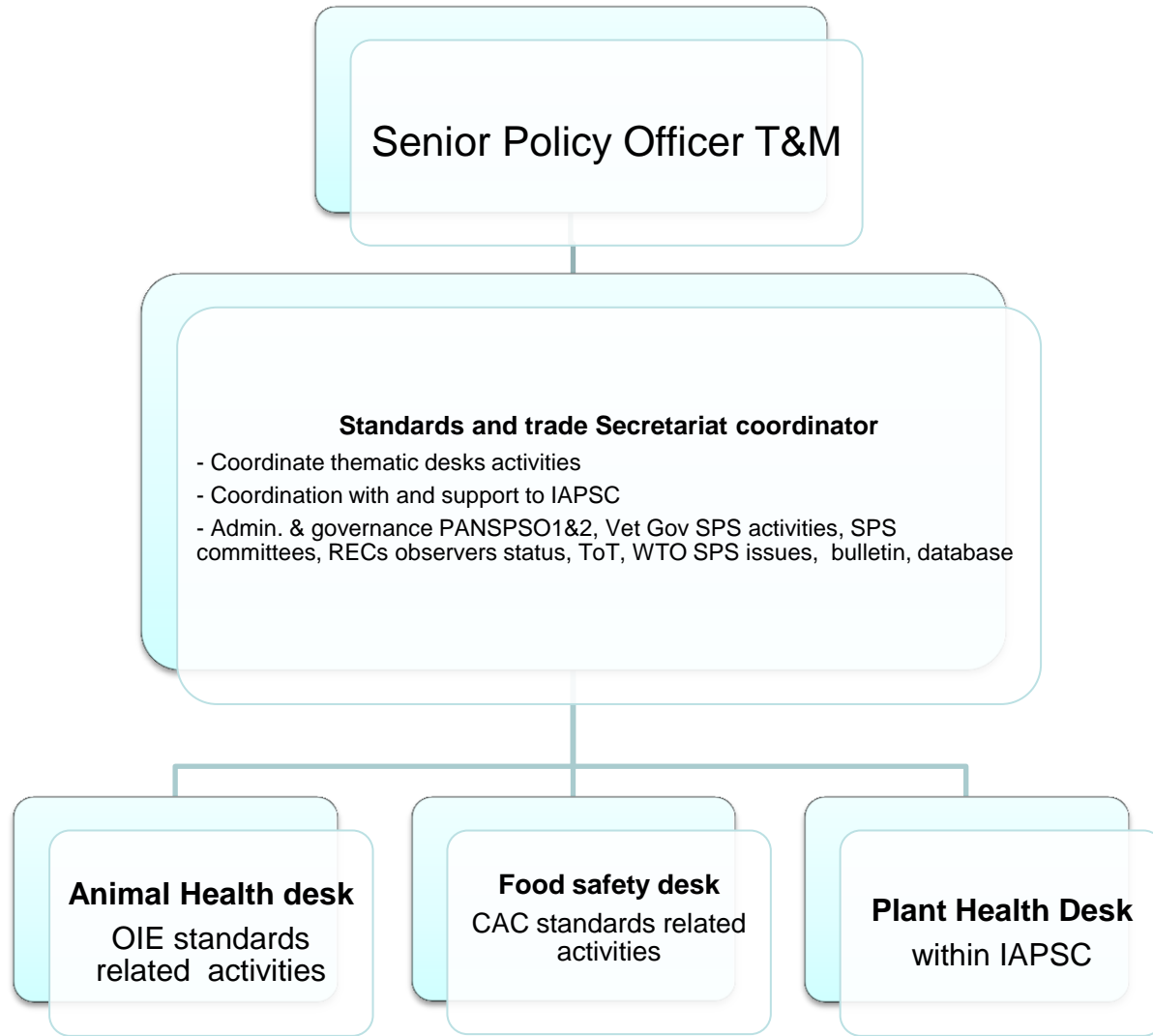
# Others AU-IBAR's SPS related activities

## Establishment of Standard Secretariat

- **Need to address the three components in more equitable way (animal health, plant health and food safety)**
- **Need to deliver on other aspects (information sharing, capacity building)**
- **Strengthen the capacity of IAPSC on PH standard**
- **Need to coordinate multiple funding sources for SPS activities (Vet Gov , PAN-SPSO, PAN-SPSO II etc)**



# Establishment of Standard Secretariat.





# Thank You



**AU-IBAR: Providing leadership in the development of animal resources for Africa**