

Advanced experts trained to deliver OIE's new PVS Pathway

PVS Pathway experts are a core component of the OIE's capacity to deliver the PVS Pathway¹, including its recent evolution. The *PVS Pathway Advanced Experts Training Workshop – Delivering PVS Pathway Evolution* was therefore held on 26-28 March 2019 at OIE Headquarters in Paris, France, gathering 88 participants with the financial support of the UK Government Fleming Fund.

Context

In 2017, at the 10-year anniversary of the PVS Pathway, to avoid complacency and to recognise the variability of Member Country outcomes, the OIE launched a dedicated process of PVS Pathway evolution. This culminated in the PVS Pathway Think Tank Forum (April 2017), where OIE Member Countries, OIE staff, PVS Pathway experts and OIE partners all worked together to agree on a range of action ideas to evolve the OIE PVS Pathway programme for the future. These action ideas have been further developed by the OIE via ongoing consultation, planning and piloting, and include a range of new options for OIE Member Countries to better tailor their PVS Pathway engagement based on their governance and technical needs. The new PVS Pathway was launched at the last OIE General Session through a dedicated on-site 'kiosk' and is represented by the new PVS Pathway Cycle diagram below.



The PVS Pathway

¹ A global programme for the sustainable improvement of a country's Veterinary Services' compliance with OIE standards on the quality of Veterinary Services.

Purpose and content

The main purpose of this workshop was to inform, enlist and train OIE's most experienced PVS Pathway experts in delivering PVS Pathway evolution, including its new elements, so the OIE's capacity to deliver the 'evolved PVS Pathway' to interested Member Countries is enhanced.

This involved:

- Providing updated information on PVS Pathway evolution.
- Updating and training on the 2019 7th Edition of the *PVS Tool* so experts can use it confidently, particularly to assess the two new Critical Competencies on 'Antimicrobial Resistance and Antimicrobial Use', and 'Veterinary Clinical Services'.
- Providing updated information on OIE engagement with its PVS Pathway experts.
- Exercises on communications relevant to PVS Pathway experts, including messaging for target audiences on PVS Pathway evolution.
- Providing specialist training on delivering new elements or reinforcing existing elements of the PVS Pathway, as included in the new PVS Pathway Cycle diagram above. This includes:
 - PVS Pathway Orientation trainings
 - PVS Pathway missions with specific content (PPR or rabies)
 - PVS Strategic planning support
 - One Health Integration (PVS Pathway and links to the WHO's International Health Regulations)
 - PVS Aquatic
 - PVS Sustainable Laboratories
- Providing an innovative electronic forum for a two-way exchange on the newer elements of OIE strengthening Veterinary Services activities, including global capacity building priorities of Veterinary Services and the evolution of the OIE training system.

Strong feedback has been received from participants to the training, all of whom are keen to now be deployed by the OIE to deliver its new PVS Pathway in support of Member Countries all over the world.



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