



# OIE World Animal Health Information System (OIE-WAHIS) Regional workshops on the new OIE-WAHIS



The OIE World Animal Health Information System (<u>OIE-WAHIS</u>) is the new platform used by OIE Members worldwide to notify OIE Headquarters of animal diseases. In February 2020, three\* workshops were organised to introduce OIE Members to this new platform. These workshops took place in <u>Panama City</u>, <u>Panama</u>, <u>Tunis</u>, <u>Tunisia</u> and <u>Paris</u>, <u>France</u>, and were attended by around 215 participants, all of whom are involved in notifying the OIE of animal disease outbreaks.

To facilitate the process, participants completed the new **OIE-WAHIS e-learning** training before attending. This helped them to gain an understanding of the new technological features of OIE-WAHIS in advance of the workshops.

During the workshops, participants tried a preliminary version of the new platform, entered data, viewed new reporting functionalities and discussed best practices when reporting to the OIE.

All of the key steps of the reporting process were reviewed – from creating a report to its verification by the OIE, to validating the data and publishing it on the public interface – and the initial response from participants was positive.

OIE-WAHIS will strengthen the real time collection and dissemination of information on animal health and disease events worldwide through its intuitive reporting process, variety of new functions, and user-friendly design. In addition, the new public interface and mobile alert app will further facilitate the use and distribution of validated data.

\*The fourth workshop scheduled to take place in Tokyo was cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. The OIE is currently exploring alternative ways of delivering this workshop before the launch of OIE-WAHIS.



### More information:

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Training the National Focal Points for Animal Disease Notification of Europe to support the launch of the new OIE-WAHIS platform.

Read more.

# **OIE-WAHIS**

Learn more about the new <u>OIE-WAHIS platform here</u>.

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