Options, costs and benefits of Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD) control in the context of livestock trade: Findings from STDF studies in Tanzania and Zimbabwe

STDF Information Session
Room E, Centre William Rappard, WTO
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13.30-15.00

Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) can have an important impact on livestock populations worldwide by reducing livestock productivity and affecting food security. At the same time, the presence, or even threat, of FMD has a major impact on trade, preventing access to international markets. Effectively controlling and managing FMD depends on significantly improved capacity in national veterinary services, as well as other actors in livestock value chains. It also requires substantial resources. Different options exist to control and manage FMD, in line with the OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code (TAHC). Different strategies also exist to export livestock products from areas with FMD. In general, these options are costly, and investments need to be balanced against resulting benefits.

This information session will present findings on the costs, benefits and feasibility of the following two studies, which were conducted in 2017 by the Royal Veterinary College, as part of STDF Project Preparation Grants (PPGs) in Tanzania and Zimbabwe:

- Feasibility of establishing a fresh meat producing compartment in Zimbabwe (STDF/PPG/550)
- Cost-Benefit Analysis for establishing a Foot and Mouth Disease Free Zone or Compartment in Tanzania (STDF/PPG/516)

The session will take place in English (no interpretation is available)

Tentative Programme
13:30: Welcome remarks, STDF Secretariat
13:40: Keynote presentation, Barbara Häslter, Royal Veterinary College, UK
14:10: Panel discussion: Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Brazil (tbc)
14:30: Q&A

Light sandwich lunch served outside the meeting room from 13:00

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